

2023 IBC YOUTH ANNUAL REPORT





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IBC Youth Development

STRATEGIC PLAN

VISION

For all children to experience the fun of organized bowling.

MISSION

Cultivate opportunities to grow youth bowling through services, developmental programs and competitions.

CORE VALUES



SERVICE



INTEGRITY



EDUCATION



TEAMWORK



COLLABORATION



LEADERSHIP

SERVICE bowling with **INTEGRITY** in all areas through **EDUCATION**, **TEAMWORK** and **COLLABORATION** with our partners. Above all, demonstrate and foster **LEADERSHIP** within the organization at all levels.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- **Membership:** Creating opportunities for fun and friendly competition, sportsmanship, teamwork and leadership development.
- **Tournaments:** Organize youth championships and events that deliver an exceptional experience for all bowlers.
- **Education:** Provide educational tools and resources to motivate and support the bowling community.
- **Scholastic:** Present an avenue for kids to participate in bowling through school-based programs.
- **Marketing:** Create more opportunities for youth bowling by delivering promotional marketing strategies to increase awareness of youth development programs.
- **Innovation:** Leverage advancing technology to improve operational efficiencies.

MORE
KIDS
BOWLING

2022–2023 IBC YOUTH COMMITTEE

YOUTH COMMITTEE

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IBC YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING

YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT

The International Bowling Campus (IBC) Youth Committee is proud of the successes and progress of the past year. Together, we can get a few more young competitors to go bowling more often!

The IBC Youth Committee is made up of a diverse group of individuals who represent all of the youth bowling spectrum and have been working together to shape A Future for the Sport.

The mission of the Youth Development team is to “Cultivate opportunities to grow youth bowling through services, developmental programs and competitions.” Through this mission, we will deliver on a vision of encouraging all children to experience the fun of organized bowling.

With the continued partnership of USBC and BPAA through the IBC, they are providing us the opportunity with their continued financial support to keep youth bowling moving forward, growing and turning our youth bowlers into lifetime bowlers.

IBC Youth, BPAA and USBC continue to work in a collaborative effort toward the mission and values of the IBC Youth Strategic Plan.

Let's take a look at the products!

Membership

The cost of membership remains unchanged. Youth membership continues to provide a low-cost entry barrier for children to enter the sport. The season ended with more than 101,000 youth members. This membership number is an increase of more than 4% over the previous season. Junior Gold and Collegiate stayed just about even with 6,564 members and 4,318 members respectively.

Junior Gold

Over 3,100 bowlers traveled to Indianapolis. The Junior Gold program celebrated its silver anniversary marking 25 years of providing a competitive national event for youth athletes. With over 3,100 participants making their way to Indianapolis, the Junior Gold Championships once again had an increase in participation. These athletes competed for a record **\$531,800** in total scholarships. The program continues to look at new ways to evolve its brand and announced that the U20 division will be removed from the event to retain its identity as the **PREMIER youth bowling event** in the country.

Congratulations to our winners:

- Boys U12 - Ryan Campbell
Girls U12 - Alexandra Mccowan
- Boys U15 - Ernesto Reynoso
Girls U15 - Larielle Tharps
- Boys U18 - Aidan Furukawa
Girls U18 - Gianna Brandolino
- Boys U20 - Carter Street
Girls U20 - Jenna Stretch

Youth Open

The Youth Open Championships hosted more than **950** bowlers vying for a total of more than \$105,000 in scholarships. After the eight days of competition were complete, **96 Champions** were determined across 28 scratch divisions in team, doubles, singles, and all-events. We would like to thank Bowling.com for their continued support of youth bowling and sponsoring the Youth Open Championships for 10 years.

Pepsi Championships

The Pepsi Youth Championships is open to all USBC Youth members. The Pepsi Championships awarded more than **\$1.3 million** in scholarships to bowlers across the country, marking two consecutive years of more than \$1 million in prize distributions. More than **21,000** youth athletes competed at the local and state levels of competition marking an increase in participation of over 3%. A special thanks is extended to our partners at BPAA, Strike Ten, Smart Buy, and Pepsi for their continued support of this great event.

Bowler's Ed

The Bowler's Ed program awarded 12 grants to school districts and organizations around the country. Since 2009, the Bowler's Ed Grant Program has awarded 329 grants valued at over \$700,000. More than **4.1 million** students from 47 states and provinces across the United States and Canada have been positively impacted by the program. Additionally, the team delivered a holiday gift box to over 2,500 proprietors in December. This gift box contained the Bowler's Ed curriculum on a zip drive and a request for it to be passed along to a local elementary school in hopes of building relationships and introducing bowling to kids along the way.

High School/Middle School

The department remains committed to being a resource for local and state initiatives seeking to create and grow high school and middle school bowling. This past year, the high school program was able to award bowling equipment to 198 high school bowlers as part of the S.E.T.S Equipment Grants. We also would like to congratulate last year's Dexter High School All-American Team:

Girls Team

- Jena Edwards, DeWitt, Iowa, Senior, Central DeWitt High School
- Emily Merten, Omaha, Nebraska, Senior, Millard North High School
- Anna Osias, Memphis, Tennessee, Junior, St. Agnes Academy
- Maia Struble, Anchorage, Alaska, Senior, Dimond High School
- Tamia Yeager, Tacoma, Washington, Sophomore, Spanaway Lake High School

Boys Team

- Tyler Amos, Jackson, Missouri, Senior, Jackson Senior High School
- John Eversole, Fairfield Township, Ohio, Senior, Fairfield Senior High School
- Braden Mallasch, Waupaca, Wisconsin, Senior, Waupaca High School
- Weston Metts, Louisville, Kentucky, Senior, Saint Xavier High School
- Andrew Robitaille, Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Senior, Taconic High School

Collegiate

Collegiate bowling continues to be a growing segment in the bowling industry. USBC Collegiate had **233** schools and a record **4,318** members last season. The USBC Collegiate Team worked closely with the NCBCA to develop an athlete transfer portal for the 2022-2023 season. This portal allowed student athletes to pursue additional opportunities at other institutions based on athletic and educational aspirations. A great season filled with 195 successfully run regular season events, 1,457 athletes competing for their chance at the Intercollegiate Singles Championship titles, and national champions determined across multiple organizations.

Congratulations to our winners:

- Intercollegiate Team Champions (Men) – Wichita State University, Wichita, Kan.
- Intercollegiate Team Champions (Women) – McKendree University, Lebanon, Ill.
- Intercollegiate Singles Champion (Men) – AJ Wolstenholme, Webber International University, Babson Park, Fla.
- Intercollegiate Singles Champion (Women) – Paige Wagner, Wichita State University, Wichita, Kan.
- NCAA Champions (Women) – Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.
- NAIA Champions (Men) – Lawrence Tech, Southfield, Mich.
- NAIA Champions (Women) – SCAD Savannah, Savannah, Ga.
- NJCAA Champions (Men) – Rock Valley College, Rockford, Ill.
- NJCAA Champions (Women) – Rock Valley College, Rockford, Ill.
- Collegiate Club National Champions (Men) – Muskingum University, New Concord, Ohio
- Collegiate Club National Champions (Women) – Alma College, Alma, Mich.

We are all looking forward to the 50th celebration of Collegiate Bowling with the 2024 Intercollegiate Team Championships and inducting the first class to the USBC Collegiate Hall of Fame.

USA Bowling

The USA Coaching program had a strong resurgence this last year supporting **53** coaching seminars across the country that supplied **734** attendees the knowledge and skills needed to aide in coaching youth bowlers in their communities. Since 2011, the program has supported 684 total seminars with more than **11,000** attendees.

The USA Bowling Tournaments program conducted another successful year, hosting 16 Regional Tournaments and the USA Bowling National Championships. After winning their regional qualifying event, teams in the U12 and U15 age divisions made their way to Indianapolis to vie for the USA Bowling National Championship.

Congratulations to our 2023 USA Bowling National Champions:

- U12 – Southeast, X-Men: Ean Laws, Ryan Campbell, Nolyn Conway, Jax Neal, Vincent Cintron
- U15 – Coastal South, Eagles: Gavin Murray, Ridgely Potter Jr., Emmanuel Guevara, Carly Rhodes

Following the 2023 season, the USA Bowling Tournaments program announced the addition of over **\$120,000 in scholarships** that will be awarded to teams during the 2024 season. With the addition of scholarships to the USA Bowling Tournaments program, we are excited to show our support for and dedication to team-based competition.

Congratulations to our National Youth Award recipients:

- **Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow:** Katie Heady, Richardson, Texas
- **Chuck Hall Star of Tomorrow:** Zachary Andrews, Jacksonville, Fla.
- **USBC Youth Ambassadors of the Year:** Emily Merten, Omaha, NE, Kyle Neeley, Granville, Ohio
- **Annual Zeb Scholarship:** William Smith, Smyrna, Tenn.
- **USBC Youth Volunteer of the Year:** Jerry Tarabek, Grand Rapids, Mich.

- **Earl Anthony Memorial Scholarship:** Logan Bradley, Springfield, Ore., Jena Edwards, De Witt, Iowa, Emily Hawkins, Round Lake Heights, Ill., Hannah Melone, Addison, Ill., Isabelle, Snyder, Cincinnati, Ohio
- **Gift For Life Scholarship:** Logan Bradley, Springfield, Ore., Bryson Butterfield, Gooding, Idaho, Jenessa Hernandez, Gardnerville, Nev., Lidia Hernandez, Los Angeles, CA, Aidan Mercer, Daphne, AL, Weston Metts, Louisville, Ky., Shaniya Mosely, Morrow, Ga., Marika Preble, Hermosa, S.D., Roman Roberts, Norman, Okla., Luke Schaefer, Oshkosh, Wis., Cody Underwood, Beverly Hills, Fla., Dacey Winn, Preston, Idaho

If you haven't already, we invite you to check out our online Youth Resource Center at BOWL.com/YouthResourceCenter. The Resource Center was built to provide the tools necessary to build and promote youth programming.

#MoreKidsBowling #AFutureForTheSport

BOWLER'S ED GRANT RECIPIENTS



Twelve recipients have been selected by the International Bowling Campus Youth Development team to receive Bowler's Ed kits and curriculum information through the Bowler's Ed Grant Program for the summer of 2023 and the 2023-2024 school year. The kits will be distributed to 10 schools, one school district and one non-profit organization.

Each Bowler's Ed kit provides teachers and staff with all the equipment and tools needed to enjoy the sport in the most convenient way – by bringing a bowling center-like atmosphere into their classrooms, gyms or recreational spaces.

Through the program, schools, youth groups and other organizations are able to teach students and young athletes about bowling in an educational, yet fun, setting.

Each kit includes a carpeted mobile bowling lane, rubber bowling ball, plastic pins, step-by-step curriculum and an instructional video on the fundamentals of bowling, etiquette, safety, scoring and fitness activities.

The schools selected to receive Bowler's Ed kits were determined based on applications submitted by the Dec. 31, 2022, deadline. The kits will be received by:

- Amy Belle Elementary School, Colgate, Wis.
- Canadochly Elementary School, East Prospect, Pa.
- Del Rio Elementary School/Cocke County Schools, Newport, Tenn.
- Ethel Schoeffner Elementary School, Destrehan, La.
- Foxboro Elementary School, Vacaville, Calif.
- Hixson Middle School, Webster Groves, Mo.
- Jacqueline Harris Preparatory Academy, Pensacola, Fla.
- Lotus Elementary School, Fox Lake, Ill.
- Northend Elementary School, New Britain, Conn.
- Project C.A.M.P. Inc. (The Center for Courageous Kids), Scottsville, Ky.
- Rolling Terrace Elementary School, Silver Spring, Md.
- Saucedo Academy, Chicago

Along with the chance to introduce children in grades K-8 to a sport they can play for a lifetime, bowling in any setting is great exercise and a fun way to build endurance and hand-eye coordination.

The curriculum also includes lessons that put a different twist on math, language arts, social studies, problem solving, geography, computer skills and more.

IBC Youth Development works with local associations, schools and bowling centers throughout the country to deliver the In-School Bowler's Ed kits. Each kit is valued at \$1,450.

The initiative is supported by the bowling industry and aims to bring bowling centers and associations together with schools in their communities, allowing physical education teachers and other instructors the opportunity to make bowling one of the sports they teach to their students.

Since 2009, the Bowler's Ed Grant Program has awarded 329 grants valued at \$720,000. More than 4.1 million students from 46 states and provinces across the United States and Canada have been positively impacted by the program. Within the twelve schools/organizations awarded this session, more than 14,000 students will be provided access to the program.



PROGRAM MAKES \$7 MILLION EARNING ALLOCATION

The United States Bowling Congress Scholarship Management and Account Reporting for Tenpins (SMART) program is making an investment earnings allocation of \$7 million to provide additional scholarships for youth bowlers. The \$7 million allocation is consistent with funding provided in 2022 and matches the largest investment earnings allocation in SMART history.

Due to a new policy adopted in 2021, a portion of the allocation will immediately go to new scholarships for youth bowlers. SMART has seen significant success with more scholarship funds being paid for the benefit of students. In 2022, SMART processed the largest total disbursements in program history, nearly reaching \$9 million.

Included in this allocation (approximate numbers):

- \$3.7 million in bonus scholarships to the 5,237 active SMART Recipients. These are students who used SMART funds in 2022. Each student will immediately receive a new \$715 SMART scholarship.
- \$2 million in new SMART deposited unassigned funds for Providers to allocate toward future scholarships. This is in addition to the new \$2.9 million SMART deposited unassigned funds Providers received for allocation in January from expired Recipient accounts.
- \$1.2 million is set aside for the SMART Pell Grant Match Program.
- USBC's SMART Committee intends to maintain the annual earnings allocation at \$7 million or more through at least 2024, unless investment market conditions significantly change. This will allow SMART Providers and Recipients to plan on similar new funds from SMART for future years.

The federal Pell Grant is a national program that helps students and families with the greatest financial need pay for college. The SMART Pell Grant Match maximizes the power of this federal program for bowlers by matching it dollar for dollar. The SMART Pell Grant Match will be available to any student with at least one season of USBC Youth participation and two seasons of overall USBC membership. In 2022, SMART awarded nearly \$2 million in grants through the program.

Students can request the SMART Pell Grant Match by visiting BOWL.com/SMART. Applications for the SMART Pell Grant Match will be accepted through the end of the year or until the \$1.2 million in funding is exhausted.

ALLOCATES ADDITIONAL \$1 MILLION FOR PELL GRANT MATCH

The United States Bowling Congress Scholarship Management and Account Reporting for Tenpins (SMART) program is making an additional investment earnings allocation of up to \$1 million in 2023 to provide scholarship opportunities for young bowlers in support of the SMART Pell Grant Match.

In February, SMART announced \$1.2 million in funding for the SMART Pell Grant Match in 2023 as part of an overall allocation of \$7 million for the year, and the interest in the program has exhausted the initial amount.

The SMART Oversight Committee approved additional funding of up to \$1 million so qualified applicants can still take advantage of the program through the remainder of 2023.

In 2022, SMART also started with \$1.2 million in funding for the program before making an additional allocation of \$750,000, allowing the program to provide nearly \$2 million in grants.

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The overall allocation of \$7 million in 2023 also included \$3.7 million in bonus scholarships for active SMART Recipients (used funds in 2022). Each eligible student-athlete already has received a \$715 SMART scholarship for 2023, and Recipients are encouraged to check their accounts to make sure they access the bonus scholarship.

TNBA

YOUTH MEMBERS FIND BENEFITS IN WEEKEND SPENT AT ITRC



The National Bowling Association Youth Weekend returned to the International Training and Research Center, providing six student-athletes with the unique opportunity to train at the world-class facility. The event was created through a partnership between the United States Bowling Congress and TNBA more than a decade ago.

Over the course of the three-day program, players received on-lane training and participated in drills and classroom sessions with the ITRC staff. Participants also had the opportunity to hear from guest speakers and tour the ITRC and the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame.

TNBA and USBC have worked together on a concept called the TNBA/Team USA Youth Bowling Program, and this year marked the 12th time the TNBA Youth Weekend event has taken place since its inception in 2010. The event ran consecutively for 10 years before being paused due to the pandemic in 2020 and 2021, then started back up in 2022.

Applications were sent to TNBA youth members between the ages of 15-18. As part of the application process, players were asked to submit a video, showing their bowling style from different angles, along with a resume of their accomplishments. This year's six participants were selected from that pool of TNBA youth program applicants and included three girls and three boys:

Ashley Adams, Temple, Ga.

Payton Hartgrove, Columbus, Ohio

Gabriella Powell, Austell, Ga.

Matthew Duty, Moseley, Va.

Emory Stone, Southfield, Mich.

