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Special Olympics At Fountain Bowl

Friday October 14, 2005, Fountain Bowl was proud to once again host the Special Olympics. Olympians filled the center and enjoyed themselves immensely, and loudly, as they bowled. This day was dedicated to introducing the bowlers to the Special Olympics organization and to bowling itself. The house was filled with bowlers from all over Orange County in a special program to introduce the 10 schools in Orange County with programs for handicapped students to the Special Olympics. Most of the children in the program had never participated in the Special Olympics tournaments before this opportunity. Many have never bowled before and this was their first time on any lanes. Becky White was everywhere necessary when problems arose and handled each quickly and efficiently. Becky is one of the directors for the Special Olympics program of Orange County.



Above, Olympians, Coaches and Monitors at Fountain Bowl. Organized chaos, but it was a lot of fun to watch the participants.

Kris Drummond, Regional Director of Orange and Riverside Counties Special Olympics, dis-

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Frederick William Poppeck, Jr.

Man or woman, young or old, it doesn't matter. Whenever you would recognize each other, you'll always get a big hug from Fred. That sort of sums up the kind of person he is. To know him is to like him.

This piece is but a brief summary of one in a series of the interviews the Fountain Pin has been conducting of a few of our center's patrons. We believe you will see that Fred has led a remarkable life. This is one interesting guy!

He was born and raised in Saginaw, Michigan in 1922. Yes, that makes him 83 years young, but, overall, life has been good to Fred, and although he may look like a "senior" senior, he still gets around quite well, thank you, and is a regular roller at Fountain Bowl, his favorite house.

Fred spent his young years in the house his father had built. His dad managed the cigar store, restaurant and pool hall at the Hotel Bancroft, the biggest hotel in town. Up



Frederick William Poppeck in uniform

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Attention !!!

CHAMPIONS BOWLING & EMBROIDERY

Fountain Bowl would like to welcome PBA Hall of Famer and 10-time national champion Barry Asher as the new proprietor of the pro shop.

Working with Barry will be 4-time national PWBA champion Tenelle Milligan and PBA multiple regional winner Jason Milligan. Mr. Asher is in the process of remodeling and outfitting the pro shop and plans to be open for business the first week of December. Drop by and watch the progress and meet Barry, Tennelle and Jason!!!!

Watch for the Grand Opening!



FOUNTAIN BOWL

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Fountain Bowl is an establishment dedicated to our community. It has been the center of several events to better all walks of life and was voted the best small business in Orange County for the year 2004.

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We provide for:

- Birthday parties** (for all ages!)
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- Tournaments**
- Special Events** (such as the Kelly Osborn Fundraiser, Special Olympics, etc.)

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- A **snack bar**, including an adjoining pizza parlor
- A **nursery** for the kids of league bowlers
- A spacious **game room** full of video machines and other games
- A full service pro shop (**Champions Bowling & Embroidery**)

We even have **Cosmic Bowl** on Friday and Saturday nights for the young at heart! Everything you need for a great time!!

Visit our website at:

www.fountainbowl.com



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discussed the opportunities introduced to the children in this program with the author of this article.



Kris Drummond, Regional Director of Orange and Riverside Counties Special Olympics.

Dr. Co-Casqujo, a pediatric doctor whose private practice is in the City of Orange, was present. She donated her time and efforts to monitor the children for emergency requirements and, in addition, was taking temperatures, blood pressure, listening to hearts and lungs to make sure no one was having problems. The Special Olympics organization had Care Ambulance Service standing by in case they were needed.

Special care was taken for those who were unable to bowl in the conventional way. The first eight lanes were set aside for the extremely handicapped, such as wheelchair bound, who were unable to use the approach. Ramps were provided on these lanes.

Check in started at 8:00 am. Two games of bowling for participants began at 10:00 am and finished about 12:30 pm. Score sheets were turned in and monitors led their bowlers to a place of rest and a lunch, donated by Lennar Homes.

Lennar Homes, a home developer and builder in Orange County, and E3 Financial Services supplied employee volunteers and the University of Irvine MBA Program, Challenge for Charities (UCICAC) volunteers, supplied lane volunteers to help these special bowlers to stay organized and to instruct them when and how to bowl.

