

## HALL OF FAME

The Hall of Fame is intended to perpetuate the names of those who have displayed outstanding bowling ability and/or have contributed, through meritorious service, to the general welfare of the game of American Tenpins in the jurisdiction of the GDMUSBC.

The Association shall serve as the Board of the GDMUSBC Hall of Fame. The Board shall oversee the Hall of Fame in a manner to assure an active organization.

Eligibility, for consideration into the Hall of Fame shall be a combination of accumulated points totaling 50. Points are accumulated based upon a candidate's age and time bowling in leagues sanctioned by the Association. One point is awarded for each year of age and one for each year bowling in sanctioned leagues in the Association. Time spent in Youth Bowling leagues is also awarded a point for each year.

Once eligibility requirements have been met, a bowler may be considered in one of the following categories:

**BOWLING ABILITY:** Any candidate in this category must have demonstrated outstanding achievements in league play and/or tournament play in the Association. They may also have made contributions through meritorious service to the game of American Tenpins.

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE:** Any candidate considered in this category has generally contributed to the advancement of bowling through administrative or organizational work. Such work may include substantial time as a league officer of leagues and other volunteer work in assisting with leagues, tournaments or other duties.

**SENIOR:** This category is intended to provide an avenue for consideration of those persons who may have been an outstanding bowler in the years prior to the current era of very high averages and numerous honor scores. Such candidates may have also served bowling in other ways such as a league officer.

**POSTHUMOUS:** A candidate in this category is deceased but could have been considered in any one of the other categories, if still living.

Nominations for candidates are solicited by the Nominating Committee from any league member of the Association or from the spouse or family of such member. Each nomination shall be in letter form outlining the merits of the person under consideration. Such information should be as detailed as possible, outlining special accomplishments, or longevity in officer capacity, and containing corresponding dates, if available. Candidate may be submitted for posthumous consideration, giving a full account of the candidates post bowling accomplishments.

The Association Hall of Fame Board must consider the nominations submitted by the nominating committee and vote after considering the merits of each nomination. To be elected into the Hall of Fame, a candidate must receive 75% affirmative vote of the votes cast. If a letter of nomination is not approved for nomination into the Hall of Fame in its' initial year, such letter is held over for consideration the next year. After consideration the second year, and if not approved, a new letter of nomination must be submitted to receive further consideration. Suitable awards shall be presented to candidates elected into the Hall of Fame and such awards shall be presented with fitting ceremony by the chairman of the Hall of Fame committee at the Awards banquet in May of each year. In the case of posthumous awards, such awards shall be presented to the nearest of kin at the ceremony.