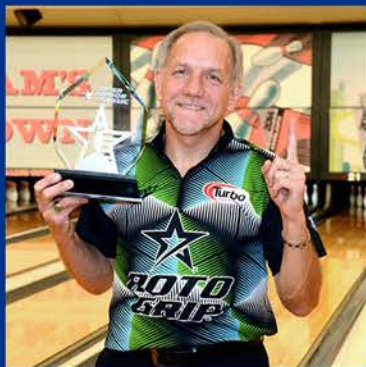




# 2017

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS



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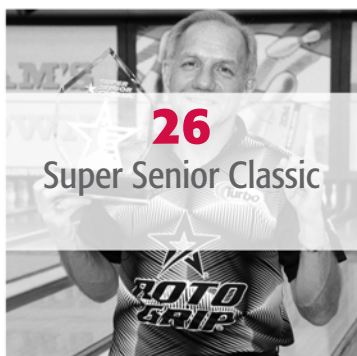
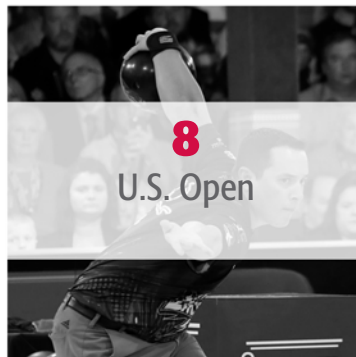
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The United States Bowling Congress officially launched Jan. 1, 2005, as the organization to serve adult and youth bowlers in the United States and is the National Governing Body for bowling as recognized by the United States Olympic Committee (USOC).

Formed by the merger of the American Bowling Congress (ABC), Women's International Bowling Congress (WIBC), Young American Bowling Alliance (YABA) and USA Bowling, USBC is a membership organization that provides standardized rules, regulations and benefits to make bowling fair and fun for everyone.

During the 2016-2017 season, USBC had 1.42 million members and certified 45,791 leagues.

**USBC MISSION** - The USBC is the National Governing Body for bowling. Our mission is to provide services, resources and standards for the sport.

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**USBC PROMISE** - Our promise is to celebrate the past, be mindful of the present and ensure bowling's future through thoughtful research, planning and delivery.

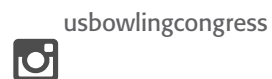
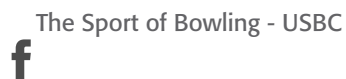
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Jason Belmonte



# MASTERS

2018 USBC MASTERS | April 8-15

Oncenter Convention Center | Syracuse, New York

The United States Bowling Congress Masters first was held in 1951 and is one of the most revered tournaments in the sport. Top competitors from across the globe look to make their way through the tournament's double-elimination bracket and earn a spot in the event's famed history.

Australia's Jason Belmonte recorded another historic win at the 2017 USBC Masters as he became the first bowler to win the coveted title for a fourth time. He defeated Michael Tang of San Francisco, 279-212, in the title match.

The 2017 event was held at The Orleans Bowling Center in Las Vegas, returning to the same host city as the USBC Open Championships for the first time since 2011.

The win was the eighth major title of Belmonte's career, and the 33-year-old two-hander netted \$30,000 for the victory after starting the title match with seven consecutive strikes. Tang, who had averaged more than 246 in his three victories leading up to the title match, lost his carry in the final and took home \$22,500 for the runner-up finish.

Belmonte also won the Masters in 2013, 2014 and 2015 to become the first bowler to capture the title in three consecutive years.

Tang, the No. 4 seed, was looking to become the first amateur to win the Masters since 2002. He advanced to the title match after defeating Alex Hoskins of Brigham City, Utah, in the semifinal, 227-217.

In two wins on the way to the semifinal matchup with Hoskins, Tang defeated his brother, Darren, 248-212, and Sweden's Martin Larsen, 264-229.

All competitors at the 2017 Masters bowled 15 games of qualifying before a cut was made to the top 63, who joined defending champion Anthony Simonsen of Austin, Texas, in the double-elimination match-play bracket.

## 2017 USBC MASTERS RESULTS

When: Feb. 21-26

Where: The Orleans Bowling Center, Las Vegas

Entries: 395

### FINAL STANDINGS

1. Jason Belmonte, Australia, 279 (one game)
2. Michael Tang, San Francisco, 951 (four games)
3. Alex Hoskins, Brigham City, Utah, 217 (one game)
4. Darren Tang, San Francisco, 212 (one game)
5. Martin Larsen, Sweden, 229 (one game)

### STEPLADDER RESULTS

Match 1 – M. Tang def. Larsen, 264-229

Match 2 – M. Tang def. D. Tang, 248-212

Semifinal – M. Tang def. Hoskins, 227-217

Championship – Belmonte def. M. Tang, 279-212

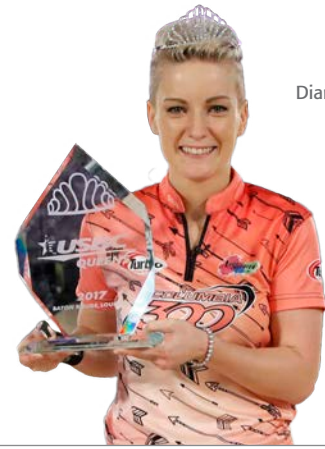






# QUEENS

2018 USBC QUEENS | May 16-22  
National Bowling Stadium | Reno, Nevada



Diana Zavjalova

## 2017 USBC QUEENS RESULTS

When: May 17 – 23

Where: Raising Cane’s River Center, Baton Rouge, La.

Entries: 162

### FINAL STANDINGS

1. Diana Zavjalova, Latvia, 503 (two games)
2. Liz Johnson, Deerfield, Ill., 216 (one game)
3. Cherie Tan, Singapore, 682 (three games)
4. Jazreel Tan, Singapore, 203 (one game)
5. Marissa Thomas, Louisville, Ky., 210 (one game)

### STEPLADDER RESULTS

**Match 1** – C. Tan def. Thomas, 289-210

**Match 2** – C. Tan def J. Tan, 214-203

**Semifinal** – Zavjalova def. C. Tan, 256-179

**Championship** – Zavjalova def. Johnson, 247-216

The United States Bowling Congress Queens features the top women competitors from around the world vying for the coveted tiara and a place on the historic list of champions. The event first was held in 1961.

In 2017, Latvia’s Diana Zavjalova claimed her second USBC Queens title by defeating USBC Hall of Famer Liz Johnson of Deerfield, Illinois, in the title match, 247-216.

The event was held at the Raising Cane’s River Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and the stepladder finals aired on CBS Sports Network.

Zavjalova, the 2013 Queens champion, became the 10th player to capture multiple wins at the event after averaging more than 251 for her two games at the River Center. The 25-year-old right-hander started the title match against Johnson, also a two-time Queens champion, with five consecutive strikes to gain the early advantage as Johnson opened in two of her first five frames.

Johnson, the top seed for the stepladder, rolled four consecutive strikes after the fifth frame to force Zavjalova to mark in the 10th frame for the victory. Zavjalova delivered a strike to seal the victory and \$20,000 top prize. Johnson earned \$10,000 for second place.

Zavjalova struck nine times in her 256-179 semifinal win over Singapore’s Cherie Tan, who had advanced by defeating Singapore’s Jazreel Tan, 214-203.

In the opening match of the stepladder finals, Cherie Tan rolled 10 consecutive strikes on her way to a 289-210 victory over Marissa Thomas of Louisville, Kentucky.

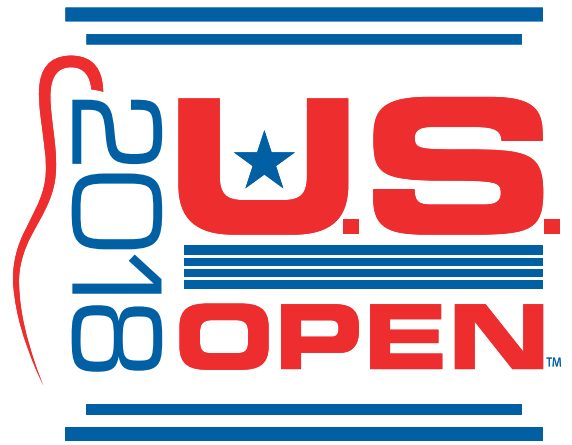
A total of 162 players bowled 15 games of qualifying over three days to determine the 63 bowlers who joined defending champion Bernice Lim of Singapore in the double-elimination match-play bracket.





Rhino Page

**2018 U.S. OPEN**  
**Oct. 24-31**  
 Northrock Lanes  
 Wichita, Kansas



The U.S. Open often is regarded as one of the most challenging events in the sport, featuring a 56-game marathon on a demanding playing condition to determine the finalists. Known as the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America All-Star until 1971, the U.S. Open includes a long and rich history, with the winner receiving the coveted green jacket.

Rhino Page of Orlando, Florida, captured his first major championship with a 256-222 victory against top seed Jakob Butturff of Tempe, Arizona, in the title match of the 2017 U.S. Open.

The 2017 event was held at Flamingo Bowl in Liverpool, New York, with the stepladder finals airing live on CBS Sports Network.

Page, a 34-year-old left-hander, struck on eight of his first nine deliveries to win his sixth career Professional Bowlers Association Tour title and the \$30,000 top prize.

After 56 games of qualifying, Butturff led the field by 617 pins, including bonus pins, but the 23-year-old left-hander saw the chance at victory slip away after leaving a 4-6-10 split in the eighth frame. He earned \$15,000 for the runner-up finish.

Page defeated 2013 U.S. Open champion Wes Malott of Pflugerville, Texas, 226-155, in the semifinal. Malott had converted a 2-10 split in the 10th frame to best Canada's Graham Fach, 186-179, and advance to the semifinal.

In the opening match of the stepladder, Fach rolled seven consecutive strikes on his way to a 259-222 victory over USBC and PBA Hall of Famer Norm Duke of Clermont, Florida. Duke was in search of his third U.S. Open title, having won the green jacket in 2008 and 2011.

All competitors at the 2017 U.S. Open bowled 24 qualifying games over three days before the field was cut to the top 36 players for an eight-game cashers' round. The top 24 bowlers after 32 games advanced to round-robin match play, and 56-game totals, including 30 bonus pins for each win in match play, determined the five players advancing to the stepladder finals.

Participants in the 144-player select field earned their spots primarily through invitations based on their on-lane performances throughout 2016. An additional 19 players earned spots into the field through a pre-tournament qualifier, also held at Flamingo Bowl.

## 2017 U.S. OPEN RESULTS

When: Oct. 25 - Nov. 1

Where: Flamingo Bowl, Liverpool, N.Y.

Entries: 144

### FINAL STANDINGS

1. Rhino Page, Orlando, Fla., 482 (two games)
2. Jakob Butturff, Tempe, Ariz., 222 (one game)
3. Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 341 (two games)
4. Graham Fach, Canada, 438 (two games)
5. Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 222 (one game)

### STEPLADDER RESULT

Match 1 – Fach def. Duke, 259-222

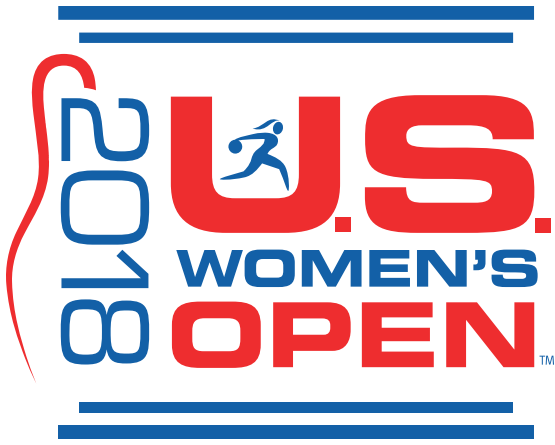
Match 2 – Malott def. Fach, 186-179

Semifinal – Page def. Malott, 226-155

Championship – Page def. Butturff, 256-222







# 2018 U.S. WOMEN'S OPEN

2018 U.S. WOMEN'S OPEN  
 June 23-30  
 Boardwalk Bowl  
 Orlando, Florida



## 2017 U.S. WOMEN'S OPEN RESULTS

When: July 31 – Aug. 6

Where: Plano Super Bowl, Plano, Texas

Entries: 114

### FINAL STANDINGS

1. Liz Johnson, Deerfield, Ill., 833 (four games)
2. Daria Pajak, Poland, 176 (one game)
3. Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb., 195 (one game)
4. Valerie Bercier, Derry, N.H., 223 (one game)
5. Nicole Trudell, Bridgeport, Conn., 178 (one game)

### STEPLADDER RESULT

**Match 1** – Johnson def. Trudell, 191-178

**Match 2** – Johnson def. Bercier, 255-223

**Semifinal** – Johnson def. McCarthy, 199-195

**Championship** – Johnson def. Pajak, 188-176

The U.S. Women's Open, known as the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America All-Star until 1971, is a 56-game marathon on a demanding lane condition to determine the finalists who will bowl for the coveted green jacket.

United States Bowling Congress Hall of Famer Liz Johnson of Deerfield, Illinois, won her fourth consecutive, and sixth overall, U.S. Women's Open title in 2017. Johnson defeated top seed Daria Pajak of Poland, 188-176, in the title match.

The 2017 event was held at Plano Super Bowl in Plano, Texas, with the stepladder finals airing live on CBS Sports Network.

Johnson's victory was her record 10th major victory, and the 43-year-old right-hander had to climb the stepladder for the second consecutive year to win the \$20,000 first prize. Pajak, who rolled a pair of perfect games and averaged more than 229 during the week to earn to the top seed, earned \$10,000.

Johnson started the stepladder by defeating Nicole Trudell of Bridgeport, Connecticut, 191-178, and finished strong in her second match to outdistance Canada's Valerie Bercier, 255-223.