Jonathan Wright, Crosby, Texas

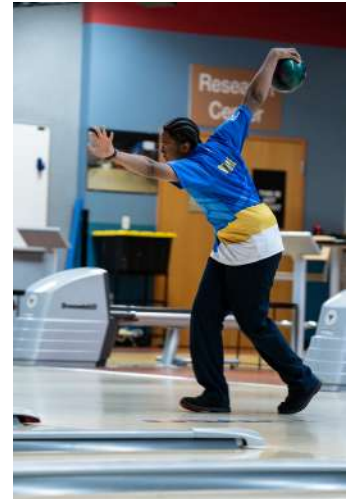
During the weekend, an emphasis was placed on individual instruction to develop both the physical and mental game. The instruction included the use of the ITRC's advanced video analysis systems, analysis using Specto technology and additional statistical analysis. There were sessions covering the bowler's release and an assessment of each player's spare shooting.

In addition to on-lane instruction, the participants took part in classroom sessions on topics that included the physical game, bowling ball dynamics, ball motion dynamics and understanding the science of lane conditions and lane play.

The classroom and on-lane instruction was complemented by tours of the facility, including the aforementioned International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame.

Visiting the IBMHOF wasn't the only tour provided to the participants. The participants also enjoyed the tour of the USBC's Equipment Specifications Department, which included a demonstration by E.A.R.L. (Enhanced Automated Robotic Launcher), USBC's ball-throwing robot.

The participants were accompanied by TNBA Vice President John Collins Sr., TNBA National Program Director Veronica Green and Robert Prymus Jr., who is a USBC Silver-level coach.



DEXTER HIGH SCHOOL ALL-AMERICAN 2022-2023 TEAM ANNOUNCED

The Dexter High School All-American Team has been announced for the 2022-2023 school year, with Jena Edwards of DeWitt, Iowa, and Tyler Amos of Jackson, Missouri, named as captains.

The teams were selected by Dexter Bowling in consultation with the International Bowling Campus Youth Development staff. Each team is comprised of five student-athletes who had to participate on a recognized interscholastic high school bowling team during the 2022-2023 school year.

Applicants were required to have at least a 3.0 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) and submit a resume of their bowling and academic achievements, along with an essay, to be considered for the team. They also were required to provide recommendation letters from their coaches or athletic directors and at least one additional letter of recommendation.

Each team member will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Edwards and Amos were announced as captains during a breakfast as part of the 2023 Junior Gold Championships in Indianapolis. Both captains will receive an additional \$500 scholarship and take home the Bud Clapsaddle Award, named for the former Dexter Bowling vice president who oversaw selection of the first 12 teams.

The girls team includes:

Jena Edwards (DeWitt, Iowa) – The senior maintained a 3.98 GPA and was ranked in the top 10 of her graduating class at Central DeWitt High School despite taking on a course-load filled with college-level, dual-credit and honors-level classes. She was a four-year member of the bowling team, Future Business Leaders of America, student council and concert/marching band. On the lanes, Edwards has authored outstanding performances at tournaments such as the 2021 Iowa State Youth Championship Tournament, where she took first place in Division I Singles and All-Events. Also, she qualified for the national finals at the 2022 Junior Gold Championships.

Emily Merten (Omaha, Nebraska) – The senior excelled both in the classroom and as a participant in several extracurricular activities while at Millard North High School. Merten maintained a weighted GPA at or above 4.0 throughout her high school career, leading to her earning MNHS Academic Letter Winner status multiple times. She also earned multiple letters as a member of the Millard North band, which contributed to her being awarded a band scholarship from Mount Mercy University. Merten's prowess on the lanes – she was the 2023 USBC Youth Female Ambassador of the Year and the 2023 Greater Omaha Sports Committee top female athlete for the winter season – caused Mount Mercy to offer her a bowling scholarship as well.

Anna Osias (Memphis, Tennessee) – The lone junior among the girls, Osias is carrying a 4.27 GPA (weighted) while enrolled in multiple honors and AP courses at St. Agnes Academy. Osias' extracurricular involvement is equally impressive as she's been a Class of 2024 student officer, chief editor of the Calliope Art & Literary Magazine and a St. Agnes Academy retreat leader, to name a few. On the lanes, Osias was the 2023 St. Agnes Academy Bowling Team Most Valuable Player and the 2023 Miss Tennessee Bowling runner up.

Maia Struble (Anchorage, Alaska) – The senior is this year's only two-time Dexter High School All-American Award recipient, having earned the honor last season as well. Struble finished her career at Dimond High School with a 4.17 GPA (weighted) and graduated Summa Cum Laude. She was the Senior Class Secretary and was a member of the National Honor Society and Key Club. Struble is a four-time member of the Anchorage Scholastic Bowling League All-Star Team and a three-time Girls Bowler of the Year. She also held the girls high average (199) for the league in 2023 and helped lead her team to the state championship. Struble is a three-time winner in the Alaska Pepsi Championships (U10, U12 and U15) and a past Alaska Youth Scholarship Tournament champion.

Tamia Yeager (Tacoma, Washington) – The sophomore is the youngest of this year's recipients; nevertheless, her list of accomplishments is just as impressive as those of her older counterparts. She's established a 3.8 GPA while taking multiple honors and AP classes as well as studying both Korean and French. Yeager has performed a long list of community service tasks, volunteering at local food banks, working with the Twinstar Community

Foundation's Homeless Backpacks program and helping procure donations for the Tacoma Rescue Mission organization. On the lanes, Yeager helped Spanaway Lake High School to a fourth-place finish at this year's state tournament, where she secured a third-place finish in the individual standings.

The boys team features:

Tyler Amos (Jackson, Missouri) – The senior from Jackson Senior High School was named captain of this year's Dexter High School All-American Team after finishing his high school career with a 3.8 GPA and a host of impressive achievements on and off the lanes. While at Jackson High School, Amos was involved with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) and Feed My Starving Children as well as serving as a Special Olympics volunteer. He was named the 2023 Missouri State USBC Male Youth Bowler of the Year and the Marvin Townsend Leadership Award winner. He also qualified for the national finals at this year's Junior Gold Championships.

John Eversole (Fairfield Township, Ohio) – The senior graduated Summa Cum Laude from Fairfield Senior High School with a 4.02 GPA and ranked in the top 15 percent of his graduating class of just under 850 students. Eversole has served as a Community Christian Church Pre-School Team Leader since 2019 and has participated in the Chick-fil-A Leadership Academy since 2020. He was named captain of the varsity bowling team at Fairfield High for the 2023 season, during which he also won the Academic All-Ohio Award.

Braden Mallasch (Waupaca, Wisconsin) – The senior earned straight A's multiple semesters while completing his studies at Waupaca High School, where he finished with a 3.94 cumulative GPA. Mallasch also shined outside the classroom, serving in the National Honor Society, Social Media Club and Student Council as well as acting in multiple performances for Waupaca's Drama Department. While bowling for Waupaca, Mallasch was a three-time state qualifier, a three-time all-star qualifier and won the boys state singles title at the 2023 Wisconsin High School Championships.

Weston Metts (Louisville, Kentucky) – The senior filled his four years at Saint Xavier High School taking as many honors and AP classes as his schedule would allow; nevertheless, he earned straight A's every semester of his academic career and also notched a perfect score of 36 on his ACT. For that achievement, Metts earned National Merit Finalist status and was nominated for the 2023 United States Presidential Scholarship Program, an honor that is only bestowed upon 5,000 of roughly 3.6 million American high school students each year. On the lanes, Metts was a 2023 Junior Gold Championships national finalist, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Region 4 runner-up and a top-20 finisher at the 2023 KHSAA state finals.

Andrew Robitaille (Pittsfield, Massachusetts) – The senior managed to maintain High Honors status and 4.0 GPA throughout his career at Taconic High School despite challenging himself with several honors and AP classes. Robitaille was equally impressive in the community, volunteering at multiple local food pantries, participating in the Pittsfield Parade Banner and assisting with child care at the Smart Start Day Care Center. He was part of the Taconic Varsity Bowling Team's second-place finish at the 2022 Massachusetts High School Athletic Association State Tournament, and he was a two-time national finalist at the Junior Gold Championships (2019 and 2021).

2022-2023 DEXTER HIGH SCHOOL ALL-AMERICAN TEAM

Name, Hometown, Year, High School

Girls Team

- *Jena Edwards, DeWitt, Iowa, Senior, Central DeWitt High School
- Emily Merten, Omaha, Nebraska, Senior, Millard North High School
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USA BOWLING REGIONALS

\$120,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS UP FOR GRABS IN 2024 USA BOWLING TOURNAMENT SEASON



For the first time in USA Bowling history, scholarships will be available in the regional and national events. More than \$120,000 total will be awarded throughout the season, with the top three teams in each division at each region earning scholarships, and the first place team earning \$1,000.

Under revamped guidelines, USA Bowling is also implementing new eligibility requirements for participation, ensuring fair play and an equal opportunity for all. Participants will now be allowed to compete in a maximum of two regional events per season.

The 16-event 2024 regional schedule will begin on Jan. 7 in the Coastal South Region at Aloma Bowl in Winter Park, Florida, and end on May 4 in the Midwest Region at Mission Bowl in Olathe, Kansas.

By competing in regional qualifiers, teams in the 12-and-under (U12) and 15-and-under (U15) divisions will have the chance to qualify for the 2024 USA Bowling National Championships.

The winning team in each age-based division at each regional qualifier will earn a spot at the national event. Competition at the USA Bowling National Championships will be streamed live on BowlTV with the finals being broadcast on CBS Sports Network.

The schedule of USA Bowling regional events with dates, region, center and city is as follows:

- Jan. 7 – Coastal South, Aloma Bowl, Winter Park, Fla.
- Jan. 14 – Southeast, Myrtle Beach Bowl, Myrtle Beach, S.C.
- Jan. 28 – Lower Great Lakes, Mike Aulby's Arrowhead Bowl, Lafayette, Ind.
- Feb. 3 – South, Bowlero Austell, Marietta, Ga.
- Feb. 18 – Heartland, Pheasant Lanes, Bloomington, Ill.
- Feb. 25 – Mountain, King Pin Lanes, Colorado Springs, Co.
- Feb. 25 – Pacific, Steve Cook's Fireside Lanes, Citrus Heights, Calif.
- March 2 – South Central, Bowling ITRC, Arlington, Texas
- March 17 – New England, Walnut Hill Bowl, Woonsocket, R.I.
- March 24 – Mideast, Century Bowl, Waterford, Mich.
- March 24 – Northeast, Rab's Country Lanes, Staten Island, N.Y.
- April 7 – Southwest, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas
- April 21 – Atlantic East, Kingpin Lanes, Jeffersontown, Ky.
- April 21 – Upper Midwest, Bowlerama Lanes, Des Moines, Iowa
- April 28 – Upper Great Lakes, Cedarvale Lanes, Eagan, Minn.
- May 4 -Midwest, Mission Bowl, Olathe, Kan.

Each event will include a seeding round and match-play bracket. Teams will bowl eight round-robin Baker match games to determine seeding for the double-elimination bracket at each regional event. Match-play will be best-of-three matches until a winner is determined.

USA Bowling line-ups will consist of four players using a modified Baker format. Bowlers one and two will each bowl three frames (1-5-9 and 2-6-10, respectively) while bowlers three and four each bowl two frames (3-7 and 4-8).

USA Bowling Regional tournaments started in 2013, building the foundation of what would lead to the inaugural USA Bowling National Championships in 2016. The national event grew from the USA Bowling program, a team-based youth program designed to introduce the sport to children.

SCHOLARSHIPS

WINNERS DETERMINED FOR 2023 USBC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP, ADULT YOUTH LEADER AWARDS



The International Bowling Campus Youth Committee has determined the recipients for the 2023 United States Bowling Congress Youth Scholarship and Adult Youth Leader Awards.

USBC also recognizes several youth leaders who have shown a continued effort and dedication to promote youth bowling within their community and help build the sport for the next generation of athletes.

The award winners were determined by the IBC Youth Committee based on submitted applications.

The 2023 award winners are:

- Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow: Katie Heady, Richardson, Texas
- Chuck Hall Star of Tomorrow: Zachary Andrews, Jacksonville, Fla.
- USBC Youth Ambassadors of the Year: Emily Merten, Omaha, Neb.; Kyle Neeley, Granville, Ohio
- Annual Zeb Scholarship: William Smith, Smyrna, Tenn.
- USBC Youth Volunteer of the Year: Jerry Tarabek, Grand Rapids, Mich.
- Earl Anthony Memorial Scholarship: Logan Bradley, Springfield, Ore.; Jena Edwards, DeWitt, Iowa; Emily Hawkins, Round Lake Heights, Ill.; Hannah Melone, Addison, Ill.; Isabelle Snyder, Cincinnati
- Gift For Life Scholarship: Logan Bradley, Springfield, Ore.; Bryson Butterfield, Gooding, Idaho; Jenessa Hernandez, Gardnerville, Nev.; Lidia Hernandez, Los Angeles; Aidan Mercer, Daphne, Ala.; Weston Metts, Louisville, Ky.; Shaniya Mosely, Morrow, Ga.; Marika Preble, Hermosa, S.D.; Roman Roberts, Norman, Okla.; Luke Schaefer, Oshkosh, Wis.; Cody Underwood, Beverly Hills, Fla.; Dacey Winn, Preston, Idaho

The award winners for the Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow, Chuck Hall Star of Tomorrow, USBC Youth Ambassador of the Year, Annual Zeb Scholarship and USBC Youth Volunteer of the Year will be recognized on-site at the USBC Convention during the USBC Annual Meeting, joining the winners of the USBC National Recognition Awards.

SCHOLARSHIPS

MERTEN, NEELEY SELECTED AS 2023 USBC YOUTH AMBASSADORS OF THE YEAR

Emily Merten of Omaha, Nebraska, and Kyle Neeley of Granville, Ohio, recently were selected as the 2023 United States Bowling Congress Youth Ambassadors of the Year by the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee.

The annual award recognizes one female and one male USBC Youth bowler for exemplary academic accomplishments, community involvement and contributions to the sport of bowling outside of league or tournament play.

Winners are chosen on submitted applications, and each will receive a \$1,500 scholarship.

Merten, 17, is a senior at Millard North High School in Omaha, Nebraska, is an influential member of her community and has been an impactful member of her school's bowling team for four years.

Merten has been a member of the school's unified bowling team (consisting of students with and without intellectual disabilities) for four years and a member of the varsity girls' team since its inception three years ago.

She received the NCPA Academic All-State Award three consecutive years for unified bowling and both of her eligible years for varsity. To earn the award, a bowler needs to have a GPA of 3.7 or higher and display great sportsmanship and leadership.

Merten, who started bowling in a league in fifth grade and by sixth grade was bowling competitively in different tournaments, has hit her stride with her high school bowling teams.

She started with the unified bowling team in eighth grade and has continued that into high school. Merten thrives as a leader and has been selected captain of the unified team for two years and of the varsity team for three.

Millard's Unified Bowling Team Head Coach Tricia Rohde knows she can put any player with Merten, and she will make that player feel included and confident in their abilities. Also, she will encourage them to have a positive attitude no matter their level of skill or experience.

Merten also has made an impact on the girls' varsity program, which was started just three years ago, serving as a mentor and positive influence on other team members and helping the team to a district runner-up finish in her senior year. She did all of this while having to recover from a recent shoulder surgery, using that time to focus on the other bowlers on her team.

Outside of high school, Merten has been on the board of the USBC Greater Omaha Area Bowling Association since 2021. She was the first youth to serve on the board and the association's Youth Committee.

Additionally, Merten earned her Bronze-level coaching certification on her 16th birthday.

Merten's other hobbies and interests include playing the alto sax, power lifting and participating in the University of Nebraska Medical Center High School Alliance. She has spent time volunteering at various bowling events and tournaments, including coaching in the Kids Bowl for Free program at her local bowling center, Maplewood Lanes, in 2020 and 2021.

After she graduates, Merten plans to bowl, play in the band and major in nursing at Mount Mercy University in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

It's Merten's passion and love for the sport that make her such a great ambassador, and she's grateful for the opportunity.

Neeley, 18, is a freshman at Harvard University, where he plans to double major in molecular biology and economics.

Neeley was named captain of the 2022 Dexter High School All-American Team and has earned other honors such as two-time Licking County Player of the Year and two-time first team all-conference.

Neeley first picked up a bowling ball at age 5 and by the time he was 7, he was bowling in leagues. He entered his first tournament when he was 8 years old. He is a two-time Columbus City Tournament champion, the 2017 Ohio Pepsi State champion and has qualified for the Junior Gold Championships eight times.

He earned his Bronze-level coaching certification as well, and that's when the sport took on a new meaning.

Academically, he graduated from Granville High School with a 4.25 GPA (weighted) and was a 2021 National Merit Finalist. He was the Granville Education Foundation Fall 2020 Grant winner, in which he helped obtain technology for remote learning throughout the school district.

