

# KSBA NEWSLETTER

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- Career at Morehead State—All OVC
- “If you’re going to start bowling, come in and try to have fun...”
- “Listen to what the bowlers are saying...”

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## JIM DAY—KSBA PRESIDENT

“People don’t realize how tough it is to make it in pro sports, how few openings there are in any of the sports” commented Jim Day in a recent interview. He further added “the competition is so strong, you also need to have a great head on your shoulders to be able to handle being a pro athlete.”

Jim has had the experience of being drafted by two pro basketball teams back in 1971. While not making the roster of either team he considered it an honor to have the opportunity to try out. Unlike some of the athletes in today’s world Mr. Day had something to fall back on and he became a math teacher and basketball coach at Putnam Junior High School and Paul Blazer High School. After that Jim continued on as a teacher, coach

and administrator at Fairview Independent Schools. While serving as administrator for Fairview Schools Mr. Day became the district finance officer and for 15 years served in that capacity before retiring. Jim had been involved in the education field for 38 years.

Mr. Day became involved with bowling when he was about 10-12 years old. His dad worked several blocks up the road from Blue Ribbon Lanes and he would drop Jim off around 7:30 in the morning at Blue Ribbon Lanes. Jim would kill time doing odd jobs around the bowling center for no pay but he was able to bowl for free. He became involved in the junior leagues and upon entering his high school years bowled on a Monday Night league run by Carl

Riggle.

By his junior year in high school Jim was focused on his bowling but was asked to play basketball. Not knowing a whole lot about the sport Jim continued bowling, leaving basketball practice early on Monday nights to continue bowling in that league. The basketball coach allowed Jim to do this perhaps realizing that if he pushed him, Jim would have chosen bowling over basketball. Eventually though Jim got hooked on basketball and realized that there wasn’t enough time for both. Jim chose basketball and that choice led to the success he enjoyed in the sport. In one game during his senior year Jim scored 60 points and pulled down 30 rebounds. That was a school record. Not bad for some-

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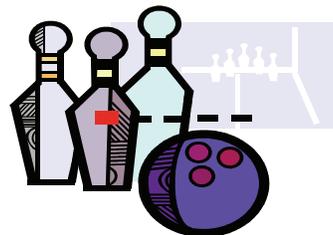
## KY SENIORS IN NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

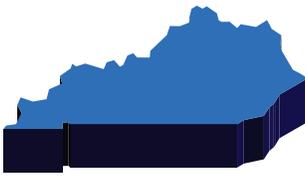
Congratulations are in order to the five Seniors from the State of Kentucky who placed in the USBC National Seniors Tournament held in Reno, Nevada June 29-30, 2010. The five were:

Paul Davidson of Owensboro, KY finishing 10th in

the Super Seniors Class, Charles Layell of Nicholasville, KY who finished in a tie for 13th place in the Class A Division, Gary Critser of Princeton, KY who placed 6th in the Class B Division, Jackie Skipworth of Burksville, KY who placed 3rd in the Class C Division and Bill

Andrews of Corbin, KY who finished in 4th place in the Class D Division.





## STATE JAMBOREE HELD IN CORBIN, KY

The Kentucky State Bowling Association held their annual State Jamboree this year in Corbin, KY the weekend of July 10-11, 2010.

On Saturday the various committees met to go over items brought up at the Annual Meeting held in Bowling Green this past November. Before the directors split up to have their committee meetings there was time for complaints, thoughts and ideas related to the sport of bowling.

There were a number of complaints about the USBC ranging from the dislike of the award magnets to what is trying to be shoved down our throats at the USBC Convention held in Arlington, TX. In regards to the magnets it was mentioned that the USBC has come up with an alternative and it remains to be seen if this idea will be positively received. It's generally thought that the USBC has no idea

what the local bowlers really want.

The basic theory is that the USBC, along with the BPAA, are trying to get rid of the state and local associations. The bowling centers will be running everything instead of the associations and it has already started with the youth. The initial results of this are not good.

There was some talk about going independent and that idea is being looked at by several local associations. It was brought up that if the Southern Bowling Congress went out on it's own and dropped from the USBC that it could survive.

The awards seem to be a concern as the bowlers are not being recognized for their achievements as they were in the past. The USBC has done away with a lot of the awards previously handed out. Several associations plan on doing their own awards—rings, patches, etc.