In the seminal match, Johnson edged Erin McCarthy of Omaha, Nebraska, 199-195.

All competitors at the 2017 U.S. Women's Open bowled 24 qualifying games over three days before the field was cut to the top 38 players for an eight-game cashers' round. The top 24 bowlers after 32 games advanced to round-robin match play, and 56-game totals, including 30 bonus pins for each win in match play, determined the five players advancing to the stepladder finals.



Erin McCarthy

Jakob Butturff



2018 USBC TEAM USA TRIALS AND U.S. NATIONAL AMATEUR | Jan. 2-7  
The Orleans Bowling Center | Las Vegas

The United States Bowling Congress offers its members the opportunity to represent their country in international competition as a member of Team USA. The USBC Team USA Trials and U.S. National Amateur Bowling Championships, along with the Junior Gold Championships, are qualifying events for Team USA and Junior Team USA.

Youth prevailed at the Team USA Trials and U.S. Amateur to start 2017, as first-time winners emerged at each event.

Jakob Butturff and Erin McCarthy put together consistent performances to earn titles at the Team USA Trials and the chance to represent Team USA at the QubicaAMF World Cup in Hermosillo, Mexico, while Matt Russo and Julia Bond earned their spots on the adult team for the first time by winning the U.S. Amateur.

Butturff took advantage of his opportunity at the World Cup, winning the title in his Team USA debut. McCarthy just missed advancing to the semifinals, placing fifth.

The momentum of Butturff's victory came just in time for the 2017 World Bowling Championships in Las Vegas. The field included 213 men from 36 countries and 176 women from 30 countries.

The Team USA men claimed a pair of gold medals on their home turf, including the coveted team title. Chris Barnes and Tommy Jones made the first appearance on the medal stand for Team USA, winning gold in doubles, and they were joined by Butturff, AJ Johnson, Marshall Kent and Chris Via in the winning team performance. Johnson also claimed the bronze medal in all-events.

The Team USA women also recorded a pair of wins at the World Championships. Shannon O'Keefe inspired her teammates while battling kidney stones to lead Team USA in the trios finals, firing a 238 game to pace the team's victory over Germany. O'Keefe was joined by Kelly Kulick and Danielle McEwan in the win.

McEwan would add a second gold medal to her collection in all-events, and she teamed with Kulick to share the bronze medal in doubles. Another Team USA women's team, O'Keefe and Josie Barnes, also earned bronze in doubles.

The United States also was dominant at the World Senior Championships in Munich as the men's team swept gold in singles, doubles, team, all-events and Masters. The men's team included USBC Hall of Famers Parker Bohn III and Lennie Boresch Jr., Ron Mohr and Bob Learn Jr.

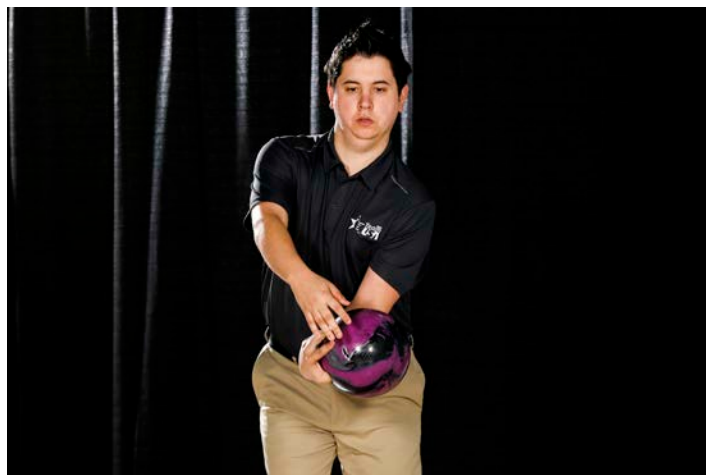
The women's contingent captured gold medals in singles, team, all-events and Masters at the World Senior Championships. The team featured USBC Hall of Famers Lynda Barnes, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, Leanne Hulsenberg and Tish Johnson.

Junior Team USA traveled to Monterrey, Mexico, for the Pan American Bowling Confederation Youth Championships, where Stephanie Schwartz led the way for the girls team, capturing four gold medals.

Schwartz earned gold in singles, doubles (with Breanna Clemmer), trios (with Clemmer and Sydney Brummett) and all-events, and added a pair of bronze medals in team (with Clemmer, Brummett and Bond) and Masters to medal in each event.

The girls team also earned medals in singles (silver-Brummett, bronze-Bond), doubles (silver-Bond and Brummett), all-events (silver-Clemmer) and Masters (silver-Brummett).

The boys team was unable to collect a gold medal, but the young group earned valuable experience looking ahead to the 2018 World Bowling Youth Championships. The team, featuring Brandon Biondo, Jeffery Mann, Kennon McFalls and Cortez Schenck, earned one silver medal and four bronze medals.





## TEAM USA 2017

### MEN

Steven Badovinac, Monument, Colo.  
Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas  
Jakob Butturff, Tempe, Ariz.  
Andrew Cain, Phoenix  
AJ Chapman, Manchester, Iowa  
AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill.  
Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C.  
Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash.  
Kyle King, Glendale, Ariz.  
Nick Pate, Inver Grove Heights, Minn.  
Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.  
Ronnie Russell, Marion, Ind.  
Matt Russo, Millstone Township, N.J.  
Chris Via, Springfield, Ohio

### WOMEN

Josie Barnes, Nashville, Tenn.  
Julia Bond, Aurora, Ill.  
Sydney Brummett, Fort Wayne, Ind.  
Bryanna Coté, Red Rock, Ariz.  
Kayla Johnson, Washington, Ill.  
Stefanie Johnson, McKinney, Texas  
Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J.  
Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb.  
Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y.  
Shannon O'Keefe, O'Fallon, Ill.  
Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif.  
Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio  
Stephanie Schwartz, Racine, Wis.  
Stephanie Zavala, Downey, Calif.

## JUNIOR TEAM USA 2017

### BOYS

Jared Armstrong, Louisville, Ky.  
Brandon Biondo, Carpentersville, Ill.  
Bryan Hahlen, Greenwood, S.C.  
Briley Haugh, Faribault, Minn.  
Jeffery Mann, West Lafayette, Ind.  
Kennon McFalls, Gastonia, N.C.  
Tommie McNeal, Burien, Wash.  
Richard Paul III, Winton, Calif.  
Matt Russo, Millstone Township, N.J.  
Cortez Schenck, Phoenix  
Pete Vergos, Apopka, Fla.  
Dustin Zehner, South Bend, Ind.

### GIRLS

Julia Bond, Aurora, Ill.  
Sydney Brummett, Fort Wayne, Ind.  
Breanna Clemmer, Clover, S.C.  
Haley Cummings, Huber Heights, Ohio  
Rebecca Gotterbarn, Garden City South, N.Y.  
Sierra Kanemoto, Dayton, Ohio  
Jessica Mellott, Lauderhill, Fla.  
Lauren Pate, Inver Grove Heights, Minn.  
Heather Penatzer, Tucson, Ariz.  
Stephanie Schwartz, Racine, Wis.  
Adrianna Stacy, Sebring, Fla.  
Stephanie Zavala, Downey, Calif.

## UNDER-15 DEVELOPMENTAL TEAM

### BOYS

Richard Paul III, Winton, Calif.  
Solomon Salama, Beverly Hills, Calif.

### GIRLS

Mabel Cummins, Elburn, Ill.  
Allie Leindecker, Wooster, Ohio



## 2017 USBC TEAM USA TRIALS RESULTS

When: Jan. 3-8

Where: Sunset Station's Strike Zone Bowling Center, Las Vegas

### MEN'S RESULTS

(Position, name, hometown, total points. Points based of finishing position in each round.)

1. Jakob Butturff, Tempe, Ariz., 59
2. Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., 78
3. Matt Russo, Millstone Township, N.J., 84
4. Steven Badovinac, Monument, Colo., 91
5. Andrew Cain, Phoenix, 102
6. Cortez Schenck, Phoenix, 105
- T7. AJ Johnson, Oswego, Ill., 112
- T7. Nick Pate, Inver Grove Heights, Minn., 112
9. Kyle King, Glendale, Ariz., 121
10. Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 131

### WOMEN'S RESULTS

(Position, name, hometown, total points. Points based of finishing position in each round.)

1. Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb., 46
2. Shannon O'Keefe, O'Fallon, Ill., 48
3. Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 51
4. Julia Bond, Aurora, Ill., 54
5. Stephanie Zavala, Downey, Calif., 58
6. Sydney Brummett, Fort Wayne, Ind., 70
7. Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 71
8. Bryanna Coté, Red Rock, Ariz., 80
9. Josie Earnest, Nashville, Tenn., 81
10. Kayla Johnson, Washington, Ill., 82

## 2017 U.S. NATIONAL AMATEUR BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

When: Jan. 3-8

Where: Sunset Station's Strike Zone Bowling Center, Las Vegas

(To be eligible for the U.S. Amateur Championships, a bowler must not hold or have held a professional membership anytime in 2016. Also, anyone who has won a professional title (regional, national or senior) as a professional was not eligible to compete as an amateur. The top three amateurs in each division advanced to the stepladder finals.)

### MEN'S STEPLADDER

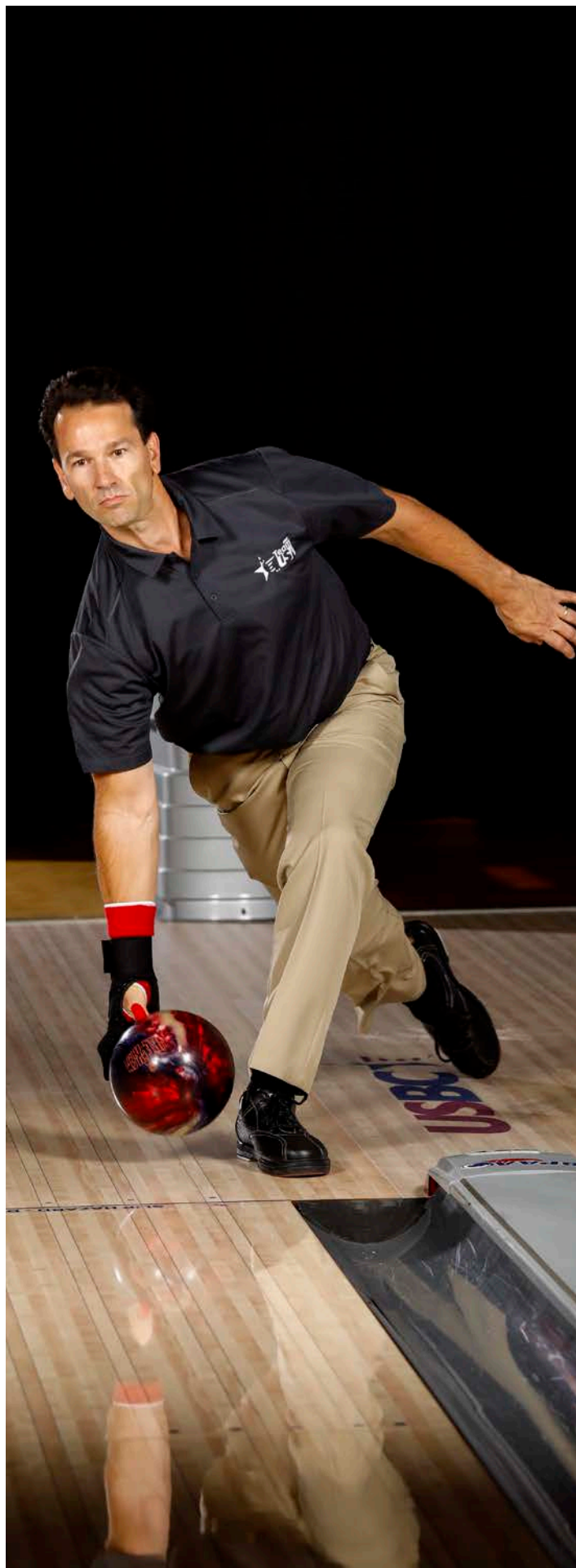
**Semifinal** – Steven Badovinac, Monument, Colo., def. Cortez Schenck, Phoenix, 266-190