The UCICAC volunteer at various func-

tions, but their main efforts are with the Special Olympics of Orange County.



UCICAC- Liona and Monica Constantines

The Quaker Oats Company donated snacks for those who required them before lunch during the Friday event.

Saturday, October 15, 2005, was the day of the Orange County Regional Finals. This is the culmination of efforts for all of the Orange County Olympians, including those who bowl every Saturday morning in Fountain Bowl's Roadrunners League, to vie for the State Tournament to be held on Saturday, October 29, 2005, at Fountain Bowl.

Medical personnel were present again, in the event emergency problems arose. The doctor took blood pressure, temperature and lung readings through the day. Care Ambulance Service was present, once again, with paramedics for both squads.

Check-in was from 8:00 to 9:00 am, with bowling starting at 9:00 am.

Monitors (helpers) for the 1st squad were provided by an organization called "Preparing For a Degree" (PFD). Organized in 1996 by Sean Washington, PFD's goal is to teach children how to study, develop learning skills, to reach their full potential and to attain complete character development. Sean struggled through college to attain his goal, and he now dedicates his life to PFD. He started with 10 students and has since graduated many and now has 30 students in college and has 3 that have graduated and now hold a college degree. They have weekly and monthly goals, monthly grades, and do community service when their goals fall below expectation. He has found that when the children are held accountable and are responsible for their actions, they strive exceptionally well in the program.

When parents interfere and make excuses, the children fail in their goals and will not listen and are unable to continue in the program. For more information concerning PFD contact Sean Washington at his E-Mail address at (swashington@socal.rr.com).

PFD has worked with sports and other



Above, Laurretta Scaglione, Arielle Noguera, Sean Washington, and Venesa Marquez

endeavors with Special Olympics, but this event is their first ever working with bowling.

Pacific Life "Good Guys", along with several cadets from the Fountain Valley Police Explorers, monitored the 2nd squad. The Good Guys just celebrated their 20th anniversary. Pacific Life, an insurance company headquartered in Newport Beach with over 3,000 employees nationwide, organizes and accepts



Jennifer Chang, monitor supervisor of the Good Guys

volunteers from their pool of employees to help at all types of events, including school, charity, and community functions. Jennifer Chang was in charge of their lane assignments and helped with this short profile and history.

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FOUNTAIN BOWL'S EMPLOYEES OF DISTINCTION

Gavin Arthur Hawk

In this issue we are profiling one of our unsung heroes, who toils behind the scenes to insure you have a pleasant evening tossing your bowling balls at the pins. Gavin Arthur Hawk was born in Columbus, Ohio to Robert and Jeanne Hawk, on August 11th. Gavin lived in Columbus for three years and then his parents decided to move to Fountain Valley, California. Gavin, with four older half brothers (Terry, Mark, Steve, and Jeff Rife) relocated to our fair city and were happy to grow up in this friendly little community.



Gavin attended Northcutt Elementary School, Fitz Intermediate School, and graduated from Los Amigos High School in 1985.

Gavin started at the front desk at Fountain Bowl in 1986 as a customer service representative. He stayed in that capacity for two years, and when the center was purchased by its present owners, we decided to move him to the back to the machines and train him as a mechanic. When his parents decided to move to Las Vegas, Nevada, Gavin found himself without a place to live. He has since lived in Huntington Beach, Westminster, Midway City and finally back in Huntington

Beach. One of his brothers, Steve, is his landlord.

His brother Mark passed away in 1999, and he lost his mother in August 2004. Gavin is the parent of a son, Corey James Hawk.

Although never married, he is a proud single parent. Gavin plans to stay at Fountain Bowl for a long time. He enjoys the friendly atmosphere and the work.

Tozai Nikkei Tournament

Once again, the Tozai Tournament was held at Fountain Bowl. November 5th and 6th was the first weekend of the Tournament. The upper end of the house was filled with bowlers of Japanese-American descent, spouses, and eligible friends. Saturday's squads consisted of Mixed Team and Men's Team events. There were two squads of Mixed Doubles held on Sunday. The fowling Saturday, November 12th, concluded with squads consisting of 3-Game Senior Singles, Junior Scratch Singles, and 5-Game Singles. A free Junior Bowling Clinic was conducted with the assistance of several of our Ambassadors, Mary Albert, Kerry Wright, Gary Wirth, and Lynne Tomita.

