



## AWARDS COMMITTEE

I would like to thank everyone who has taken time out of their busy lives to attend our virtual meeting today and I hope you gain some useful information from it.

The Awards Committee would like to congratulate the four latest inductees into our California USBC Hall of Fame: **John Gould** for Superior performance, **Larry Peppers** for Meritorious Service, **Mabel Sheasley** for Meritorious Service, and **Mike Lucas** for Meritorious Service. These four people will be inducted on July 9th at a luncheon to be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Ontario Airport.

We also will honor our youth winners: **Pamela Faller-Braheme** Family Memorial Scholarship, **Daniel Hong**-Star of Tomorrow Scholarship, **Pamela Faller**-Star of Tomorrow Scholarship, **Emma Shaner**-Youth State Scholarship, and **Daniel Hong**-Youth State Scholarship.

The committee will also honor the past inductees from 2020 and 2021 that did not get to be recognized due to the Pandemic shutdown. As you can see, the committee has been busy getting up to date and I would like to thank them for all their hard work. My committee members are: Co-Chair Andre Eubanks, Tom Leigh, Pauline Armstrong, Steve Johnson, and Teri Azvedo. Also, a big Thank You to President Kathy Bruegeman, and Association Manager, Lynn Matsubara for your help and guidance.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Lucas



## AWARDS DINNER

The last two years we have not had an Awards Dinner due to COVID. This year we will be hosting a luncheon for the honorees from 2020-2022 in Ontario, CA.

I would like to congratulate the following:

**Superior Performance:** Alvin Lou, Steve Mathews, and John Gould.

**Meritorious Service:** Frank Weiler, Lynn Graves, Betty Addington , Larry Peppers, Mabel Sheasley and Mike Lucas.

**Star of Tomorrow** recipients: Daniel Hong and Pamela Faller

**Brahme Family Memorial** recipient: Pamela Faller

**Youth State Scholarship** recipients: Daniel Hong and Emma Shaner

Hope to see everyone at the Convention and Awards Dinner next year.

Pauline Armstrong  
Chairperson Awards Dinner



## BVL COMMITTEE

Welcome delegates to the Annual Meeting of the California State USBC.

This year has much better for our BVL fundraising efforts and we thank all of the bowlers, centers and local association for their generous support even with the effects of the pandemic still continuing. Our total for the 2021-22 season is \$55,808.05. Our overall total donations from 1949 to date is \$9,748,230.20.

The top three local associations were:

**1st Place: San Diego USBC – \$11,779**

**2nd Place: Citrus Belt USBC – \$8,288.85**

**3rd Place: Modesto USBC – \$7,410**

We ran the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament on March 26, 2022 at Rancho Bowl in Santa Maria and had smaller, but great turnout. We raffled off two BVL bowling balls and will be awarding 22 first place winners from the Men's, Women's, Boys and Girls divisions. All winners will receive a custom BVL jacket, a BVL medal and a BVL custom watch. We will get those to the local associations to present to their winners.

We look forward to continuing our fundraising efforts in the new season and can't thank everyone enough for their dedication and support to this special charity.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Peppers  
BVL Chair



The [Bowlers to Veterans Link \(BVL\)](#) is a national nonprofit charitable organization which raises about \$1 million annually to fund a variety of recreational equipment and therapeutic supplies for America's veterans.

**Since 1949, the California BVL fund has donated over \$9.7 million dollars to our veterans.** With donations to California Military Hospitals, VA Medical Centers, Outreach Centers and California Veterans Homes, we have provided items for rehabilitation therapy, recreation items, Outbound programs and items to enhance the environment. Many of these items never make the government priority lists. For bowlers, BVL – The California Bowlers BVL Fund, has become a mission. *The California USBC Association administers the California Bowlers BVL Fund. Any expenses are paid out of interest earned and with the exception of the annual gift to the National BVL Fund, 100% of the donated funds go to our California facilities.*

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#### **BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CALIFORNIA BOWLERS BVL FUND**

During World War II, the “Wings of Mercy” program was organized when all segments of the bowling family united in an effort to make life more bearable for the US service personnel overseas. The national goal was to support service-oriented groups such as the USO and to encourage war bonds sales as well as provide recreational and ambulance equipment. The combination of these efforts was that the bowlers of the nation donated mobile canteens, an A-2 Bomber and three Douglas C-47 Air Evacuation planes use to transport the wounded from the battle fronts. As the hostilities eased, the objectives changed and the focus was on helping hospitalized veterans. Fundraising efforts continued but not with the same intensity as during the war years.