**Championship** – Matt Russo, Millstone Township, N.J., def. Badovinac, 212-197

### WOMEN'S STEPLADDER

**Semifinal** – Stephanie Zavala, Downey Calif., def. Sydney Brummett, Fort Wayne, Ind., 220-210

**Championship** – Julia Bond, Aurora, Ill., def. Zavala, 229-204





## WORLD BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

When: Nov. 24 – Dec. 4

Where: South Point Bowling Plaza, Las Vegas

**Men's Singles** – No U.S. medalists

**Women's Singles** – No U.S. medalists

**Men's Doubles** – Chris Barnes and Tommy Jones, gold

**Women's Doubles** – Josie Barnes and Shannon O'Keefe, bronze; Kelly Kulick and Danielle McEwan, bronze

**Men's Trios** – No U.S. medalists

**Women's Trios** – Kelly Kulick, Danielle McEwan, Shannon O'Keefe, gold

**Men's Team** – USA (Chris Barnes, Jakob Butturff, AJ Johnson, Tommy

Jones, Marshall Kent, Chris Via), gold

**Women's Team** – No U.S. medalists

**Men's All-Events** – AJ Johnson, bronze

**Women's All-Events** – Danielle McEwan, gold

**Men's Masters** – No U.S. medalists

**Women's Masters** – No U.S. medalists

## QUBICAAMF BOWLING WORLD CUP

When: Nov. 4 – 12

Where: Bol 300, Hermosillo, Mexico

**Men's champion** – Jakob Butturff, United States

**Women's champion** – Krizziah Lyn Tabora, Philippines

**Team USA finishes** – Erin McCarthy, fifth

## PABCON YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

When: Sept. 2 – 9

Where: Bol Obispado, Monterrey, Mexico

**Boys Singles** – Jeffery Mann, bronze

**Girls Singles** – Stephanie Schwartz, gold; Sydney Brummett, silver; Julia Bond, bronze

**Boys Doubles** – Brandon Biondo and Cortez Schenck, bronze

**Girls Doubles** – Breanna Clemmer and Stephanie Schwartz, gold; Julia Bond and Sydney Brummett, silver

**Boys Trios** – No U.S. medalists

**Girls Trios** – Sydney Brummett, Breanna Clemmer, Stephanie Schwartz, gold

**Boys Team** – USA (Brandon Biondo, Jeffery Mann, Kennon McFalls, Cortez Schenck), bronze

**Girls Team** – USA (Julia Bond, Sydney Brummett, Breanna Clemmer, Stephanie Schwartz), bronze

**Boys All-Events** – Cortez Schenck, silver

**Girls All-Events** – Stephanie Schwartz, gold; Breanna Clemmer, silver

**Boys Masters** – Brandon Biondo, bronze

**Girls Masters** – Sydney Brummett, silver; Stephanie Schwartz, bronze

## WORLD BOWLING SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

When: Aug. 13 – 20

Where: Dream Bowl Palace, Munich

**Men's Singles** – Ron Mohr, gold; Parker Bohn III and Lennie Boesch Jr., bronze

**Women's Singles** – Lynda Barnes, gold; Leanne Hulsenberg, silver

**Men's Doubles** – Parker Bohn III and Bob Learn Jr, gold; Lennie Boesch Jr. and Ron Mohr, silver

**Women's Doubles** – Leanne Hulsenberg and Tish Johnson, silver; Lynda Barnes and Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, bronze

**Men's Team** – USA (Parker Bohn III, Lennie Boesch Jr., Bob Learn Jr., Ron Mohr), gold

**Women's Team** – USA (Lynda Barnes, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, Leanne Hulsenberg, Tish Johnson), gold

**Men's All-Events** – Ron Mohr, gold

**Women's All-Events** – Leanne Hulsenberg, gold; Lynda Barnes, silver

**Men's Masters** – Parker Bohn III, gold

**Women's Masters** – Lynda Barnes, gold; Carolyn Dorin-Ballard and Leanne Hulsenberg, bronze

## TOURNAMENT OF THE AMERICAS

When: July 23 – 29

Where: Strikers Family Sportscenter, Sunrise, Fla.

### SINGLES

**Junior A boys** – Pete Vergos, gold

**Junior A girls** – Haley Cummings, silver

**Junior B boys** – Anthony Neuer, gold; Richard Paul III, silver

**Junior B girls** – Allie Leiendecker, gold; Mabel Cummins, silver

**Senior Men** – Bob Spaulding, silver

**Senior Women** – Denise Thacker, gold

**Super Senior Men** – Chuck Richardson, bronze

**Super Senior Women** – Lucy Sandelin, gold

### DOUBLES

**Junior A boys** – Briley Haugh and Pete Vergos, gold

**Junior A girls** – Haley Cummings and Adrianna Stacy, gold

**Junior B boys** – Anthony Neuer and Richard Paul III, gold

**Junior B girls** – Mabel Cummins and Allie Leiendecker, gold

**Senior Men** – Chauncy Holmes and Bob Spaulding, gold

**Senior Women** – Tayna Spaulding and Denise Thacker, gold

**Super Senior Men** – Chuck Richardson and Ron Thacker, gold

**Super Senior Women** – Yolanda Garrett and Lucy Sandelin, gold

### MIXED DOUBLES

**Junior A** – Haley Cummings and Briley Haugh, gold

**Junior B** – Mabel Cummins and Anthony Neuer, gold; Allie Leiendecker and Richard Paul III, bronze

**Senior** – Chauncy Holmes and Denise Thacker, bronze

**Super Senior** – Chuck Richardson and Lucy Sandelin, gold

### TEAM

**Junior A** – USA (Haley Cummings, Briley Haugh, Adrianna Stacy, Pete Vergos), gold

**Junior B** – USA (Mabel Cummins, Allie Leiendecker, Anthony Neuer, Richard Paul III), gold

**Senior** – USA (Chauncy Holmes, Bob Spaulding, Tayna Spaulding, Denise Thacker), gold

**Super Senior** – USA (Yolanda Garrett, Chuck Richardson, Lucy Sandelin, Ron Thacker), gold

### ALL-EVENTS

**Junior A boys** – Pete Vergos, gold; Briley Haugh, bronze

**Junior A girls** – Haley Cummings, gold

**Junior B boys** – Anthony Neuer, silver; Richard Paul III, bronze

**Junior B girls** – Mabel Cummins, gold; Allie Leiendecker, silver

**Senior Men** – Bob Spaulding, silver

**Senior Women** – Denise Thacker, gold; Tayna Spaulding, bronze

**Super Senior Men** – Ron Thacker, bronze

**Super Senior Women** – Lucy Sandelin, gold

### NATIONAL ALL-EVENTS

**Junior A** – USA (Haley Cummings, Briley Haugh, Adrianna Stacy, Pete Vergos), gold

**Junior B** – USA (Mabel Cummins, Allie Leiendecker, Anthony Neuer, Richard Paul III), gold

**Senior** – USA (Chauncy Holmes, Bob Spaulding, Tayna Spaulding, Denise Thacker), gold

**Super Senior** – USA (Yolanda Garrett, Chuck Richardson, Lucy Sandelin, Ron Thacker), gold

## WORLD GAMES

When: July 18 – 25

Where: Sky Bowling, Wroclaw, Poland

**Men's Singles** – No U.S. medalist

**Women's Singles** – Kelly Kulick, silver

**Men's Doubles** – No U.S. medalist

**Women's Doubles** – Kelly Kulick and Danielle McEwan, silver



## 2018 USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 24-July 8

Oncenter Convention Center

Syracuse, New York

Forty-one teams competed for a \$1,592 prize fund at the first United States Bowling Congress Open Championships, held in Chicago in 1901. It has grown into the world's largest annual participatory sporting event and has visited 49 cities in 26 states during its 114-year history.

In 2017, more than 10,000 five-player teams competed at the South Point Bowling Plaza in Las Vegas in team, doubles, singles and all-events competition for a prize fund of more than \$5 million.

The 2017 event featured the addition of a third division for the first time since 1979. The Standard Division was introduced for bowlers with an entering average of 181-209.

The Regular Team and Team All-Events titles went to Team NABR of Fairport, New York, which led the way with scores of 3,266 and 9,957, respectively. It was the second team title for Team NABR, which won Regular Team in 2015.

In 2017, Scott Pohl's 694 set led Team NABR on the way to games of 1,023, 1,082 and 1,161 at the Bowling Plaza. Pohl was joined by first-year team member Anthony Pepe (675), Brian Waliczek (655), Adam Barta (640) and Mike Rose Jr. (602).

Waliczek led the overall effort with a 2,051 all-events total and was closely followed by Barta (2,040), Pepe (2,010), Pohl (1,991) and Rose (1,865).

The win marked the fourth USBC Open Championships victory for Rose, who also is the 2007 Regular All-Events winner. Pohl, Waliczek and Barta each have claimed three Eagles, and Pepe won the first two titles of his career. Rob Gotchall of Clarksville, Tennessee, was Team NABR's fifth member at the 2015 event in El Paso, Texas.

Zachary Hattori of Henderson, Nevada, and Michael Coffey of Melbourne, Florida, showed a flair for the dramatic by posting the winning Regular Doubles score with just one squad left at the 2017 event, recording a 1,478 total.

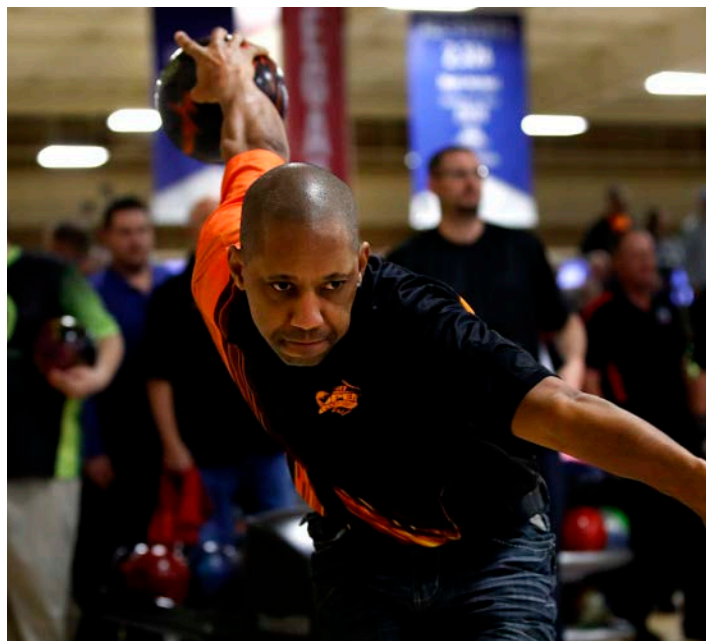
Hattori, a former Junior Team USA member, led the charge with games of 248, 289 and 279 for an 816 series, the highest set and only 800 in doubles in 2017. Coffey, the 2015-2016 National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association Player of the Year while at Lindenwood University, added 231, 227 and 204 for a 662 series.

Ron Jacobson of Jupiter, Florida, rolled nine consecutive strikes in his final game to claim the Regular Singles title with an 804 series. The 56-year-old right-hander put together games of 269, 258 and 277 to move past Matt Gasn of Clarksville, Tennessee, and Steve De Kerf Jr. of Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin, who previously held the lead with 802 and finished tied for second.

Brad Angelo of Lockport, New York, was the only player at the 2017 event to record a 700 series in each event, and the 47-year-old right-hander used that consistency to claim the Regular All-Events title with a 2,176 total. Angelo rolled sets of 735 in singles, 723 in team and 718 in doubles to outdistance more than 50,000 bowlers who traveled to Las Vegas to compete.

During the tournament's 149-day run, there were 10 perfect games, five 299s and two 298s, while 22 additional bowlers rolled 11 consecutive strikes.

Additional highlights included 21 bowlers entering the event's 50-Year Club, while USBC Hall of Famer Les Zikes of Palatine, Illinois, became the 11th participant to reach 65 years of Open Championships participation. Fellow hall of famer Marvin Stoudt of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, became the 20th member of the 100,000-Pin Club.





## 2017 USBC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS TOP-5 RESULTS

### REGULAR DIVISION

#### TEAM

1. Team NABR, Fairport, N.Y., 3,266
2. BowlingDynamics.com, Phoenix, 3,246
- T3. Shot Makers Pro Shop, Temperance, Mich., 3,240
- T3. Turbo Grips 4, Chesterfield, Mich., 3,240
5. HoF Silver Lanes 1, New Hartford, Conn., 3,239

#### DOUBLES

1. Zachary Hattori, Henderson, Nev./Michael Coffey, Melbourne, Fla., 1,478
2. Vince Biondo/Brandon Biondo, Carpentersville, Ill., 1,452
3. Mike Reasoner, Hazlet, N.J./John Nolen, Waterford, Mich., 1,431
4. Andrew Herbert, Eden, N.Y./Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 1,428
5. Jacob Kent/Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y., 1,425

#### SINGLES

1. Ron Jacobson, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 804
- T2. Matt Gasn, Clarksville, Tenn., 802
- T2. Steve De Kerf Jr., Sheboygan Falls, Wis., 802
4. James Hamby, Chesterfield, Va., 792
5. Dan Higgins, Westerville, Ohio, 781

#### ALL-EVENTS

1. Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y., 2,176
2. Kenny Ryan, Farmingdale, N.J., 2,132
3. Jacob Boresch, Kenosha, Wis., 2,122
4. Jakob Butturff, Chandler, Ariz., 2,110
5. Brandon Biondo, Carpentersville, Ill., 2,108

#### TEAM ALL-EVENTS

1. Team NABR, Fairport, N.Y., 9,957
2. Higgy's Aquarium, Westerville, Ohio, 9,930
3. Rose Bowl Lanes, Rochester, N.Y., 9,867
4. Turbo Grips 3, Chesterfield, Mich., 9,833
5. Bowlers Connection 1, Carpentersville, Ill., 9,813

### STANDARD DIVISION

#### TEAM

1. Minnesota Select Sires 1, Fergus Falls, Minn., 2,922
2. Mix em Up, Las Cruces, N.M., 2,867
3. Allstate, Sweetwater, Tenn., 2,805
4. Chris' Boys, Livingston, Mont., 2,778
5. C.G. Misfits, Casa Grande, Ariz., 2,771

#### DOUBLES

1. Stuart Sheck, Germantown, Md./Robert Tonelli, Henderson, Nev., 1,236
2. Brandon Taylor, Crofton, Md./Tyronne Watkins, District Heights, Md., 1,233
3. Timothy Larke, Royal Oak, Mich./Rick Larke, Lake Orion, Mich., 1,224
4. Cole Schroyer, Canyon, Texas/Brandon Simmons, Amarillo, Texas, 1,214
5. Alexander Cariello, Carol Stream, Ill./Ed Mousseau, East Amherst, N.Y., 1,202

#### SINGLES

1. Thorsten Przychocki, Sebring, Fla., 704
2. Charlie Theobald, Minot, N.D., 696
- T3. Rusty Johnston, Austin, Texas, 681
- T3. Scott Williams, Aberdeen, Md., 681
5. Melanie Talmadge, New Milford, Conn., 679