And, while his accomplishments in the classroom and on the lanes are numerous, Neeley cites bowling as the one interest in his life that has been the most impactful. He credits the sport for allowing him to grow as a leader, a competitor, a friend, a coach and more.

Neeley has done volunteer work with The Salvation Army, served on the Granville Union Cemetery Board and has continued his community service by volunteering at a homeless shelter run by Harvard students.

He credits his parents and the various coaches he's had throughout his bowling career – Julie Wells, Al Sowards and Ron Hatfield – for shaping him as a bowler, coach and person.

Neeley enjoys coaching youth bowlers, taking the time to talk to and bowl with younger kids to help them learn more about the sport, and his passion to promote the sport hasn't stopped just because he's in college.

The sport will be part of Neeley's future as he plans to continue to bowl, coach youth bowlers and spread the "good word" of bowling to as many people as he can.

Merten and Neeley will be recognized in during the 2023 USBC Convention at South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

SCHOLARSHIPS

TEXAS BOWLER SELECTED AS 2023 ALBERTA E. CROWE STAR OF TOMORROW

Katie Heady of Richardson, Texas, has been chosen by the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee as the 2023 Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow.

The award recognizes the star qualities of a female high school senior or college student, including accomplishments on the lanes, academic achievement and community service. Along with the prestigious honor, Heady will receive a \$6,000 scholarship as the 2023 recipient.

Heady represents all the qualities listed above as a 19-year-old college student at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, Texas. Heady has been at the university for two years, so one would assume she is a sophomore. While that is true athletically, Heady is actually a senior in academic standing.

That's because by the time she graduated Summa Cum Laude from Plano Senior High School, where she received both National Junior Honor Society and National Honor Society recognition, Heady had already taken enough advanced placement and honors classes to allow her to enter college with 39 credit hours under her belt, giving her a head start academically at SFA.

Over her first two years at SFA, she was able to shoulder enough of a college workload to become a senior. Heady has been accepted to the Overlap Program at SFA for this year's fall semester, meaning she will be in graduate school while taking her last two undergraduate classes toward her degree in Rehabilitation Services.

It's that kind of dedication and determination that helped make Heady an outstanding choice as the recipient for this award.

Heady came to the sport a bit later than many of her peers. She first picked up a bowling ball in fifth grade and didn't start bowling in league until the summer prior to her eighth-grade year. Growing up, Heady tried other sports including soccer, basketball and track and field, but it was bowling that struck a chord with her.

Although Heady was having fun, she also worked hard, and with the help of some great coaching and a self-professed desire to "not be bad at things," she started seeing positive results.

Heady's successes on the lanes have been numerous. She qualified for the Junior Gold Championships each year it was conducted from 2017-2022. She won the singles title in the 2018 Texas USBC State Tournament and capped her high school bowling career with a team first-place finish in the 2021 Texas State Tournament.

Heady was chosen for the 2021 Dexter High School All-American Team and was a 2021 USBC Earl Anthony Scholarship recipient.

In addition to those accomplishments, Heady cites a win in the 2020 Amateur Bowlers Tour of Texas event at the age of 17 as her most memorable bowling achievement prior to college.

Her time in the sport of bowling hasn't all been spent on the lanes. Heady also served as a board member with the Greater Dallas USBC from 2017-2020.

Success in the classroom and on the lanes has followed Heady to SFA. In addition to the accelerated pace with which she will achieve her undergraduate degree, Heady has earned a place on the President's Honor Roll (4.0 GPA) from 2021 to the present.

On the lanes, Heady was part of the 2022 Intercollegiate Team Championships national championship team and the 2022 NCAA national runner-up team.

In addition to the strides she's made in her game, Heady also enjoys the camaraderie she's found on the bowling team.

In addition to her exemplary performance in the classroom and on the lanes, Heady has strived to complete 30 hours or more of community service each year, which has included involvement in organizations like the Plano Heritage Farmstead Museum, North Texas Food Bank and filling bags for "The School Supply Project" which benefits the Children's Advocacy Center of Collin County.

Heady also serves as a volunteer intern for the Alcohol and Drug

Abuse Council of Deep East Texas in Nacogdoches.

Through bowling, Heady notes she has learned teamwork, patience, leadership and the value of being a well-rounded person, which are all valuable lessons as she completes her undergraduate degree and then moves on to graduate school for a degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling with the goal of becoming a licensed professional counselor with a focus on substance abuse.

Heady will be recognized in April during the 2023 USBC Convention at South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

SCHOLARSHIPS

FLORIDA'S ZACHARY ANDREWS HONORED AS 2023 CHUCK HALL STAR OF TOMORROW



Zachary Andrews of Jacksonville, Florida, has been selected by the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee as the 2023 Chuck Hall Star of Tomorrow.

The award recognizes the star qualities in a United States Bowling Congress Youth member, including distinguished bowling performances on the local, state and national levels, academic achievement and community involvement. Applicants must be a male high school senior or college student.

Along with the prestigious honor, Andrews will receive a \$6,000 scholarship as the 2023 recipient.

Andrews, 16, has already established himself as a force to be reckoned with in the classroom, on the lanes and in the community.

A senior at Duncan U. Fletcher High School in Neptune Beach, Florida, Andrews has maintained a 4.0 GPA (4.942 weighted), is at the top of his graduating class and is the current president of his school's National Honor Society chapter.

His considerable academic prowess and motivation to continue developing his skills led Andrews to pursue and gain acceptance into the Stanford Pre-Collegiate University program, which has allowed him to take college-level coursework while still in high school in order to jumpstart his pursuit of a degree in mechanical engineering.

While a love for math was instilled in Andrews at a young age, a love for bowling was as well.

Andrew has distinguished himself on the lanes in the same manner as he has in the classroom, capturing multiple top-10 finishes at high-level tournaments across the state of Florida.

The USA Bowling tournament introduced Andrews to Junior Gold, and he has qualified for the Junior Gold Championships three times (2017, 2018 and 2021). He also has won Riptide Bowler of the Year honors twice (2021 and 2022) and was the 2018 Beach Bowl Youth Bowler of the Year.

Additionally, Andrews is the current vice president of the Florida State USBC Youth Leaders where he's had the opportunity to function in a variety of roles, including working with various tournaments and collaborating with the Ways and Means Committee on fundraisers and scholarships the association awards and distributes.

Andrews has had the privilege of being involved in a number of community service projects, including a variety of tutoring programs that he's been able to participate in throughout his high school career. He joined his school's chapter of Mu Alpha Theta – a national mathematics honor society – during his freshman year and has been president of that chapter for the last two years.

Andrews has already been accepted to the Honors Program at the University of Florida, but he is waiting for news on his applications to other universities including Princeton, Yale and Duke. No matter where Andrews attends college or where his career path takes him, he sees bowling as part of his future as well.

Andrews will be recognized in April during the 2023 USBC Convention at South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

SCHOLARSHIPS

TENNESSEE BOWLER SELECTED AS 2023 ZEB SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNER



William Smith of Smyrna, Tennessee, has been chosen by the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee as the Annual Zeb Scholarship recipient for 2023.

The Annual Zeb Scholarship recognizes a United States Bowling Congress Youth member who has achieved academic success and gives back to his or her community through service. The recipient, who must be a junior or senior in high school, receives a \$2,500 scholarship.

Smith, 17, is a junior at Oakland High School in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and holds a 3.865 GPA. He is currently in the Mechatronics Engineering Pathway, which he plans to continue in college.

Fittingly, Smith had just finished bowling when he received the news that he had been selected as the scholarship recipient.

Through the first quarter of his junior year, Smith has made the school's Principal's List or Honor Roll each quarter while taking numerous dual enrollment, advanced honors and honors classes.

Smith made some history in earning the scholarship, as he was the first person from Tennessee to win it.

In addition to his accomplishments in the classroom, Smith also has had his share of successes on the lanes.

Smith has won a number of local and state tournaments and has qualified for the Junior Gold Championships each year since 2019. He was a three-time captain and MVP at Rock Springs Middle School, and thereafter he earned those same honors during his freshman, sophomore and junior years at Oakland High School.

He was named to the Daily News Journal's All-Area Team for his freshman and sophomore years and was the 2021 recipient of the Mr. Bowler Award (Top 3) presented by the Tennessee State BPAA and Tennessee USBC. Smith also has been the USBC Heart of Tennessee Youth Representative since November of 2021.

Smith, who has one certified 300 game to his credit, has already earned his Bronze-level coaching certification.

That willingness to help others is reflected in Smith's volunteer work and community service where he has completed more than 290 hours of community service since 2017. Smith is active in the Boy Scouts where he is an Eagle Scout and Senior Patrol Leader. He has donated his time and effort to numerous church and school projects and has volunteered for organizations like local parks, shelters and food pantries.

Smith is always looking for ways to improve youth bowling and strives to help give it the recognition he feels it deserves. He credits bowling for having had a positive effect on every aspect of his life and with teaching him patience and dedication, among other life skills.

Smith would love to continue bowling in college where he will pursue a degree in mechanical engineering with the goal of returning for a masters in robotics. His dream job would be to work as a robotics engineer for SpaceX or NASA and have a chance to work on machines like the Mars rover or to help develop colonies in space.

Smith will be recognized this month during the 2023 USBC Convention at South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

SCHOLARSHIPS

IBC YOUTH COMMITTEE SELECTS FIVE YOUTH MEMBERS FOR EARL ANTHONY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN 2023

Five United States Bowling Congress Youth members were selected to receive an Earl Anthony Memorial Scholarship in 2023 in recognition of their academic achievements and contributions to their communities.

Recipients were selected by the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee from submitted applications, and each will receive a \$5,000 scholarship. The scholarship is named in honor of the legendary hall of famer who was dedicated to helping youth bowlers.

The five recipients of an Earl Anthony Memorial Scholarship are:

* Logan Bradley, Springfield, Oregon

* Jena Edwards, De Witt, Iowa

* Emily Hawkins, Round Lake Heights, Illinois

* Hannah Melone, Addison, Illinois

* Isabelle Snyder, Cincinnati

Bradley is a senior at Springfield High School, where he has maintained a 4.0 GPA despite challenging himself with several Advanced Placement and honors classes. He has been on the honor roll every semester of his high school career, is currently ranked first in his graduating class of 268 students and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Not all of Bradley's time is spent on academics, however; his schedule is chock full of extracurricular activities as well, including cross country, track – where he is a team captain – Advanced Audition Choir, the nationally-renown school magazine and the Rotary Youth Leadership Program.

On the lanes, Bradley currently has a high game of 277 and a high series of 666, and he recorded an 11th-place finish in U18 Singles at the 2022 Oregon State USBC Youth Championship.

Edwards currently is completing her senior year at Central De Witt High School; however, she has been taking classes at Clinton Community College at the same time, which means she is on track to attain her associate's degree at the same time as her high school diploma. Despite taking on a course load filled with college-level, dual-credit and honors-level classes, Edwards has maintained a 4.0 GPA and has earned the distinction of being the No. 1-ranked student in her graduating class (138 students).

Outside the classroom, Edwards is involved in multiple extracurricular activities. She has been a four-year member of the bowling team, Future Business Leaders of America, student council and concert/marching band, a three-year participant in jazz band, speech team and the Drama Department's set crew and a two-year contributor to both the National Honor Society and the Dance Marathon Planning Committee.

As a bowler, Edwards has authored outstanding performances at tournaments such as the 2021 Iowa State Youth Championship Tournament, where she took first place in Division I Singles and All-Events. Also, she qualified for the national finals at the 2022 Junior Gold Championships.

Hawkins is a senior at Grant High School in Fox Lake, Illinois, where she has established a 5.010 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) thanks to her success in multiple AP and honors courses. She has been on Grant's honor roll every semester of her high school career, and her strong academic prowess allowed her to gain acceptance into the National Honor Society during her sophomore year – NHS membership invitations are more commonly extended to juniors and seniors.

A long list of extracurricular activities occupies Hawkins' time when she isn't hitting the books. Some of those activities include varsity bowling, the Principal's Advisory Council, marching band – where she has earned section leader status – the Student Athletic and Activities Leadership Team and the Big Dog Freshman Mentoring Program.

Hawkins' bowling resume currently boasts a high game of 246 and a high series of 631. She took third place at the 2022 Northern Lake County Conference tournament and fifth place at the Illinois High School Association Regionals.

Melone, a senior at Addison Trail High School, has put together an impressive academic record, maintaining a 4.429 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) and remaining on honor roll despite taking on a schedule filled with AP and honors classes, ranking in the top 30 of her graduating class of nearly 450 students and earning Illinois State Scholar and AP Scholar status.

Melone's extracurricular involvement is just as impressive as she takes part in myriad activities, including bowling, Key Club, student council, Business Professionals of America, basketball, volleyball and softball, among others.

During the 2022-23 bowling season, Melone helped lead the Addison Trail Varsity Girls' Bowling Team to its first IHSA State Tournament appearance since 2005. Melone has excelled individually as well, recording multiple top-10 finishes in high level events such as Pepsi USBC Youth Championship qualifiers.

Snyder is a senior at Colerain High School, where she has maintained a 4.0 GPA thanks to straight A report cards throughout her high school career. That feat is made more impressive when examining Snyder's transcript, which has been consistently loaded with every AP and honors class that Colerain has to offer. For her academic efforts, Snyder has been rewarded with Honor Roll 4.0 and National Honor Society status.

Aside from being a standout student, Snyder has impressed many with her extracurricular involvement as well. She has participated in a long list of activities throughout her high school career, including varsity bowling, show choir, drama club, book club, Spanish club, dance, chamber singers and more.

Snyder's list of individual bowling accomplishments includes a high game of 289, a high series of 673 and a first-place finish in Singles at the USBC Greater Cincinnati Youth Championship. While bowling for Colerain, Snyder has notched multiple all-tournament team selections, and she helped the Cardinals to their first ever state tournament berth.

In addition to being a USBC Youth member, applicants for the Earl Anthony Memorial Scholarship must have been a senior in high school or a college student and have a record of strong community involvement and academic achievements as well as financial need. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 based on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent).

SCHOLARSHIPS

YOUTH BOWLERS SELECTED TO RECEIVE GIFT FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS

The International Bowling Campus Youth Committee has selected 12 United States Bowling Congress Youth members to receive a Gift For Life Scholarship in 2023.

The Gift For Life Scholarships are presented annually to youth bowlers who are in high school and can demonstrate financial need. Applicants are selected based on submitted applications, must have a grade-point average of 2.5 or higher (based on a 4.0 scale) and provide at least two letters of recommendation.

Each award winner receives a \$1,000 scholarship, managed through the SMART program.

The Gift For Life Scholarship recipients for 2023 are as follows:

Logan Bradley, Springfield, Oregon – Bradley is a senior at Springfield High School, where he has maintained a 4.0 GPA despite challenging himself with several Advanced Placement and honors classes. He has been on the honor roll every semester of his high school career, is currently ranked first in his graduating class of 268 students and is a member of the National Honor Society. Bradley also participates in cross country and track and is a member of the Rotary Youth Leadership Program. In addition to receiving the Gift For Life Scholarship, Bradley also is among five USBC Youth members receiving the 2023 Earl Anthony Memorial Scholarship.

Bryson Butterfield, Gooding, Idaho – Butterfield's academic prowess is well known to the teaching and administrative staff at North Valley Academy as is evident by his 3.9 GPA. He has also proven himself to be a standout athlete while competing for North Valley's bowling, football and tennis teams. Butterfield also was a Boy Scout and has spent time volunteering at the Helping Hearts and Hand Food Drive, at a local soup kitchen and at a plethora of other charitable organizations.

Jenessa Hernandez, Gardnerville, Nevada – Jessica Hernandez is a senior at Douglas High School, where she has maintained a steady 3.1 GPA and is in the top half of her graduating class. Hernandez has been heavily involved in Douglas' Junior ROTC program, where she has ascended to the rank of Command Sergeant Major. She also is a member of the JROTC rifle team, raider team and color guard. Clearly intending to put her early military training to good use, Hernandez has already enlisted in the United States Army National Guard.

Lidia Hernandez, Los Angeles – Lidia Hernandez is a senior at Francisco Bravo Medical Magnet High School, where her 4.22 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) has her ranked in the top 15 in her graduating class of 362 students. When she isn't hard at work on her studies in several AP and honors courses, Hernandez participates in extracurricular activities such as bowling, math club, cross country and the School Site & Leadership Council. Also, she has logged more than 450 hours of volunteer work – the most of any student at Francisco Bravo – while serving organizations such as the Lupus Foundation of America.