There was concern that if the USBC raises the rates again that a number of bowlers would quit. It is true that bowling has become more expensive and the bowling centers aren't helping matters either as they are raising their rates too. Maybe if they remember that the number, or volume, of bowlers is what brings in the money—not raising the fees/rates.

The basic idea here is that bowlers are wondering what do they get for their high fees when they sanction? Nothing is the overwhelming response and people are wondering why the numbers are dropping.

Other concerns were raised also. One dealt with the average age of the bowler, which is increasing. Another was that the Junior Gold winner from Kentucky was not selected for the Team USA where normally Junior Gold winners are selected.

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one who never played organized basketball until his junior year in high school. College coaches started to notice his playing abilities and Jim chose to play for Morehead State. Back in those days (the 60's and early 70's) freshman could only play on a freshman team. Jim continued to work on his game and in his sophomore year saw limited

playing time as there were 10-12 seniors on the team. He was ready to play and when his junior year rolled around Jim saw a lot of action. In one game that year against the University of Florida, in the Sunshine Classic, on December 1, 1969 Jim scored 39 points as Morehead won 82-73. During his junior and senior years he averaged 22 points, 11 rebounds and 24 points,

14 rebounds respectively, earning All-OVC First Team honors each year. He was also named to several regional All-American teams as well. His ability at the college level earned him the opportunity at the pro level as evidenced by his being drafted by the Portland Trail Blazers and Utah Stars. This would eventually lead Jim to be inducted into the

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Another topic involved the use of celebrities to promote bowling. Why not use a bowler instead of someone from another sport (one example being Chris Paul from the NBA)? One suggestion was that bowlers need to be seen on other channels instead of just ESPN.

As one can see, a number of items, plus others not mentioned in this newsletter, were brought up in discussion. After the discussions ended the directors went into their committee meetings. Among those that met were the Tournament, Hall of Fame, and Policy and Procedures Committees.

Sunday saw the discussion, and review, of what the committees went over. From this point it was determined whether the items were to be brought up before the delegates at the Annual Meeting to be held in Ashland, KY this coming November.

After the meeting was called to order the roll call of the associations was made. The minutes from the last meeting (Annual Meeting in Bowling Green) were then approved.

The first committee to have something to say was the Tournament Structure and Site Committee. The first item was changing the number of lanes required at each center. Because of the

decline in the number of houses it was suggested that the lane requirements be adjusted to one house having a minimum of 20 lanes and the other having 12 lanes. This was passed with no problem. Next on the plate was that the Senior Tournament date be changed from February to the 2nd full weekend in April to allow for better weather conditions providing the USBC does not move the USBC Seniors Championships to that weekend. The next item brought up was that the host association for the State Tournament have the option of having a Friday evening slate available for the tournament. This will possibly help those who have to travel the farthest in the state and give them the opportunity to get back to their homes at a more reasonable time. Another item was that the rotation boundaries were made to match both the Policy & Procedures and Bylaws.

The Policy & Procedures Committee made a change to allow the Hall of Fame deadline to be extended to Saturday, the day of the Jamboree, since no one sees the nominations until the Jamboree. The Hall of Fame Committee was next and they mentioned that there were no nominations for this year.

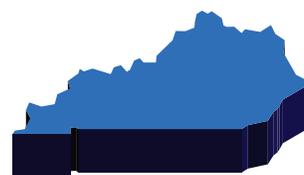
The Audit Committee and Nomination Committee said that they would be meeting

at the Annual Meeting in November.

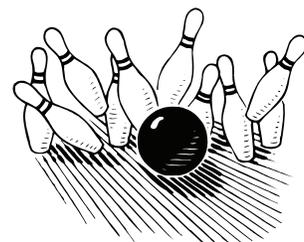
Tournament Director Jim Day (also the KSBA President) then brought up that they added a 7pm shift on Saturday night because the house hosting the Team event has only 12 lanes (only 10 can be used to allow 2 to be set aside for lane break downs). Also a Friday night shift was added for the Team event for the first weekend only so that directors and delegates traveling from places like Bowling Green or Paducah can have the option of bowling Friday evening, do singles and doubles on Saturday and then attend the Annual Meeting on Sunday morning before heading back home.

Next up was Ray Long who said that the 2011 State Tournament will be held in Lexington and negotiations are currently going on to see where the tournament sites will be. Could possibly be one center, like the last time the State Tournament was held in Lexington, or two centers. Depends on the response from the proprietors. Lexington also accepted the bid for the 2011 Senior State Tournament.