#### ALL-EVENTS

1. Rusty Johnston, Austin, Texas, 1,915
2. Thorsten Przychocki, Sebring, Fla., 1,897
3. Brennan Nett, Kiel, Wis., 1,865
4. James Bouknight, Jacksonville, N.C., 1,840
5. Larry Keel, Huntsville, Ala., 1,831

### CLASSIFIED DIVISION

#### TEAM

1. Scotty's 8, Alexandria, Minn., 2,569
2. Carters Royal, Cleveland, Ga., 2,526
3. Yeah Spare IV, Sacramento, Calif., 2,512
4. Dusty's Floor Covering, Twin Valley, Minn., 2,487
5. Spray and Pray, Los Angeles, 2,486

### DOUBLES

1. John Carter, Toccoa, Ga./Dustin Keener, Cleveland, Ga., 1,133
2. Tony Jeppesen/Carlos Soto, Roosevelt, Utah, 1,114
- T3. Ashley Olriksen, Brooklyn Park, Minn./Bud Olriksen, Las Vegas, 1,105
- T3. Ted Fleming/Paul Davis, Emmett, Idaho, 1,105
- T5. Aaron Hagen/Brody Hagen, Benson, Minn., 1,102
- T5. Mark Nelson, Clitherall, Minn./Lynn Good, Battle Lake, Minn., 1,102

### SINGLES

1. Wiley Collins, Winter Springs, Fla., 652
2. Jason Buffington, Las Vegas, 649
3. Robert Linder, Henderson, Colo., 634
4. Lawrence Brossett, Natchitoches, La., 630
5. Joseph Leone, Tucson, Ariz., 628

### ALL-EVENTS

1. Lawrence Brossett, Natchitoches, La., 1,745
2. Nick Stenberg, Big Timber, Mont., 1,733
3. Gary Pettway, Sweetwater, Tenn., 1,704
4. Damon Helgevold, Osceola, Iowa, 1,696
5. Matt Buchholz, Ellensburg, Wash., 1,693





## 2018 USBC WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 19-July 1

National Bowling Stadium

Reno, Nevada

The United States Bowling Congress Women's Championships, a national event open to all female USBC adult members, is the largest annual participatory sporting event in the world for women.

It first was held in 1916, when eight teams took to the lanes in St. Louis. The tournament offers bowlers of all ages and skills the chance to compete for a national title in an event filled with tradition as well as fun.

The 2017 USBC Women's Championships, the 98th edition of the event, featured 4,434 four-player teams and took place at the Raising Cane's River Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The 79-day event was held in a custom-built 44-lane venue that featured vendor space, squad room, locker and concessions area, and seating for hundreds of bowling fans.

Former Team USA and Junior Team USA member Jennifer King of Irmo, South Carolina, made her Women's Championships debut one to remember by capturing two titles in the Diamond Division, which features the tournament's highest-average competitors.

King helped The Big Ticket 1 of Columbia, South Carolina, to the Diamond Team title with a 2,650 total, and her overall effort in Baton Rouge also let her claim the Diamond All-Events title with a 2,046 nine-game total.

The 31-year-old right-hander posted a 741 series to lead The Big Ticket 1 to games of 897, 842 and 911, and she was joined in the effort by Daphne Smith (688), Michelle Smith (668) and Kayla Bandy (553).

King added sets of 654 in doubles and 651 in singles to outdistance the field for the top overall performance.

Taylor Bulthuis of Coral Springs, Florida, found redemption at the River Center after rolling games of 278, 226 and 242 to win Diamond Singles with a 746 series. The 23-year-old right-hander previously had competed at the venue for the Intercollegiate Team and Intercollegiate Singles Championships as a senior at Webber International University. She helped the Warriors to the finals of the ITC and advanced to the title match of the ISC, leaving with a pair of runner-up finishes.

Charly Boelter of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and Samantha Kelly of Waukesha, Wisconsin, were victorious in Diamond Doubles, improving on a fourth-place finish at the 2016 event. The duo combined for a 1,404 total. Boelter, a 42-year-old right-hander, led the effort with games of 258, 245 and 203 for a 706 series, while Kelly, a 27-year-old right-hander and former Junior Team USA member, added 257, 217 and 224 for a 698 set.

The Women's Championships features four averaged-based divisions in team competition (Diamond, Ruby, Emerald and Sapphire) and six in doubles, singles and all-events (Diamond, Ruby, Emerald, Sapphire, Amethyst and Topaz).

A total of nine competitors also celebrated a participation milestone in Baton Rouge as each made their 50th tournament appearance in 2017.

The group to join the 50-Year Club: Marilyn Davidson of Sunset Beach, North Carolina; Jo Anne Elischer of Portage, Indiana; Lillie Mae Holman of Bloomfield, New Jersey; Greta Kozar of Chamblee, Georgia; Lorie Perry of Tucson, Arizona; Christina Polinski of Carter Lake, Iowa; Elaine Rebatzke of Milwaukee; Marion Saunders of Waynesville, Missouri; and Hope Williams of Tucson, Arizona.

Several other events were hosted at the River Center before and during the Women's Championships, including the Allstate Sugar Bowl/Louisiana High School Athletic Association Bowling State Championship Tournament, the NCAA Women's Bowling Championship, Intercollegiate Singles and Intercollegiate Team Championships, and the USBC Queens.

There also were nine TV finals taped at the River Center, including eight on CBS Sports Network and one on ESPNU (NCAA Women's Bowling Championship).





## 2017 USBC WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

### TOP-5 RESULTS

April 23 – July 10 | Raising Cane's River Center  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

#### TEAM

##### Diamond (725 and above combined averages)

1. The Big Ticket 1, Columbia, S.C., 2,650
2. Strike Out Diabetes, O'Fallon, Ill., 2,618
3. Four Fun, Saugerties, N.Y., 2,497
4. Storm Nation, Brigham City, Utah, 2,463
5. Bowlieve, O'Fallon, Ill., 2,459

##### Ruby (650-724 combined averages)

1. Sport Bowl II, Sioux Falls, S.D., 2,158
2. Chevrolet of Helena, Helena, Mont., 2,105
3. Cashmere Bowling Queens 1, Charlotte, N.C., 2,077
4. Pin Pals, Assumption, Ill., 2,068
5. Country Girls 1, Gifford, Ill., 2,052

##### Emerald (575-649 combined averages)

1. Triangle Rollers, Durham, N.C., 1,992
2. The Rose Buds, Danville, Ky., 1,961
3. Lane Lizards IV, Highland Village, Texas, 1,941
4. TOMA, Chicago, 1,940
5. It's Us, Fords, N.J., 1,919

##### Sapphire (574 and below combined averages)

1. Mixed Up Nuts, Helena, Mont., 1,854
2. Coolin With The Curtis's, Grantsville, Utah, 1,841
3. Sharon's Rollin' Kitchen, Peabody, Kan., 1,807
4. Jadene's Team, North Adams, Mass., 1,785
5. Texas Ladies, Killeen, Texas, 1,782

#### DOUBLES

##### Diamond (380 and above combined averages)

1. Samantha Kelly, Waukesha, Wis., and Charly Boelter, Oshkosh, Wis., 1,404
2. Mary Wells, Johnstown, Ohio, and Katelyn Simpson, Emmett, Idaho, 1,378
3. Heidi Sanders, Xenia, Ohio, and Melissa Van Dyke, Parma, Ohio, 1,332
4. Stephanie Brownie, Louisville, Ky., and Crystal Gentry, North Chesterfield, Va., 1,326
5. Hayley Veitch, Kenner, La., and Aumi Guerra, Dominican Republic, 1,319

##### Ruby (350-379 combined averages)

1. Mary Meeks and Claudia Meeks, Shreveport, La., 1,201
2. Kelsie Bryant and Tawnia Bryant, Twin Falls, Idaho, 1,185
3. Dixie Faulkner, Beech Island, S.C., and Shannen Cadle, Graniteville, S.C., 1,184
4. Shawn Murphy, Lynwood, Ill., and Jacquenette Banks, Naperville, Ill., 1,145
5. Kimberly Crabtree, Gardnerville, Nev., and Shannon Spivack, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 1,140

##### Emerald (320-349 combined averages)

- T1. Teresa Bazley and Holly Davis, Jacksonville, Fla., 1,098
- T1. Betty Jean Davis, Herbert Ill., and Wendy Mann, South Elgin Ill., 1,098
3. Patricia Lind and Vickie Hawkins, Aberdeen, Md., 1,081
4. Anita Spencer, Sparks, Nev., and Deona Werth, Reno, Nev., 1,080
5. Annette Fox, Bremen, Ind., and Jennifer Howard, Plymouth, Ind., 1,078

##### Sapphire (290-319 combined averages)

1. Dianna Kryzer and Heidi Husbyn, Faribault, Minn., 1,035
2. Jenni Olson, Arapahoe, Neb., and Sherry Jantzi, Fairmont, Neb., 1,033
3. Toni Denova, Baton Rouge, La., and Belinda Waguespack, Prairieville, La., 1,014
4. Jane Walter, Conception Junction, Mo., and Nancy Vaught, Maryville, Mo., 1,011
5. Geraldine Peterson, Maple Grove, Minn., and Jen Abel, Champlin, Minn., 1,009

##### Amethyst (260-289 combined averages)

1. Mary Quintana, Price, Utah, and Lorraine Berryhill, Helper, Utah, 1,009
2. Lois Davis and Florence Baker, Glendale, Ariz., 971
3. Carol Schimke, Wind Lake, Wis., and LaVerne Lewis, Burlington, Wis., 962
4. Becky Peebles, Fargo, Okla., and Linda Jackson, Woodward, Okla., 953
- T5. Bonnie Rung, Franklin, N.C., and Sheri Cook, Farmington, N.M., 941
- T5. Denise Guthrie, Kinsey, Ala., and Jaymie Coggins, Slocomb, Ala., 941

##### Topaz (259 and below combined averages)

1. Janice York, Clarendon, Ark., and Terri McIntosh, Humphrey, Ark., 907
2. Debbie Allen and Yvonne Quintanilla, Portland, Texas, 866
3. Debra Headrick, Franklin, Neb., and Cheryl Vap, Red Cloud, Neb., 859
- T4. Misty Hockersmith and Alice Robben, Oakley, Kan., 844
- T4. Jodie Neumeier, Clarksville, Ark., and Kathryn Breedlove, Coal Hill, Ark., 844
- T4. Mary Mendoza, Beaumont, Texas, and Tara Moore, Orange, Texas, 844

#### SINGLES

##### Diamond (190 average and above)

1. Taylor Bulthuis, Coral Springs, Fla., 746
2. Erica Perez, Carteret, N.J., 723
3. Julie Oczepek, Grand Rapids, Mich., 713
4. Karen Morris, Nelsonville, Ohio, 705
5. Lynda Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 704

##### Ruby (175-189 average)

1. Tashia Blue, Hamilton, Ohio, 653
2. Joyce Seyb, Keokuk, Iowa, 638
- T3. Melissa Hertenberger, Langhorne, Pa., 634
- T3. Tanje Smith-Perry, Winston Salem, N.C., 634
5. Debra Nye, St. Augustine, Fla., 633

##### Emerald (160-174 average)

1. Alandra McDougald, Gwynn Oak, Md., 625
2. Janet Clark, Albuquerque, N.M., 623
3. Sue Powell, Austin, Texas, 609
4. Melanie Prough, Newnan Ga., 608
5. Katherine Moore, Montgomery, Ala., 607

##### Sapphire (145-159 average)

1. Memorial Pritchett, LaGrange, Ga., 644
2. Kate Dyer, Decatur, Ind., 582
3. Alice Burris, Pana, Ill., 580
4. Pam Neil, Virginia Beach, Va., 572
5. Roberta Swinson, Rhodes, Mich., 567

##### Amethyst (130-144 average)

1. Ashley Guzman, Waukegan, Ill., 530
2. Jacquelyn Schnapp, Arlington, Ohio, 521
3. Sandra Whitehead, Lansing, Mich., 514
4. Chelsie Fox, Enoch, Utah, 512
- T5. Theresa Hampton, Rialto, Calif., 510
- T5. Brenah Quinn, Helena, Mont., 510

##### Topaz (129 average and below)

1. Alissa Ebneter, Belle Plaine, Minn., 518
2. Denise Guthrie, Kinsey, Ala., 499
3. Anna Calvillo, Austin, Texas, 485
4. Mary Carnes, Victorville, Calif., 475
5. Heather Smith, Fort Worth, Texas, 474

#### ALL-EVENTS

##### Diamond (190 average and above)

1. Jennifer King, Irmo, S.C., 2,046
2. Shannon Pluhowsky, Dayton, Ohio, 2,027
3. Katelyn Simpson, Emmett, Idaho, 2,026
4. Jodi Woessner, Oregon, Ohio, 2,013
5. Lynda Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2,009

##### Ruby (175-189 average)

1. Melissa Hertenberger, Langhorne, Pa., 1,792
2. Stephanie Gill, Baltimore, 1,785
3. Lauren Krywy, Sterling Heights, Mich., 1,776
4. Stephanie David, Chaska, Minn., 1,763
5. Emma Delatte, Baton Rouge, La., 1,734

##### Emerald (160-174 average)

1. Rhonda Acitelli, Villa Park, Ill., 1,737
2. Mari Gallegos, Chicago, 1,689
3. Elaine Fielding, Katy, Texas, 1,683
4. Jessica Cwik, New Orleans, 1,679
5. Lisa Perreault, Grand Forks, N.D., 1,667

##### Sapphire (145-159 average)

1. Alice Burris, Pana, Ill., 1,618
2. Tara Long, Kenton, Ohio, 1,616
3. Pam Neil, Virginia Beach, Va., 1,574
4. Tracey Avery, Dameron, Md., 1,550
5. Donna Penty, Canada, 1,545

##### Amethyst (130-144 average)

1. Michele Menges, New Oxford, Pa., 1,482
2. Robin Miles, Alberta, Minn., 1,481
- T3. Karen Schmehl, Shiremans Town, Wash., 1,458
- T3. Randi Buseman, Wellsburg, Iowa, 1,458
5. Vickie Hensley, Mineral Wells, Texas, 1,454

##### Topaz (129 average and below)

1. Denise Guthrie, Kinsey, Ala., 1,367
2. Carolyn McGahey, Howell, Mich., 1,351
3. Erma Weston, Chicago, 1,332
4. Tracey Reed, Sherman, Texas, 1,302
5. Bonnie Ryan, Price, Utah, 1,301



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The Junior Gold Championships is an annual national tournament for the top male and female youth bowlers and gives competitors a chance to take home scholarships and earn spots on Junior Team USA.