Aidan Mercer, Daphne, Alabama – Mercer is a senior at Daphne High School where he has maintained a 3.9574 unweighted GPA (4.5319 weighted) and maintained a ranking inside the top 25 in his graduating class of 411 students. The rigors of multiple honors and AP classes take up a good deal of Mercer's time; nevertheless, he has stayed involved in multiple extracurricular activities as well, including bowling, chess club, scholars bowl and art club. He also has completed community service work for Alabama Coastal Clean-up and Fairhope Unitarian Universalist Fellowship since 2015 and for Daphne Beautification Committee and for his local USBC association since 2021.

Weston Metts, Louisville, Kentucky – Metts is currently completing his senior year at Saint Xavier High School in Louisville, where he has been a standout student throughout his high school career. During his time at Saint Xavier, Metts has established a 3.99 unweighted GPA (5.01 weighted) while never earning anything less than an A minus. During the Fall of 2022, Metts scored a perfect composite score of 36 on his ACT. Outside the world of academia, Metts has competed as a member of the Saint Xavier Varsity Bowling Team, Swimming Team and Cross Country Team among other activities, and he has given back to his community by volunteering as a unified partner and coach for Special Olympics Bowling competitions and at the Veterans' Wheelchair Games.

Shaniya Mosely, Morrow, Georgia – Mosely is a senior at Creekside Christian Academy in McDonough where she is ranked in the top 15 in her graduating class by virtue of having maintained a 4.0 GPA while taking on a schedule filled with honors-level classes. Mosely also has helped Creekside's athletic programs as a member of the varsity track and field team and basketball team. She has been bowling for 11 years as well. To give back, Mosely has volunteered her time to help Toys for Tots, Operation Christmas Child, Golden Crest Nursing Home and various food pantries.

Marika Preble, Hermosa, South Dakota – Preble is approaching the conclusion of her senior year at Custer High School in Custer, South Dakota, where she has been a positive presence both inside and outside the classroom. She has maintained a 3.65 GPA (4.0 scale) while enrolled in several challenging honors and dual-credit classes. In addition to bowling, Preble has participated in 4H, where she was named Custer SD 4H Queen, Northern Hills Honors Band, Lifeways Art Competition and Spearfish Marching Competition. She also has been completing community service tasks for more than 10 years, donating her time and talents to help organizations such as the Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels and Harvest Hills Church.

Roman Roberts, Norman, Oklahoma – Roberts is a senior at Norman High School and has been a straight A student throughout his high school career. That isn't due to a lack of challenging coursework as mostly honors and AP classes comprise Roberts' transcript. His high level of scholarship led to his acceptance into the National Honor Society as well as honor societies for math, social studies and Spanish. Roberts also has put in a great deal of time helping his community while working for the United Way, Salvation Army, Younglife Work Crew and several other charitable organizations.

Luke Schaefer, Oshkosh, Wisconsin – Schaefer is finishing up his senior year at Oshkosh West High School, where he has maintained a 3.806 GPA (4.0 scale) and is ranked in the top 15 percent of his graduating class. In addition to his time spent on the lanes and volunteering at his local bowling center, Schaefer has been a member of Oshkosh West's Spanish Club, Chess Club and Global Academy. Also, he founded his own community service organization – Teens Clean Machines – which was designed to help individuals perform yard maintenance and other household cleaning tasks.

Cody Underwood, Beverly Hills, Florida – Underwood is a senior at Lecanto High School in Lecanto, Florida, where he has established a 4.09 weighted GPA and been a member of the AB Honor Roll thanks to his high marks in multiple honors classes. He's been heavily involved in extracurricular activities while at Lecanto as well, participating on the bowling team, yearbook committee and school newspaper. Underwood also has served his community by working as a volunteer bowling coach for Special Olympics athletes and local youth bowlers, working for the Children's Miracle Network and the Green Dot Volunteer Program.

Dacey Winn, Preston, Idaho – Winn is completing her senior year at Preston High School and is the No. 1 student in her graduating class of 186 students. She has established a 4.0 GPA, has maintained perfect attendance and is a member of the National Honor Society. Winn has competed as a member of Preston's bowling and softball teams and has been active in Key Club and Business Professionals of America. She also has spent time doing volunteer work for the Global Connections Greek Refugee Project and Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Each year, two of the Gift For Life Scholarships are reserved for the children of fire department, emergency rescue or police personnel. The families of Jenessa Hernandez, Butterfield and Roberts serve in those respective areas.

COLLEGIATE

ROBARGE, KOLBERG NAMED MVPS FOR 2022-2023 USBC COLLEGIATE SEASON

Wichita State's Spencer Robarge and Mount Mercy's Megan Kolberg have been named the Most Valuable Players of the 2022-2023 United States Bowling Congress Collegiate season by the National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association (NCBCA).

The awards were presented during the Night of Champions banquet at the South Point Hotel and Casino. The NCBCA All-America teams and several other award winners also were recognized during the ceremony.

The Storm/International Bowling Media Association (IBMA) Collegiate Award winners also were announced at the banquet, with Robarge and Kolberg being named Bowlers of the Year.

Robarge, the 2022 NCBCA Rookie of the Year, averaged more than 227 over nine events and posted an average differential of 42.35 to lead the nation in both categories as a sophomore. He also led both categories in Tier I competition (227.72 and 39.47) to help the Shockers to the top of the team rankings for the regular season.

He collected three individual wins and had six top-five finishes during the year. During the fifth Southwest Intercollegiate Bowling Conference (SWIBC) event of the season in January, the two-hander rolled a pair of 300 games on the way to a five-game set of 1,309 (261.8 average).

Robarge was joined on the NCBCA All-America first team for the 2022-2023 season by Alex Acosta of Saint Xavier, Brandon Bohn of Mount Mercy, Bryce Oliver of Pikeville and CJ Petrin of Oklahoma Christian.

Bohn also was named the NCBCA Rookie of the Year after recording three individual wins and averaging more than 224 during the season.

Kolberg, a junior for the Mustangs, finished the regular season fifth in average (208.57) and third in average differential (33.98) over 10 events. She also finished in the top 10 in both statistics across five Tier I events.

She posted four individual wins and five top-five finishes to lead Mount Mercy to the top team ranking for the regular season.

Kolberg earned her first NCBCA All-America nomination and was joined on the first team by Kaylee Back of Oklahoma Christian, Caitlin Lucas of Baker and McKendree's Hope Gramly and Maranda Pattison.

Back also earned NCBCA Rookie of the Year honors after leading the nation in average differential (37.77) and collecting three individual wins on the way to a 207.29 average.

The NCBCA Gordon Vadakin and Kerm Helmer Coach of the Year awards were presented to Tennessee Southern's Bob Learn Jr. and Savannah College of Art and Design-Savannah's Katie Thornton, respectively.

Learn earned the award for the first time in his career. The USBC Hall of Famer helped the Firehawks to the No. 2 ranking for the 2022-2023 regular season and a pair of Tier I victories.

Thornton claims the Kerm Helmer Coach of the Year after being named the Gordon Vadakin Coach of the Year for the 2021-2022 season. She helped the Bees finish the regular season ranked No. 5 overall.

The Gordon Vadakin Coach of the Year award recognizes the top coach in the men's division, and the Kerm Helmer Coach of the Year award is given to the top coach in the women's division.

Bobby Brown was recognized as the Gordon Teigen Meritorious Service Award winner for 2023. Brown, the women's head coach at Pikeville, runs several tournaments each season, has served as a region director for the NCBCA and helped to create the Collegiate Club Championships and Club Teams Bowling Coaches Association (CTBCA).

The annual award is presented to an individual for outstanding service to collegiate bowling.

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BOWLING COACHES ASSOCIATION

2022-2023 ALL-AMERICA TEAMS

MEN

First Team – Alex Acosta, Saint Xavier; Brandon Bohn, Mount Mercy; Bryce Oliver, Pikeville; CJ Petrin, Oklahoma Christian; Spencer Robarge, Wichita State

Second Team – Brandon Bonta, Wichita State; Alec Keplinger, Wichita State; Eli Mayberry, Pikeville; Jorge Rodriguez-Rosas, McKendree; Hayden Stippich, Tennessee Southern

Honorable Mention – Noah Akiona, Newman; Drake Bazy, Wisconsin-Whitewater; Tyler Betz, Tennessee Southern; Daniel Chin, McKendree; Devin Flowers, Northwestern Ohio; Tyrell Ingalls, SCAD-Savannah; Nick Larsen, Webber International; Dylan Mollo, Marian-Indiana; Joseph Ocello, Calumet; Julian Salinas, SCAD-Savannah

Most Valuable Player – Spencer Robarge, Wichita State

Rookie of the Year – Brandon Bohn, Mount Mercy

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WOMEN

First Team – Kaylee Back, Oklahoma Christian; Hope Gramly, McKendree; Megan Kolberg, Mount Mercy; Caitlin Lucas, Baker; Maranda Pattison, McKendree

Second Team – Isabel Allen, McKendree; Lindsay Brown, Tennessee Southern; Bailey Delrose, St. Francis-Illinois; Brianna Rogers, Pikeville; Chloe Skurzynski, Stephen F. Austin

Honorable Mention – Carlene Beyer, Stephen F. Austin; Juliana Botero, Wichita State; Karine Bouchard, Davenport; Kasey Eaton, Davenport; Madison Janack, Wichita State; Allie Leiendecker, Louisiana Tech; Lindsay Manning, Louisiana Tech; Cassidy Potter, Rochester Institute of Technology; Hailey Triske, Tennessee Southern; Haley Youker, Mercyhurst

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2022-2023 COLLEGIATE AWARDS

MEN

Bowler of the Year – Spencer Robarge, Wichita State

Runners-Up – Alex Acosta, Saint Xavier; Bryce Oliver, Pikeville; CJ Petrin, Oklahoma Christian; Hayden Stippich, Tennessee Southern

Honorable Mention – Brandon Bohn, Mount Mercy; Brandon Bonta, Wichita State; Alec Keplinger, Wichita State

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2023 INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM AND SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS

APRIL 17-22 | South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas

The Wichita State men and McKendree women captured team championships, and Wichita State's Paige Wagner and Webber International's A.J. Wolstenholme claimed singles titles at the 2023 Intercollegiate Team and Singles Championships at South Point Bowling Plaza.

The championship rounds in the men's and women's divisions in each event were taped for broadcast Saturday and will air on Tuesdays in April and May on CBS Sports Network.

The women's ISC finals will air April 25 at 7 p.m. Eastern with the men's ISC show airing May 2 at 7 p.m. Eastern. The women's ITC finals will be May 9 at 11 p.m. Eastern, and the excitement will conclude with the men's ITC title match May 16 at 7 p.m. Eastern.

Wichita State won the 2021 contest by a margin of 3-2 to collect its 12th men's national title.

As such, St. Ambrose came into Saturday's match hoping for some payback and looking to do whatever was within its power to keep the Shockers from collecting their 13th ITC crown.

But much to the disappointment of the St. Ambrose faithful, the Fighting Bees just never got on track during Saturday's title match.

Instead, it was Wichita State that was stringing the strikes and bringing the energy during a 3-0 sweep of St. Ambrose.

The Shockers struck on six of their first seven shots and nine times overall to take the opening game of the match by a score of 234-199.

The teams switched lanes prior to Game 2, but the results were the same as a combination of Wichita State strikes and St. Ambrose opens allowed the Shockers to cruise to a 211-152 victory and a 2-0 lead in the match.

The Fighting Bees did their best to hang tough and begin the process of mounting a comeback, but it just wasn't meant to be.

The two squads were tied after six frames of Game 3, but a St. Ambrose split and open in the eighth coupled with Shocker strikes in the seventh, eighth, ninth, and 10th ended the match and allowed Wichita State to secure its second ITC title in the last three seasons.

That gives the Shockers 13 men's national titles. Saginaw Valley State is next on the all-time list with four.

Wichita State Head Coach Rick Steelsmith is proud that this year's team was able to add another chapter to the storied history of Shocker bowling; he feels like it was a fitting way for some of his players to end their WSU bowling careers.

"The guys worked really hard for this day in and day out, and they were able to send the seniors out the way that they needed to be sent out, which is really cool for them," Steelsmith said. "Our program is blessed with some of the best kids in the country, and I'm just so proud of them all."

Steelsmith also knows just how talented St. Ambrose's roster is. As such, he was elated that his team was able to take down such a worthy foe enroute to this year's title.

"We have total respect for St. Ambrose; they're a terrific group, and they were in this match for a reason," Steelsmith said. "We just tried to stay focused on us and get as much as we could get, hoping it would be enough at the end."

"When that final strike was thrown, that's the best moment of all because that's when you get to see your guys run out there and jump up and celebrate with one another. That's the reward for all the hard work that they put in for this whole year."

The 2023 Wichita State championship team included Ryan Barnes, Brandon Bonta,

Brandon Caruso, David Hayes, Alec Keplinger, Spencer Robarge, T.J. Rock and Nick Sommer.

In addition to the rewards Steelsmith spoke of, a couple of his bowlers earned some individual honors as well at tournament's end.

Bonta earned this year's Chris Stoehr Sportsmanship award in the men's division, and Keplinger was named to the 2023 ITC All-Tournament team and was named its men's most valuable player.

Joining Keplinger on the men's all-tournament team were Tyler Betz of Tennessee Southern, St. Ambrose's Cameron Crowe, Wisconsin-Whitewater's Garrett Meadows and Michael Nape Jr. from St. Francis-Illinois.

In the women's title match, McKendree took advantage of a late Maryville open to take Game 1 by a final score of 205-201.

The momentum then shifted in Maryville's direction during the next two games as the Saints rode an opening seven bagger to a 232-220 win in Game 2 and then capitalized on four McKendree opens to come out on top 225-171 during Game 3.

That put Maryville up 2-1 and just one win away from securing the first ITC title in program history.

But as champions always seem to do, McKendree responded.

The Bearcats started Game 4 with a four bagger and would go on to strike 10 times in total during a 234-180 victory that evened the match 2-2 and left the 2023 national title up to a fifth and deciding game.

Both teams came out strong during the finale with McKendree starting with another four bagger and Maryville responding with spare-four bagger of its own to keep the match tied through five frames.

Disaster struck the Saints in the sixth frame, however, as they were unable to convert a 10 pin. Not only did that halt Maryville's string of strikes, but it also allowed McKendree to take an eight-pin lead with just four frames remaining.

The Saints bounced back strong with a strike in the seventh frame, but they were only able to muster spares during frames eight and nine.

McKendree, meanwhile, spared in the seventh and eighth, but fourth bowler Rebecca Hagerman delivered a crucial strike in the ninth.

That put the Bearcats in position to win. If anchor bowler Hope Gramly could go strike-seven in the 10th frame, McKendree would be national champions once again.

Showing the poise and shot-making ability that caused her to be named a 2023



**UPCOMING: APRIL 15– 20, 2024
LOUISVILLE, KY**

2023 INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM AND SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS CONT.

National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association First Team All-American, Gramly calmly stepped up and delivered a flush strike.

Needing seven pins to officially secure the title, Gramly hit the pocket again in the 11th, toppling nine pins to officially eliminate Maryville and earn McKendree its second ITC crown – the Bearcats won their first in 2017 – to go along with its pair of NCAA championships.

For Gramly, who was named the 2023 ITC women's most valuable player shortly after the title match concluded, being asked to deliver in crunch time is nothing new.

"I've been in lots of close Baker matches that have come down to me needing to really execute my best shot, so it wasn't a situation that I was new to," Gramly said. "Still, I was nervous. My legs were shaking, but I knew that if I did my job and hit my line, my ball would take care of the rest."

Gramly did just that, and McKendree Head Coach Shannon O'Keefe wasn't surprised in the least.

"Hope (Gramly) had some weird breaks throughout our matches this week, but I'm always confident that she's going to step up and throw a good one when she needs it," O'Keefe said. "She's shown it over and over again over the years; she's the best player in college bowling for a reason."

But McKendree didn't win the title because of one bowler; it won because of the hard work and dedication of every player and coach and the support of all members of Bearcat Nation.

"Anytime you can win and bring it back to a school that has belief in you as coaches and players, that's very special," O'Keefe said. "We're just a small school in southern Illinois, so to be able to have this program on the national stage year in and year out is truly humbling and a blessing.

"As coaches, we pour ourselves into our kids, so to be able to take a step back and watch them make their dreams come true and know that we played a small part in that is something I'm in awe of every time we get to do it. This feels awesome; there's no other words for it."

McKendree's 2023 championship team featured Isabel Allen, Keyla Covarrubias, Angelique Dalesandro, Gramly, Rebecca Hagerman, Maranda Pattison, Kayla Smith and Anna Warkel.

Joining Gramly on the all-tournament team were Allen, Wichita State's Juliana Botero, Maryville's Natalie Heltne and Lauren Tomaszewski of North Carolina A&T.

The Chris Stoehr Sportsmanship award went to Lara Kurt of Savannah College of Art and Design-Savannah.