This is the 8th year of the Tozai Nikkei Tournament, which originally started as a 5-Game Mixed Doubles Tournament. Much of the success is due to the leadership of Co-Chairs Cori Murakami and Lynne Tomita. Even though tournament participation is down throughout the bowling industry, the tournament co-

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The Youth Corner
News of, and for, the Youth Bowlers of
FOUNTAIN BOWL
From the Desk of Shirley Troiano

The youth leagues are getting ready to sweep in a few weeks. All our leagues, except the school leagues on Thursday afternoon, will sweep the weekend before Christmas. Our school leagues have a bye during Christmas vacation.

Our new leagues start up the first weekend of January and will continue until the end of May. Hopefully we will continue to have as good a program as we do now.

If you are interested in checking out the youth leagues, flyers are in the display case in the lobby as you enter the bowling center.

We hope you will join us for this new season. Best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

Article by Shirley Troiano, Youth Director.



Fountain Bowl
Events in the near future

December, 2005
 Nothing Scheduled

January, 2006

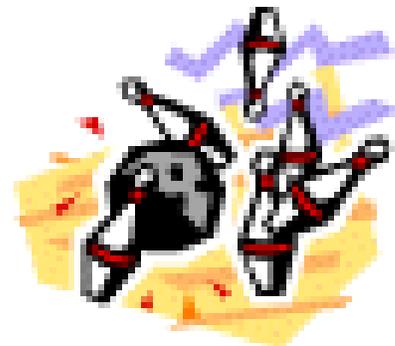
Tue. 10th thru Sun. 15th.
 PBA Dick Weber Open (see page 9)

February

Nothing Scheduled

March

Sat. 11th. Cal Elwyn Fundraiser



SENIOR MOMENTS

Senior Birthdays

Birthdays, not the year. To some it is hard to remember that long ago.

- Jessie Sisco 11-2
- Judy Greenhaw 11-4
- Mary Peront 12-4
- Weston Dick 12-7
- Leo Dube 12-10
- Rich Wenzel 12-12
- Helen Kendrick 12-17



Judy Greenhaw



Richard Wenzel

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Tozai Nikkei Tournament

chairs are hoping to increase participation by trying a variety of different events.

As in the past, there were many good scores rolled, including one 300. The unofficial results may be viewed at the Tozai Nikkei Tournament website: <http://www.tozainikkei.com> as well as previous years' results.

Lynne Tomita and Cori Murakami co-hosted the tournament.

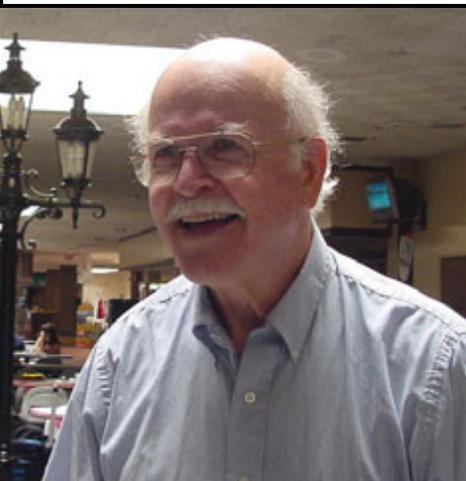
Mary Albert, Lynne Tomita, Gary Wirth and Will Tachiki took turns at being in charge of the volunteer scorekeepers. Mary and Lynne are old hands at this job, but the others took their turn and discovered the intricacies and responsibilities required to run a tournament.

The Tozai Nikkei Tournament is one of several tournaments held to provide a competitive bowling environment for Japanese-Americans in the LA and Orange County areas. The Nikkei Leagues and Tournament belong to Southern California Nikkei Bowling Association. The rules for eligibility and bowling in one of their tournaments can be found on their website listed below. For more information about future tournaments and results of past events, go to <http://www.nikkeibowling.com>.



