Coach
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Lyle Jurgensen Sumner, IA Posthumous Inducted 2005

Three words come to mind describing Lyle Jurgensen and his relationship with bowling, dedicated, passionate and enthusiastic. Lyle loved bowling, competition, learning and teaching. He dedicated many years of his life promoting the benefits of the sport.

Lye Jurgensen, head coach, last coached at Sunnyside Lanes in Oelwein for the past 4 years. Under his coaching tenure, the first year (1999) the Varsity Girls won the State Championship. The Varsity Boys placed second. In 2000, the Varsity Girls placed second and then won State titles in 2001 and 2002 with state record scores for high game and series. The Varsity boys finished second in those years in both the HS Federation and the HS Athletic Association tournaments.

Coach Jurgensen got himself hooked on bowling in 1952 and its been a continual commitment to learning more about the sport. In 1987 he decided to coach. He attended a professional bowling camp in Wisconsin and was an honor graduate of the Institute of Professional Bowling Instruction. He attended 4 Dick Ritger instruction schools and is certified as a level III instructor. Coach Jurgensen has earned the USA Bronze and Silver coaching certification and USA Olympic certification, levels one and two. He also has coaching authorization from the State of Iowa. He completed the requirements for adult, infant and child CPR training and completed USA sport psychology seminar training. He attended two national super schools in Detroit and Reno and coached 30 students as a mentoring coach under Olympic coach Bill Hall of Reno.

Lyle completed the hands on training sessions on ball drilling technology and completed 32 hours of lane instruction with national coached Bill Hall and Bob Sommerville. Lyle continued his education on coaching and teaching bowling by always attending nation coaching conferences and workshops.

During Lyle's bowling career, he bowled multiple 700 series awards with a high series of 794 and high games of 298, 299 and 300. He participated on league and association tournament team championships from 1987 through 1998 while also winning Association Doubles championships in 1976 and 1994 and All Events in 1976 and 1994. Lyle bowled in 4 ABC tournaments and 13 State tournaments. Lyle and his wife Verla have 4 children and 3 grandchildren