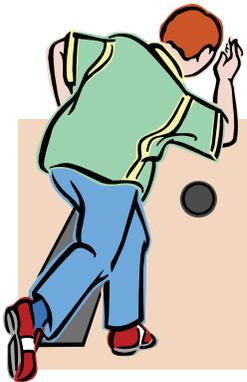
The Jamboree meeting was then adjourned in honor of Carl Riggle, past President and Life Member of the Kentucky State Bowling Association.



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## TIPS TO A BETTER GAME

This article addresses how a bowler can improve his or hers game, not only during the summer, but throughout the year. Information presented here comes from discussions with Jim Dunn (owner of Bluegrass Bowling and Golf Supply, Inc.) and through the use of the Bronze Level Reference Manual from USBC Coaching (a USBC Coaching Certification Manual).

It's suggested that to achieve better results a bowler needs to have a coach. This coach can be one who is certified through the USBC or someone who has better ability/talent than the student. The coaches role is to “observe, listen, identify items of concern, develop a plan for change and incorporate individualized changes” (pg. 4-4 USBC Coaching Reference Manual).

One of the things a bowler has to work on is their mental game in addition to

his or hers physical game. A coach can help a bowler with this, especially in the area of form and execution. There are four steps to the mental process—“Prepare for success, engineer a successful game, see yourself performing and perform” (pg. 5-45 USBC Coaching Reference Manual). This does not mean one has to be unsociable while bowling in a league or tournament. Many bowlers, over the years, have commented that they have enjoyed the fellowship and making new friends through bowling but have had the capacity to follow through on the mental process while bowling.

Preparing for success starts before a bowler arrives at the bowling center. A good night's sleep would be ideal as well as having eaten before bowling for it would be one less distraction.

“No matter what goes wrong that day” a bowler's

mind “should be set on performing to the best of their ability” according to the USBC Coaching Reference Manual. Music, developing a clear mental image of how a bowler will perform, relaxing and remaining calm during a game will all lead to developing a positive mental mind set. If you can visualize it you can do it.

Engineering a successful game starts at the arrival at the bowling center. Once there you should determine what the lane conditions are, what type of bowling ball to use, what type of game to play, what angle to use and whatever adaptations are needed to parallel existing lane conditions. This should be done before you start to bowl, or at the latest, during your practice time in warm-ups.

By the time one approaches the ball return to pick up the ball you should already know what you are going to

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## CORKY STEINMETZ—KSBA ASSOC. MANAGER



Photo provided by Corky Steinmetz

“My primary purpose in bowling is for the fellowship. It is also the reason I'm the KSBA Association Manager. You don't do it for the money—you do it for the fellowship” commented Corky Steinmetz when asked why he bowls. Corky has served as the State Association Manager since 1972-73 when he took over the duties from Eugene Wells of Louisville. Most

would agree that Mr. Steinmetz has performed his duties well, keeping meticulous records dating back to the 1960's. Corky has also been the local association manager for Owensboro Association for about 44 years. He stated that “I ran for secretary of the local association because they knew everything that was going on.”

Corky was born in 1933 and grew up in the Evansville, Indiana area before moving to Owensboro in 1959. While in high school Steinmetz became quite a pitcher for the Central High School baseball team and was drafted by the Washington Senators in 1952. He spent the next several years in the minor league system playing for the Roanoke

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do. A bowler needs to be visualizing how their ball will be traveling down the lane and what is needed to make that happen.

All thinking should be done before picking up the ball. If you’re thinking about it in your stance you’ll tend to over analyze and get yourself in trouble. When you pick up your ball just go perform. Plenty of practice during the off season should help one get to this point and that is “not to be thinking about the individual details but the overall picture of what you’re doing” (pg. 5-30 USBC Coaching Reference Manual).

Mental preparation is just one part of bowling. Another part would be the physical preparation. There are some who consider bowling to be a sport that does not require the preparation that maybe football, baseball or hockey needs. Maybe so but there are some things a bowler should consider before bowling in a

league or tournament setting. Proper conditioning can reduce the number of bowling related injuries.

As with any kind of conditioning program one may need to consult with a qualified physician before beginning their program. A bowler should exercise on a regular basis and walking and/or jogging would be two things to consider. These are good conditioning exercises and help with keeping the leg muscles in shape. If the legs aren’t in shape and are feeling a little sore this could lead to possible muscle strains in the arm, shoulder, or back as other parts of the body over compensate. Some weightlifting would be ideal also, not to the point where one is working out for hours and wind up with sore muscles, but more for overall conditioning. Being out of shape “will cost athletes in the late frames of a long match” (pg. 5-32 USBC Coaching reference Manual).

