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Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame Inductees

Lathrup Village, MI – The Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame Committee has elected three new members as well as providing three special awards to members who have made significant contributions to the association and industry.

In order to be eligible for the Women's and Men's Hall of Fame honors, the members must be at least 35 years old, have an outstanding record in national, state and local tournaments and been a member on leagues in the local association(s) for ten or more years. In the Veteran's category, members must be at least 55 years old with the same credentials as the Men and Women.

One member in the Women's category will be inducted into the Hall of Fame this fall. Lesia Lambert-Conant of Allen Park has won multiple state and local tournament titles. In addition, she has won medals in the Michigan and National Senior Olympics. Her highest season average is 220. In addition, she has bowled four - 300 games and her high three game series is 796. She has made the All-City team on two occasions. Beyond bowling herself, she is a Bronze Level certified coach with instruction provided to multiple youth leagues, high school teams and at the Detroit Athletic Club.

Similar to the Women's category, one member in the Men's category will be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Anthony Wright of Warren has title wins at both the local and state levels. In addition, he has been an All-City Team Captain and earned Rookie of the Year in the 2016-2017 Detroit All Star Classic league. Wright has bowled 42 – 300 games, 30 – 800 series and has a high average of 236. Beyond the bowling accomplishments, Wright spends significant time coaching, mentoring youth and donating bowling equipment to bowlers without access to the necessary tools to participate in the sport of bowling. The Veterans category does not have any elected new members this year.

In the Meritorious Service category, Sue Hyvonen of St. Clair Shores will be inducted into the Hall of Fame for 50 years of bowling and 30 plus years serving on numerous Detroit bowling association boards and committees as well as being a house representative to area leagues. In addition to serving, she continues to be an active promoter of the sport by bringing many teams to local, state and national tournaments.

Three individuals are receiving Special Awards for their contributions to Metro Detroit USBC. Michael Leavitt of Novi is receiving the Thomas McKay Award for serving the bowling community many years as both a promoter of youth bowling and tournaments through YES BALL bowling. Rick Mocer, Proprietor of Five Star Lanes in Sterling Heights, is receiving the George Prybyla Industry Award, for significant contributions as a bowler, center operator and promoter of bowling across the Metro Detroit area. Nannetta "Sugar" Thomas is receiving the Judge Watts Award for her significant contributions to the Metro Detroit Bowling Family as mentor to many youth for more than 45 years, including at least nine bowlers who have later been inducted into the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame and significant promotion to this sport.

The Hall of Fame Banquet will take place on Sunday, October 11, 2026 at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia. Tickets are available for \$45. Your request for tickets and check can be sent to Metro Detroit USBC, Attn: Hall of Fame Inductions, 25219 Dequindre Rd., Madison Heights, MI 48071 or by calling, 248-443-2695, ext. 104