

MDUSBC Association Manager Phil Goodman (c) congratulates MDUSBC Super Senior Masters Champion Bruce Wright (I) and runner-up Larry Walker

BRUCE WRIGHT WINS \$1,500 FIRST PRIZE IN MDUSBC SUPER SENIOR MASTERS AT BELMAR LANES

Bruce Wright of Warren won the MDUSBC Super Senior Masters title and the top prize of \$1,500 at Belmar Lanes in Lincoln Park with a 213-205 win over Larry Walker of Garden City. Walker earned \$750.

First-time champion, Wright, qualified eighth with a five-game total of 1,077 including a high game of 259. He worked his way through the Winners bracket of the two game elimination match play format with victories over Harold Sullins of Chesterfield 224-208, Leonard Kersten of Holly 190-157, Michael Calvin of Warren 247-197 and his first match against Walker 247-236. His only loss came against Walker in the first rematch 238-237. With each having one loss, Wright beat Walker in the final match game noted earlier, 213-205. Wright averaged 221.36 for 11 games of competition.

Walker qualified sixth with 1,111 and a high game of 246. Prior to the final match with Wright, he remained in the winner's bracket with victories over Michael McCleskey of Southfield 289-170, Gerald Sikora of Ecorse 247-211 and Richard Wayne of Westland 223-213 before losing the first time to Wright 247-236. After winning his match against Calvin 202-195 in the loser's bracket, Walker won his rematch game against Wright 238-237 before losing the final game to him. Walker averaged 229.25 for 12 games.

Calvin finished third for \$650 and Kersten finished fourth for \$600.

Calvin qualified fourth with 1,111 and a high game of 258. In the winners bracket, Calvin beat Ronald Burgess of Westland 224-188 and Michael Snow of Windsor Ont. 243-228 before losing to Wright 247-197. In attempting to reach the finals, Calvin defeated Joseph Buffa of Macomb 213-211, Kersten 257-204 and then lost to Walker 202-195 for his second loss. Calvin averaged 222.73 over 11 games.

Kersten qualified 16th with 1038 and a high game of 244. He won his match over Edward Mintz of Canton 193-185 before losing to Wright 190-157. He then beat Craig Poremba of Westland 257-181, Snow 238-205, Wayne 258-205 and then lost to Calvin. He averaged 213.18 for 11 games.

The top eight Super Super Seniors, ages 70 and older, who did not qualify for match play each earned \$110. The top eight included: Jeffrey Suma Sr of Canton (1037), John Fryer of Washington (1030), Anthony Stipcak Jr. of Redford (1010), Mark Hatchigian of Novi (1008), Michael LaRocca of Brighton (991), Rick Capaldi of Manitou Beach (979), Michael Luncente of Warren (964) and Gary Treier of Redford (962).

The MDUSBC Super Senior Masters Tournament is an USBC certified event operated by the Metro Detroit USBC, the largest local association of the United States Bowling Congress with over 30,000 adult and youth members.

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