In the women's singles title tilt, Wagner beat Maryville's Anna Maxwell, 211-203, to win the ISC crown.

Wagner seized control of the title match from the word go, starting with a four bagger and striking on six of her first seven shots to establish a 42-pin lead through seven frames.

Things got a bit dicey from there, however, as Wagner left a pocket 7-10 split in the eighth and chopped a 4-7 in the ninth to give Maxwell new life.

If the Maryville sophomore could strike out in the eighth, ninth, and 10th, she could shoot 223, which would best Wagner's max of 222 and complete an improbable come-from-behind victory for the national title.

Maxwell took the first step, making a ball change and delivering a flush strike on the right lane; unfortunately, that's as far as the string would go as the following delivery resulted in a 10 pin.

She converted the spare easily, but the damage was done as not striking lowered

her max score down to 203.

Wagner sat at 192 through nine frames, meaning that a mark of any kind and two pins in the 10th would get her the victory.

The Wichita right-hander's first shot in the final frame crept high, but the 4 pin was all that was left standing.

For a player of Wagner's caliber, converting a 4 pin is usually a low-stress proposition.

However, considering that she had missed that very pin while chopping the 4-7 one frame earlier, it was clear that the Wichita right-hander could not afford to take the shot for granted.

She didn't; instead, she took her time, covered the spare without any concern and moved herself just one shot and two pins away from the winner's circle.

Nevertheless, that last shot wasn't stress free either because Wagner needed to be sure to stay behind the foul line.



During her semifinal matchup with Kurt, Wagner appeared to have the match won, but a foul on her fill-ball suddenly brought the outcome back into question.

Thankfully for Wagner, the misstep didn't cost her, and with that memory fresh in her mind, she wasn't about to let the foul line trip her up again.

Instead, she stayed well clear of it and delivered another pocket shot, knocking down nine pins to finish at 211 and officially secure the 2023 ISC title.

Maxwell finished strong, striking out during her 10th frame to make the final score 211-203.

When asked to describe how it felt to be a national champion, Wagner could only come up with one word.

"It's awesome. Honestly, I'm speechless right now and don't even really know what to say," Wagner said. "I'm so happy that my family was supporting me from back home even though they couldn't be here and that my teammates were here to watch."

Those teammates were front and center offering hugs, smiles and words of congratulations as Wagner walked around displaying the first-place trophy, one that will be added to the many that Wichita State bowlers have earned over the years during collegiate competition.

Wagner was proud to add to that storied history, but it wasn't something that came as a surprise; she felt all along like Saturday could be her day.

“I felt really good this morning; I wasn’t nervous at all,” Wagner said. “I knew this could happen, so I just continued to focus, stay present and make great shots.”

Wagner certainly made her fair share of great shots throughout her two matches during the TV finals.

She started her day with an eight-strike performance – nine if it weren’t for the foul on the last shot – to eliminate Kurt (235-226) before putting up seven strikes in her title-clinching defeat of Maxwell.

Wagner finished the day with 14 strikes and an average of 223 for her two games.

In the other women’s semifinal, Maxwell defeated Stephen F. Austin’s Chloe Skurzynski by a score of 238-223, ending Skurzynski’s bid to become just the



second bowler to complete a successful ISC women’s title defense – Emily Eckhoff of Hastings College accomplished the feat by notching back-to-back titles in 2015 and 2016.

In the men’s final, Wolstenholme jumped ahead of Fresno State’s Vincent Luong early and never looked back.

The Webber International two-hander used three strikes and a spare to establish a 29-pin lead after just four frames.

Luong tried to cut into the lead by firing a double in the sixth and seventh frames, but it wasn’t nearly enough as Wolstenholme closed the match with a seven bagger to breeze to a 259-170 victory and the 2023 ISC men’s title.

Considering the fact that three of the four men’s finalists were from Webber International – Adam Atkins and Austin Grammar also competed on Saturday’s ISC men’s show – Wolstenholme had teammates nearby and a sizable cheering section in his corner, and that was not something he took for granted.

“I was so happy to have my teammates next to me keeping me loose and supporting me when I needed them,” Wolstenholme said. “It was awesome; I couldn’t have done it without them.”

There was, however, another person to whom Wolstenholme felt compelled to give credit, a person who, sadly, passed away before getting to see the two-hander raise this year’s ISC trophy in triumph.

That person was Webber International Women’s Head Coach Randy Stoughton, who passed away in January.

As did so many others, Wolstenholme had a great deal of respect for Stoughton, and he wanted to be sure the late coach’s role in Saturday’s victory did not go unmentioned.

“If it weren’t for Randy (Stoughton), I wouldn’t even be bowling in college,”

Wolstenholme said. “I ended up on a Zoom lesson with him during the COVID year, and he asked if I still had college eligibility because he liked the way I process things. He thought I would fit in well here, and once I came for a visit, I knew it was where I needed to be.

“Losing Randy was a big deal, and we feel the lack of his presence every day. I don’t know; for some reason it just sort of felt like this was meant to happen. This one was for Randy.”

2023 INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas

MEN’S CHAMPIONSHIP

Wichita State def. St. Ambrose, 3-0 (234-199, 211-152, 217-195)

WOMEN’S CHAMPIONSHIP

McKendree def. Maryville, 4-3 (205-201, 220-232, 171-225, 234-180, 233-214)

MEN’S ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Alec Keplinger, Wichita State (Most Valuable Player)
Tyler Betz, Tennessee Southern
Cameron Crowe, St. Ambrose
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Michael Nape Jr., St Francis-Illinois

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2023 INTERCOLLEGIATE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas,

MEN’S SEMIFINALS

A.J. Wolstenholme, Webber International def. Adam Atkins, Webber International, 224-173
Vincent Luong, Fresno State def. Austin Grammar, Webber International, 204-169

MEN’S FINAL

Wolstenholme def Luong, 259-170

WOMEN’S SEMIFINALS

Paige Wagner, Wichita State def. Lara Kurt, SCAD-Savannah, 235-226
Anna Maxwell, Maryville def. Chloe Skurzynski, Stephen F. Austin, 238-223

WOMEN’S FINAL

Wagner def. Maxwell, 211-203

2023 USA BOWLING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

JULY 12-13 | Mike Aulby's Arrowhead Bowl and Royal Pin Western, Indianapolis



The team representing the Southeast region won the title in the 12-and-under division at the 2023 USA Bowling National Championships. The finals aired on CBS Sports Network Tuesday night.

The Southeast region's X-Men defeated the Lower Great Lakes region's EYT Phenoms 2.0, in a 3-0 sweep.

The championship round featured a four-person Baker format with the lead-off bowler bowling the first, fifth and ninth frames, the second bowler bowling the second, sixth and 10th frames, the third bowler bowling frames three and seven, and the fourth bowler bowling frames four and eight.

Bowling for the X-Men in the U12 finals were Ean Laws, Ryan Campbell, Nolyn Conway, Jax Neal and Vincent Cintron. Head coach Geran Conway and assistant coach Patrick Campbell guided the team.

The X-Men captured a low-scoring Game 1, 181-137, and even though the outcome of the match was not in doubt at the end, the 10th frame still provided a memorable highlight. X-Men head coach Conway subbed in Cintron for the 10th frame, and he calmly struck on all three shots (the only three-bagger by either team in Game 1) with his unique back-up ball delivery, making Cintron an instant crowd favorite.

Perhaps Cintron's performance loosened both teams up, as the scoring pace improved in Game 2. The Phenoms put together five consecutive strikes in frames four through eight, but the X-Men countered with a six-bagger late in the match to secure a 255-225 win, putting them one game from the title.

Game 3 was the closest of the match. The Phenoms bowled a clean game, with the exception of an open frame in the third, and finished with the last four strikes. But the X-Men were up to the challenge, striking on seven of eight shots in frames two through nine for a 209-203 win to earn the championship.

For the X-Men, the win meant something special as they were bowling for their friend Mallory Newton who is battling Stage 4 cancer. The victory for the X-Men came on her 15th birthday.

"Mallory lives in Anderson (North Carolina) and bowls in the upstate with us," said coach Conway. "She bowls various tournaments, including the Beast of the East Tour, and she bowls in a lot of local tournaments, as well as the all-stars of South Carolina. Our team knows her well and we wanted to win this for her, not just for our team."

Although the competition was tough, the X-Men were still able to enjoy the experience.

"The best part about the whole thing was just competing with all our friends, getting to know the players on the other teams and just having fun," Neal said. "Plus, being able to win for Mallory makes it even better."

The USA Bowling National Championships featured 11 regions in U12 and 16 in U15. Each team that competed in Indianapolis earned their spot by winning their region.

Qualifying and match play rounds leading up to the CBS Sports Network finals were streamed live on BowITV.com.

The finals of the U15 division will be televised on CBS Sports Network Tuesday, July 25, at 7 p.m. Eastern.

The team representing the Coastal South region won the title in the 15-and-under division at the 2023 USA Bowling National Championships. The finals aired on CBS Sports Network Tuesday night.

The Coast South region's Eagles defeated the Pocket Punishers from the Mountain region in a 3-0 sweep.

The best-of-five match championship round featured a four-person Baker format with the lead-off bowler bowling the first, fifth and ninth frames, the second bowler bowling the second, sixth and 10th frames, the third bowler bowling frames three and seven, and the fourth bowler bowling frames four and eight.

The Eagles brought a four-person team to the event, so they didn't have the

luxury of any substitutions. The roster for the Eagles featured athletes Gavin Murray, Ridgely Potter Jr., Emmanuel Guevara and Carly Rhodes (the only female in the finals), and head coach Scott DeBoer.

Bowling for the Mountain region's Pocket Punishers were Diego Lujan, Blaine Canfield, Jonathan Van Der Merwede, Ronin Rivera and Raider Ramsdell. Anthony Rivera was the head coach and he was assisted by Mike Lujan.

In Game 1, the Eagles struck in eight of their first nine frames, leaving open frames in the seventh and 10th. The Punishers also had two open frames and eight strikes, but couldn't string the strikes together as effectively as their opponent, and the result was a 229-203 win for the Eagles.

It was more of the same in Game 2. After an open frame in the first, the Eagles strung together six consecutive strikes before another open frame in the eighth. They finished with the last four strikes for a 245 game. The Punishers never could find any momentum as they didn't throw consecutive strikes until a three-bagger late in the game. Open frames in the second and fifth kept them trailing in every frame after the first, and they ended up with 194, leaving the Eagles on the verge of the championship.

Game 3 was a lower-scoring affair and a closer match. The Punishers held an eight-pin lead after eight frames, but an open frame after a 2-10 split in the ninth, combined with a strike and spare in the 10th, left them within reach of the Eagles. Potter, working off a spare by Murray in the ninth, doubled in the 10th to seal the match, and the championship, 179-166.

"In this event, every frame is important," Guevara said. "You have to make adjustments quickly and you have to trust them to bowl well. You have to make your spares, make good shots and keep the mood positive. It's an all-around fun tournament, but it's also hard."

Afterward, coach DeBoer talked about what it was like to coach the Eagles.

"This particular group is easy to coach," DeBoer said. "They do their own stuff, so most of my job is just making sure they see what I see and then helping them understand when to make a change, but they do most of it on their own. We stress communication among the team members and I try to keep the mood light. I'm just really proud of this group."

BowlTV.com provided live coverage of the qualifying and match play rounds leading up to the finals.

The 2023 USA Bowling National Championships featured 16 regions in U15. Each team that competed in Indianapolis earned their spot by winning their region.

For more information on the USA Bowling National Championships, head to: bowl.com/youth/usa-bowling.

The next CBS Sports Network telecast from the 2023 Junior Gold Championships is Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 7 p.m. Eastern and will feature both the boys and girls finals in the U12 division.



UPCOMING: JULY 10-11, 2024
DETROIT

PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS STARTS WITH LEAGUE-LEVEL QUALIFYING

October - May



The Pepsi USBC Youth Championships is a nationwide tournament open to all United States Bowling Congress Youth members.

The Pepsi Youth Championships starts at the league level and must take place between October and February, and there is no entry fee at this level for youth competitors. Centers with certified USBC Youth leagues are automatic qualifying sites.

Bowlers can advance through a combination of league, center, regional and state tournaments (the process and format are determined by each state), but league-level and state-level competitions are required. State and zone competitions take place starting in March and must be completed by mid-May.

The winners in each of the five age divisions for boys and girls (U8, U10, U12, U15 and U18) at the league level advance to the state and zone competitions.

In addition to the opportunity to compete against bowlers from across their state, USBC Youth members also have the chance to win state titles and earn scholarships.

With each of the 50 states conducting events, along with competitions in Puerto Rico and on United States military bases in Europe, the events have combined to award more than \$1,000,000 in scholarships for the 2023 season.

The Pepsi Youth Championships state tournaments also serve as qualifying events for the Junior Gold Championships. One boy and one girl from each age group – U12, U15 and U18 – advance to the Junior Gold Championships.

Youth bowlers can contact their youth program director to find out when their league will participate in the Pepsi Youth Championships.



UPCOMING: October - May
PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

2023 JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

JULY 10-22 | Indianapolis



Carter Street and Jenna Stretch each collected their first titles in Junior Gold Championships competition by winning the boys and girls titles respectively in the 20-and-under division of the 2023 Junior Gold Championships Thursday at Royal Pin Western.

Street of Dublin, Ohio, and Stretch of Auburn Township, Ohio, were the top seeds for the finals which were taped by CBS Sports Network and will air Tuesday, Aug. 29, at 7 p.m. Eastern.

Street won his title match over Julian Salinas of Richmond, Texas, 204-201, while Stretch defeated Jillian Martin of Stow, Ohio, 235-214.

Street's title match against Salinas pitted a pair of current Junior Team USA members against each other, and it ended in stunning fashion.

Salinas, a junior on the bowling team at Savannah College of Art and Design-Savannah, grabbed the early lead by starting the match with strikes in each of the first four frames. Both players suffered open frames in the fifth when each was unable to convert 4-6-7 splits.

Salinas would strike in the sixth frame and convert three consecutive single-pin spares in frames seven through nine. Street, who enters his sophomore season with the Wichita State University bowling team this fall, struck in the sixth, converted a spare in the seventh, then strung together three consecutive strikes in frames eight, nine and on his first shot in the 10th. He then left the 4-6 split on his second shot in the 10th and finished with 204.

That left Salinas needing a mark in the 10th to secure the win. He left the 10 pin on his first shot in the 10th and then missed the spare, sending his ball into the gutter before it reached the 10 pin. Salinas stood at the foul line with a look of disbelief and despair on his face as Street sat stunned in his seat, trying to process his victory.

"Julian is a great player and I feel like he bowled better than me in that match," Street said. "I can't speak as to what happened on that spare. I don't know. I just know that he's a great player and I never expected that he would miss in that situation."

Late in Thursday's match play competition, leading up to the finals Thursday night, Salinas had to replace his spare ball after it became damaged during competition, drilling up a new one right before his final match play round, which was just a couple hours before the telecast. Still, Salinas wasn't offering any excuses.

"The new spare ball had nothing to do with it," Salinas said. "It felt the same and I made plenty of spares with it. That miss was 100% on me. I'm not mad about it. I feel great about the week I had. I'll look back on the positives from the week and not just that one moment."

Salinas, who was the #3 seed for the finals, made it to the title match by defeating #2 seed Austin Grammar of Hamersville, Ohio, in the semifinal match, 237-172.

Grammar, who will bowl his senior season at Webber International University this year, was undone by open frames in the fourth after a 4-6 split, and in the sixth and ninth when he failed to convert the 3-6-10 and a 10 pin respectively. Salinas put the match away with a pair of three-baggers in frames four through six and eight through 10.

For Street, the way the title match ended didn't lessen the meaning of the win, especially after finishing fourth and second the last two years in the U18 division of this event.

"This win means everything," Street said. "Winning this event and making Junior Team USA, that's what I came here for. To have come so close the last two years makes winning it this year even better."

While the girls title match didn't offer as much drama as the boys, it did feature an impressive performance by Stretch, who had never finished higher than 57th in her three previous attempts at the Junior Gold Championships.

"I was way calmer on the TV show than I was expecting to be," Stretch said. "I thought I was going to be really nervous, but I was actually able to just dial in and focus my eyes on the lanes and just tried to treat it as another day bowling."

Perhaps adding to Stretch's comfort level was the rough start endured by Martin in the title match. After looking comfortable and confident in a 233-181 semifinal victory over Brystal Beyer, who bowls collegiately at Stephen F. Austin State University, things didn't go as planned in the championship match.

Martin, who will be a sophomore on the bowling team at the University of Nebraska this fall, suffered three consecutive splits to start the final match (4-6-7 in frame one, 2-4-8-10 in frame two and a pocket 7-10 in frame three) and was unable to convert any of them.