Known for its contribution of many progressive ideas in the bowling world, the California Women's Bowling Association (CWBA) felt this was a worthwhile program and should continue to help hospitalized veterans. In 1950, California WBA President Elva Stevens revamped the California State Singles Classic tournament into a Veterans Benefit program. The monies collected were to go to the Veterans Hospitals alternating north and south each year. The aim was to provide those items not provided by the government. As new chairman took over the leadership of the program, new ideas were added and the BVL program grew from a first humble donation to \$739.

The program was first known as the “Bowlers Victory Legion”, but was changed in 1972 the BVL fund. Thus, the familiar letters, BVL were retained. In California, the program is known as the California Bowlers BVL Fund. We are so proud of the efforts of California bowlers in keeping this program alive and well. For many years California has raised more money than any other state and still out distances its closest rival for the “most funds raised” by over \$150,000 (with exception to 2020-21 where California was shut down and all centers were closed).

Currently, the Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL) is a national non-profit charitable organization which raises about \$1 million annually to find a variety of recreational equipment and therapeutic supplies for Americans veterans.



**Helen Duval Veterans Tournament**  
**STATE FINALS**  
**March 26, 2022 at Rancho Bowl in Santa Maria**

	<u>DIVISION</u>	<u>NAME</u>		<u>ASSOCIATION</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
MEN	CLASSIC	Rocky	Dreher	Ventura	685
MEN	A	Johnny	Jones	Ventura	651
MEN	B	Andy	Ferini	Central Coast	657
MEN	C	John	Patton	Ventura	619
MEN	D	Gary	Mauricio	Stockton	550
MEN	E	Frank	Ortega	Central Coast	494
WOMEN	CLASSIC	Stephanie	Sanders	Golden Empire	698
WOMEN	A	Patty	Chinery	Ventura	563
WOMEN	B	Mouenna	King	San Gabriel Valley	618
WOMEN	C	Apolonia (Leony)	Azarian	Ventura	514
WOMEN	D	Susan	Covarrubias	San Gabriel Valley	477
WOMEN	E	Rosy	Reyes	Citrus Belt	444
BOYS	CLASSIC	Luke	Kaseman	Central Coast	319
BOYS	A	Tristan	Perham	Golden Empire	620
BOYS	B	Henry	Houser	Central Coast	581
BOYS	C	Ryan	Sands	San Gabriel Valley	556
BOYS	D	John Patrick	Moran	Central Coast	471
BOYS	E	Scott Aidan	Place	Central Coast	375
GIRLS	CLASSIC	Theresa	Miller	Ventura	530
GIRLS	C	Jazmyn	Beck	San Gabriel Valley	516
GIRLS	D	Ellie	Houser	Central Coast	362
GIRLS	E	Peyton	Leonard	Golden Empire	395

# CALIFORNIA USBC ASSOCIATION

BVL Donations

2021-22 Season, as of May 7, 2022

<u>ASSOC #</u>	<u>ASSOCIATION</u>	<u>DONATION</u>
86937	Gr LA County USBC	\$ 250.00
82234	Humboldt USBC	\$ 330.00
86702	Tracy USBC	\$ 575.00
82241	Contra Costa County USBC	\$ 1,000.00
82249	Central California USBC	\$ 1,340.00
82240	Sierra Gold USBC	\$ 1,370.89
82202	Santa Barbara USBC	\$ 1,457.00
86291	Chico USBC	\$ 1,703.00
82187	Tulare County USBC	\$ 1,800.00
82253	Golden Empire USBC	\$ 1,817.00
86488	Stockton USBC	\$ 1,975.00
86518	Ventura County USBC (BVL National)	\$ 2,000.00
82221	Central Coast USBC	\$ 2,896.76
82205	San Gabriel Valley USBC	\$ 3,000.00
82219	Orange County USBC	\$ 3,546.51
82225	Modesto USBC	\$ 7,410.00
82245	Citrus Belt USBC	\$ 8,288.85
82207	San Diego USBC	\$ 11,779.00
	<b>SUB TOTAL LOCAL ASSOC.</b>	<b>\$ 52,539.01</b>
	Mary Lynly - In memory of Elain Hagin	\$ 100.00
	Phyl Knoll - In memory of Elain Hagin	\$ 25.00
	Rosie Parker	\$ 200.00
	Delta 500 Club	\$ 497.00
	Marin County USBC	\$ 191.00
	Marin County USBC	\$ 1,606.04
	Marin County 500 Club	\$ 650.00
	<b>SUB TOTAL OTHER</b>	<b>\$ 3,269.04</b>
	<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 55,808.05</b>