The tournament features three age-based divisions each for boys and girls (12-and-under, 15-and-under, 20-and-under) and bowlers can qualify by purchasing a Junior Gold membership and participating in qualifying tournaments.

The 2017 event included a record number of participants (3,554) competing across seven bowling centers in the Cleveland area for a chance at part of a \$320,000 scholarship fund, also a record. The finals were contested at Game of Wickliffe.

The title matches for each age-based division were taped for broadcast on CBS Sports Network. The finals consisted of two-game matches decided by total pinfall.

On the lanes in 2017, Wesley Low of Palmdale, California, became the first two-time U20 boys champion, and Allie Leiendecker of Wooster, Ohio, captured the girls title in her home state in her U20 debut.

Low, the 2013 champion, made his final Junior Gold appearance and defeated David Hooper of Greenville, South Carolina, 394-357. Leiendecker, a 16-year-old right-hander, averaged 230 for her two games against Caitlyn Johnson of Rockwell, North Carolina, on her way to a 460-379 victory.

In the U15 division, defending boys champion Solomon Salama of Beverly Hills, California, made history as he was able to successfully defend his title, and Jennifer Loreda of Fresno, California, rallied to victory in the girls division.

Salama, a 14-year-old two-hander, finished with a 299 game on his way to a 553-380 win over Anthony Neuer of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and Loreda, a 14-year-old left-hander, erased a 30-pin deficit after the first game to secure the win against Sarah Sanes of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, 411-395.

The U12 titles were won by Karina Capron of Fremont, Nebraska, and Brandon Bohn of Jackson, New Jersey.

Karina, an 11-year-old right-hander, defeated Lauren Hunter of Smithton, Illinois, 328-309, to earn the girls title, while Brandon, a 12-year-old left-hander

and the son of United States Bowling Congress Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III, cruised to a 412-299 victory over Rylan Breese of Wilmington, North Carolina.

Bowlers also earned spots on Junior Team USA and the U15 Developmental Team of 2018.

Low, Hooper, Jeffrey Mann of West Lafayette, Indiana, Kristopher Yadao of Pearl City, Hawaii, Pete Vergos of Apopka, Florida, Ryan Winters of Livonia, Michigan, and Michael Martell of Brooklyn, New York, earned spots on the boys team.

Leiendecker, Johnson, Breanna Clemmer of Clover, South Carolina, Alexis Neuer of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, Crystal Elliott of Palm Bay, Florida, and Julia Huren of Westland, Michigan earned spots on the girls team.

Salama, Loreda, Spencer Robarge of Springfield, Missouri, and Amanda Naujokas of Ronkonkoma, New York, earned spots on the U15 Developmental Team.





**2017 JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS  
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INTERNATIONAL  
(TWO-GAME MATCHES DECIDED BY TOTAL PINFALL)**

**U20 BOYS**

Wesley Low, Palmdale, Calif., def. David Hooper, Greenville, S.C., 394-357

**U20 GIRLS**

Allie Leiendecker, Wooster, Ohio, def. Caitlyn Johnson, Lumberton, Texas, 460-379

**U15 BOYS**

Solomon Salama, Beverly Hills, Calif., def. Anthony Neuer, Lewisburg, Pa., 553-380

**U15 GIRLS**

Jennifer Loredo, Fresno, Calif., def. Sarah Sanes, Murfreesboro, Tenn., 411-395

**U12 BOYS**

Brandon Bohn, Jackson, N.J., def. Rylan Breese, Wilmington, N.C., 412-299

**U12 GIRLS**

Karina Capron, Fremont, Neb., def. Lauren Hunter, Smithton, Ill., 328-309

**JUNIOR TEAM USA SELECTIONS**

**BOYS**

David Hooper, Greenville, S.C.  
Wesley Low, Palmdale, Calif.  
Jeffery Mann, West Lafayette, Ind.  
Michael Martell, Brooklyn, N.Y.  
Pete Vergos, Apopka, Fla.  
Ryan Winters, Livonia, Mich.  
Kristopher Yadao, Pearl City, Hawaii

**GIRLS**

Breanna Clemmer, Clover, S.C.  
Crystal Elliott, Palm Bay, Fla.  
Julia Huren, Westland, Mich.  
Caitlyn Johnson, Rockwell, N.C.  
Allie Leiendecker, Wooster, Ohio  
Alexis Neuer, Lewisburg, Pa.

**JUNIOR TEAM USA DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM**

**BOYS**

Spencer Robarge, Springfield, Mo.  
Solomon Salama, Beverly Hills, Calif.

**GIRLS**

Jennifer Loredo, Fresno, Calif.  
Amanda Naujokas, Ronkonkoma, N.Y.

Wesley Low



Allie Leiendecker



Solomon Salama



Jennifer Loredo



Karina Capron



Brandon Bohn





## 2018 BOWLING.COM YOUTH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

July 12-13, 20-22, 28-29

Fort Worth, Texas

The Bowling.com Youth Open Championships is a non-qualifying tournament open to any United States Bowling Congress Youth member. The event is held in the same city as the Junior Gold Championships to allow youth bowlers to compete in each event.

At the Youth Open, participants bowl three games each of singles, doubles and four-player team with the combined scores from those events determining the optional all-events score. There are four age-based divisions – 20-and-under, 15-and-under, 12-and-under, 10-and-under – with separate divisions for boys and girls. There also are optional handicap divisions in each event and age division.

The 2017 event took place at Game of Mentor in Mentor, Ohio.

Ryan Winters of Livonia, Michigan, successfully defended a pair of titles at the Youth Open Championships in 2017 to highlight action in the U20 division.

Winters helped Livonia's Team Michiana Take 2 to the team title for the second consecutive year with a 2,705 total, and his overall effort over nine games pushed him to the U20 boys all-events title with a 2,133 total. He helped successfully defend the team title alongside Jordan Shepherd and Grant Oehler, while Kevin McCune joined the quartet in 2017.

Tori Pappas of Columbus, Ohio, rolled one of the tournament's three perfect games on her way to the U20 girls all-events win with a 2,045 total. Louie Folgore of Monroe Township, New Jersey, and Andrew Orf of O'Fallon, Illinois, also recorded

perfect games at the 2017 Youth Open. Bowling.com awarded a \$100 scholarship for each perfect game rolled at the Youth Open.

In the U15 division, Amanda Naujokas of Ronkonkoma, New York, claimed titles in three of four events at Game of Mentor. Naujokas, the 2015 U12 Junior Gold champion, won the girls doubles title with Paige Boyd of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, with a 1,299 total. She also collected wins in singles (716) and all-events (1,891).

Both 2017 U12 Junior Gold winners, Brandon Bohn of Jackson, New Jersey, and Karina Capron of Fremont, Nebraska, won U12 Youth Open titles during their time in the Cleveland area.

Bohn helped Dream Team of Jackson, New Jersey, to the team title (2,178) and also earned the boys all-events win with a 1,869 total.

Capron teamed with Keira Magsam of Gretna, Nebraska, to claim the girls doubles title with a score of 1,240. Magsam also would earn the top spot in girls all-events with 1,736. Gianna Brandolino of Joliet, Illinois, collected a win in each U10 event, which included helping EYT Phenoms of Schaumburg, Illinois, to the team title with a 2,065 total. She paired with Abigail Starkey of Schaumburg to win girls doubles (949) and recorded wins in girls singles and girls all-events with scores of 566 and 1,572, respectively.

In all, more than 230 teams and nearly 1,150 bowlers competed in the 2017 event.



## 2017 BOWLING.COM YOUTH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS

Game of Mentor, Mentor, Ohio

### U20 TEAM

**Scratch** – Team Michiana Take 2, Livonia, Mich., 2,705  
**Handicap** – Team Florida, Jacksonville Beach, Fla., 2,863

### U20 DOUBLES

**Scratch** – Keri Ladigo/Devin Klotz, Columbia, Mo., 1,474  
**Handicap** – Keri Ladigo/Devin Klotz, Columbia, Mo., 1,582  
**Girls Scratch** – Olivia Farwell/Alexis Neuer, Jackson, N.J., 1,310  
**Girls Handicap** – Victoria McManning/Jennah Lilly, Palm Harbor, Fla., 1,477

### U20 SINGLES

**Boys Scratch** – Brent Boho, Colgate, Wis., 786  
**Boys Handicap** – Rob Hulse, Colts Neck, N.J., 831  
**Girls Scratch** – Jenna Lemke, Delmar, N.Y., 720  
**Girls Handicap** – Skylar Smith, New Milford, Conn., 788

### U20 ALL-EVENTS

**Boys Scratch** – Ryan Winters, Livonia, Mich., 2,133  
**Boys Handicap** – Rob Hulse, Colts Neck, N.J., 2,361  
**Girls Scratch** – Tori Pappas, Columbus, Ohio, 2,045  
**Girls Handicap** – Annika Conrey, Mechanicsburg, Pa., 2,171

### U15 TEAM

**Scratch** – 3rd Tim3s A Charm, Jackson, N.J., 2,569  
**Handicap** – Unicans, Jamestown, N.D., 2,772

### U15 DOUBLES

**Scratch** – Ty Collalti/Cameron Tyler, Roscoe, Ill., 1,368  
**Handicap** – Shawn Middaugh/Tyler Renner, Jamestown, N.D., 1,510  
**Girls Scratch** – Paige Boyd/Amanda Naujokas, Jackson, N.J., 1,299  
**Girls Handicap** – Erica Dugan/Gianna Bamonte, Jackson, N.J., 1,501

### U15 SINGLES

**Boys Scratch** – Ambrose Shirk, Fredericksburg, Pa., 705  
**Boys Handicap** – Matthew Xiques, Beachwood, N.J., 800  
**Girls Scratch** – Amanda Naujokas, Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 716  
**Girls Handicap** – Erica Dugan, Farmingdale, N.J., 810

### U15 ALL-EVENTS

**Boys Scratch** – Ty Collalti, Freeport, Ill., 2,096  
**Boys Handicap** – Kyle Johns, Jacksonville, Fla., 2,304  
**Girls Scratch** – Amanda Naujokas, Ronkonkoma, N.Y., 1,891  
**Girls Handicap** – Gianna Bamonte, Manalapan, N.J., 2,293

### U12 TEAM

**Scratch** – Dream Team, Jackson, N.J., 2,178  
**Handicap** – Hawaii Bowlers Tour, Waimanalo, Hawaii, 2,725

### U12 DOUBLES

**Scratch** – Noah Akiona/Shaine Fujii, Waimanalo, Hawaii, 1,263  
**Handicap** – Noah Akiona/Shaine Fujii, Waimanalo, Hawaii, 1,548  
**Girls Scratch** – Keira Magsam/Karina Capron, Fremont, Neb., 1,240  
**Girls Handicap** – Keira Magsam/Karina Capron, Fremont, Neb., 1,501

### U12 SINGLES

**Boys Scratch** – Edward Pietrasz, Dryden, N.Y., 628  
**Boys Handicap** – Zachary Morris, Cleveland, 770  
**Girls Scratch** – Melia Mitskavich, Dubois, Pa., 588  
**Girls Handicap** – Rebecca Rubach, West Bend, Wis., 721

### U12 ALL-EVENTS

**Boys Scratch** – Brandon Bohn, Jackson, N.J., 1,869  
**Boys Handicap** – Noah Akiona, Waimanalo, Hawaii, 2,263  
**Girls Scratch** – Keira Magsam, Gretna, Neb., 1,736  
**Girls Handicap** – Keira Magsam, Gretna, Neb., 2,150

### U10 TEAM

**Scratch** – EYT Phenoms, Schaumburg, Ill., 2,065  
**Handicap** – EYT Phenoms, Schaumburg, Ill., 2,872

### U10 DOUBLES

**Scratch** – Jack Tebeau/Camden Malott, Jackson, N.J., 1,024  
**Handicap** – Ronald Brahmer II/Dustin Barbara, South Lyon, Mich., 1,475  
**Girls Scratch** – Abigail Starkey/Gianna Brandolino, Schaumburg, Ill., 949  
**Girls Handicap** – Abigail Starkey/Gianna Brandolino, Schaumburg, Ill., 1,357

### U10 SINGLES

**Boys Scratch** – Camden Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 618  
**Boys Handicap** – Camden Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 792  
**Girls Scratch** – Gianna Brandolino, Joliet, Ill., 566  
**Girls Handicap** – Gianna Brandolino, Joliet, Ill., 776

### U10 ALL-EVENTS

**Boys Scratch** – Camden Malott, Pflugerville, Texas, 1,655  
**Boys Handicap** – Donavan Rhee, Fort Mill, S.C., 2,194  
**Girls Scratch** – Gianna Brandolino, Joliet, Ill., 1,572  
**Girls Handicap** – Gianna Brandolino, Joliet, Ill., 2,202



## 2018 USA BOWLING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS PRESENTED BY SIXLETS July 17-21 | Dallas

The USA Bowling National Championships presented by Sixlets is a national youth team event featuring 12-and-under and 15-and-under divisions. The tournament grew out of the USA Bowling program, a team-based youth program to introduce youngsters to the sport.

