DENNIS TORGERSON: Maquoketa
Born September 30, 1942

This man's entire life has been built around the game of bowling. He started bowling in the Junior bowling program at the age of 9. After a short term selling bowling supplies and hardware to bowling centers he started his career as a bowling house manager. He operated centers in Saganow and Bay City, Michigan, Des Moines and Ankeny, Iowa. In 1984 he and his wife Colleen purchased the Diamond Bowl in Maquoketa, Iowa. They managed this center for six years.

Denny is currently a member of the P.B.A. He bowls regularly on the P.B.A. Senior Tour as well as participates on the P.B.A. National Tour as time permits. He has been a four-time P.B.A. champion: winner of the National Showboat Senior P.B.A. Invitational in Las Vegas, Nevada on ESPN-TV in 1995, winner of East Sheboygen Senior P.B.A. Regional in 1996, (Senior P.B.A. event), Midwest P.B.A. resident Pro Regional Champion 1996, (Regular P.B.A. event), and Midwest Regional in 1997, (Regular P.B.A. event).

In the A.B.C. National tournament Denny has finished in the top ten three times in the team event and singles and doubles. Denny has been on four Iowa State team championship teams and has been the state doubles champion on two occasions. He has won numerous city tournament championships in Iowa, has bowled 37 sanctioned 300 games and 8 sanctioned 800 series. He has been a bowling proprietor, lane resurfacer, lane conditioning consultant, and pro shop manager.

In 1993 Denny was elected into the Maquoketa Bowling Association Hall of Fame and he also was elected into the Greater Davenport Bowling Hall of Fame in 1998.

Denny was the founder and is presently the Editor of Bowling Equipment Concepts Newsletter, a bowling ball and lane play techniques publication with a world wide distribution. He has also given several seminars on the new "Reactive Bowling Balls" to top bowlers, Pro Shop operators and coaches, including the Midwest P.B.A.

Inducted in 1999 in the Bowling Ability Category.

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