## ADULT CHAMPIONSHIP REPORT

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual California USBC Adult Championships are well underway and we have completed 4 Weekends. This year the tournament is hosted by Forest Lanes in Lake Forest.

It is nice to be back after a 2-year hiatus!

We have a total of 255 entries as of last weekend, but still have a number of open squads for the last weekend. Since we are still receiving some entries, I anticipate we will continue to increase maybe by a few more.

I would like to thank all the board members who have worked the tournament thus far and those who are working the remaining weekend. I could not have done this without your support. A special thank you to Lynn Matsubara for working all the weekends when I was not there and making sure this tournament runs smoothly.

I would also like to thank the staff at Forest Lanes for all their help.

The 2023 Adult Championship Tournament will be held at AMF Rocklin Lanes, CA. The opening weekend will be April 29-30 and will run for 5 weekends with the final weekend on June 3-4, 2023. Advanced Entries may be found on our website [www.calusbc.com](http://www.calusbc.com). We will have added prize money again from BowlTV – I look forward to seeing all of you there.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the bowlers. I would not be here doing something I love, if it were not for you. Thanks for taking part in our Championship Tournament.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jennie Simpson*

Tournament Director



## LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

The Legislative Committee has taken the opportunity to review our bylaws and operations policies to ensure all codified and legacy updates have been made. Through our work, we are confident that after action is taken on the legislation presented, all documents are up to date, and in compliance with our USBC charter and CA state laws.

We have submitted 4 amendments for your consideration. Below is a brief purpose of these proposals:

PA #1 – To change deadline to submit qualifications for consideration to run for board of directors.

PA #2 – To adjust verbiage for election to CYC director spots.

PA #3 – To change deadline to submit qualifications for consideration to run for officer.

PA #4 – To allocate equal seats at the annual meeting for youth and adult members of each eligible association.

The committee has not received any additional inquiries from the membership, however, should there be any questions or concerns, we welcome them and will be addressed timely and appropriately. We will continue its practice of reviewing all documents for the California USBC and proposing amendments as required by state law.

Respectfully submitted,

Andre Eubanks, Chair  
Teri Azvedo  
Linda Stewart  
David Waybright  
Steve Johnson  
Miranda Emery



## **2022 CALIFORNIA PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The 2021 California Pepsi Youth Bowling Championships was cancelled. The 2022 California Pepsi Youth Bowling Championships was NOT cancelled and we have six Champions moving on to the Junior Gold Championships this July in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

### **CONGRATULATIONS CHAMPIONS**

**U12 Boys Div – Toby Geronimo, Country Club Lanes**  
**U12 Girls Div – Alexandra McCowan, Linbrook Bowl**  
**U15 Boys Div – Vaughn-Jayden Oliva, AMF Landpark Lanes**  
**U15 Girls Div – Katelyn Abigania, Mira Mesa Lanes**  
**U18 Boys Div – Joshua Abigania, Mira Mesa Lanes**  
**U18 Girls Div – Stephanie Hong, Linbrook Bowl**

The District Finals were held on March 12-13 and March 19-20 at eight different centers throughout the state. The State Finals were held at Harley's Valley Bowl in Simi Valley on April 30-May 1.

Our overall numbers were much lower this year, but we were not surprised due to new rule of lowering the maximum youth bowling age to 18. With that rule change alone, we lost over 1,000 bowlers. Then with the pandemic, youth programs that never came back and center closures, we were prepared for a re-building state of mind.

We are looking at awarding at least \$30,000 this year for the Pepsi Championships. Scholarships will be announced very soon! All scholarship winners will be sent a certificate and funds will be transferred to USBC SMART.