The walking, jogging, and weightlifting are things a

bowler can do year round. Before each game there are some stretching exercises one can do to limber up the muscles and joints. To increase the blood flow to certain muscles a bowler can do jumping jacks, running in place, arm swings, shoulder circles and torso twists. Stretching the quadriceps, triceps, forearm extensors and flexors, neck and shoulder stretch, calf stretch, knee and thigh stretch, achilles stretch and toe touches are designed to limber areas used most while bowling. The best time to use these are after one finishes bowling. A more detailed explanation of these exercises can be found in the USBC Bronze Level Coaching Reference Manual. If you can’t locate a coaching manual, a competent exercise book or physical therapist can suggest similar exercises.

A big thank you goes out to Jim Dunn and the use of his USBC Coaching reference Manual. If anyone has any

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## KENTUCKY STATE BOWLING ASSOCIATION

### 55th ANNUAL KENTUCKY STATE HANDICAP BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Sanctioned By  
The United States  
Bowling Congress

Conducted By:

**Greater Ashland Bowling Association**

Added Prize  
Money—\$6500  
Plus

#### TEAM EVENT:

*Spartan Recreation—Ironton, OH*

Saturday, November 6th—9:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM, 7:00 PM  
Sunday, November 7th—9:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM  
Saturday, November 13th & 20th—9:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM  
Sunday, November 14th & 21st—9:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM

#### SINGLES & DOUBLES:

*Blue Ribbon Lanes—Ashland, KY*

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Morehead Athletic Hall of Fame.

Though things didn't work out in pro basketball Jim enjoyed a great career in the education field. It was during this time Jim got back into bowling during the mid 80's. Mr. Day never lost touch with Carl Riggle and through their friendship Jim became involved as the local association manager in the Ashland area. Jim also got involved with the state association.

One of the reasons Jim got back into bowling was "I really enjoyed the sport. I truly enjoy the atmosphere. It's fun to be with people, travel, go to different places, be with those in the local and state associations. I really enjoy the people I bowl with and now that I have moved to Northern Kentucky I'm meeting more people."

Jim is a pretty decent and competitive bowler. Remembering what he learned at Blue Ribbon Lanes when growing up it wasn't long before he regained his form. On September 25, 1997 Jim bowled a 300 game which brought up a funny story. "Funny thing about that 300 game was that I made the first 11 in a row and the machine broke down" recalled Jim. He added "I had to wait 10-15 minutes while they fixed the machine. Kind of nerve wracking if you asked me, waiting to throw

that 12th ball." His best series was a 778 and his best average was a 209 which was accomplished seven years ago.

When asked if there was something you could change in the sport of bowling, what would it be and why, Jim's immediate response was to "get more youth involved in the sport." He mentioned "A lot of bowlers are getting old and we need to get more youth involved. We've talked about it on the local and state association. Not sure on what the answer is."

Another area of concern was getting more people entered in the local city tournament and state tournament. "Tried all sorts of things to get more people involved in the city tournament—offered prize fund increases, more money to the winners." In talking about the state tournament Jim said "It will be interesting to see the number for this year's tournament. First time in 12 years it's been here. There has been a movement to have the state tournament centrally located, to potentially draw more people, but I'd like to see it rotate from zone to zone each year so that each region of the state gets a chance to host the tournament. It's been a hotly debated topic at the Jamboree and Annual Meeting but the tournament shouldn't be at one location every year or every other year."

For someone just starting out in bowling Jim recommends that one "should enjoy themselves." He further added "If you're going to start bowling, come in and try to have fun and try to do it right. Most aren't going to make a living out of bowling and we're not going to make enough money winning a league to finance anything. Have fun, enjoy yourself, and try to compete. If you lose, you lose and if you win, you win and go on from there."

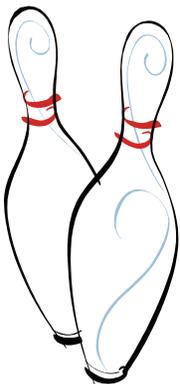
As already touched on in this article youth is the key to the future of bowling. Mr. Day commented that "We need to get younger people involved in the associations. If you have young people in your association, maybe they can get some ideas on how to attract bowlers to the leagues. When you're 60 years old you lose touch with the 18 year old as far as bowling is concerned. The state has got to sanction high school bowling and find a way to allow a kid to perhaps chose both football or basketball and bowling."

