

#### State Tournament 2015

The Iowa Open State Tournament has been in full swing for six weeks now at both Maple and Cadillac Lanes. Team event is being contested at Cadillac and doubles and singles at Maple. As of March 1st, there are 3 shifts at Maple Lanes each Sunday. That said, we are always looking for volunteer help in the office and as scorekeepers at both centers. If you would like to help, please call Charli Pals at 319-290-4036 or you can usually find Connie Rommel at Maple Lanes. For score monitor help at Cadillac contact Kathy Huffman, 319-230-3907. If you can possibly help for a shift or two it would be greatly appreciated. To the volunteers and board members who have already put in countless hours at both Cadillac and Maple, a huge thank you isn't much but it's about all we can offer for now.

The tournament has lived up to expectations with some big scores coming out of both Cadillac and Maple. The current leaders are:

BOOSTER DIVISION	OPEN DIVISION
Team ~ 3387	Team ~ 3458
Doubles ~ 1457	Doubles – 1506
Singles ~ 795	Singles – 805
All Events ~ 2227	All Events – 2230

We hear a few stories each day of the tournament, some funny, some not so much. There was the bowler who got done with his 2nd game of doubles and thinking he was done, packed up his gear, changed shoes and left thinking he'd just bowled his last game. Team mates, scorekeeper, all looking for him; finally one of his friends pulled out his phone and gave him a call. He reached him just as he'd gotten to his car and was about to pull away from the parking lot. Here he came, charging back in, put his bowling shoes back on and then proceeded to bowl his 6th and final game. That gave all of us who were volunteering that particular day a good laugh. Last week, daylight savings time begins, and you can just about bet that someone will be late and sure enough, not to disappoint, one bowler didn't make it for singles but did get there just in the nick of time to bowl doubles. We've had some triplicates bowled, a number of honor scores bowled, many bowling well over their average and of course many others not bowling quite up to par, but all in all an enjoyable experience. We have the rest of March, all of April and even some weekends in May before the final ball will be rolled putting 2015's state tournament in the books . Come over to either center to volunteer or just to watch some great bowling. Also, for all you Cedar Valley bowlers who have yet to bowl, good luck and good scores. See you at the lanesI





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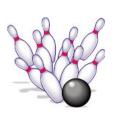
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#### WAVERLY'S MATT SCHNEIDER **COTY FINALIST**

Following is an excerpt from the e-mail Matt Schneider received on being named as a national finalist for Coach of the Year in the sport of bowling for the year 2015.

"This email is to inform you that you have been selected as a finalist in the National High School Athletic Coaches Association's National Coach of the year program." Signed by Dave Dougherty, Executive Director, NHSACA

In reviewing the letter Coach Schneider received from the NHSACA, I came to realize that this is a huge honor for a high school coach. All the finalists are recognized at a National Awards Banquet in Minneapolis, MN on June 20, 2015. Each finalist will be recognized with a short narration of their career and the presentation of a plaque at the banquet. The highlight of the evening will be the naming of the NHSACA national coach of the year in nineteen recognized sports categories.

Congratulations Coach Schneider, we're all rooting for you.

#### **BUYING ADDITIONAL USBC HIGH SCORE AWARDS**

With the change to high score awards this season, a reminder that awards are still available for purchase through vendors who have partnered with USBC.

For ring choices, which start at \$75, please visit keepsakebowling.com

For crystal awards and plaques, please call the Membership Services Team at 800-514-2695. Pricing for crystal awards and plaques is as follows:

11 in a row crystal - \$41 300 game crystal - \$49.95 800 series crystal - \$54.95 300 game plaque - \$30 800 series plaque - \$35



#### 2014~2015 GCV CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~ Dates, locations are subject to change

March	21 & 22 - Iowa State USBC WBA Annual Meeting (Marriott, Cedar Rapids)
	21 & 22 Pepsi State Finals (Bowlerama, Des Moines)
	28 ~ Iowa State BA Annual Meeting (Waterloo)
April	1 ~ Entries close for Iowa State USBC BA & WBA Senior Tournaments
	1 - Deadline for GCV All Star, Dedication, Sr. Scholarship & Board applications
	16 ~ Entries close for Midwest Women's Tournament (Rockford, Ill)
	27 ~ 30 ~ USBC Convention (Omaha)
May	1 - Application Deadline for Brad Wilson Memorial Scholarship (BWil)
	1 - Deadline for Youth Hall of Fame, Sportsmanship, Coach, Volunteer, Board nominations
	5 - Annual Greater Iowa Scholarship Tournament of Champions (Leisure Lanes, Davenport)
	20 ~ GCV Annual Meeting & Award Banquet (UAW Hall), Golf Outing
June	26, 27, 28 - State YA Convention/Annual Meeting (Lancer Lane, Cedar Rapids)
	26 ~ Youth/Adult Blind draw tournament
	27 ~ 9 Pin tournament/Awards ceremony (Lancer Lanes)
	28 ~ State Youth Convention/Annual meeting @ 12:15 p.m. (Lancer Lanes, Cedar Rapids)

#### THINGS TO REMEMBER

The Iowa State BA Annual Meeting will be held here in Waterloo on March 28th so we may be looking for a few extra volunteers as some of your board members will be attending that meeting. The weekend of the 21st & 22nd of March is the Iowa State USBC WBA annual meeting in Cedar Rapids. That same weekend the finals of the Pepsi Youth Tournament will be held at Bowlerama in Des Moines.

As of April 1st, entries close for the men's and women's senior tournaments. April 1 is also the deadline for GCV All Star, Dedication, Sr. Scholarship & Board Applications. On April 16th, entries will close for the Midwest Women's Tournament being held in Rockford, Illinois this year, a fairly quick and easy drive from Waterloo.

Coming up in May will be our Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet on May 20th at the UAW Hall. Earlier that day, for all you golfers, the annual golf outing will be held so make your plans soon. May 1st brings up the deadlines for applications for the Brad Wilson Memorial Scholarship and the Youth Hall of Fame, Sportsmanship, Coach, Volunteer, and Board. Contact info for the greater Cedar Valley Bowling Association:

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#### BREAST CANCER MAIL-IN TOURNAMENT

Just wanted to, once again, thank the awesome bowlers in the Cedar Valley. Once again we had over 500 bowlers donate their \$5.00 for the mailin tournament supporting breast cancer research. We led the way with 504 entries and from our leagues. A distant second was 164 fewer entries that the GCV. Big thanks to all who participated and donated, not only supporting our State Association but also the Susan G. Komen foundation. This tournament really does provide us with a chance to make a difference in the fight against breast cancer. It's not about winning a tournament, it's about winning the fight.

# A BLAST FROM THE PAST

I just ran across this poem that was written when we were bidding for the Women's State Tournament in 2008 and was used at the annual convention. Thought you might enjoy a bit of fun from the past.

## **IOWA OFFICE WORKER**

Life is so stressful' All those schedules and demands. Need to be gone From the bosses demands.

Think I'll talk to Mary, Jen, Lucy and Sue Next year it's Des Moines ... then Waterloo.

Bowling's a great way To relieve the stress. We'll hit the lanes And shoot our best.

We'll invite our husbands, Maybe the kids too. A trip to the city Of Waterloo.

A weekend away Would be so great. Let's bowl in Waterloo In two thousand eight.