For the 2023 Pepsi Championships, we will start locking down District Finals locations in late June. One of the parameters of hosting is that they had participants from this year's tournament. If your center is interested, please contact us. Tournament packets for the 2023 Pepsi Youth Championships will be emailed to all youth programs in October and of course all information will be posted online at **CALUSBC.com**.

I am still looking to fill our District #4 Pepsi position. This area encompasses the central California area. If anyone is interested, please contact me at [lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com](mailto:lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com). The position will entail running the Pepsi District #4 Finals and helping to work our other State youth events when possible.

The shutdown was tough, but we are California Bowling strong and look forward to 2023! Let's continue to rebuild California youth bowling together.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Matsubara



## CALIFORNIA YOUTH STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Back in April 2021, everything started to open back up in LA County. We decided to run a modified version of the 2021 California Youth State Championships at Forest Lanes in Lake Forest so that the kids had finally had something to bowl. We ran team event only with a virtual singles event. We did not have any high expectations because of the pandemic, but wanted to extend the invitation for the kids regardless.

We ended up with 70 total teams and awarded \$11,500 in scholarships. We assumed that only Southern California centers would participate, but we were pleasantly surprised when Country Club Lanes from Sacramento, AMF Rocklin Lanes, Surf Bowl from Lompoc, Bulldog Bowl from Fresno and Mt Mesa Bowl drove down to participate.

The 2022 Youth State Championships will return to its normal format and will be held on two weekends in July back again at Forest Lanes in Lake Forest. The dates are July 16-17, 2022 and July 30-31, 2022. Squads are starting to fill up, so please get your entries in early. Official entry forms can be download at **CALUSBC.com**. We will also be holding our annual Queens & Masters, Prince & Princess, and Coaches Relief Tournaments on July 16 and July 30 at 7pm. Youths must be entered in the Youth Championships in order to bowl in the Q&M or P&P events. Meanwhile, the Coaches Relief Tournament is for our awesome Youth Program Directors, Coaches, parents and supporters.

We hope to see you there! Please e-mail us at [YouthChampionships@calusbc.com](mailto:YouthChampionships@calusbc.com) if you have any questions or if you need help in filling a team.

Lynn Matsubara



Jewel City Bowl, Glendale



## CALIFORNIA YOUTH COMMITTEE (CYC)

Welcome to our second virtual meeting! First we would like to introduce our CYC Director, Lisa Simmons. She will be taking over the Pepsi District #6 position.

Secondly, we have some scholarship winners! These winners will be presented their awards at our Awards Luncheon to be held on July 9 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Ontario Airport. We are also honoring our past winners from 2020-2021 at the luncheon as well.

### 2022 AWARD WINNERS:

- Braheme Family Memorial \$1,000 Youth Scholarship Award – **Pamela Faller**, Glendale
- CA Youth State \$1,000 Scholarship – **Daniel Hong**, Fullerton and **Emma Shaner**, Santa Clarita

We are very proud of these winners and look forward to hearing about their future bowling achievements! With the maximum youth age lowering to 18, we are in a big re-building mode nationwide. Some centers that re-opened after the shutdown did not return with active youth programs. It was so devastating to see that!

We lost a lot of our scratch bowlers with that age change rule. With that in mind, we are modifying the format for our Diddy Watts Youth State Singles Challenge tournament to allow the newer bowlers coming in to compete. This event will be held at Bowlero Visalia on August 6-7 and will also have local qualifying on June 25-26 at Steve Cook's Fireside Lanes, Santa Clarita Lanes and Keystone Lanes.

Also, we are looking for youth bowlers aged 14-17 who might be interested in joining the CYC. You are our future and you should have a say in it! Please email Lynn at [lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com](mailto:lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com) for more information.

THANK YOU again to all of the Youth Program Directors and Coaches in California. We know how much time you dedicate to our youths and that commitment shows tremendously through the great achievements of our California youth bowlers. We have a great showing at Junior Gold this year and can't wait to see if we have champions coming home to us!

Respectfully submitted,

Andre Eubanks & Lynn Matsubara, Co-Chairs

### California Youth Committee:

Brett Kociemba  
Shelby Sanz  
Tim Pato  
Anthony Guevara

Lisa Simmons  
Gary Philip  
Linda Stewart  
Tom Leigh

Rocky Leigh  
David Waybright  
Miranda Emery