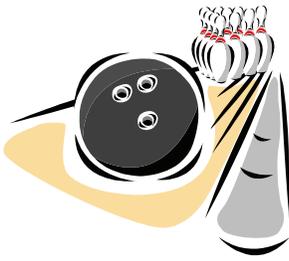
Something that needs to be improved is the USBC awards program. Jim's view is that "The awards program has deteriorated enough to where I'm not sure there is an awards program." He added "There has got to be something to award bowlers for what they accomplish. Some recognition of some kind. One

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year it is the magnets and now they're promising something different. It's going to be interesting to see what kind of moves they're going to make with the awards.”

Jim had a suggestion for the individual trying to succeed as a bowling center proprietor, he said “The bowling center should have great Friday and Saturday nights and keep the leagues up—it's guaranteed money.” He suggested that the proprietor “Listen to what the bowlers are saying, maybe not do everything they say, but try to accommodate

bowlers as best as they can.”

One of Jim's proudest accomplishments, besides being married, was being inducted into the Morehead Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996. “When you consider who has been inducted before, people like Phil Simms, it just blows my mind” mentions Jim and he adds “It is a great honor indeed.”

When not being involved with bowling Jim enjoys playing a round of golf or two. He sports a handicap of about a 16, essentially bogey golf. He also enjoys spending time with his wife

of almost 40 years, Mary Jo and his two children, Matthew and Jamie, and his grandchildren. It was for this reason that he moved to Northern Kentucky earlier this year to be closer to everyone.

Jim currently serves as the Kentucky State Bowling Association President after having served as vice president for three years (he replaced an individual who stepped down for personal reasons). He will continue as President until the end of this year where Ray Long, of Frankfort, will assume the role of President for the following one year term.



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Rapid Jays of the Coastal Plain League, Charlotte Hornets of the Tri-State League, plus the Hagerstown Packets and Sunbury Redlegs of the Piedmont League before leaving baseball to begin his career in mechanical maintenance in 1955. While playing minor league baseball Corky served a stint in the U.S. Army where he suffered an arm injury leading to his eventual demise in baseball. His best year was in 1952 for the Roanoke Rapids team where he went 14-12 in 32 games.

Mr. Steinmetz became involved with bowling in 1957 when the company he was working for started up a

league. Though he didn't know a lot about the sport he signed up anyway and has been bowling ever since. His highest game was a 287 and has rolled a couple of series over 700. Corky's best average was a 194 which he did in the 1980's. He has placed 4th in doubles in the Southern Bowling Congress Tournament when it was in Birmingham and won the Team title in the KSBA Association Tournament when it was in Louisville during the 1970's.

“It would be nice if the lane conditions were back to the way they were when there was a crown, you earned your scores under those conditions” remarked Corky when he thought about what he would like to

change in bowling. He added that “a crown was where you had little oil or none on the edge boards on either side of the lane and increasing the amount of oil towards the center.” This pattern is similar to what one may see in a sport league in today's time. “Today, all that is required, is 3 units of oil and the lanes can be dressed any way a house wants to. People are spoiled with today's lane conditions and the USBC will not do anything about it in fear of losing more memberships” mused Mr. Steinmetz.

Another area of concern Corky mentioned is that “Proprietors of bowling alleys are pricing themselves

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out of allowing people to bowl. A lot of people cannot afford to bowl as a result. The lineage for the leagues needs to change. The owners ought to lower the rate at least a \$1 for example. They think they're losing money, but if the lower rates bring in more people, both sides will be happy. More people bring in more dollars—not only will they be bowling, they'll be ordering food and drink, plus maybe an arcade game or two afterwards. Lower rates make the bowlers happy and more money makes the owners happy. Where I live the kind of jobs that are available do not allow a person the chance to bowl. Money is tight and there is a lot of competition from other sports.”

This leads to another point that the number of participants in bowling is declining. Besides the aforementioned problem of proprietors raising their lineage or rates, and the competition from other venues, Mr. Steinmetz added “A young family with children spend their time ferrying the kids from one event to another, leaving no time for bowling.”

In looking at the USBC, Corky pondered a moment and then remarked that “The USBC needs to do a better job of intermingling with the state associations. They're expecting a lot out of the state association but

not doing a whole lot in return. We do have representation at the Jamboree every other year, but it use to be every year. They need to do a better job of helping to get the information out and it's not happening.” Mr. Steinmetz added that “the USBC Field Representative use to stop by and visit with the local association manager and go over everything plus answer any questions. They don't do that anymore and we're lucky to see them at the Jamboree. It would be a great idea if the USBC Field Rep would mix with the bowlers like they use to. They would find out what things are really like on the local level instead of sitting in a cushy office. Granted it would be an expense with the traveling but at least they would be doing something for the bowlers.”