Jessie Sisco

Weston Dick >



Leo Dube



Mary Peront

Helen Kendrick >



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Frederick William Poppeck, Jr.

until he graduated from Arthur Hill High School in 1940, his life was fairly normal. It was after that, and for most of the many years since, that it has become obvious that Fred has always "traveled to the beat of a different drum!"

Fred began a short stint at Michigan State University, then went on to the University of Chicago, where he began to learn how to be a weatherman.

His first real job was with the Identification Section of the Saginaw County Sheriff's Office where he photographed and fingerprinted the jail's "customers". One day, when the County Coroner came over to the Sheriff's Office to develop some pictures of a dead person, Fred was offered a two-year apprenticeship as an undertaker and funeral director. That seemed right up his alley, so he accepted the offer. However, this was all interrupted, when, in 1942 he was drafted into the Army and sent to Detroit for his physical. Now Fred had always had trouble with his eyes, having to wear glasses since the age of seven or eight. The Army told him the condition of his eyes would exempt him from military duty, and besides, even if he were considered for the draft, there would be nobody left at home to care for his folks, so he would not be required to serve anyway. Well, Fred had always been, and still is, a "true blue" patriot, and he really wanted to do his bit for his country's war effort. So, he negotiated with the Army to let him enlist, but he would only be assigned to administrative duties and probably never go overseas. That was OK with Fred, but little did he know what the fortunes of war had in store for him.

After basic training he was sent off to Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, to learn how to become a medic ("...patch 'em up and get 'em back for more intensive care"). He finished his training as a medic, then the Army, in its infinite wisdom, transferred him to Fort Brady, Michigan, as an ambulance driver and to duties in the mess warehouse (storage areas for foodstuffs, etc.).

Fred wanted into the fray, but his unit was strictly stateside, so to get to go overseas, Fred got a transfer to Camp

Grant, Illinois, as a driver in a motor pool unit scheduled for overseas assignment. Events were escalating in Fred's life. It was still only 1942, and he was going to be in the war in Europe.

The trip overseas from Boston was interesting, to say the least. It was so crowded on their Navy transport ship that the soldiers' bunks were stacked five high. "I volunteered for KP (Kitchen Police, working the mess area) so I could eat whatever I wanted and get plenty!" Warnings of enemy submarine attacks were frequent and unnerving, and almost everyone was seasick most of the time.

Once across the "Pond", Fred's duties centered around supply support at Manchester, England. "One day while we were carousing in Picadilly (London), the hotel we were staying at blew up! A buzz bomb hit it!"

Fred next went to France to work in the motor pool and supply support. His travels took him to Utah Beach, Normandy, Aachen, Germany, and to the Allied Forces headquarters in Paris. In Paris he acquired another new job: "I became the driver for an Engineer Major. We went all around, to Belgium, Holland, Netherlands, and Germany. If he didn't feel that my quarters were adequate, he'd have me grab his bedroll, and he'd put me in his room."

"I guess I was his bodyguard, too. I always carried a Thompson machine gun and a .45 automatic pistol."

For most of the war, Fred drove for the Major. After Bastogne (The Battle of the Bulge), with the war almost over, Fred had a number of different assignments while still driving for his Major. It had been a long, difficult trek. "New Year's Eve in 1945 a band marched through my room and I didn't even know it...and I didn't care!"

"I also got to Berlin with my Major (in a Command and Recon car) with several duffle bags full of cigarettes where I sold them to some Russian soldiers and made a couple hundred dollars for each carton."

In 1946 with the war over, Fred went home with the rank of Tech Corporal (E-4), signed up with the Army to be an inactive reservist, and eventually tried out studying accounting at business schools in Saginaw, Michigan and went to work for the National Biscuit Com-

pany in Chicago and other cities. "But, first I went back to finish up my apprenticeship as an undertaker at Michigan College of Mortuary, which later became Wayne State University in Detroit. Then, lo and behold, Korea! I was reactivated from my inactive status and sent to Ft. Hood, Texas."

From '51 to '55 he served in Fontainebleau, France as his outfit's Supply Sergeant. To catch up on the ways and means the Army operated during his absence, Fred went to every school and training session that became available. His attitude and devotion to performing the best he could all duties assigned him did not go unnoticed.

