

Iowa State USBC Bowling Association to Induct 5 New Members into the State Hall of Fame



The Iowa State USBC Bowling Association will be inducting 5 new members into the State Hall of Fame on March 16, 2019. This year's Hall of Fame class are; Margo DeBar (Performance), Michael Jordan of Marion (Special Category), Ed Budzyn of Burlington (Meritorious Category), Lysle Musgrove of Ames (Posthumous) and Matt Weggen of Muscatine (Skills Category).

Margo DeBar

Margo DeBar has had a much decorated career and considered one of the premier bowlers in the State WBIC history as she accumulated numerous titles not just in Iowa but also in Nebraska and Colorado. In Colorado, she won the State Doubles title in 1994, in Nebraska, she won State Team titles in 2001 and 2009 and the Doubles title in 2001.

Her Iowa titles include the following State titles; 1999 All Events and Doubles, 2002 Team (Set the division 1 record), 2004 Doubles and Team titles in 2005, 2006 and 2007. She also won association titles, All Events in 1999 (Scratch) and 2007, Doubles in 2000, Singles in 2007 and Team in 2015 and 2016.

Margo has carried 200+ average for over 20 years (217 highest), has 2 800 series' (803 and 817), 3 300 games, 2 299 games and over 50 700 series'.

Michael Jordan

Michael Jordan served on the Cedar Rapids USBC Bowling Association Board of Directors from 1981 to 2016 serving as President, Vice President and Association Secretary. He has been a Certified Lane Inspector since 1982 (37 years). Michael has been on the State Association Board and had risen through the ranks up to serving as President 2013-2014.

Jordan's personal highs include, 1-299, 1-300's and a 765 being his highest series. When you think of Michael Jordan's name, you think about bowling. He has participated in 39 Association Tournaments, over 40 State Tournaments and more than 36 National Tournaments.

He had finishes of 14th in doubles during State in Fort Dodge and finished as doubles champion with his partner Ed Wise during a City Senior Tournament. He has been a busy person as he served as a delegate for 20 National Meetings and to the State Jamboree since 1981.

Michael was inducted into the Cedar Rapids Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 2010 and received the Frank Stanek award in 2016. Bowling has been a huge part of his life and he has given back to the sport of bowling.

Ed Budzyn

Ed Budzyn had a great youth career as he won The Hardees Junior Pro-Am in Davenport while in junior leagues. While in High School he was on the teams that qualified for the State Tournament 1974, 1975 and 1976. The 1974 team finished 2nd place and the 1975 finished in 13th place. He honed his skills at Southeastern Community College in Burlington for their bowling team and they won the NJCCA title in 1977.

In 1976 Ed started bowling in adult leagues and little did he know that he was about to set the bar and set it high for all bowlers in Burlington. Championships seem to rack up one after the other in league, association and numerous local/regional/national tournaments.

Ed took the tournaments by storm as he amassed great success in the Association with 7 titles and 2 second place finishes, State he had 2 titles, 5 other top 25 finishes and highlighted 1992 with a 300 game in Des Moines, National tournaments he finished 88th out of 43,000 bowlers in 1992 and in other numerous tournaments (Area and Regional), he accumulated 7 other titles and 3 second place finishes.

His personal bests are second to none, 3 300 games, 12 299 games, 3 298 games, 15 11 in a row, 2 800 series' 803, 400+ 700 series', 218 highest average. Ed was on the All Star teams, 13 first team, 7 second team, 4 third team and 2 fourth team. Was Bowler of the Year 5 times (1987, 1989, 1992, 1997 and 1998) and inducted in the Burlington Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1992.

Ed served the sport of bowling like none other as he has held numerous positions locally for both adult and youth associations since 1980 with the highest being President in both and then numerous positions for the State Association since 2009 with being the President 2016-2017 and recently served as the Association Manager for the 2017-2018 season.

Lysle Musgrove

Lysle Musgrove was one special person who had an infectious smile and positive attitude and was a friend to anyone and everyone he came in contact with in his bowling career. He was still bowling at the young age of 102 during the 2014-2015 season.

He started his career in 1974 while living in Modesto/Turlock California and continued while he lived in Ames. All the while he held his highest average of 183 in the mid 1980's and still carried a 175 average in 2000 at the age of 88. He held the high average in the Senior Leagues each year from 1991-2001.

Lysle hasn't won a bunch of championships as that is not who he was. He won the league team titles in his first year in California (1974) and again in Ames in 2013. He also won the silver medal twice and the bronze medal four times all while participating in the Iowa Games and he had 10 strikes in a row at the age of 84 in 1996.

He was elected into the Ames Area USBC Hall of Fame in 2005. He never had the numbers of championships or honor scores, but that didn't matter to Lysle, who was a champion in his own way, with the love for the game, smile and warm positive personality.

Matt Weggen

Where does one start with a bowler of Matt Weggen's caliber and skill? Let's start from the beginning as Matt started bowling at the age of 8. Little did Matt know that his career was about to get a BIG kick start as he won 4 Greater Iowa, 4 Heart of Illinois and 1 Greater Wisconsin State Tournaments, Iowa State Doubles Title in 1996 and finished eleventh in the 2000 Junior Olympic Gold Tournament that helped earn him \$10,000 in scholarships

His adult career was an ongoing extension of his youth career as he kept winning at the Local/Area/National/PBA levels. At the State level he has been just as successful, holding championships in the Team Event with Trophy King (2011-2014), second place doubles in 2009. Weggen was also part of the Trophy King Team that set and holds the record team series of 3678 in 2011, he also has 2 300 games and 2 800 series' with 857 being his highest that was held as a record for highest three game set in 2009.

Matt has held massive success at the national levels as well. At the USBC National Tournament he won two titles (Eagles) in 2011 for Singles (826) and All Events (2268) and has been the first ever bowler to roll back to back 800 series' (2011) and a fourth place finish in the Team event with Trophy King in 2002.

In other tournaments he holds titles in the following; five time Scratch for Cash Champion in Iowa/Illinois, Team Champion in the Waterloo Greater Iowa 4 Man Tournament in 2012, three time Mississippi Valley Scratch Champion in Iowa/Illinois and 4th Place finish in the 2007 Bowlers Journal Classic Division. Weggen also has participated in the regional PBA tournaments with a highest finish of sixth place in the Blue Spring Missouri Regional and has 1 PBA 300 game.

Matt was elected into the Muscatine USBC Hall of Fame in 2008 and the Tri City Classic League Hall of Fame in 2012. His personal highs are, 55 300 games, 20 299 games, 5 298 games and 55 800 series' with the high of 857 (Twice), he has held an average over 230 for 15 consecutive years, with the highest being 244 in 2012-2013 season.

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