CHRIS CHRISTY: Iowa City
Born October 20, 1918

Chris was born in New York City on October 20, 1918 and came to Iowa City during World War II to teach gunnery to members of the flight school at the University of Iowa. After his discharge from the Marines, Chris stayed in Iowa City and worked in the Iowa City Auditors Office until his retirement.

Chris was introduced to the game of bowling at the old Plamor Lanes in 1943 by Iona, who would become his wife in 1945. Chris has worked very hard to improve and expand the game of bowling in the Iowa City area. Through his efforts, the Iowa City Bowling Association has grown from 6 lanes in 1945 to 86 lanes in 1994.

Chris took over as the Secretary of the Iowa City Bowling Association in 1961 and is still their Secretary. Along with his city Association duties, he found time to be Secretary in the Men's Major league for 25 years. Also, in addition to his efforts as Association Secretary, Chris became an excellent bowler with his high game of 279, high series of 666 and high season average of 186.

Chris won the City doubles title in 1950 and again in 1954. He won Scratch all events in 1967 with a 1745 total. Teams that Chris bowled on won the city tournament in 1948, 1950, 1967, and 1979. The Iowa City Bowling Association selected Chris to be in the first group inducted into the Iowa City Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

Chris has bowled in 30 state tournaments and 40 city tournaments since starting his career in 1943. During these years he has attended most of the Iowa State Bowling Association annual Council of Delegates meetings as a delegate.

Inducted in 1997 in the Special Category