To begin with, "I was going to be assigned to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington, D.C. I was fine with the honor of being chosen for this duty, but it was just not for me. I called in a favor I was owed to get out of the assignment. I didn't want to be in the cold."

"Then a colonel I had worked with said he wanted me in his company," so again Fred was off to new adventures. In 1957 and into 1958 he participated in maneuvers in Korea, and he was honored for his accomplishments. "I finally got my medal for Korea the other day in the mail!" Fred said he didn't know exactly how many ribbons and awards he has received over the course of his career, but he said there were "three or four rows" of them on his uniform.

With a promotion to E-6 (Staff Sergeant), Fred was then sent to Fort Sam Houston, at San Antonio, Texas, as a supply sergeant with a medical brigade.

In 1962 he met, then married an Air Force widow, but in time he had to suffer when she passed away from an illness after 30 years of marriage.

From Fort Sam he saw duty in Florida and had involvement with the controversial Bay of Pigs fiasco, although he never actually went to Cuba.

In 1968 Fred found himself at the Presidio in San Francisco when he decided to retire from active duty. He had spent most of his colorful, 23 year-long career in supply in countries around the world, and he had many accomplishments to be proud of. Not bad for a lad who could barely see! He had been pro-

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Frederick William Poppeck, Jr.

moted to E-8 (First Sergeant), and came within a whisker of being promoted to E-9 (Sergeant Major), the highest enlisted rank attainable.

Before trading his bunk and barracks for a home in sunny, beautiful Costa Mesa, Fred had had the foresight to take and pass the Post Office exam. Fortune favors the well-prepared: After retirement Fred stepped right into a truck-driving job for the Newport Beach Postmaster. His beat was in the Fashion Island area, a far cry from the many hardship locations he had endured while in the Army. But his military career wasn't quite over yet!

Fred was nagged by the fact that he hadn't reached the pinnacle of Army success, the E-9 rating he had barely missed getting before retiring, so he re-enlisted for the last time. He served from '68 to '69 in Japan and Vietnam, but still no E-9!

On Halloween Day, 2003 he married



Fred Poppeck, always a smile



Joy Wolfe Poppeck, feisty. Her favorite expression, "I've been young a long, long time."



Fred and Joy

Joy Wolfe, the "most lovable woman that God ever made" and finally settled down to pursue other interests: Joy, stamp and coin collecting, and ...oh, yes, BOWLING! He and Joy are Monday Casino and senior league regulars, and every ball thrown by each of them is meticulously recorded for future reference.

Fred and Joy are pure delights to all fortunate enough to know them. They are clearly a happy, energetic couple who are thoroughly enjoying their golden years together. Fred's hearing isn't what it used to be, but his sense of humor and pure love of life more than

make up for the ravages of time. The Fountain Pin is proud of Fred, not only for the kind of person he is now, but for all he has done so well for our United States for so many years.

By the way, you sometimes catch a glimpse of his temper coming out when he misses the 10 pin, but he utters no disparaging words (that we can hear!) because, above all else, he is a true gentleman, through and through, and a pleasure to know.

Article by John and Dee Ransom



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Special Olympics

We wish to thank Pepsi Cola for supplying snacks and drinks for the bowlers, staff, coaches and volunteers, and we wish to thank the Knights of Columbus for supplying sack lunches and drinks in a tent erected in the east side of the parking lot.

Saturday October 29, 2005, Fountain Bowl resounded with shouts of glee and laughter. The Special Olympics State Tournament was held in the center. Special Olympians bowled and vied for awards for their efforts. Between the first and second squads, the individuals adjourned to a tent that was erected in the eastern side of the parking lot, and ate a lunch packed and donated by the University of California, Fullerton. After sandwiches, chips, cookies and juice were consumed, the awards were presented to the participants of the first



squad.

After the second squad finished, they also adjourned to the tent and awaited their awards ceremony.

Becky White, in charge of the tournament, praised Fountain Bowl and the



Becky White

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Special Olympics

Ambassadors for their help with the tournament. All in all, the Olympians enjoyed themselves and were an inspiration to watch.