Don't know if anyone has noticed with this interview but Corky Steinmetz likes to talk. He has a wealth of information and doesn't mind sharing it with those who are genuinely interested. When asked if he could be someone else for a day Corky volunteered that “with the baseball knowledge I have I'd like to be a manager of a major league baseball team for one day—his team of choice would be the Atlanta Braves as he has followed them since they were in Boston (formerly the Boston Braves).

When the topic of bowling at one location versus being

able to bowl anywhere Mr. Steinmetz offered “It depends on the individual and what he wants out of bowling. You have to be able to recognize lane conditions outside of what you're use to bowling in your home location. Doesn't hurt to throw a practice game or two at a different center to get an idea of what they are like. You can also tell what the house is like by looking at the league average sheets. If the averages are high then you know that house has an easy shot. If the averages are low then you know the shot is difficult. Watching bowlers practice is another way to gauge what a center is like.”

For someone starting out in the sport of bowling Corky mentioned that you need to “practice, practice and practice.” He suggested that you could either use an instructional book on bowling or use a friend who is a better bowler and has good technique. He suggested that you have your friend show you some of the fundamentals to work on. Corky said that “You need to know what to do with the fundamentals and how to handle them to get the ball to do what you want it to do. It's all coordination and everything has to be precisely done to accomplish the end result.”

When not bowling Corky likes to spend some time woodworking. He has a shop behind his house and

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makes whatever he wants to make. He used to play golf but hasn't played in about five years. Camping is something he enjoys also. Corky doesn't mind reading the paper over a cup of coffee either. In essence Mr. Steinmetz is enjoying his retirement after having worked for 41 years, the last 26 1/2 years as a supervisor. He enjoys getting up in the morning and turning off the alarm clock so he can go back to sleep. In his mind Corky states "I've earned the right to do that—I've been working since after grade school. I go to bed when I want to, get up when I want to, do what

I want to because there isn't any time element most of the time like there was when I was working."

Corky has been married to Wanda for almost 29 years. They were high school sweethearts and during their senior year (1951) they split up. Wanda wound up getting married to someone else that December and Corky didn't marry until January 1959. With his first wife they had three children (Tammy, Charles Jr. and Scott). In 1970 they divorced and Corky remained single until marrying Wanda years later. Corky and Wanda got reacquainted in 1980 when he ran into Wanda in a mall in Evansville

six weeks after her first husband had passed away. After a dinner date they continued to date for about a year before getting married. Wanda had two children (Daniel and Debbie) from her first marriage.

In closing Corky had a funny story to share about when he was in the Army and playing minor league baseball. He recalls "that in 1953 he was in basic training and had to do a lot of marching. One thing though was that during these marches he was usually riding in an ambulance because the base commander (who happened to be a baseball fan) ordered that he do so. This was not Corky's idea but it irritated the Master Sergeant of the Company who was wondering how this was to be and grumbled about it. The reasoning was that the base commander didn't want Corky to wear himself out because he was playing for the post's baseball team."

## IN MEMORY OF.....

### CARL RIGGLE, JR. (1927-2009)

Carl Henderson Riggle, Jr., husband of Mary Riggle of Ashland, passed away Wednesday, December 23, 2009, following an extended illness.

Carl was born on September 2, 1927, in Ashland, to the late Carl and Lois Holmes Riggle Sr. Carl proudly served in the U.S. Navy and retired from Armco Steel as a brick mason. He was a member of the Steel Workers Union, Poage Lodge 325 F & AM, Ashland Elks Lodge BPOE, Ashland Bowling Hall of Fame and the Kentucky State Bowling Hall of Fame. Carl was one of the found-

ing members and a life member of the Kentucky State Bowling Association.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother (Paul Riggle), and four sisters (Phyllis Hayner, Joan Riggle, Virginia Lee and Mary Lou Keffer). Survivors included his wife, Mary Margaret Conley Riggle; a son, Jeffrey Scott Riggle; a daughter, Marcia Harris (Dan); a sister, Marlene Wheeler (Butch) and two grandchildren (Chris Harris and Wade Riggle).

