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Our Leader Ails

By Mary Lynly

If you have missed the Event Calendar Bette Addington puts out, you are among many. Our CBW President Bette Addington is recovering from several rounds of Chemo to fend off her diagnosed Stage Four Lung Cancer. While she bravely withstood the debilitating treatments and seemed to be able to do the multitude of things she does, she has now suffered a setback.

Bette has unending energy and is an integral part of many things. CBW President, the great Event Calendar she keeps up; a writer, she publishes a column in the Bakersfield Californian – on-line and in print; she publishes a monthly newsletter for the car club she and her husband Chris are heavily involved in; She is always involved in her local association, the Bakersfield USBC of which she is a Life Member and Hall of Famer; she is the bookkeeper for her husband's former Architectural firm Addington Associates. To top it all off she is a premier cookie baker and provides the delicious morsels on numerous occasions. She also raises Chocolate Labs!

As you can see, Bette is an almost unreplaceable entity in many things. We will keep you updated as to her recovery and ask for your positive thoughts and prayers.

Popular Mira Mesa Bowling Center Gets New Owners to Stay Open

Orange County couple, Missy Parkin and her husband Drew announced they and two others have bought the five-decade-old bowling center with plans of keeping it open.

"It's been my dream since I was a little girl, to own a bowling center. We didn't want bowling to die in San Diego, so we are so happy we could help save it," said Parkin. The Parkin's didn't set a date but said they're hoping to open up the center as soon as possible.

BCSC Names Gary Forman Interim Executive Director



Industry veteran Gary Forman has been named Interim Executive Director of the Bowling Centers of Southern California

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Judith Hartman Passes

by Mary Lynly



Many times, we have exceptional people among our ranks but due to the demeanor of the individual, sometimes we never know it. Judy Hartman was one of these people who made everything she was a part of better. It is said, "The best lives are the ones lived in service to others." When a person walks the earth, focused not on what they can accomplish for themselves, but what they can do for others, it is a remarkable thing. This defines Judy Hartman. On Sunday, November 1st, 2020, Judith Ann Hartman passed away at age 75.

Judy was born on April 14, 1945, in South San Francisco to June and Albert Hartman Jr. She lived in Eureka for most of her life, attending Grant Elementary, Eureka Junior High, and graduating from Eureka Senior High in 1963. Judy went on to attend Santa

Rosa Community and College of the Redwoods, where she studied business and physical education. She played volleyball and softball while at college and was inducted into the College of the Redwoods Athletic Hall of Fame.

She became an avid bowler, even serving as the director of the California Women's Bowling Association and the Humboldt Women's Bowling Association president. Judy worked most of her career as a bookkeeper for the family business, Rockin' R Meat Company. She devoted her time to teaching young people how to bowl through organizations like the Junior Bowling Association. She loved sports and if you were a 49ers, Warriors, or San Francisco Giants fan, you had a friend in Judy.

Judy lived a remarkable life. Anyone who knew her well knew that she was a person of deep kindness, generosity, and compassion. She lived a life of service. For 55 years, she was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Eureka. She sang in the choir as a young adult and served as a deacon for 8+ years. She helped lead vacation Bible schools and was quick to volunteer at any event that needed an extra hand.

Her commitment to service and supporting the most vulnerable was also evident in her faithful volunteering for 25 years with the American Cancer Society, primarily through selling See's Candy at the Discovery shop and working with Relay for Life. Judy also devoted 35 years of her life to serving women, children, the deaf, and those hard of hearing through Quota International. She served as president of the local Quota International club and traveled globally through her involvement. At the end of our lives, we are remembered not by what we collected for ourselves, but by what we gave away. In this way, Judy lived a full and successful life. She will be missed by the many friends she made along the way, but celebrated in all that she gave and all that she meant to others.

If you'd like to make a donation, please consider giving to the American Cancer Society on behalf of Judith Ann Hartman.