This was a special occasion for a pair of Olympians, Don and Becky Roper. In November they move to New Mexico. Don has been bowling in the Special Olympics program since 1974. Becky has been bowling in it since 1979. Don and Becky have been married 19 years and informed the author of this article that they are looking forward to this move with huge expectations.



Top-Denise Torres, bottom left-Raquel Rodrigues and Alexe Morris



Friday check in.



Another group of Olympians from Lucerne Valley



Standing, a Fountain Valley Police Department Explorer. Several helped the extremely handicapped in wheelchairs requiring "one on one" help.



Gayle Vartanian, a Pacific Life "Good Guy"

Goodbye to The Gold Crown Pro Shop

We have to say Goodbye to Danny and Celeste Lim, the proprietors of the pro shop located behind lanes 9 and 10. They have decided to "call it quits" and are retiring. November 19 was the final day of the Gold Crown Pro Shop at Fountain Bowl.

Danny and Celeste are moving to Oregon and settling in a little cottage located in the wilds, and next to a golf course so Danny can enjoy his new hobby.

Celeste has agreed to teach a quilting class in their new community.

For the last twenty years their help with new and old bowlers has been an inspiration for us and Fountain Bowl. Their bowling clinics have introduced many of us to the intricacies of form and the technicalities of the lanes and balls that have helped many of us to become good, if not better bowlers.

We will sorely miss them and their association with Fountain Bowl.

Enjoy!!!!





**WEEK TEN:
HOSTED BY FOUNTAIN BOWL
JANUARY 10-15, 2006**

PBA DICK WEBER OPEN PRO-AM

TUESDAY, JAN. 10

SATURDAY, JAN. 14

PBA DICK WEBER OPEN SCHEDULE AND TICKET PRICING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2006

A SQUAD PRACTICE SESSION 11:00AM - 1:00PM

B SQUAD PRACTICE SESSION 3:00PM - 5:00PM

SPECTATOR \$10

FAB 5 PRO-AM 6:00PM
(SEE BOWLING CENTER FOR DETAILS)

SPECTATOR \$10

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2006

A SQUAD QUALIFYING (BLOCK 1) 8:00AM - 11:00AM

B SQUAD QUALIFYING (BLOCK 1) 11:00AM - 2:00PM

BLOCK 1 ADMISSION \$15

A SQUAD QUALIFYING (BLOCK 2) 4:00PM - 7:00PM

B SQUAD QUALIFYING (BLOCK 2) 7:00PM - 10:00PM

BLOCK 2 ADMISSION \$15

ALL DAY PASS \$25

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2006

B SQUAD QUALIFYING (BLOCK 3) 8:00AM - 11:00AM

A SQUAD QUALIFYING (BLOCK 3) 1:00PM - 4:00PM

BLOCK 3 ADMISSION \$15

ROUND ROBIN MATCH PLAY (BLOCK 1) 6:00PM - 10:00PM **\$15**

ALL DAY PASS \$25

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2006

ROUND ROBIN MATCH PLAY (BLOCK 2) 11:00AM - 3:00PM **\$20**

ROUND ROBIN MATCH PLAY (BLOCK 3) 6:00PM - 10:00PM **\$25**

ALL DAY PASS \$35

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2006

PRO-AM NOON & 4:00PM

ALL DAY PASS \$10

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2006

LIVE ESPN FINALS 10:00AM - 11:30AM (PST)

FINALS \$15, \$25, \$40, \$60

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SPORTS PARTICIPATION TRENDS 2004

102 CATEGORIES OF SPORTS AND RECREATIONS
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THE LAST 6 YEARS!

BOWLING IS ONE OF THE 24!
+ 6%

COMPARE TO:

ALL MINUS

GOLF	-14.1%
SKIING	-18.3%
SNOWMOBILING	-27.3%
FISHING	-13.7%
ROLLER SKATING (2x2)	-24.7%
ROLLER SKATING (IN LINE)	-45.8%
BILLIARDS/POOL	- 8.3%

Plus!

According to the 2003-04 High School Athletics Participation Survey conducted by the National Federation of State High School Associations, 2998 schools offered bowling either at the varsity or club level last season, with more than 34,000 students competing. Bowling had the greatest increase in the number of schools in 2003-04 as an additional 291 – including 196 at the varsity level – offered the sport.

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