### RON PUGH (1957-2010)

Ronald Layne Pugh, 52, husband of Linda Lowry

Pugh of Lexington, passed away on August 7, 2010, following a short illness.

Ron was born in 1957, in Pikeville, to Eural and Hazel Justice Pugh. Ron was the sole proprietor of Ron Pugh Plumbing, Inc. He was also a Vice President of the Lexington Area Bowling Association and a director in the Kentucky State Bowling Association.

Ron was also survived by his daughter, Amanda Grace Pugh; son, Jared Lowry Pugh; sister, Marian (Mike) York; brothers Rodney (Karen) Pugh, Brian Pugh and Kenneth (Lainie) Pugh and several sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews.



Remember that lane courtesy is very important when you're bowling. It doesn't matter whether you're in a league setting or just open bowling. Look to your left and right to see if someone has started their approach. Wait until they're finished before you begin.

**DID YOU KNOW.....**

**ADDRESS**—A bowler's starting position, not to be confused with a street address.

**APPLE**—Bowling ball

**ARROWS**—Aiming points embedded in the lane, not to be confused with what the Indians shot in the 1700's and 1800's.

**BEDPOSTS**—The 7-10 split, also known as the goal posts.

**BACK END**—The last 15 feet of the lane before the pins, not to be confused with someone's back end.

**BIG EARS**—the 4-6-7-10 split, also known as the big four.

**BOOMER**—A person who throws a big hooking ball, not the former Cincinnati Bengal quarterback.

**BUCKET**—Four pin diamond on the sides or center of the lane (2-4-5-8, 3-5-6-9 or 1-2-3-5).

**BUZZARD**—Three split frames in a row.

**CHICKEN WING**—The movement of the elbow as it moves away from the body.

**CHRISTMAS TREE**—the 3-7-10 or 2-7-10.

**CLOTHESLINE**—The 1-2-4-7 or 1-3-6-10.

**FAITH, HOPE, CHARITY**—The 2-7-10 or 3-7-10 splits.

**GREEK CHURCH**—The 4-6-7-8-9 or 4-6-7-9-10 pins left.

**KEGLER**—German word for a bowler, also may be used to describe bowlers for many years.

**LILY**—The 5-7-10 split, also known as the sour apple.

**SLIDE**—The last step of

the delivery.

**STEPLADDER**—A competition in which lower qualifiers bowl for the right to bowl against the next highest qualifier.

**VACANCY**—A score given to a team when they do not have a full roster in a league.

**WASHOUT**—The 1-2-10 or 1-2-4-10 for right handers and the 1-3-7 or 1-3-6-7 for lefties.

**WEIGHT BLOCK**—Part of the core or interior of a bowling ball, also the area of the ball that is drilled.

**NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE**

**ZONE A**—They are hosting the 55th Annual Kentucky State Handicap Bowling Tournament in Ashland. Dates are Nov 6-7, 13-14 and 20-21, 2010.

**ZONE B**—They will be hosting the 29th Annual Kentucky State Seniors Tournament and the 56th Annual Kentucky State Handicap Bowling Tournament. Both tournaments will be in 2011. The Seniors Tournament will be at Capital Bowl in Frankfort, KY and the State Tournament location has yet to be determined. Bill Hohensee has attended 48 consecutive USBC Open Championships (formerly known as the ABC National Championships), Leonard Riddle attended 38 consecutive Championships, Ray Long with 29 appearances and Joe Huzl with 28 consecutive appearances.

**ZONE C**—They will be hosting the 62nd Annual Louisville Derby Tournament that runs from April to June. Entries are due out sometime in January. The Louisville City Tournament will take place in February/March, 2011. Anthony O'Neal shot a 887 series to set the new State record. A new mark of 3133 was set for the high 4 man series. It was actually set twice in the Louisville City Tournament last year—the first mark was set on the first Saturday of the tournament and 24 hours later the new record of 3133 was scored by Wolfe's Bowling Supply EBI. Tony Lambert has the record for the most 300's in a season with 10. David Howlett and Mike Wolfe have the most 800's in a season with 8 each.

**ZONE D**—Josh Jones carried a 244 average last year and a

240 average the year before. Garry Blanton has the high series mark for the city, a 848 which was shot in 2007. Many are still trying to surpass that mark. Clarence Price and Bill Jackson are the two oldest sanctioned bowlers known to be bowling in this zone.