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Understanding Ball Motion – Speed and Adjustments

*By Steve Kloempken, VP - Marketing,
Storm Products, Inc.*

Hello to all and thanks to the California Bowling Writers for allowing me to contribute some technical advice to this publication. I consider this to be a great opportunity to discuss some very important topics in bowling today and look forward to future contributions. For this article we will address a common question sent to us at tech@stormbowling.com If you have any 'burning' questions that you would like answered, please do the same.

I've been hearing a lot more about the importance of speed control. I frequently make adjustments with my feet and target, but I have a hard time changing my ball speed with any consistency. Should I stick with my side-to-side moves on the lane, or should I get better with making these speed changes? And if so, how?

- Tommy D.

Most adjustments are alignment changes which are made with your feet and target. As a general rule, you would want to move your alignment (feet and eyes) in the direction of the error. For example, if you are right-handed and you keep going high in the pocket or even crossover, you would move your feet 2 boards left and adjust your target 1 board left. Keep making the same 2 and 1 move with your feet until you get back to the pocket. Often this type of move will find you in more head oil and allow you to create more angle to your break point.

If adjusting your feet and target does not get you back to the pocket, the next move would be changing balls. When doing so, consider the different surface preparations and layouts you have in your arsenal. Remember that it is important to retain a few balls with a dull surface and a few polished. Also be sure to have a few different layouts in your bag too. Variety is the spice of life!

Now let's say that you are struggling on one given night, and you have tried targeting everywhere on the lanes from the 1st arrow to the 5th. You have also gone through your entire arsenal trying to find the right combination of layout and surface. All your attempts have yielded nothing. What do you do now? This is the time you need to dig into your 'bag of tricks' and make a change with your ball speed.

There are two ways you can easily change your ball speed:

1. Changing the height of the ball in your stance
2. Moving your feet forward or back on the approach

If you are having trouble with drier conditions and early hook, raise the ball higher in your stance. This move will create a wider swing arc and increase your ball speed. When you try this, you may feel a little 'cramped' on the approach. If so, feel free to move your feet back 6-8 inches to allow yourself more room to get to the foul line. This is a great way to increase your ball speed easily and effectively.

When the lanes are very tight you may need to soften your ball speed. Drop the ball lower in your approach and move your feet 6-8 inches closer to the foul line in your stance. This adjustment will create a shorter swing arc and produce less ball speed. Match this move up with a shorter approach, and you will feel comfortable and confident on every shot.

To see some of these and other great video tips online, be sure to check out our Storm Bowling YouTube channel for tons of great content. Thank you for your time and best wishes to all.

USBC, BPAA AND STRIKE TEN FOCUSED ON GETTING BOWLERS BACK TO THE LANES

ARLINGTON, Texas – While the steps might be slow and calculated, local and state governments are easing COVID-19 restrictions and allowing people to return to many of the places and activities they enjoy.

As business resumes at bowling centers across the country, and leagues and tournaments begin to come together for the approaching summer or upcoming 2021-2022 season, the United States Bowling Congress, Bowling Proprietors' Association of America and Strike Ten Entertainment are working together to rebuild the sport and help keep bowling on the minds of those who have been away from the lanes.

The three organizations, all headquartered at the International Bowling Campus, have agreed to invest a substantial amount of marketing dollars on an initial six-month communication campaign that will remind bowlers how much they've been missed and offer support and information as they get more comfortable with the idea of returning to competition.

"We know the time may not be right for everyone to get back to league and tournament bowling, but we definitely want all of our members to know we've been thinking about them and will save them a spot in the settee," USBC Executive Director Chad Murphy said. "Bowling has given so many of us great friendships and a lifetime of memories, and there have been some inspirational stories over the past year of bowlers helping bowlers through this challenging time. We know rebuilding will take patience and time, and we look forward to seeing everyone reconnect under better circumstances and get back to focusing on the fun."

The joint effort kicked off in February with a postcard to more than 400,000 bowlers, who most likely took the season off due to the uncertainty of the coronavirus pandemic, excluding a few states that have been mostly shut down due to government restrictions until recently.