"Lanes can change quickly on TV under the bright lights," Martin said. "Unfortunately, things started to change for me. I tried to move around and settle in, and thought I threw a good shot in the third frame, but happened to leave a pocket 7-10. For me, at that point, I had to make a ball change and I bowled well the rest of the way."

Martin did bowl well the rest of the way, striking on every shot except the seventh frame, when she converted the 2-8 combination, and on her fill ball in the 10th.

The problem for Martin was that Stretch never let her back in the match after those early open frames. Stretch struck seven times, including a four-bagger in frames three through six, never had an open frame, and threw a double late in the match that helped seal the win.

"I came into this week not knowing I would even get to this point," Stretch said. "I just focused on hitting the pocket, making my spares and just tried to remain calm. I think I did a really good job with all of that and I'm proud of myself for that."

For Martin, a Junior Gold Championships title remains about the only thing she hasn't accomplished in a decorated youth bowling career. Her second-place finish marked her sixth top-10 finish in this event and the fourth time she's finished in the top five.

"I'm really happy with how I performed this week," Martin said. "Obviously, this is the one tournament I haven't gotten under my belt yet, so I was really determined this week. I stuck to my game plan and did a lot of really good things. I can't be mad. I can't be upset. I just need to keep moving on and keep this mentality going forward."

Like Street, Stretch, who will be a sophomore on the bowling team at Mercyhurst University, said this win means "everything" to her, as does qualifying for Junior Team USA.

"I'm very humbled and grateful for that opportunity," Stretch said. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that not many people get to have, so I'm just really grateful for that."

The U20 division also served as a qualifier for automatic spots on 2024 Junior Team USA. In the boys and girls divisions, the top four qualifiers after 26 games of qualifying, the event champion, and the event runner-up qualified for Junior Team USA 2024.

Based on those criteria, the automatic qualifiers for 2024 Junior Team USA are:

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Boys Division:

Nathan Smith, Noblesville, Indiana (first after 26 games of qualifying)
Ryan Speer, Beech Grove, Indiana (second after 26 games of qualifying)
Brendan Salo, Dayton, Ohio (third after 26 games of qualifying)
Justin Bohn, Jackson, New Jersey (fourth after 26 games of qualifying)
Carter Street, Dublin, Ohio (event champion)
Julian Salinas, Richmond, Texas (event runner-up)

Girls Division:

Jillian Martin, Stow, Ohio (event runner-up and first after 26 games of qualifying)
Jaelle Hamman, Jarrell, Texas (second after 26 games of qualifying)
Jenna Stretch, Auburn Township, Ohio (event champion and third after 26 games of qualifying)
Brystal Beyer, Ogdensburg, Wisconsin (fourth after 26 games of qualifying)
*Annalise Obryant, Ball Ground, Georgia (fifth after 26 games of qualifying)
**Brianna Rogers, Florence, South Carolina (sixth after 26 games of qualifying)
*Since event champion Jenna Stretch also finished third after 26 games of qualifying, Obryant makes the team as the fifth-place finisher after qualifying.
**Since event runner-up Jillian Martin also finished first after 26 games of qualifying, Rogers makes the team as the sixth-place finisher after qualifying.

BowlTV.com carried all of the action in the U20 division live leading up to the CBS Sports Network finals.

Defending boys champion Justin Bohn of Jackson, New Jersey, was eliminated in the first round of match play Thursday morning, and defending girls champion Anna Callan of La Crosse, Wisconsin, was eliminated one round later.

After nearly two weeks of competition, the 2023 Junior Gold Championships officially ended Saturday when six champions were crowned following the stepladder finals in the 18-and-under, 15-and-under and 12-and-under divisions at Royal Pin Western.

This year's champions included Aidan Furukawa of Sunbury, Ohio (U18), Ernesto Reynoso of Folsom, California (U15), and Ryan Campbell of Clinton, South Carolina (U12), in the boys divisions. The champions on the girls side were Gianna Brandolino of Channahon, Illinois (U18), Larielle Tharps of Orlando, Florida (U15), and Alexandra McCowan of Anaheim, California (U12).

More than 3,250 United States Bowling Congress Youth members competed at Junior Gold 2023, traveling across six bowling centers in the Indianapolis area in hopes of winning a sizable portion of the approximately \$450,000 scholarship fund, making a run at a national title and claiming a spot on Junior Team USA.

BowlTV.com provided livestream coverage of every round of the 2023 event leading up to the stepladder finals in each division.

The finals in each division were taped for broadcast on CBS Sports Network with telecasts adhering to the following schedule: U12 (Tuesday, Aug. 1 at 7 p.m. Eastern); U15 (Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 7 p.m. Eastern); U18 (Tuesday, Aug. 22 at 9 p.m. Eastern); and U20 (Tuesday, Aug. 29 at 7 p.m. Eastern).

U18 Boys

Aidan Furukawa of Sunbury, Ohio, took home the U18 boys title by defeating Andrew Robitaille of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, 197-181, during the final match of the 2023 Junior Gold Championships.

Any good bowler will tell you that making spares is crucial to being successful on the lanes, and that fact was on full display during this championship bout.

Aidan didn't record a double and only struck four times in total, but he also made each and every spare conversion he was forced to contend with.

Andrew, meanwhile, was saddled with four splits in the first seven frames, and despite some very solid spare attempts, each split led to an open frame.

Those opens outweighed any and all benefits created by his six strikes and allowed Aidan to wrap up the victory before the 10th frame was completed.

Aidan didn't come to Junior Gold 2023 with victory on his mind, so the gravity of what he had just accomplished hadn't yet sunk in during the moments immediately following the match.

"My only goal coming into this year was to try to make the first cut, so the fact that I won and am now on Junior Team USA is a lot to take in," Aidan said. "This feels amazing, but it's going to take a while to really comprehend how it feels."

Another thing that took a moment to comprehend was how nerve-racking it was to bowl on TV for a national title.

Aidan appeared to be handling that pressure just fine as he was smiling and playing to the crowd from the moment he walked onto the set.

However, according to Aidan, the relaxed, lighthearted appearance on the outside masked what he was truly feeling inside.

"I looked calm, but deep down I was terrified," Aidan said. "I just did my best not to let that show on the outside."

He definitely accomplished that, but his more impressive accomplishments were taking home the U18 title and earning his first berth on Junior Team USA.

Again, those goals weren't necessarily on his list at the start of this year's tournament, but he is certainly glad that he'll be able to add both to his resume from this point forward.

"I've never accomplished anything like this before, so getting this win and earning my way onto Junior Team USA definitely ranks first among anything I've ever done," Aidan said. "I didn't expect to get here, but being here feels amazing."

Andrew earned the opportunity to play spoiler by using a late five-bagger to erase an early deficit and rally past No. 2 seed Daniel Robertson, 226-214, in the semifinals.

Andrew's momentum slowed during the championship match, however, which allowed Aidan to walk away as champion while Andrew settled for third place.

U18 Girls

Gianna Brandolino of Joliet, Illinois, delighted her sizable cheering section by coming away with the U18 girls crown by virtue of a 228-202 defeat of Karina Capron of Fremont, Nebraska.

Karina certainly didn't go down without a fight, throwing a clutch four-bagger in frames six through nine to force Gianna to get a strike and six pins in the 10th frame to win.

The top seed proved that she was up to the challenge, however, getting the all-important strike and then counting nine on her next ball to officially lock up her first Junior Gold title.

Despite her young age, Gianna has already accomplished plenty on the lanes; nevertheless, becoming a Junior Gold champion immediately jumped to the top of her personal list of achievements.

"Winning today, by far, ranks first among all the wins I've had so far," Brandolino said. "Me and my team won the USA Bowling Championships last year, and that was No. 1 at the time, but winning this has a different feeling. Knowing that I accomplished this by myself is just great."

Gianna was certainly great during the title match, staying clean and using an opening double and a turkey in the sixth, seventh and eighth frames to keep the advantage firmly on her side.

That advantage was bolstered by the fact that Karina left a pair of early splits that led to open frames.

Still, Karina wasn't about to give up, and when she came up with that late four-bagger, suddenly, Gianna had something to think about.

A lesser player may have stumbled as the pressure mounted, but not Gianna. Perhaps that's because her mom often seems to be willing to face that pressure for the both of them.

"I'd like to say that I'm the one who's the most nervous in those big moments, but it's probably my mom," Gianna said. "She's always pacing up and down. She just wants the best for me. I want the best for myself too, so I just have to push the nerves aside and go out and do what I do."

What she did on Saturday night was capture her first Junior Gold title, and that's a memory she won't soon forget.

"It's an honor to know that my name is going to be on the same banner as players like Landin Jordan and Stefanie Johnson," Gianna said. "Also, it's crazy to think that next year I'm going to come and see my name and picture listed among the champions."

Karina was hoping to add her name to that exclusive list on Saturday night, but that goal will have to wait at least one more year.

Still, she performed admirably all night long.

She earned her place in the title match by doubling in the 10th frame to beat No. 3 seed Kaitlyn Stull of Raleigh, North Carolina, 231-226, during a thrilling U18 girls semifinal.

Then, she fought hard and gave Gianna all she could handle before eventually running out of frames and being forced to settle for third-place honors.

The U18 division featured 588 girls and 1,313 boys at the 2023 Junior Gold Championships.

Junior Gold 2023 kicked off July 10 with U20 competition. Carter Street of Dublin, Ohio, and Jenna Stretch of Auburn Township, Ohio, won titles in their respective divisions.

Junior Team USA 2024

Six boys and six girls from the U18 division also earned spots on Junior Team USA for 2024 based on their performances this week at the Junior Gold Championships.

The boys team will feature Furukawa, Robitaille, Braden Mallasch of Waupaca, Wisconsin; Christian Liquori of Merritt Island, Florida; Garrett Andrus of Austin, Texas; and Josh Hammons of Topeka, Kansas.

Brandolino, Capron, and Stull will be joined on the girls team in 2024 by Victoria Varano of Stony Point, New York; Erin Klemencic of Powder Springs, Georgia; and Katelyn Abigania of San Diego.

U15 Boys

In just his third appearance, Ernesto Reynoso of Folsom, California, reached the Junior Gold winner's circle for the first time by defeating top seed Matteo Quintero of Smyrna, Tennessee, 237-198.

Although Matteo, who won the 2021 U12 boys title, was the player with previous Junior Gold stepladder finals experience, Ernesto looked like the seasoned veteran on this day, delivering a clutch six-bagger in frames four through nine to keep Matteo at arm's length.

As expected, Matteo fought from start to finish; however, when his attempted conversion of the 2-4-5-7 left the 5 pin standing, resulting in an open frame in the seventh, Ernesto's lead was just too big to overcome.

That allowed Ernesto to secure the victory and become the newest U15 boys national champion.

The victory capped off a long and challenging week for Ernesto, but the outcome made it all worthwhile.

"This week was a long grind, so I knew I needed to stay patient and make my spares," Ernesto said. "That approach allowed me to qualify second, get through the advancers rounds and make the show.

"Once I reached the stepladder, I knew that I needed to stay patient, not let the nerves get the best of me and make my best shots. I did that, and that's what allowed me to be standing here holding this trophy."

In addition to the trophy, this week's stellar effort allowed Ernesto to earn a spot on the 2024 Junior Team USA Developmental Team, and that meant just as much to him as the Junior Gold title.

"The trophy and the Team USA jacket are about equally special to me," Ernesto said. "I was happy with whatever happened on TV because I had already earned the jacket. To be on Junior Team USA and get the win makes this even better. Honestly, once I'd realized I'd won, I was like 'wow, there's no way I just did that.'"

But he did, and he made the lanes look fairly easy in the process.

Before shooting 237 against Matteo in the title match, Ernesto rattled off a seven-bagger in frames four through 10 to defeat No. 2 seed Landon Dreibelbis of Ashland, Ohio, 246-200, in the semifinals.

Landon recorded eight strikes during that battle, but a pair of splits led to open frames in the third and sixth frames, which was all the room Ernesto needed to jump ahead and never look back.

For his efforts, Landon exited Junior Gold 2023 with a solid third-place finish.

U15 Girls

In what was undoubtedly the match of the day, Larielle Tharps of Orlando, Florida, captured the U15 girls title by topping Macy Jones of Shobonier, Illinois, (10-7) in a one-ball roll-off after the two players finished 10 frames tied at 226.

Larielle opted to begin the roll-off on the right lane, which was where she struck on her fill ball just moments earlier to force the extra session.

Wasting no time, Larielle calmly stepped up and delivered another flush strike, which Macy needed to match in order to extend the roll-off and keep her national championship dreams alive.

Macy's shot appeared to be on target as it raced down the lane, but it wound up hooking high through the head pin, leaving the 4-7-10 split and ending the match in Larielle's favor.

The win was especially gratifying for Larielle because she had come so close twice before, grabbing a runner-up finish in the U12 girls division in 2021 and finishing in the top five in U15 action last year in Grand Rapids.

"This feels wonderful because it makes it clear that all the time and practice I put in this past year has paid off," Larielle said.

Early on, it looked like Larielle was going to enjoy a smooth and easy path to the title as she used an opening four-bagger to jump out to a 42 pin lead over Macy just four frames into the match.

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Larielle's pace would slow from there, however, with her striking just twice over the course of the next five frames.

Macy, meanwhile, recovered from an open in the fourth frame by notching a four-bagger of her own in frames five through eight to cut Larielle's lead down to just 10 pins heading into the 10th frame.

Feeling the momentum shifting in her favor, Macy delivered three must-have strikes in the tenth to put even more weight upon Larielle's shoulders.

Nevertheless, as Larielle stepped up for her own 10th frame, her destiny rested solely in her own hands.

If she struck on her first ball, she would win. If she didn't, she'd have to convert the spare and strike on the fill ball to tie.

Larielle's first shot in the tenth hit the pocket, but it left a flat 10 pin, meaning the right-hander would have to make the spare and strike to push the match to a roll-off.

Showing the moxie of a player more than twice her age, Larielle did just that, covering the 10 pin with ease and then delivering a no-doubt strike to force the roll-off she'd go on to win.

Although she appeared perfectly calm throughout those heart-stopping frames, afterward, Larielle admitted to feeling a lot more pressure than she was letting on.

"Going into the 10th frame, my nerves were at an all-time high," Larielle said. "I didn't know what was going to happen, so I just tried to breath and trust my ball. Thankfully, I was able to spare and strike.

"I took the opportunity to go first in the roll-off to apply the pressure so that I wouldn't have all of it on myself. I was hesitant on that last shot on whether it would hold or not, but thankfully it did."

It certainly did, and that allowed Larielle to finally break through and collect the Junior Gold victory that had so narrowly escaped her twice before.

"When I realized I'd won, my first thought was 'wow, I can't believe I did this,'" Larielle said. "This is just so awesome and amazing; it's all that I've ever wished for, and I'm so glad that it finally happened."

Macy earned the right to battle Larielle for the title by defeating No. 2 seed Anna Antony of Farmington, Connecticut, 212-161, in the semifinals.

Anna bowled amazing all week long enroute to the second seed; unfortunately, she got off to a slow start on the TV pair, opening the first three frames to allow Macy to quickly jump out to a 64 pin lead.

As expected, Anna kept battling until the very end, but she was simply unable to erase the damage and was forced to settle for a third-place finish.

The U15 division at the 2023 Junior Gold Championships included 326 girls and 700 boys.

U12 Boys

The U12 boys title went to Ryan Campbell of Clinton, South Carolina, who struck on seven of his first eight shots enroute to a 230-144 victory over Kristofer Wagner of Deland, Florida.

With the victory, Ryan was able to fully erase the disappointment of last year's runner-up finish and officially add his name to the very decorated list of Junior Gold champions.

When asked how it felt to join such a legendary group, Ryan wasn't sure how to respond.

"I'm speechless. I never thought I was going to be on that list of great bowlers, but now I am," Ryan said. "Winning takes a lot of weight off my back because now I can actually tell people that I won Junior Gold."

And Ryan didn't just win; he won impressively.

The two-hander started the title match with three strikes in a row before coming in light and leaving the 2 pin in the fourth.

Undaunted, Ryan converted the spare easily and then ripped off a four-bagger in frames five through eight to put the match away before either player stepped up for their final frames.

"It was around the seventh frame when it hit me that I was going to win," Ryan said. "I was on a roll, and Kristofer had a few splits in a row at that same time. When I knew I had won, it was a feeling that I've never had before in my life. I've never been so nervous and so happy."

Part of Ryan's happiness was due to the realization that he'd bested a very strong opponent to get to the winner's circle.

Kristofer made that quite clear during his 256-168 semifinal victory over No. 3 seed Miles Gordon of Columbus, Ohio.

Kristofer started that match with six strikes in a row before his seventh shot crept high, leaving the 6-9-10 and ending his bid for perfection.

