

Richard C. "Dick" Stoner  
Born - March 3, 1910      Age - 83

Dick's bowling career began in 1940, however, he didn't start bowling leagues until 1946. He became active in association work in 1958 and was elected to the Fort Dodge B.A. board of directors. He served on the board and was advanced to third vice-president by 1963. He resigned that position to become the assistant secretary of the association. He served in that capacity until May 1976. Dick to this day remains very active in the Fort Dodge B.A. and the Fort Dodge community. Dick served as a delegate to the Iowa State B.A. in 1964 and was part of the team that successfully brought the state tournament back to Fort Dodge (second time) in 1968. He has been very involved in their other hostings of the state tournament in 1980 and 1988. He has served as the co-director of the state tournament twice.

Dick was elected as fourth director to the Iowa State B.A. in 1970 and served as our president in the 1976-1977 season.

He bowled his first state tournament in 1963 and has bowled in 18 total. He bowled his first ABC tournament in 1952 and has bowled in 21 total. Although he has been unable to bowl in all of them, Dick has attended every State Jamboree since 1962 (31).

Dick accepted the responsibility of building up Fort Dodge's Chapter 88 of the 700 Bowling Clubs of America, and for his hard work and dedication he was named an honorary member. He has served as Pin Buoy of that 700 club chapter. He also served as secretary of the Classic League for 10 years. In 1969 Dick was inducted into the Fort Dodge B.A. Hall of Fame.

Dick is not known for his prowess on the lanes, but he is well known for his love of the sport. Dick has a lifetime high average of 180, high game of 289, and high series of 685.

Because of his outstanding contributions to the Fort Dodge B.A., Fort Dodge community, and the Iowa State B.A., it is my pleasure to induct Richard C. "Dick" Stoner into the Meritorious Service Category of the Iowa State Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

Inducted 1993. In the Meritorious Service Category.

