

1988 PSBA Hall of Fame Inductees

HENRY J. LAPINSKI (Deceased)

Southampton, Pennsylvania



Mr. Henry J. Lapinski entered into the Pennsylvania State Bowling Association Hall of Fame for his outstanding contributions to the game of bowling. Hank's service to the bowlers spans all levels of organized bowling, local, state and national. On the local level, he has served the Greater Philadelphia Bowling Association from 1957 until his death in 1999, starting as a director and becoming President in 1985. He also served as secretary of many leagues in the Philadelphia area. On the state level, he was elected 4th Vice President in 1977 and proceeded through the chairs to become President for the 1981-1982 season. He served on nearly every standing committee of the PSBA and has chaired many of them. He regularly attended all State meetings and conventions and his input at all PSBA meetings was most productive. In 1971, Hank became an American Bowling Congress Director and in 1981 was elected as 10th Vice President. In 1991 he became only the second Pennsylvanian to hold the office of President to the American Bowling Congress. Hank has served on many important committees of the A.B.C. and chaired such committees as the Education Committee, Legal Committee and the High Score & Awards Committee.

DOUGLAS LUDWIG (Deceased)

Pottstown, Pennsylvania



Doug Ludwig entered the Pennsylvania State Bowling Association Hall of Fame for his meritorious service to the game of bowling.

Regular attendees to the P.S.B.A. conventions will recognize Doug serving on and chairing the Registration committee for many years. He has served the P.S.B.A. as an Eastern Area Director, retiring from that position in 1987 and taking a place on the Advisory Board. He serves on many different State Committees and has attended every PSBA Convention since 1962. On the local level, he served the Pottstown Bowling Association as a director for 6 years and is now service his 20th year as President of the Pottstown Association. He served over 50 years as Secretary-Treasurer of the West End Fire Co. Bowling League. He has also attended at least fifteen A.B.C. Conventions as a delegate from his local Association. He helped organize the Pottstown Junior Association and served for 15 years on their Board of Directors. Doug is also an avid bowler, having rolled a 300 game in 1957 and has two 700series to his credit. He has participated in 22 State Tournaments and 27 A.B.C. Tournaments.

He was elected to the Pottstown Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1972 and elected to the Pottstown Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame in May 19, 1982.

*-Bowling achievements current up till the time of induction.

JOHN H. WILCOX JR.

Lewisburg, Pennsylvania

At the age of forty-one, John Wilcox Jr. became the youngest member to enter the Pennsylvania State Bowling Association Hall of Fame.



His list of achievements on the bowling lanes is endless and he is most deserving to have his name placed in the Hall with the other outstanding bowlers now enshrined. In American Bowling Congress competition, he has to his credit such outstanding achievements as 1st Place ABC All Events Regular Division in 1966, 5th Place in ABC Regular Singles in 1966, 8th Place in ABC Masters in 1969, 8th Place in ABC Masters in 1970, 1st Place ABC Classic Team in 1977. He finished in 1st Place in the International Masters held in London in 1966. On the PBA tour, he has a 1st Place in the Syracuse PBA Open, has won PBA regionals held in Windsor Locks, Conn. and Paramus, N.J. On Nov. 2, 1972, he rolled 287, 298, 300 for an 885 series in the Williamsport Parade of Stars League which is the second highest sanctioned three game series in the A.B.C. of all time. In 1987 he was nominated for the American Bowling Congress Hall of Fame and hopefully one day we will see that dream come true. John has the distinction of rolling thirty (30) sanctioned 300 games which is tops for any A.B.C. bowler.

He has 17 sanctioned 800 series and almost three hundred 700 series.

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