Nevertheless, Kristofer converted the spare and struck on three of his final four shots to breeze to victory.

Unfortunately, Kristofer was unable to maintain the momentum during the title match.

After starting spare, strike, spare, spare, Kristofer split during four of the next five frames, allowing Ryan to establish an unsurmountable lead and take home this year's U12 boys national title.

It's a victory that Ryan will carry with him as he takes the next steps in his bowling career.

"I never thought this was going to happen, but it feels incredible," Ryan said. "Now, I'm just going to keep working hard and continue striving."

U12 Girls

Alexandra McCowan of Anaheim, California, led this year's U12 girls division from wire to wire, so it was fitting that she capped her impressive week of bowling off by defeating Jayne Juhasz of Ormond Beach, Florida, 188-160, to take home the 2023 U12 girls national title.

Both bowlers were solid throughout the title match, but as had been the case all week long, in the end, Alexandra's striking power was just too strong.

Alexandra notched clutch doubles in the third and fourth and sixth and seventh frames to establish a 33 pin lead over Jayne with just three frames to go.

Jayne delivered a flush strike in the eighth, but when her first shot in the ninth came in light and left a 4-5 split, it was clear that Alexandra would be taking home this year's title.

Nevertheless, Alexandra maintained the same cool, business-like expression and body language that she'd displayed all week long.

When asked later how she managed to stay so relaxed and under control, Alexandra made it clear that that's just how she is.

"That's just kind of the way I appear all the time," Alexandra said. "Also, I had a pretty good head start, so I wasn't nervous at all."

That shows just how poised Alexandra is because most bowlers would've been a bit uneasy after watching Jayne's performance in the semifinals.

Jayne was in complete control of her nerves and the lane conditions during that battle with No. 3 seed Isabella Jones of Edinburgh, Indiana, locking in on the 1-3 pocket and staying clean enroute to a comfortable 200-155 victory.

Jayne attempted to employ a similar strategy during the title match, but a pair of splits and a missed single pin was just too much to overcome, allowing Alexandra to take home the title.

It was one that she didn't necessarily see coming; nevertheless, she's very happy to have attained it.

"I competed last year, and I didn't do very well," Alexandra said. "So, I wasn't really expecting to do that well this year, but after making the advancers round, match play and now this, I'm really excited."

The U12 division featured 102 girls and 226 boys at the 2023 Junior Gold Championships.



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FINALS

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U20 BOYS

Semifinal: Julian Salinas, Richmond, Texas, def. Austin Grammar, Hamersville, Ohio, 237-172
Final: Carter Street, Dublin, Ohio, def. Salinas, 204-201

U20 GIRLS

Semifinal: Jillian Martin, Stow, Ohio, def. Brystal Beyer, Ogdensburg, Wis., 233-181
Final: Jenna Stretch, Auburn Township, Ohio, def. Martin, 235-214

U18 BOYS

Semifinal: Andrew Robitaille, Pittsfield, Mass., def. Daniel Robertson, Jackson, N.J., 226-214
Final: Aidan Furukawa, Sunbury, Ohio, def. Robitaille, 197-181

U18 GIRLS

Semifinal: Karina Capron, Fremont, Neb., def. Kaitlyn Stull, Raleigh, N.C., 231-226
Final: Gianna Brandolino, Joliet, Ill., def. Capron, 228-202

U15 BOYS

Semifinal: Ernesto Reynoso, Folsom, Calif., def. Landon Dreibelbis, Ashland, Ohio, 246-200
Final: Reynoso def. Matteo Quintero, Smyrna, Tenn., 237-198

U15 GIRLS

Semifinal: Macy Jones, Shobonier, Ill., def. Anna Antony, Farmington, Conn., 212-161
Final: Larielle Tharps, Orlando, Fla., def. Jones, 226(10)-226(7)

U12 BOYS

Semifinal: Kristofer Wagner, Deland, Fla., def. Miles Gordon, Columbus, Ohio, 256-168
Final: Ryan Campbell, Clinton, S.C., def. Wagner, 230-144

U12 GIRLS

Semifinal: Jayne Juhasz, Ormond Beach, Fla., def. Isabella Jones, Edinburgh, Ind., 200-155
Final: Alexandra Mccowan, Anaheim, Calif., def. Juhasz, 188-160

JUNIOR TEAM USA DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM

BOYS

Dylan Harnden, Shelby Township, Mich.
Braden McDonough, Coppell, Texas
Matteo Quintero, Smyrna, Tenn.
Ernesto Reynoso, Folsom, Calif.

GIRLS

Malayna Calo, Riverview, Fla.
Bella Castillo, Odessa, Texas
Macy Jones, Shobonier, Ill.
Larielle Tharps, Orlando, Fla.

JUNIOR TEAM USA SELECTIONS

BOYS

Garrett Andrus, Austin, Texas
Justin Bohn, Jackson, N.J.
Aidan Furukawa, Sunbury, Ohio
Josh Hammons, Topeka, Kan.
Christian Liquori, Merritt Island, Fla.
Braden Mallasch, Waupaca, Wis.
Andrew Robitaille, Pittsfield, Mass.
Julian Salinas, Richmond, Texas
Brendan Salo, Dayton, Ohio
Nathan Smith, Noblesville, Ind.
Ryan Speer, Beech Grove, Ind.
Carter Street, Dublin, Ohio

GIRLS

Katelyn Abigania, San Diego
Brystal Beyer, Ogdensburg, Wis.
Gianna Brandolino, Joliet, Ill.
Karina Capron, Fremont, Neb.
Jaelle Hamman, Jarrell, Texas
Erin Klemencic, Powder Springs, Ga.
Jillian Martin, Stow, Ohio
Annalise Obryant, Ball Ground, Ga.
Brianna Rogers, Florence, S.C.
Jenna Stretch, Auburn Township, Ohio
Kaitlyn Stull, Raleigh, N.C.
Victoria Varano, Stony Point, N.Y.

UPCOMING: JULY 12 – 20, 2024
DETROIT

2023 JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS CONT. EIGHT COMPETITORS TABBED AS DAVID DAHMS SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNERS

Eight competitors from the 2023 Junior Gold Championships have been selected to receive the David Dahms Sportsmanship Award.

The winners were determined by the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee based on nominations received from participants at this year's Junior Gold Championships, which was held across six bowling centers in the Indianapolis area.

The David Dahms Sportsmanship Award is given to competitors who best exemplify sportsmanship, leadership, positive attitude and enthusiasm during the Junior Gold Championships. The honor is awarded to one male and one female participant in each division.

Each winner in the 12-and-under (U12), U15, U18 and U20 divisions receives a 100-point SMART scholarship. The 2023 winners are:

12-and-under division

- Girls: Emma Emerson, Georgetown, Del.
- Boys: Callen Cabral, Somerset, Mass.

15-and-under division

- Girls: Anna Antony, Farmington, Conn.
- Boys: Matthew Rogers, Schenectady, N.Y.

18-and-under division

- Girls: Savannah Swiatocha, Schenectady, N.Y.
- Boys: Logan Winkler, Lebanon, Tenn.

20-and-under division

- Girls: Lucy Garry, Memphis, Tenn.
- Boys: Matthew Heldman - Indianapolis

The award is named for David Dahms, who was instrumental in the development and

2023 BOWLING.COM YOUTH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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The winners in each of the four age-based divisions at the 2023 Bowling.com Youth Open Championships have been determined by the International Bowling Campus Youth Development team.

The 2023 Youth Open Championships, a non-qualifying tournament open to all United States Bowling Congress Youth members, was contested at Royal Pin Expo in Indianapolis from July 12-30.

Bowlers in the four age-based divisions (10-and-under, 12-and-under, 15-and-under and 18-and-under) earned more than \$100,000 in scholarship prizes and won national titles in team, doubles, singles and all-events.

Each event featured a scratch and optional handicap division with 192 teams and 969 bowlers participating in this year's tournament.

This year's tournament featured 14 players winning at least two titles, highlighted by Miles Gordon of Columbus, Ohio, sweeping all four events in the 12-and-under scratch division.

The bowlers claiming three titles this year were Taylor Morgan of Murfreesboro, Tennessee (U10 Girls Scratch All-Events, U10 Girls Scratch Doubles and U10 Girls Scratch Singles), Jayne Juhasz of Ormond Beach, Florida (U12 Girls Scratch All-Events, U12 Girls Scratch Doubles and U12 Girls Scratch Singles), Jersey Asbaty of Chicago (U10 Girls Handicap All-Events, U10 Handicap Doubles and U10 Girls Handicap Singles), Payson Jacobson of Prescott Valley, Arizona (U15 Boys Handicap All-Events, U15 Handicap Doubles and U15 Boys Handicap Singles), Caleb Boykin of Chicago (U10 Handicap Team, U10 Scratch Team and U10 Scratch Doubles), and Emmett Larson of Three Rivers, Michigan (U10 Handicap Team, U10 Scratch Team and U10 Scratch Doubles).

Keegan Alexander of Killeen, Texas, won multiple titles for the second year in a row, taking home the U18 Boys Scratch All-Events title and U18 Scratch Doubles with Griffin Jordan of Sycamore, Illinois, with a 1,435-team total.

Alexander also had the highest all-events score for the tournament with a 2,149 total, averaging 238.77 for his nine-game set. Brandon Rother of San Diego was not far behind for the overall tournament lead as he led the U15 Boys Scratch All-Events with a 2,141 total, which was good for a 237.88 average across his nine games.

DEM MIDWEST BOYZ 2.0, consisting of Asa Wilson-Perry of Columbus, Ohio; Aaron Cabiness of Columbus, Ohio; Caleb Boykin of Chicago; and Emmett Larson of Three Rivers, Michigan, repeated as the U10 Scratch Team champion, rolling to a total of 2,160. The team also took home the U10 Handicap Team title with a 2,706 total.

Taylor Morgan of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and Ellie Kate Murray of Orlando, Florida, defended their U10 Girls Doubles title, knocking down 893 pins for their set.

Treavor Mason of Mabank, Texas, also successfully defended a pair of titles in the U10 classification, winning Boys Scratch Singles (560) and Boys Scratch All-Events (1,671).

Luke Switalski of Oak Forest, Illinois, continued to build his Youth Open Championships resume, rolling a 300 game during his doubles set this year after having two perfect games during last year's event. He also had an 800 series during doubles, rolling games of 236, 300 and 279 for an 815 total to become only

the third athlete to reach the honor score in the history of the Youth Open and the first since the 2013 event.

Switalski and Anthony Swanson of Des Plaines, Illinois, also rolled the highest doubles set of the tournament with a 1,474 total en route to the U15 Scratch Doubles title.

Jahmid Collins of Plainfield, New Jersey, also shot a 300 game during his singles set, rolling 257, 227 and 300 for a 784 series to take home the U15 Boys Scratch Singles title.

The U18 Team competition was won by Make Some Friends (Ethan Crouse, Brayden Masclee, Keaton Ostrowski and Haley Grabowski) of Rochester, New York, which averaged more than 229 per game as a team for a tournament-high 2,754 total to take home the Scratch title.



UPCOMING: JULY 10-28, 2024
DETROIT

U18 TEAM

Scratch: Make Some Friends (Ethan Crouse, Lowville, N.Y.; Haley Grabowski, Rochester, N.Y.; Brayden Masclee, Fairport, N.Y.; Keaton Ostrowski, Rochester, N.Y.), 2,754
 Handicap: Dobson Farms (Lena Cox, Greencastle, Ind.; Wyatt Cox, Greencastle, Ind.; Elizabeth Dobson, Cloverdale, Ind.; Natalie Dobson, Cloverdale, Ind.), 2,748

U18 DOUBLES

Scratch: Keegan Alexander, Killeen, Texas; Griffin Jordan, Sycamore, Ill., 1,435
 Handicap: Paxton Bauer, Mendota, Ill.; Cody Geil, Dixon, Ill., 1,400
 Girls Scratch: Gianna Brandolino, Channahon, Ill.; Abigail Starkey, Schaumburg, Ill.; 1,363
 Girls Handicap: Abby Stephens, Clarkston, Mich.; Katherine Stephens, Clarkston, Mich., 1,418

U18 SINGLES

Boys Scratch: Dominic Gibson-Smith, Palm Bay, Fla., 795
 Boys Handicap: Jayden Kadooka, Pearl City, Hawaii, 791
 Girls Scratch: Bethany Strong, Prospect, Ohio, 738
 Girls Handicap: Bethany Strong, Prospect, Ohio, 771

U18 ALL-EVENTS

Boys Scratch: Keegan Alexander, Killeen, Texas, 2,149
 Boys Handicap: Christian Luna, Indianapolis, 2,122
 Girls Scratch: Kaitlyn Stull, Raleigh, N.C., 2,003
 Girls Handicap: Summer Barnes, Cleveland, 2,106

U15 TEAM

Scratch: Future Pros (Caston Dhuse, Ottawa, Ill.; Haydin Smrekar, Plainfield, Ind.; Sebastian Vetter, Oak Lawn, Ill.; Tyler Williams, Richton Park, Ill.), 2,550
 Handicap: Hickam808 (John Badua Jr., Kapolei, Hawaii; Ryder Baisac, Waipahu, Hawaii; Koby Shinogi-Ling, Aiea, Hawaii; Kaz Yamada, Kaneohe, Hawaii), 2,906

U15 DOUBLES

Scratch: Anthony Swanson, Des Plaines, Ill.; Luke Switalski, Oak Forest, Ill., 1,474
 Handicap: Skyler Chaney, Gilbert, Ariz.; Payson Jacobson, Prescott Valley, Ariz., 1,631
 Girls Scratch: Sara Augustitus, Saint Clair Shores, Mich.; Sofia DeLuccia, Rockford, Mich., 1,277
 Girls Handicap: Barbara Belfiglio, Clarksville, Tenn.; Brooklyn Gaines, Olive Branch, Miss., 1,409

U15 SINGLES

Boys Scratch: Jahmid Collins, Plainfield, N.J., 784
 Boys Handicap: Payson Jacobson, Prescott Valley, Ariz., 834
 Girls Scratch: Dakota Collins, East Islip, N.Y., 726
 Girls Handicap: Morgan Robinson, Morton, Ill., 766

U15 ALL-EVENTS

Boys Scratch: Brandon Rother, San Diego, 2,141
 Boys Handicap: Payson Jacobson, Prescott Valley, Ariz., 2,420
 Girls Scratch: Allison Roberts, Roscoe, Ill., 1,932
 Girls Handicap: Natalie Abruzzo, Loves Park, Ill., 2,231

U12 TEAM

Scratch: EYT Phenoms 2.0 (Madden Asbaty, Chicago; Miles Gordon, Columbus, Ohio; Alexander Hanicak, Huntingdon Valley, Pa.; Eason Taylor, Chicago), 2,101
 Handicap: Pincrushers I (Grant Lyon, Clermont, Fla.; Sawyer Lyon, Clermont, Fla.; Sarah Ragland, Montgomery, Ala.; Lane Turner, Barboursville, W.Va.), 2,742

U12 DOUBLES

Scratch: Miles Gordon, Columbus, Ohio; Eason Taylor, Chicago, 1,361
 Handicap: Louis Cloud, Wahiawa, Hawaii; Kyson Yoshimoto, Mililani, Hawaii, 1,439
 Girls Scratch: Jayne Juhasz, Ormond Beach, Fla.; Taryn Murphy, Fulton, N.Y., 1,118
 Girls Handicap: Alivia Portillo, Bellevue, Mich.; Alyssa Randisi, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1,445

U12 SINGLES

Boys Scratch: Miles Gordon, Columbus, Ohio, 683
 Boys Handicap: Sebastian Medina, Rio Rancho, N.M., 763
 Girls Scratch: Jayne Juhasz, Ormond Beach, Fla., 563
 Girls Handicap: Addison Rodriguez, Machesney Park, Ill., 741

U12 ALL-EVENTS

Boys Scratch: Miles Gordon, Columbus, Ohio, 1,908
 Boys Handicap: Myles Jungen, Waterloo, Iowa, 2,093
 Girls Scratch: Jayne Juhasz, Ormond Beach, Fla., 1,702
 Girls Handicap: Emma Chimera, Parma, Ohio, 2,151

U10 TEAM

Scratch: Dem Midwest Boyz 2.0 (Caleb Boykin, Chicago; Aaron Cabiness, Columbus, Ohio; Emmett Larson, Three Rivers, Mich.; Asa Wilson-Perry, Columbus, Ohio), 2,160
 Handicap: Dem Midwest Boyz 2.0 (Caleb Boykin, Chicago; Aaron Cabiness, Columbus, Ohio; Emmett Larson, Three Rivers, Mich.; Asa Wilson-Perry, Columbus, Ohio), 2,706