**ZONE F**—Bill Throneberry has made 33 consecutive appearances in the USBC Open Championships, Jim Bennett has made 25 consecutive appearances and David Chapman 29 total appearances. At Crescent Bowl Jed Cournoyer carded a high series of 794 and Mike Catterell carried a 222 average. At Southern Lanes Russell Whitney had both the high series and high average with 844 and 238 respectively. The local Association Tournament will be held at Crescent Bowl the first two

weekends in February, 2011.

Thank you to everyone from each of the zones who were able to contribute to "News From Around The State."

**TIPS TO A BETTER GAME**

(continued from pg. 5) questions related to getting better as a bowler please feel free to contact Jim Dunn (Bluegrass Bowling and Golf at 859-277-3395 or toll free at 1-866-454-6097) or any other USBC registered coach located in the state.

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Any spelling errors on the listed names is unintentional, information gathered from various lists handed out at the Annual Meeting and Jamboree.

## UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS

**2011 USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**—dates from February to July, 2011 unless extended. More details as to the specific days will be posted when found out. Singles, doubles, team and all-events categories offered. The tournament will be held in Reno, Nevada. Open to every sanctioned USBC bowler. Future sites will be Baton Rouge, Louisiana (2012), Reno, Nevada (2013), and Orlando, Florida (2014). For more information visit [www.USBCOpen.com](http://www.USBCOpen.com) or [www.bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com).

**74th ANNUAL SOUTHERN BOWLING CONGRESS HANDICAP TOURNAMENT**—dates from March 5-6, 12-13, 25-27, April 2-3, 2011. Singles and doubles will be at Winchester Bowl in Memphis, Tennessee and the team event will be held at Bartlett Lanes also in Memphis, Tennessee. Handicap and scratch all-events categories will also be offered as well as Seniors single handicap and Seniors handicap all-event categories. Scoring is 90% handicap based on 210. Entries close February 9, 2011. For more information contact Bill Blackburn at 901-853-344, 901-237-1986 or via email at [billb@southernbowlingcongress.org](mailto:billb@southernbowlingcongress.org).

**71st ANNUAL LEXINGTON AREA USBC BOWLING ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT**—dates from February 12-13 and February 19-20, 2011. The tournament will be held at

Southland Lanes in Lexington, KY. Singles, doubles, team and all-events categories will be offered. There will also be a scratch all-events category offered. Entry forms will be made available at your local bowling center towards the end of the 2010 year.

**32nd ANNUAL BRADLEY OPEN**—Tournament to be held on January 8-9, 2011 at Eastland Lanes in Lexington, KY. Scratch singles event only. Field is limited to the first 264 entrants. Winner receives a entry to the 2011 USBC Masters Tournament plus \$4000 (based on 200 entries). For more information contact Eastland Lanes at 859-252-3429 or visit their website at [www.collinsbowl.com](http://www.collinsbowl.com).

**29th ANNUAL KENTUCKY STATE SENIORS BOWLING TOURNAMENT**—dates are April 9-10, 2011 and the event will be held at Capital Bowl in Frankfort, KY. There will be five classes—Super Seniors (75 and older), Class A (70 to 74), Class B (65 to 69), Class C (60 to 64) and Class D (55 to 59) and the champion of each class qualifies for the USBC Senior Championships to be held on July 6-7, 2011 at the OnCenter Complex in Syracuse, NY. Scoring is 90% handicap based on 220.

**56th ANNUAL KENTUCKY STATE HANDICAP BOWLING TOURNAMENT**—dates are November 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20, 2011. The event will be

held in the Lexington, KY area. Scoring is 90% handicap based on 220. More information as to the location and times will be provided at a later date. Entry forms will be out by the middle of July 2011.

**47th ANNUAL KENTUCKY STATE JAMBOREE**—dates are July 9-10, 2011. A singles bowling tournament (handicap only) will be offered the same weekend. The next Jambo-ree and its location will be discussed at the Annual Meeting in Ashland.

**USBC MASTERS TOURNAMENT**—Tournament to be held on February 7-13, 2011 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nevada. Eligibility is based on the following: USBC State Representative who has placed 1st or 2nd in the scratch all-events division in his/her association tournament, carries a minimum average of 190 for 21 games or more for the past two seasons or 173 Sport Bowling Average, bowler who holds a 190 or better average in the past five USBC Open Championships, or a non-USBC league bowler classified by the PBA as a full member.

**USBC SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS**—Tournament to be held on July 6-7, 2011 at the OnCenter Complex in Syracuse, NY. The Senior Championships is a national event for bowlers who have qualified through their state's Senior Tournament.