The 2017 USA Bowling National Championships was contested across three centers in the Greater Cleveland area – Yorktown Lanes for qualifying, Freeway Lanes of Parma for match play, Game of Wickliffe for the finals.

The championship match in each division was taped for broadcast on CBS Sports Network. The finals featured a best-of-five Baker match to determine the champion.

In the U12 division, Pacific Southwest regional winner Cloverleaf Strikers defeated Georgia All Stars, the Atlantic East regional champion, 3-1, to claim the victory. After exchanging wins in the first two games, Cloverleaf Strikers posted wins of 204-147 and 192-185 to take home the title.

Cloverleaf Strikers included Joey Irvin, Diego Jara, Nihal Mareedu and Harley Shene.

The U15 title match consisted of a youthful battle of the sexes, with the all-male Midwest regional champion 3 Rights Make a Left besting the all-female Bring It On, which captured the Northeast regional title, 3-1.

3 Rights Make a Left dropped the opening game, 189-163, but the team found the right look and averaged 216 in winning its next three games (218-172, 223-182, 207-176) to secure the win.

The team consisted of Brandon Bonta, Silas Limes, Peyton Montgomery and Spencer Robarge, the 2015 Junior Gold Championships U12 champion.

USA Bowling conducted 16 regional events across the country to determine the 32 teams – 16 in U12, 16 in U15 – that would represent their regions at the national tournament.

Teams in the U12 and U15 divisions bowled five and six games of qualifying at the 2017 event, respectively, after a citywide power shortage forced qualifying to be cut short from the originally scheduled 15 games to determine seeding for the double-elimination match-play bracket.

The Baker format was used for all qualifying, with best two-of-three matches determining which teams advanced in the bracket.

### 2017 USA BOWLING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS PRESENTED BY SIXLETS (Best-of-five Baker matches)

#### FINALS RESULTS

##### 12-and-under Division

Pacific Southwest regional champion Cloverleaf Strikers, California (Joey Irvin, Diego Jara, Nihal Mareedu, Harley Shene) def. Atlantic East regional champion Georgia All Stars, Georgia (James Armendariz, Jacob Ballenger, Bryant Griffith, Riley Stewart), 3-1.

##### 15-and-under Division

Midwest regional champion 3 Rights Make a Left, Kansas (Brandon Bonta, Silas Limes, Peyton Montgomery, Spencer Robarge) def. Northeast regional champion Bring It On, New Jersey (Paige Boyd, Marissa Cosentini, Amanda Naujokas, Sarah Orensky, Kamerin Peters, Paige Peters), 3-1.







**2018 INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM AND SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS | April 16-21**  
Sun Valley Lanes | Lincoln, Nebraska



The Intercollegiate Team and Singles Championships are the pinnacle events of the collegiate bowling season, crowning the top performers of the collegiate bowling season.

The Intercollegiate Team Championships (ITC) features the top 16 men's and top 16 women's teams competing for the Kerm Helmer Cup, awarded to the tournament champions. The Intercollegiate Singles Championships (ISC) brings together the top 24 men and top 24 women to compete for individual national titles.

The title matches for the ITC featured a best-of-five Baker format, while the ISC semifinals and title match were one-game total-pinfall matches. The finals were taped for broadcast on CBS Sports Network.

Both events were held at the Raising Cane's River Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The McKendree women hoisted the Helmer Cup for the first time by defeating defending champion Webber International, 3-2.

Both teams struggled in the deciding game, but McKendree freshman Breanna Clemmer filled 20 pins in the 10th frame to force Webber freshman Caitlyn Johnson to double for the victory. Johnson's first shot left the 3-6-10 standing to give McKendree the win in Game 5, 159-147.

It was the second national title McKendree won at the River Center in 2017. The team captured the program's first National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Women's Bowling Championship at the venue. The Bearcats became just the second team to win both titles in the same year (Maryland Eastern Shore in 2011).

USBC Collegiate vacated the men's ITC title because of a rules infraction.

Wesley Low Jr. of Wichita State and Haley Hall of Midland were named the tournament's most valuable players.

Both 2016-2017 National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association Most Valuable Players finished the 2017 season with ISC titles.

Midland senior Nick Pate defeated Lindenwood's Bryan Dragotta in the men's final, 214-199, and Wichita State junior Sydney Brummett won the women's final against Webber's Taylor Bulthuis, 225-170.

## 2017 INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

At Raising Cane's River Center, Baton Rouge, La.

### MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Title was vacated

### WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

McKendree def. Webber International, 3-2 (206-157, 212-191, 178-211, 194-196, 159-147)

### MEN'S ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Wesley Low Jr., Wichita State (most valuable player)  
Scott Hill, Lindenwood-Belleville  
Zach Woelfel, Wisconsin-Whitewater  
Chris Wiley, Wisconsin-Whitewater  
Nick Pate, Midland

### WOMEN'S ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Haley Hall, Midland (most valuable player)  
Taylor Bailey, McKendree  
Caitlyn Johnson, Webber International  
Stephanie Schwartz, Stephen F. Austin  
Amanda Van Duyn, Wisconsin-Whitewater

## 2017 INTERCOLLEGIATE SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

### MEN'S SEMIFINALS

Nick Pate, Midland def. Joshua Taylor, Fresno State, 232-201  
Bryan Dragotta, Lindenwood def. Michael Coffey, Lindenwood, 213-165

### FINAL

Pate def. Dragotta, 214-199

### WOMEN'S SEMIFINALS

Sydney Brummett, Wichita State def. Stephanie Schwartz, Stephen F. Austin, 206-196  
Taylor Bulthuis, Webber International def. Jacqueline Rhoda, Maryland Eastern Shore, 233-213

### FINAL

Brummett def. Bulthuis, 225-170

Walter Ray Williams Jr.



# SENIOR MASTERS

2018 USBC SENIOR MASTERS | June 3-10  
Sam's Town Bowling Center | Las Vegas

## 2017 USBC SENIOR MASTERS RESULTS

When: June 6 - 11

Where: Sam's Town Bowling Center, Las Vegas

Entries: 277

### FINAL STANDINGS

1. Walter Ray Williams Jr., Oxford, Fla., 248 (one game)
2. Andy Neuer, Lewisburg, Pa., 958 (four games)
3. Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., 213 (one game)
4. Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 225 (one game)
5. Bob Learn Jr., Boynton Beach, Fla., 237 (one game)

### STEPLADDER RESULTS

**Match 1** – Neuer def. Learn, 256-237

**Match 2** – Neuer def. Duke, 256-225

**Semifinal** – Neuer def. Weber, 247-213

**Championship** – Williams def. Neuer, 248-199

The United States Bowling Congress Senior Masters gives USBC members age 50 and older the opportunity to compete in an exciting double-elimination format against the best veteran bowlers in the world.

USBC Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Oxford, Florida, added a second USBC Senior Masters title to his collection by defeating Andy Neuer of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, 248-199, in the title match of the 2017 USBC Senior Masters.

The 2017 event was held at Sam's Town Bowling Center in Las Vegas, marking the second consecutive year the 56-lane facility served as host of the tournament.

Williams' victory helped him become the first competitor to win the USBC Masters and Senior Masters twice apiece. The 57-year-old right-hander is the 2004 and 2010 Masters champion and captured his first Senior Masters title in 2014.

Williams, the top seed for the stepladder, took advantage of back-to-back splits in the fifth and sixth frames by Neuer and delivered four consecutive strikes, starting in the fourth frame, to pull away for good and claim the \$16,000 top prize. Neuer earned \$9,000.

Neuer, the No. 5 seed, won three matches to advance to the final, averaging 253 in wins against defending champion Pete Weber of St. Ann, Missouri, Norm Duke of Clermont, Florida, and Bob Learn Jr. of Boynton Beach, Florida.

Neuer defeated Weber in the semifinal, 247-213, after posting a pair of 256 games against Duke (256-225) and Learn (256-237).

All 277 competitors at the 2017 Senior Masters rolled 15 qualifying games over three days before the field was cut to the top 63, who joined Weber in double-elimination match-play bracket. Match play consisted of three-game matches with total pinfall determining who advanced until the field was narrowed to five competitors for the stepladder finals.





# SENIOR QUEENS

2018 USBC SENIOR QUEENS | March 15-18  
Gold Coast Hotel and Casino | Las Vegas



Lucy Sandelin

The United States Bowling Congress Senior Queens brings together the best women bowlers age 50 and older to compete for the championship tiara in one of the premier events of the senior season.

USBC Hall of Famer Lucy Sandelin of Tampa, Florida, won the 2017 USBC Senior Queens to become the third bowler in history to claim the coveted tiara for a third time. The 2017 event was held at Circle Bowl in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Sandelin, a 60-year-old right-hander, defeated fellow hall of famer and 2012 Senior Queens champion Anne Marie Duggan of Edmond, Oklahoma, 193-179, in the title match to collect the top prize of \$6,000. Duggan earned \$5,000.

With the victory, Sandelin matched fellow hall of famers Robin Romeo and Sandra Postma as the only three-time winners at the event. Sandelin's previous titles came in 2007 and 2013.

Sandelin put on a dominating performance at Circle Bowl as she led qualifying and posted a 5-0 mark in the double-elimination bracket to earn the top seed for the stepladder.

Duggan advanced to the title match by defeating Kristy Whitcher of Belfair, Washington, 233-208, in the semifinal. Whitcher had defeated Panama's Edissa Andrade, 225-194, in the second match of the stepladder.

Andrade opened the stepladder with a victory over Romeo, the three-time defending champion, in a roll-off after they tied at 194. Romeo was looking to become the first player to win four Senior Queens titles.

All competitors at the 2017 Senior Queens bowled 15 games of qualifying over two days to determine the 31 players who would join Romeo in the double-elimination match-play bracket. Match play consisted of three-game matches with total pinfall determining who advanced.

## 2017 USBC SENIOR QUEENS RESULTS

When: May 23 – 26

Where: Circle Bowl, Baton Rouge, La.

Entries: 59

### FINAL STANDINGS

1. Lucy Sandelin, Tampa, Fla., 193 (one game)
2. Anne Marie Duggan, Edmond, Okla., 412 (two games)
3. Kristy Whitcher, Belfair, Wash., 433 (two games)
4. Edissa Andrade, Panama, 388 (two games)
5. Robin Romeo, Newhall, Calif., 194 (one game)

### STEPLADDER RESULTS

**Match 1** – Andrade def. Romeo, 194-194 (Andrade wins roll-off 6-6, 10-10, 7-6)

**Match 2** – Whitcher def. Andrade, 225-194

**Semifinal** – Duggan def. Whitcher, 233-208

**Championship** – Sandelin def. Duggan, 193-179

Ron Mohr



# ***SUPER SENIOR CLASSIC***

2018 SUPER SENIOR CLASSIC | May 31-June 3  
Sam's Town Bowling Center | Las Vegas

## **2017 SUPER SENIOR CLASSIC RESULTS**

**When:** June 1 – 4

**Where:** Sam's Town Bowling Center, Las Vegas

**Entries:** 140

### **FINAL STANDINGS**

1. Ron Mohr, North Las Vegas, Nev., 230 (one game)
2. Junichi Yajima, Japan, 685 (three games)
3. John Petraglia, Jackson, N.J., 235 (one game)
4. Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 192 (one game)

### **STEPLADDER RESULTS**

**Match 1** – Yajima def. Croucher, 241-192

**Semifinal** – Yajima def. Petraglia, 256-235

**Championship** – Mohr def. Yajima, 230-188

The Super Senior Classic, first held in 2013, is open to all USBC members age 60 and older.

Ron Mohr of North Las Vegas, Nevada, found redemption at the 2017 Super Senior Classic as he captured the title against defending champion Junichi Yajima of Japan, 230-188.

The 2017 event was held at Sam's Town Bowling Center for the second consecutive year.

Mohr, a 61-year-old right-hander, had fallen to Yajima in the title match, 248-218, in 2016 event. The rematch saw Mohr, the top seed for the stepladder finals for the second consecutive year, take the lead at the halfway point.

Yajima opened for a second time in the eighth frame, allowing Mohr to mark in the ninth and 10th frames to lock up the title. Mohr sealed his first national victory in nearly five years with strikes on both attempts to take home the \$7,000 top prize. Yajima earned \$5,500.

Yajima, the No. 3 seed, defeated United States Bowling Congress Hall of Famer John Petraglia of Jackson, New Jersey, in the semifinal, 256-235. The semifinal also was a rematch from the 2016 event.

The opening match of the stepladder saw Yajima post a 241-192 victory over Kevin Croucher of Grants Pass, Oregon.

Competitors at the Super Senior Classic bowled 12 games of qualifying before the field was cut to the top 35 players. After six additional games, the field was reduced to 12 competitors for round-robin match play.

Match play featured two groups simultaneously bowling an additional six games, including a position round. The top seeds from each group automatically were seeded into the stepladder finals, with total pinfall, including bonus pins, determining the top seed, while the second, third and fourth qualifiers in each group were placed into a group stepladder to determine the No. 3 and No. 4 seeds for the championship round.





# SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

2018 USBC SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS | Aug. 7-9  
National Bowling Stadium | Reno, Nevada

More than 425 competitors from across the United States and Canada made their way to Texas Station in Las Vegas to compete at the 2017 United States Bowling Congress Senior Championships, a national event for bowlers who qualified through their state's senior tournament.

The tournament features Open and Women's divisions with six age classifications – 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75 and above.

All competitors bowled six games of qualifying over two days, before the field was cut to the top six bowlers in each division and classification. Those who advanced competed in a medal round the following day, featuring three more games.