U10 DOUBLES

Scratch: Caleb Boykin, Chicago; Emmett Larson, Three Rivers, Mich.; 1,174
 Handicap: Jersey Asbaty, Chicago; Vincent Brandolino, Channahon, Ill., 1,506
 Girls Scratch: Taylor Morgan, Murfreesboro, Tenn.; Ellie Kate Murray, Orlando, Fla., 893
 Girls Handicap: Danniella Barber, North Royalton, Ohio; Annabell Thorne, Cleveland, 1,224

U10 SINGLES

Boys Scratch: Treavor Mason, Mabank, Texas, 560
 Boys Handicap: Graham French, Fort Wayne, Ind., 865
 Girls Scratch: Taylor Morgan, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 463
 Girls Handicap: Jersey Asbaty, Chicago, 740

U10 ALL-EVENTS

Boys Scratch: Treavor Mason, Mabank, Texas, 1,671
 Boys Handicap: Sawyer Lyon, Groveland, Fla., 2,320
 Girls Scratch: Taylor Morgan, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 1,323
 Girls Handicap: Jersey Asbaty, Chicago, 2,299



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
IBC Youth Bowling, Inc.
Arlington, Texas

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of IBC Youth Bowling, Inc. which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of IBC Youth Bowling, Inc. as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the change in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of IBC Youth Bowling, Inc. and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about IBC Youth Bowling, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

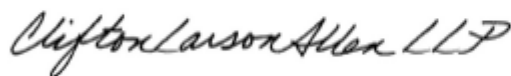
Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of IBC Youth Bowling, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about IBC Youth Bowling, Inc.'s ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
August 8, 2024

**IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022**

	2023	2022
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 185,600	\$ 654,603
Investments	2,364,718	2,470,672
Accounts Receivable, Net	6,576	1,430
Due from Related Parties	-	81
Inventory	55,301	37,801
Prepaid Expenses	86,338	70,065
Total Current Assets	2,698,533	3,234,652
SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT, NET	328,945	420,428
Total Assets	\$ 3,027,478	\$ 3,655,080
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 14,418	\$ 58,591
Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities	23,757	18,402
Due to Related Parties	10,259	7,504
Deferred Revenue - National Tournaments	406,580	375,746
Deferred Revenue - Membership Dues	317,716	298,917
Deferred Revenue - Other	3,770	2,235
Total Current Liabilities	776,500	761,395
DEFERRED REVENUE - NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS, LONG-TERM	-	40,000
Total Liabilities	776,500	801,395
NET ASSETS		
Without Donor Restrictions:		
Undesignated	2,250,978	2,826,688
Board-Designated - YES Fund Initiative	-	26,997
Total Net Assets	2,250,978	2,853,685
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 3,027,478	\$ 3,655,080

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	2023	2022
SUPPORT AND REVENUES		
Contributions	\$ 18,880	\$ 16,792
Membership Dues	771,222	763,487
Tournament Revenue	1,456,568	1,355,638
Merchandise Sales	40,804	36,637
Royalties	193,420	185,671
Sponsorships	232,032	173,133
Net Investment Return (Loss)	400,483	(286,625)
Miscellaneous	7,682	8,419
Total Support and Revenues	3,121,091	2,253,152
EXPENSES		
Salaries and Benefits	682,103	542,887
Membership	15,372	12,376
Awards	236,469	221,601
Food and Beverage	65,353	42,708
Merchandise	34,517	29,122
Professional Fees	885,492	587,477
Office Supplies	215,294	206,820
Travel	399,466	373,813
Advertising and Promotion	101,034	49,649
Lineage	373,882	339,625
Scholarship	528,949	495,815
Sponsorships	85,789	65,275
Depreciation	91,483	91,483
Taxes	5,446	-
Miscellaneous	3,149	3,407
Total Expenses	3,723,798	3,062,058
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(602,707)	(808,906)
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	2,853,685	3,662,591
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 2,250,978	\$ 2,853,685

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Program Services	Management and General	Total
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 457,009	\$ 225,094	\$ 682,103
Membership	15,372	-	15,372
Awards	236,469	-	236,469
Food and Beverage	65,353	-	65,353
Merchandise	34,517	-	34,517
Professional Fees	815,508	69,984	885,492
Office Supplies	202,897	12,397	215,294
Travel	399,466	-	399,466
Advertising and Promotion	101,034	-	101,034
Lineage	373,882	-	373,882
Scholarship	528,949	-	528,949
Sponsorships	85,789	-	85,789
Depreciation	91,483	-	91,483
Taxes	-	5,446	5,446
Miscellaneous	177	2,972	3,149
Total Functional Expenses	<u>\$ 3,407,905</u>	<u>\$ 315,893</u>	<u>\$ 3,723,798</u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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**IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	Program Services	Management and General	Total
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 363,734	\$ 179,153	\$ 542,887
Membership	12,376	-	12,376
Awards	221,601	-	221,601
Food and Beverage	42,708	-	42,708
Merchandise	29,122	-	29,122
Professional Fees	512,597	74,880	587,477
Office Supplies	198,629	8,191	206,820
Travel	373,813	-	373,813
Advertising and Promotion	49,649	-	49,649
Lineage	339,625	-	339,625
Scholarship	495,815	-	495,815
Sponsorships	65,275	-	65,275
Depreciation	91,483	-	91,483
Miscellaneous	-	3,407	3,407
Total Functional Expenses	<u>\$ 2,796,427</u>	<u>\$ 265,631</u>	<u>\$ 3,062,058</u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in Net Assets	\$ (602,707)	\$ (808,906)
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	91,483	91,483
Net Realized and Unrealized Loss (Gains) on Investments	(394,046)	293,357
Effects of Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities:		
Accounts Receivable	(5,146)	75,881
Due from Related Parties	81	31,860
Inventory	(17,500)	41,037
Prepaid Expenses	(16,273)	(52,165)
Accounts Payable	(44,173)	46,479
Due to Related Parties	2,755	7,063
Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities	5,355	3,105
Deferred Revenue	11,168	15,154
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(969,003)	(255,652)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from Sales of Investments	500,000	-
NET DECREASE IN CASH	(469,003)	(255,652)
Cash - Beginning of Year	654,603	910,255
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 185,600	\$ 654,603

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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**IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022**

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

IBC Youth Bowling, Inc. (IBCYB) is a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in the sport of bowling. IBCYB was incorporated on July 28, 2014 in the state of Wisconsin. IBCYB started operating effective October 1, 2014 when the youth programs were spun off from the International Bowling Campus, LLC (IBC). IBCYB's revenues are derived primarily from membership dues and tournament entry fees. IBCYB's fiscal year ends on December 31. Significant accounting policies followed by IBCYB are presented below.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investments

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments are included in net investment income on the statements of activities.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are uncollateralized obligations. Accounts receivable are stated at the invoice amount. Payments of accounts receivable are applied to the specific invoices identified on the remittance advice or, if unspecified, to the earliest unpaid invoices.

IBCYB establishes an allowance for credit losses to present the net amount of accounts receivable expected to be collected. The allowance represents the estimate of expected credit losses based on historical experience, current economic conditions, and certain forward-looking information. All accounts or portions thereof deemed to be uncollectible or to require excessive collection cost are written off to the allow for doubtful accounts. Management determined that the allowance for credit losses was insignificant as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and there was no significant activity related to the allowance for credit losses for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Inventory

Inventory consists of merchandise and awards and is valued at the lower of cost or net realizable value with cost determined on a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis.

IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Risks and Uncertainties

IBCYB utilizes various investment instruments. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect the account balances and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Software and Equipment

Software and equipment over \$1,000 with a useful life of three years or more are stated at cost and depreciated on the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, which range from 3 to 7 years.

Maintenance, repairs, and replacements are generally included as expenses of operations during the year in which the expense is incurred. Cost of replacements, which constitute improvements or extend the life of the respective assets, are recorded as additions to property and equipment.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

IBCYB reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

Net Assets

Net assets, revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. However, donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met during the same year are directly reported as increases in general net assets. The net assets of IBCYB and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions – Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor restrictions. The governing board has designated amounts for the Youth Education Services (YES) Fund Initiative, a united effort by industry leaders in the sport, initiated by the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America, Inc. (BPAA) and the United States Bowling Congress, Inc. (USBC), dedicated to development and marketing of youth bowling.

IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Net Assets (Continued)

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions – Net assets subject to donor- (or certain grantor-) imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Gifts of long-lived assets and gifts of cash restricted for the acquisition of long-lived assets are recognized as restricted revenue when received and released from restrictions when the assets are placed in service. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both. IBCYB has no net assets with donor restrictions.

Revenue Recognition

Deferred revenue consists primarily of membership dues and tournament entry fees. These amounts are recognized in the fiscal year in which the individual receives the privileges that membership offers. Tournament and program service revenues are recognized in the year in which the event is held or the related expenses are incurred.

In addition, revenues under certain royalty and sponsorship agreements are being recognized based on the terms of the related contracts. Deferred revenue is recognized monthly over the term of the contract.

Contributions are recognized when cash, securities, or other assets, an unconditional promise to give, or notification of a beneficial interest is received. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been substantially met.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of program and supporting services activities have been summarized on a natural basis in the statements of activities. The statements of functional expenses present the natural classification detail of expenses by function. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. The expenses that are allocated include salaries and benefits, professional fees, office supplies, and miscellaneous expenses, which are allocated on the basis of estimates of time and effort.

Income Tax Status

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued a determination letter dated December 31, 2014, granting IBCYB an exemption from federal income tax under IRS Code Section 501(c)(3). However, income received from certain activities is subject to income tax as unrelated business income.

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NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Accounting Standards Update

At the beginning of 2023, IBCYB adopted FASB ASU 2016-13, *Financial Instruments – Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, as amended, which modifies the measurement of expected credit losses. IBCYB adopted this new guidance utilizing the modified retrospective transition method. The adoption of this Standard did not have a material impact on IBCYB's financial statements but did result in changes to IBCYB's accounting policies, including the recognition of credit losses based on expected future credit losses rather than incurred credit losses. IBCYB also updated its accounting policies for determining the recoverability of accounts receivable.

NOTE 2 LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY

IBCYB's liquidity goal is to have sufficient assets available to meet operational expenditures for a 12-month period. IBCYB regularly reviews the liquidity required to meet operational expenditures. Various forms of funds are available, which include cash, liquid investments, and expected collections of accounts receivable.

For the purpose of analyzing available resources, IBCYB reviews assets not covered by donor restrictions or restricted for future use. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the following financial assets could readily be made available within one year of the statement of financial position date to meet general expenditures:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Cash	\$ 185,600	\$ 654,603
Investments	2,364,718	2,470,672
Accounts Receivable, Net	6,576	1,430
Due from Related Parties	-	81
Total	<u>2,556,894</u>	<u>3,126,786</u>
Less: Board-Designated - YES Fund Initiative	-	(26,997)
Financial Assets Available to Meet General Expenditures Within One Year	<u>\$ 2,556,894</u>	<u>\$ 3,099,789</u>

IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 3 INVESTMENTS

Investments consist of the following at December 31:

	2023	2022
Investments:		
Interest-Bearing Cash	\$ 363,828	\$ 281,170
Equity Securities	1,331,654	985,373
Exchange-Traded Funds	45,791	48,420
Mutual Funds	277,301	859,688
Corporate Bonds	73,840	-
U.S. Treasuries	97,132	98,383
Certificates of Deposit	175,172	197,638
Total	\$ 2,364,718	\$ 2,470,672

NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America establish a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America are described as follows:

Level 1 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the entity has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

IBC YOUTH BOWLING, INC.
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022 for assets measured at fair value.

Equity Securities: Are valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Mutual Funds: Are valued at quoted market prices, which represent the net asset value of shares held by IBCYB at year-end.

Exchange-Traded Funds: Are valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

U.S. Treasuries, Brokered Certificates of Deposit, and Corporate Bonds: Are valued by the custodians of the securities using pricing models based on credit quality, time to maturity, stated interest rates, and market-rate assumptions.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while IBCYB believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, IBCYB's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets at Fair Value				
Equities	\$ 1,331,654	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,331,654
Exchange-Traded Funds	45,791	-	-	45,791
Mutual Funds:				
Allocation	277,301	-	-	277,301
Corporate Bonds	-	73,840	-	73,840
U.S. Treasuries	-	97,132	-	97,132
Certificates of Deposit	-	175,172	-	175,172
Total Assets at Fair Value	\$ 1,654,746	\$ 346,144	\$ -	2,000,890
Assets Not Valued Under Fair Value Measurements				
Interest-Bearing Cash				363,828
Total Investments				\$ 2,364,718

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NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, IBCYB's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2022:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets at Fair Value				
Equities	\$ 985,373	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 985,373
Exchange-Traded Funds	48,420	-	-	48,420
Mutual Funds:				
Allocation	352,269	-	-	352,269
Specialty	93,889	-	-	93,889
Fixed Income	413,530	-	-	413,530
U.S. Treasuries	-	98,383	-	98,383
Certificates of Deposit	-	197,638	-	197,638
Total Assets at Fair Value	<u>\$ 1,893,481</u>	<u>\$ 296,021</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>2,189,502</u>
Assets Not Valued Under Fair Value Measurements				
Interest-Bearing Cash				281,170
Total Investments				<u>\$ 2,470,672</u>

NOTE 5 SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT

Software and equipment consist of the following at December 31:

	2023	2022
Equipment	\$ 8,641	\$ 8,641
Software	640,383	640,383
Total, at Cost	649,024	649,024
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	320,079	228,596
Total	<u>\$ 328,945</u>	<u>\$ 420,428</u>

NOTE 6 RETIREMENT PLANS

IBCYB participates in a 401(k) retirement plan (along with USBC, BPAA, International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, Inc. (IBM&HF), and International Bowling Campus, LLC (IBC)), available to all employees who have reached the age of 21 and completed one month of service. Employees may contribute to their accounts up to the annual amount allowed by law. IBCYB matches 100% of the first 3% of employee contributions, plus 50% of the next 2% of the employee's contribution. Total contribution expense recorded under the plan was \$13,076 and \$11,697 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

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NOTE 7 REVENUE

The following tables shows IBCYB's revenue disaggregated according to the timing of the transfer of goods or services:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Revenue Recognized at a Point in Time		
Merchandise Sales	\$ 40,804	\$ 36,637
Royalties	193,420	185,671
Miscellaneous	7,682	8,419
Total Revenue Recognized at a Point in Time	<u>\$ 241,906</u>	<u>\$ 230,727</u>
Revenue Recognized Over Time		
Tournament Revenue	\$ 1,456,568	\$ 1,355,638
Membership Dues	771,222	763,487
Sponsorships	232,032	173,133
Total Revenue Recognized Over Time	<u>\$ 2,459,822</u>	<u>\$ 2,292,258</u>

IBCYB's contract assets and liabilities are comprised of the following at December 31:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Contract Assets - Receivables			
Royalties	\$ 6,576	\$ 1,430	\$ 2,311
Sponsorships	-	-	75,000
Total Contract Assets	<u>\$ 6,576</u>	<u>\$ 1,430</u>	<u>\$ 77,311</u>
Contract Liabilities - Deferred Revenues			
National Tournaments	\$ 406,580	\$ 415,746	\$ 409,550
Membership Dues	317,716	298,917	290,504
Other	3,770	2,235	1,690
Total Contract Liabilities	<u>\$ 728,066</u>	<u>\$ 716,898</u>	<u>\$ 701,744</u>

NOTE 8 SIGNIFICANT ESTIMATES AND CONCENTRATIONS

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require disclosure of information about certain significant estimates and current vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations. These matters include the following:

Reserve for Self-Insurance

Under its self-insurance plan, IBCYB accrues the estimated expense of health care claims costs based on claims filed subsequent to year-end and an additional amount for incurred but not yet reported claims based on prior experience. Accruals for such costs of \$11,931 and \$10,262 are included in accrued liabilities at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Claims payments based on actual claims ultimately filed could differ materially from these estimates.

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Concentration of Credit Risk

IBCYB maintains its cash in one commercial bank. Balances on deposit are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to specified limits. Balances in excess of these limits are uninsured.

NOTE 9 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

IBCYB received contributions of \$18,880 and \$16,276 from USBC during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. IBCYB incurred awards expenses of \$100,646 and \$72,024 for services provided by USBC during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. IBCYB has a payable of \$10,173 to and \$7,308 from USBC as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

IBCYB has a receivable of \$0- and \$81 from IBC as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

IBCYB has a payable of \$86 and \$196 to BPAA as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

NOTE 10 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management evaluated subsequent events through August 8, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events or transactions occurring after December 31, 2023, but prior to August 8, 2024 that provided additional evidence about conditions that existed at December 31, 2023, have been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023. Events or transactions that provided evidence about conditions that did not exist at December 31, 2023, but arose before the financial statements were available to be issued, have not been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.



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