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Re: Bowler's Digest Column

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ANNUAL MEETING SET

The annual meeting of the Metro Detroit USBC will be held on Saturday, Feb. 6 at 5 p.m. at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

All members of the Metro Detroit USBC Association are eligible to attend the meeting. All adults and youth over the age of 14 are eligible to vote.

On the agenda are reports on the progress the MDUSBC has made during the previous year, electing six adult members of the board, electing two youth representatives to the board of directors, electing state delegates to the respective state meetings and electing delegates to the USBC Annual Meeting.

Anyone desiring to run for any of the positions should visit www.mdusbc.com to obtain an application to be forwarded to the nominating committee. You can also call the MDUSBC office for an application.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE MDUSBC

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Officers and Office Staff of the Metro Detroit USBC Association, I would like to extend holiday greetings to all of you. This is the time of year when we all enjoy family related activities, while celebrating the holidays in our own way. I hope that this holiday season is a joyful one for you and your family.

MDUSBC TOURNAMENTS

The MDUSBC 500 Club tournament, which is open to all MDUSBC female members who have bowled a 500 series in their career, will take place on Sunday, Dec. 6 at Waterford Lanes in Waterford at 12:30 p.m.

The entry fee is \$22.

For more information on the MDUSBC tournaments call the MDUSBC office at (248) 443-2695.

MDUSBC WOMEN'S SERIES

The MDUSBC Women's Series has returned for the fifth season. The series will be a scratch event for women only.

Qualifying will be four games and match play will be single-game single elimination to determine a winner. The competition is expected to last less than four hours.

The entry fee is \$40 (\$45 if paid on site) and first place will pay \$500 based on 24 entries.

The next event will be Sunday, Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. at Ten Pins of Trenton.

In conjunction with the five events will be a season long "cup" competition, where all competitors will receive points for each event they participate in. The top player in points will receive \$500 and the top 15 will cash.

Other events are scheduled for Jan. 10; March 13; and April 10.

These events will be held regardless of the number of entries as we try to establish competitive women's bowling in the Bowling Capital of the World.

MICHIGAN STATE TOURNAMENTS CLOSING DATES FAST APPROACHING

The Metro Detroit USBC Association needs your help in increasing the entry into the state tournaments.

The Michigan State USBC Women's Championship deadline is Jan. 16, 2016.

The tournament will begin Feb. 20 at Northway Lanes and Sherman Bowling Center in Muskegon.

The cost is \$25 per person per event and \$5 for optional all-events. Also available is the optional scratch division, which is \$5 per person per event.

For more information on reserved dates and times contact Michigan Women's Association Manager Sharon Schildroth at (616) 635-2032.

The Michigan State USBC Open Championship will begin Jan. 9 at Waterford Lanes and Century Bowl in Waterford.

The cost is \$25 per person per event and a cost of \$10 for all-events. The optional actual division prize list is \$10 per person per event.

Reserved entries are due by Nov. 28. While the bowling season seems to have just begun these deadlines are fast approaching to act today.

For information on reserved dates and times call MSBA Association Manager Richard Loughlin at (517) 788-9135 or cell (517) 914-5437.

Entry blanks for both tournaments are available in your local bowling center and also at the MDUSBC office.

MCKAY TOURNAMENT

The Metro Detroit USBC Association will once again conduct the annual Tom McKay Invitational Tournament (formerly the Steve Cruchon Memorial Tournament) on Saturday, Dec. 12 at Sterling Lanes in Sterling Heights.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to the International Bowling Hall of Fame and Museum and the Karmanos Cancer Institute. Over \$250,000 has been raised since 1990.

We are looking for interested individuals who may be interested in competing in the invitational event. The cost is \$20 and entrants are expected to raise at least \$100 for the causes by either soliciting donations for \$100 or selling \$200 of 50/50 tickets or a combination.

The event is always a good time where the top eight teams qualify for match play.

If you are interested please contact the MDUSBC office at (248) 443-2695.



BOWLING SHOWCASE COMING IN DECEMBER

The Metro Detroit USBC is presenting the Bowling Showcase, a 13 episode television show set to air on Saturdays at 10 a.m. on WADL-TV beginning Dec. 26.

Bowling Showcase will feature MDUSBC and other bowling events with a magazine show each month through May.

Additionally the Bowling Showcase Challenge will air in February and March on the other Saturdays.

The Bowling Showcase Challenge will pit two teams in a one-game Baker format knockout on the show. The winning team will move on to the next round with the loser going home.

All told there will be eight teams in the Bowling Showcase Challenge with the winner receiving the Bowling Showcase Challenge trophy and bragging rights for a year.

Teams will primarily come from bowling centers so if you're interested check with your center so see how you can join their team.

An exciting and fun experience for all!!