The campaign will reach the bowlers in a variety of creative ways, including direct mail, web ads, email, social media and videos, ultimately creating more than 3 million communication touch points over this initial phase of the campaign.

Monitoring the success of each aspect of the campaign will help direct future efforts, which will continue into the 2021-2022 bowling season.

Whether the bowlers are in it for the camaraderie and a night out or they're the fiercest of competitors, the messages all are designed to be a nostalgic reminder of all the things to love about bowling.

Even for those who may be waiting until the start of the new season to officially return to formal competition, a friendly, bowling-themed reminder could get the ball rolling on getting that game back in shape.

Or, a day on the lanes with friends and family might be the perfect setting for a socially distanced reunion.

"Bowling is making a great comeback after a challenging year, and we want everyone to know the proprietors have been working to create an environment that is safe and encouraging for customers to ease back into the sport and a routine we're all used to," BPAA Executive Director Frank DeSocio said. "Stop by your local center to see how they're doing. Maybe bowl a game or two. Have lunch at the restaurant or take something to go. Bowlers are a resilient group, but it will take some teamwork to help get things back to normal."

The outreach campaign from USBC, BPAA and Strike Ten will work hand in hand with efforts already taking place in bowling communities across the country.

USBC has seen a variety of great activations on a grassroots level from its local and state associations, including developing GoFundMe pages, donating league money to centers, local direct mail campaigns and more.

Also, in December, USBC introduced a financial aid program to help local and state associations minimize some of the losses experienced due to COVID-19 shutdowns.

Local associations can use the money for things that will help them emerge from the pandemic on stable footing, while the state associations will be able to add prize money to their championship tournaments.

To all USBC members who have been bowling this year, you probably noticed your league was missing a few smiling faces. We encourage you to also reach out to your friends and teammates who may have taken some additional time off and invite them to the next tournament or league meeting.

California's All-Time Winningest Female Pro Bowlers

by Frank Weiler

” CALIFORNIA BOWLERS ARE THE BEST BOWLERS IN THE WORLD”

California's bowlers have proven they are the best in the world over and over again.

I have assembled a list of California's top female professional title lists. The number of professional titles is not the sole gauge of greatness but are something worth examining when judging California's best.

I do not intend to opine who may be the greatest California female bowler of all-time. That would be for a panel of experts to determine. I will say that I believe California has produced more great female bowlers than any other state.

Here is my list of California's female professional bowlers with the most National Professional Titles won as reported by "Google":

Leanne (Barrette) Hulsenberg	27 Professional Titles (2 Majors)
Tish Johnson	25 Professional Titles (4 Majors)
Wendy MacPherson	21 Professional Titles (6 Majors) Includes 20 PWBA and one PBA Women's Series Title. Wendy also won 10 JPBA (Japanese PBA) Women's Titles not included.
Nikki Gianulias	19 Professional Titles (Majors Not Available)
Donna Adamek	19 Professional Titles (5 Majors)
Robin Romeo	17 Professional Titles (1 Major)
Betty Morris	17 Professional Titles (Majors Not Available)
Anne Marie (Pike) Duggan	15 Professional Titles (3 Majors)
Pat Costello	13 Professional Titles (2 Majors)
Vesma Grinfelds	10 Professional Titles (Majors Not Available)
Dede Davidson	9 Professional Titles (3 Majors)
Virginia Norton	8 Professional Titles (Majors Not Available)

Cheryl Robinson (4), Missy Parkin (4 National, 1 Major, 2 PBA Women's Challenge Titles and 1 World Bowling Tour Finals Women's Championship), Lynda Barnes (3 National, 2 Majors), Helen Duval (2), Cindy Mason (1), Michele Silver (1), Laura Hardeman, Tori Romeo and Paula Vidad (4 Senior Majors).

Note: These totals were researched on Google. Some numbers vary with the numbers reported on other lists. Also, PBA Women's Series wins are included in addition to LPBT and WPBA wins.

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