ROBERT "ROB" WELLNER: Davenport
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Rob has been one of the most dedicated bowling administrators that the Davenport Association, as well as the Iowa State Bowling Association, has ever known. Now as a Past President of both organizations, he remains highly active in the meetings and tournaments held at the local and state levels.

The dedication shown by Rob was never more evident than it was in 1975. It was then, while en route to the Greater Davenport Bowling Association Council of Delegates meeting, at which he was elected as Association President, he was involved in a motor vehicle accident. Although his vehicle was severely damaged, even this fact did not deter him from reaching the Council of Delegates meeting. His election as Association President went off as scheduled.

Rob was elected as a Director of the Iowa State Bowling Association a few years after he completed his term as Greater Davenport Bowling Association President. It came as no surprise that he soon became an Iowa State Bowling Association Vice President, followed by his election as the President of the Iowa State Bowling Association for the 1985-86 season.

A bowler now for nearly 45 years, Rob has regularly competed in both the Iowa State and American Bowling Congress Championship tournaments. The 1995 Iowa State Bowling Association tournament was Rob's 30th year of competition and the upcoming 1996 American Bowling Congress tournament in Salt Lake City, Utah will be his 25th year of competition in the National Championship tournament.

Although Rob, as a bowler, has never averaged 200, he has compiled a career average in the 180's while bowling in at least two leagues each season at various Davenport Bowling and Bettendorf centers. In 1987 Rob was inducted into the Greater Davenport Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

Inducted in 1996 in the Special Category