Pinfall did not carry over to the medal round, but advancers received bonus pins to reward them for their qualifying efforts. The leader after six games earned 50 bonus pins, second place received 40 pins and so on, and those pins were added to their three-game medal-round totals.

The three-game pinfall from the medal round, with bonus pins and handicap (90 percent of 220), determined the 2017 champions.



## 2017 USBC SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

When: Aug. 8 – 10

Where: Texas Station, Las Vegas

Entries: 430

### OPEN DIVISION WINNERS

50-54 – Vince Tracy, Idaho, 741

55-59 – Louie Serrano, Idaho, 714

60-64 – Philip Heine, Alaska, 710

65-69 – Ival Jackson, Montana, 709

70-74 – Gary Smith, Montana, 688

75 and above – Frank Menchaca, California, 730

### WOMEN'S DIVISION WINNERS

50-54 – Barbara Teape, Illinois, 692

55-59 – Julie Staheli, Utah, 752

60-64 – Jill Levy, New Mexico, 691

65-69 – Janice York, Arkansas, 774

70-74 – Mary Mergler, Maryland, 723

75 and above – JoAnn Cossu, Oregon, 703



# IGNITING PROGRESS

2018 • CONVENTION

2018 CONVENTION | April 23-26  
Grand Sierra Resort | Reno, Nevada



The United States Bowling Congress Convention and Annual Meeting takes place each spring, bringing together delegates of associations from throughout the country.

The convention includes seminars for delegates, presentation of national awards and reports from industry leaders. At the Annual Meeting, delegates elect board members for any delegate vacancies on the USBC Board of Directors and vote on proposals involving changes to USBC bylaws, league rules and tournament rules.

At the 2017 USBC Convention in Las Vegas, delegates re-elected Jo Dimond of Columbus, Ohio, and Karl Kielich of El Paso, Texas, to the USBC Board, and elected Adam Mitchell of Reston, Virginia, to his first term. All three began three-year terms starting Aug. 1, 2017.

The delegates also decided 14 proposals involving changes to USBC bylaws, league rules and tournament rules during the legislative session. USBC bylaws proposals required a two-thirds vote to pass, while league rules and tournament rules required a majority vote.

Nine of the proposed amendments passed, including a proposal to allow leagues and tournament directors the option to cap a handicap game at 300 and to cap a handicap series at 900.

USBC showed its support of charitable causes during Convention week with Bowl for the Cure® and Bowlers To Veterans Link (BVL) presentations.

BVL, which provides recreational and therapeutic programs and services to brighten the days of America's active duty and veteran service men and women, announced it made a total donation of \$925,500 to the Department of Veterans Affairs because of contributions made during the 2015-2016 season. BVL also honored the top state and local associations for their contributions.

Bowl for the Cure®, the year-round fundraising initiative sponsored by USBC in partnership with Susan G. Komen®, made a \$552,708 total donation to Susan G. Komen thanks to donations from state and local associations, merchandise sales and online donations.



## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors  
United States Bowling Congress, Inc.  
Arlington, Texas

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of United States Bowling Congress, Inc. which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### ***Auditors' Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



Board of Directors  
United States Bowling Congress, Inc.

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of United States Bowling Congress, Inc. as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "CliftonLarsonAllen LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
March 28, 2018

**UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS, INC.  
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016**

	2017	2016
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 20,600,166	\$ 21,454,787
Accounts Receivable, Net	40,458	55,183
Due from Related Parties	94,402	525,498
Inventory	97,807	95,387
Prepaid Expenses and Other	803,506	522,465
Total Current Assets	21,636,339	22,653,320
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>		
Investments, at Fair Value	11,626,456	11,260,166
Investment in International Bowling Campus, LLC	5,770,772	5,968,434
Total Investments	17,397,228	17,228,600
<b>PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT</b>		
Furniture and Fixtures	13,788,495	13,669,956
Tournament Equipment	13,147,366	12,309,640
Vehicles	66,965	66,965
Software	3,932,855	1,760,650
Construction in Progress	16,240	1,797,971
Total, at Cost	30,951,921	29,605,182
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	23,241,607	21,521,008
Total Property and Equipment	7,710,314	8,084,174
Total Assets	\$ 46,743,881	\$ 47,966,094

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 929,225	\$ 1,034,767
Due to Related Parties	408,246	435,156
Accrued Liabilities	1,533,816	1,570,159
Current Portion of Deferred Revenue - Tournament Subsidy	834,000	400,000
Current Portion of Deferred Revenue - National Tournaments	8,017,289	10,036,866
Current Portion of Deferred Revenue - Membership Dues	<u>7,331,284</u>	<u>6,150,208</u>
Total Current Liabilities	19,053,860	19,627,156
<b>LONG-TERM LIABILITIES</b>		
Deferred Revenue - Tournament Subsidy, Less Current Portion Above	10,000	667,000
Postretirement Benefit Obligation	<u>1,173,511</u>	<u>1,162,107</u>
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u>1,183,511</u>	<u>1,829,107</u>
Total Liabilities	20,237,371	21,456,263
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Unrestricted Net Assets:		
Undesignated	26,118,342	26,121,663
Permanently Restricted	<u>388,168</u>	<u>388,168</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>26,506,510</u>	<u>26,509,831</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 46,743,881</u>	<u>\$ 47,966,094</u>



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**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Membership Dues	\$ 13,970,973	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,970,973
Merchandise Sales	96,987	-	-	96,987
Workshops and Seminars	312,837	-	-	312,837
Special Events, Booths, and Concessions	747,548	-	-	747,548
Tournament Entry and Prize Fees	13,511,421	-	-	13,511,421
Tournament and Conventions Subsidy	2,378,050	-	-	2,378,050
Brackets	1,270,490	-	-	1,270,490
Advertising	56,590	-	-	56,590
Royalty	1,256,452	-	-	1,256,452
Sponsorship	878,110	-	-	878,110
Contributions	97,045	-	-	97,045
Interest and Dividends, Net of Fees	293,085	-	-	293,085
Realized and Unrealized Gains on Investments	620,448	-	-	620,448
Other	608,609	-	-	608,609
Total Revenues	<u>36,098,645</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,098,645</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Salaries	6,627,194	-	-	6,627,194
Fringe Benefits	1,378,812	-	-	1,378,812
Employee Recruitment and Training	124,604	-	-	124,604
Temporary Agency Services	3,024,765	-	-	3,024,765
Professional Services	3,632,376	-	-	3,632,376
Supplies	149,037	-	-	149,037
Resale Merchandise	96,372	-	-	96,372
Prizes	8,538,047	-	-	8,538,047
Awards	788,781	-	-	788,781
Telephone	31,345	-	-	31,345
Postage and Freight	921,973	-	-	921,973
Facilities	964,578	-	-	964,578
Equipment Maintenance and Repairs	962,278	-	-	962,278
Depreciation	1,720,599	-	-	1,720,599
Printing	345,355	-	-	345,355
Promotion, Sponsorships, and Programs	1,496,543	-	-	1,496,543
Travel	1,567,817	-	-	1,567,817
Insurance	398,900	-	-	398,900
Contributions	875,962	-	-	875,962
Lineage and Construction	1,943,449	-	-	1,943,449
Miscellaneous	204,270	-	-	204,270
Total Expenses	<u>35,793,057</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,793,057</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS</b>	305,588	-	-	305,588
<b>EQUITY IN NET LOSS OF INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CAMPUS, LLC</b>	(170,899)	-	-	(170,899)
<b>CHANGE IN POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATION, OTHER THAN PERIODIC EXPENSE</b>	<u>(138,010)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(138,010)</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	(3,321)	-	-	(3,321)
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	<u>26,121,663</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>388,168</u>	<u>26,509,831</u>
<b>NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 26,118,342</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 388,168</u>	<u>\$ 26,506,510</u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS, INC.**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Membership Dues	\$ 13,155,203	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,155,203
Merchandise Sales	49,001	-	-	49,001
Workshops and Seminars	345,185	-	-	345,185
Special Events, Booths, and Concessions	648,218	-	-	648,218
Tournament Entry and Prize Fees	12,712,119	-	-	12,712,119
Tournament and Conventions Subsidy	2,866,845	-	-	2,866,845
Brackets	1,202,361	-	-	1,202,361
Advertising	234,727	-	-	234,727
Royalty	1,209,821	-	-	1,209,821
Sponsorship	881,113	-	-	881,113
Contributions	106,273	-	-	106,273
Interest and Dividends, net of fees	182,292	-	-	182,292
Realized and Unrealized Gains on Investments	202,138	-	-	202,138
Other	658,933	-	-	658,933
Released from Restrictions	171,654	(171,654)	-	-
Total Revenues	<u>34,625,883</u>	<u>(171,654)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,454,229</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Salaries	6,604,578	-	-	6,604,578
Fringe Benefits	1,275,170	-	-	1,275,170
Employee Recruitment and Training	161,302	-	-	161,302
Temporary Agency Services	2,426,078	-	-	2,426,078
Professional Services	3,125,306	-	-	3,125,306
Supplies	144,397	-	-	144,397
Resale Merchandise	65,479	-	-	65,479
Prizes	8,136,665	-	-	8,136,665
Awards	729,052	-	-	729,052
Telephone	82,083	-	-	82,083
Postage and Freight	745,978	-	-	745,978
Facilities	864,438	-	-	864,438
Equipment Maintenance and Repairs	516,136	-	-	516,136
Depreciation	996,169	-	-	996,169
Printing	310,754	-	-	310,754
Promotion, Sponsorships, and Programs	1,505,002	-	-	1,505,002
Travel	1,076,031	-	-	1,076,031
Insurance	272,168	-	-	272,168
Contributions	832,331	-	-	832,331
Lineage and Construction	1,642,831	-	-	1,642,831
Miscellaneous	377,027	-	-	377,027
Total Expenses	<u>31,888,975</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,888,975</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS</b>	2,736,908	(171,654)	-	2,565,254
<b>EQUITY IN NET LOSS OF INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CAMPUS, LLC</b>	(237,069)	-	-	(237,069)
<b>CHANGE IN POST-RETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATION, OTHER THAN PERIODIC EXPENSE</b>	(62,493)	-	-	(62,493)
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	2,437,346	(171,654)	-	2,265,692
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	<u>23,684,317</u>	<u>171,654</u>	<u>388,168</u>	<u>24,244,139</u>
<b>NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 26,121,663</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 388,168</u>	<u>\$ 26,509,831</u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS, INC.**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016**

	2017	2016
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Change in Net Assets	\$ (3,321)	\$ 2,265,692
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	1,720,599	996,169
Provision for Bad Debts	2,846	32,079
Increase (Decrease) in Post-Retirement Benefit Obligation	11,404	(130,045)
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains on Investments	(620,448)	(202,138)
Equity in Net Loss of International Bowling Campus, LLC	170,899	237,069
Effects of Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities:		
Accounts Receivable	11,879	(8,987)
Due from Related Parties	431,096	(243,723)
Inventory	(2,420)	9,299
Prepaid Expenses and Other	(281,041)	(361,248)
Accounts Payable	(105,542)	408,673
Due to Related Parties	(26,910)	175,611
Accrued Liabilities	(36,343)	830,100
Deferred Revenue	(1,061,501)	(275,384)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	211,197	3,733,167
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Sales of Investments	6,201,672	1,513,441
Purchases of Investments	(5,947,514)	(4,690,110)
Distribution from International Bowling Campus, LLC	26,763	610,000
Purchases of Property and Equipment	(1,346,739)	(2,416,589)
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	(1,065,818)	(4,983,258)
<b>NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	(854,621)	(1,250,091)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	21,454,787	22,704,878
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR</b>	\$ 20,600,166	\$ 21,454,787

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.



**UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS, INC.  
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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The United States Bowling Congress, Inc. (USBC) was incorporated on June 3, 2004 in the state of Wisconsin for the purposes of developing interest and participation in the sport of bowling, overseeing competition, and providing programs and services to its membership. USBC's revenues are derived primarily from membership dues and tournament entry fees. The following footnotes report information for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. Significant accounting policies followed by USBC are presented below.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Cash Equivalents**

USBC considers all liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

**Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable are uncollateralized obligations. Accounts receivable are stated at the invoice amount. Payments of accounts receivable are applied to the specific invoices identified on the remittance advice or, if unspecified, to the earliest unpaid invoices.

The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's best estimate of amounts that will not be collected. The allowance for doubtful accounts is based on a calculated percentage of sales. If there is a deterioration of credit worthiness, or actual defaults are higher than the historical experience, management's estimates of recoverability of amounts due USBC could be adversely affected. All accounts or portions thereof deemed to be uncollectible or to require an excessive collection cost are written off to the allowance for doubtful accounts. The allowance for doubtful accounts was \$12,000 and \$39,057 at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

**Inventory**

Inventory consists of resale merchandise and awards and is valued at the lower of cost or net realizable value with cost determined on a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis.

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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Investments**

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments are included in the statements of activities.

**Risks and Uncertainties**

USBC utilizes various investment instruments. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect USBC's account balances and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

**Investment in International Bowling Campus, LLC**

USBC owns a 50% interest in International Bowling Campus, LLC (IBC), formerly known as New Era Bowling, LLC. The investment is accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method, the investment is carried at cost, adjusted for USBC's proportionate share of undistributed earnings or losses, and capital contributions and distributions.

**Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment over \$1,000 with a useful life three years or more are stated at cost and depreciated on the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, which range from 3 to 30 years.

Maintenance, repairs, and replacements are generally included as expenses of operations during the year in which the expense is incurred. Cost of replacements, which constitute improvements or extend the life of the respective assets, are recorded as additions to property and equipment.

**Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

USBC reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to future undiscounted net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Revenue Recognition**

**Deferred Revenue**

National tournaments consist of tournament subsidies and tournament entry fees. These amounts are recognized as revenue in the period in which the event is held or the related expenses are incurred.

Membership dues are recognized in the fiscal year in which the individual receives the privileges that membership offers.

**Advertising**

USBC expenses advertising costs as they are incurred.

**Net Assets**

Net assets, revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. However, donor restricted contributions whose restrictions are met during the same year are directly reported as increases in unrestricted net assets. The net assets of USBC and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

**Unrestricted Net assets**

These represent net assets that are not subject to external donor-imposed restrictions.

**Permanently Restricted Net Assets**

These represent net assets that are subject to donor-imposed stipulations requiring that the principal be invested in perpetuity and that only income be expended for Scholarship Management and Accounting Reports for Tenpins (SMART) scholarship awards.

**Income Tax Status**

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued a determination letter dated October 5, 2004, granting USBC an exemption from federal income tax under IRS Code Section 501(c)(3). However, income received from certain activities is subject to income tax as unrelated business income. No income tax expense has been recorded in the financial statements as cumulative unrelated business net operating loss carryforwards would offset any current tax liability. In addition, a 100% valuation allowance has been provided against the deferred tax asset resulting from the net operating loss carryforwards. Management is not aware of any items that could cause revocation of the tax-exempt status.

**Reclassifications**

Certain items in the 2016 financial statements have been reclassified, with no effect on previously reported net assets and changes in net assets, to conform with the current year presentation.



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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Accounting Pronouncements**

Revenue from Contracts with Customers – In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued amended guidance to clarify the principles for recognizing revenue from contracts with customers. The guidance requires an entity to recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The guidance also requires expanded disclosures relating to the nature, amount, timing, and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers. Additionally, qualitative and quantitative disclosures are required regarding customer contracts, significant judgements and changes in judgements, and assets recognized from the costs to obtain or fulfill a contract. The guidance will initially be applied retrospectively using one of two methods. The standard will be effective for the entity for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim reporting periods within annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Management is evaluating the effect of the amended revenue recognition guidance on the entity's financial statements.

Presentation of Financial Statement of Not-for-Profit Entities – In August 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update 2016-14, *Not-For-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities*, which is expected to impact the information presented in financial statements and notes about a not-for-profit entity's liquidity, financial performance, and cash flows. The guidance is required to be applied by USBC for the year ended December 31, 2018; however, early application is permitted. USBC is currently evaluating the impact this guidance will have on its financial statements.

**NOTE 2 INVESTMENTS**

Investments consist of the following at December 31:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Interest-Bearing Cash	\$ 329,811	\$ 3,479,745
Equities	1,261,194	1,051,089
Bonds	-	70,043
Mutual Funds	10,035,451	6,187,975
Separately Managed Account	-	471,314
Total Investments	<u>\$ 11,626,456</u>	<u>\$ 11,260,166</u>

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**NOTE 2 INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

Investment income for the years ended December 31:

	2017	2016
Interest and Dividends	\$ 320,238	\$ 202,169
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains	620,448	202,138
Total Investment Income	940,686	404,307
Less: Investment Fees	(27,153)	(19,877)
Net Investment Income	\$ 913,533	\$ 384,430

**NOTE 3 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under generally accepted accounting principles are described as follows:

*Level 1* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

*Level 2* – Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

*Level 3* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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**NOTE 3 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)**

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

Interest-bearing cash is valued at cost which approximates fair value.

Equities are valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual security is traded.

Mutual funds are valued at quoted market prices, which represent the net asset value of shares held by USBC at year-end.

Bonds are valued based on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings. When quoted prices are not available for identical or similar bonds, the bond is valued under a discounted cash flows approach that maximizes observable inputs, such as current yields of similar instruments, but includes adjustments for certain risks that may not be observable, such as credit and liquidity risks.

Separately managed account is valued based on the net asset value of the units of the fund held by USBC, based on the fair value of the underlying investments of the fund. The fund does not have a finite life, unfunded commitments, or restrictions on redemptions. The investment strategy of the fund is the generate capital appreciation by investing, trading, and otherwise dealing in domestic small capitalization equity securities of high-growth companies. The fund generally invests in U.S. companies with market capitalizations similar to companies included in the Russell 2000 Growth Index or other small cap indices at the time of purchase. However, a material portion of the portfolio of the fund may be invested in companies with market capitalizations that preclude their inclusion in such indices.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while USBC believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, USBC's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2017:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Interest-Bearing Cash	\$ -	\$ 329,811	\$ -	\$ 329,811
Equities	1,261,194	-	-	1,261,194
Mutual Funds:				
Small Cap	139,308	-	-	139,308
Large Cap	1,146,313	-	-	1,146,313
Fixed Income	6,103,017	-	-	6,103,017
Allocation	2,240,458	-	-	2,240,458
Specialty	406,355	-	-	406,355
Total Assets at Fair Value	<u>\$ 11,296,645</u>	<u>\$ 329,811</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,626,456</u>



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**NOTE 3 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)**

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, USBC's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2016:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Interest-Bearing Cash	\$ -	\$ 3,479,745	\$ -	\$ 3,479,745
Equities	1,051,089	-	-	1,051,089
Mutual Funds:				
Small Cap	159,148	-	-	159,148
Large Cap	1,096,658	-	-	1,096,658
Fixed Income	3,663,939	-	-	3,663,939
Allocation	1,101,554	-	-	1,101,554
Specialty	166,676	-	-	166,676
Separately Managed Account	-	471,314	-	471,314
Bonds:				
Corporate Bonds	-	70,043	-	70,043
Total Assets at Fair Value	<u>\$ 7,239,064</u>	<u>\$ 4,021,102</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 11,260,166</u>

**NOTE 4 INVESTMENT IN INTERNATIONAL BOWLING CAMPUS, LLC**

IBC holds title to the land and building which USBC uses as its national headquarters. IBC distributed \$26,763 and \$610,000 to USBC during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Summarized financial information for IBC for the years ended December 31 is shown below.

	2017	2016
Total Assets	\$ 11,234,089	\$ 11,914,889
Total Liabilities	301,747	587,224
Net Assets - Unrestricted	<u>\$ 10,932,342</u>	<u>\$ 11,327,665</u>
Decrease in Net Assets	<u>\$ (341,797)</u>	<u>\$ (474,138)</u>
Capital Distributions	<u>\$ 53,526</u>	<u>\$ 1,220,000</u>

**NOTE 5 POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATION**

USBC provides defined benefit postretirement health and life benefits to certain current and former employees. Covered employees became eligible for these benefits at retirement after meeting minimum age and service requirements. USBC's unfunded cost that existed at August 1, 1995, is being accrued primarily in a straight-line manner that results in full accrual in 20 years.

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**NOTE 5 POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATION (CONTINUED)**

The postretirement health care plan is unfunded. The following reconciles the change in accumulated benefit obligation and the amounts included in the statements of financial position at December 31:

	2017	2016
Benefit Obligation - Beginning of Year	\$ 1,162,107	\$ 1,292,152
Service Cost	-	1,979
Interest Cost	49,227	50,935
Benefits Pay	(117,459)	(110,906)
Actuarial Loss (Gain)	79,636	(72,053)
Accrued Postretirement Benefit Obligation	\$ 1,173,511	\$ 1,162,107

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, all previously unrecognized actuarial gains or losses are reflected in the statements of financial position. The plan items not yet recognized as a component of periodic plan expenses, but included as a charge to change in net assets at December 31 are as follows:

	2017	2016
Cumulative Changes - Beginning of Year	\$ (372,438)	\$ (434,931)
Prior Service Cost	29,906	89,722
Actuarial Change	108,104	(27,229)
Current Year Decrease in Net Assets	138,010	62,493
Cumulative Changes - End of Year	\$ (234,428)	\$ (372,438)

Net periodic postretirement benefit credit for the years ended December 31 included the following components:

	2017	2016
Service Cost	\$ -	\$ 1,979
Interest Cost	49,227	50,935
Amortization of Net Gain from Prior Periods	(28,468)	(43,181)
Amortization of Unrecognized Prior Service Cost	(29,906)	(89,722)
Periodic Postretirement Benefit Credit	\$ (9,147)	\$ (79,989)

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**NOTE 5 POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATION (CONTINUED)**

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2018	\$ 101,000
2019	119,000
2020	101,000
2021	98,000
2022	95,000
2023-2027	410,000

The assumptions used to develop the net postretirement benefit expense and the present value of the benefit obligation is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Discount Rate	3.80%	4.15%
Health Care Cost Trend Rate for the New Year	6.60%	6.60%

The health care cost trend rate assumption has a significant effect on the amounts reported. The health care cost trend rate used to value the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation is 6.60% and assumed to gradually decrease until it reaches the ultimate healthcare cost trend rate of 5.00% in 2022.

**NOTE 6 RETIREMENT PLANS**

USBC participates in a 401(k) retirement plan (along with Bowling Proprietors' Association of America, Inc. (BPAA), International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, Inc. (IBM&HF), International Bowling Campus, LLC (IBC), and IBC Youth Bowling, Inc. (IBCYB)) available to all employees who have reached the age of 21 and completed one month of service. Employees may contribute to their accounts up to the annual amount allowed by law. USBC matches 100% of the first 3% of employee contributions, plus 50% of the next 2% of the employee's contribution.

Total contribution expense recorded under the plan was \$197,013 and \$176,234 for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.



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**NOTE 7 EXPENSES BY FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION**

Expenses by functional classification for the years ended December 31 is as follows:

	2017	2016
Program Services:		
Membership Services	\$ 3,554,150	\$ 3,036,069
Public Relations, Marketing, and Industry Relationship	1,666,983	1,649,260
Management Information Systems	3,516,580	3,358,153
Equipment Specifications	586,447	508,358
Tournaments	18,549,888	16,600,893
Other	2,165,566	1,976,478
Total Program Services	30,039,614	27,129,211
Management and General	5,753,443	4,759,764
Total	\$ 35,793,057	\$ 31,888,975

**NOTE 8 SIGNIFICANT ESTIMATES, CONCENTRATIONS, AND CONTINGENCIES**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require disclosure of information about certain significant estimates and current vulnerabilities due to certain concentrations. These matters include the following:

**Reserve for Self-Insurance**

Under its self-insurance plan, USBC accrues the estimated expense of health care claims costs based on claims filed subsequent to year-end and an additional amount for incurred but not yet reported claims based on prior experience. Accruals for such costs of \$71,230 and \$121,541 are included in accrued liabilities at December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Claims payments based on actual claims ultimately filed could differ materially from these estimates.

**Concentration of Credit Risk**

USBC maintains the majority of its cash and investments in two commercial banks. Balances on deposit are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to specified limits. Balances in excess of these limits are uninsured.

**NOTE 9 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

BPAA is represented by two members on the USBC board of directors. For various shared costs, USBC has a receivable of \$71,367 and \$152,532 from BPAA as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. BPAA contributed \$281,942 and \$292,546 to USBC during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

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**NOTE 9 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)**

USBC is represented by two members on Contemporary Bowling Association's (CBA) board of directors and appoints a third. USBC has a payable to CBA of \$19,318 and a receivable from CBA of \$17,955 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. USBC provided \$240,000 for operations to CBA for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

USBC administered a scholarship program to local associations known as Scholarship Management and Accounting Reports for Tenpins (SMART) prior to the formation of SMART Bowling Scholarship Funding Corporation. USBC is represented on SMART's board of directors and continues to provide administrative services for the operation of the SMART program and certain shared services. USBC has a payable to SMART of \$-0- and a receivable from SMART of \$6,311 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. USBC received \$475,000 and \$400,000 from SMART for services rendered for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

USBC provides certain shared services to IBM&HF. USBC has a receivable from IBM&HF for these services of \$11,094 and \$19,688 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. USBC contributed \$69,204 and \$63,996 to IBM&HF for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

IBCYB is represented by two members of the USBC board of directors. USBC has a payable to IBCYB of \$387,901 and \$435,156 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. USBC contributed \$620,622 and \$611,491 to IBCYB during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

USBC leases its facilities from IBC under a noncancelable operating lease agreement. The lease includes automatic extensions for one-year terms until cancelled by either party. Rent payments under the lease include an annual base rent of \$1 per year and USBC's proportionate share of taxes and operating expenses in accordance with the agreement, which is determined to be the equivalent of market rate rent. Rent payments to IBC totaled \$915,192 and \$799,872 for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. USBC also provides IBC with the use of various employees at no cost, resulting in an in-kind contribution of \$80,975 for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. USBC has a receivable from IBC of \$11,941 and \$329,012 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

**NOTE 10 LINE OF CREDIT**

USBC has a \$4,000,000 revolving line of credit agreement with a bank. Borrowings under the line of credit bear interest at 4.50% and 3.75% as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The line is unsecured and matures on June 30, 2019. No borrowings on the line of credit were outstanding at December 31, 2017 and 2016.

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**NOTE 11 LEASES**

USBC leases office equipment under various operating leases expiring at various dates through 2020.

Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

<u>Year Ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2018	\$ 65,406
2019	52,008
2020	<u>4,334</u>
Total Minimum Lease Payments	<u>\$ 121,748</u>

**NOTE 12 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management evaluated subsequent events through March 28, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events or transactions occurring after December 31, 2017, but prior to March 28, 2018 that provided additional evidence about conditions that existed at December 31, 2017, have been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017. Events or transactions that provided evidence about conditions that did not exist at December 31, 2017, but arose before the financial statements were available to be issued, have not been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2017.

USBC has provided IBM&HF a \$100,000 loan at 0% interest, effective February 1, 2018. Payment is due February 1, 2023.



