

--- Chuck Wilson ---

Chuck is being inducted for his meritorious service to the sport of bowling in Elkhart and the State of Indiana.

His involvement in local bowling started when he was 13 years old. For over 40 years he has given to the game in many ways.

Included in those contributions, were being a Youth program coach for over 30 years as well as serving on the Indiana State Youth Board as Director, VP and President between 1974-1978. He later continued as the ISUSBCYA Youth Director/Zone 8 Rep from approximately 2005-12.

Upon the inception of the local High School program in 1999, Chuck took on the responsibility of Conference Coordinator for the Michiana Central High School Conference until 2011. During that time he also coached the Elkhart Memorial ladies teams. His teams were always very competitive, perennially finishing among the State's best.

After spending the better part of 25 years working part-time at Country Club Lanes, Chuck became co-proprietor of CCL for 10 years. While there, he organized and ran local Youth Scholarship Tournaments as well as hosting a few TKO scholarship tour stops. As he also encouraged local youth to compete in these type events across the state, he obtained a Motor Home to insure transport for those youth bowlers interested in doing so. This was affectionately known as the "Chuck Wagon"... As a proprietor he was an annual sponsor of our City Tournaments for those 10 years.

In his adult leagues Chuck served as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Merit League for 5 years as well as serving as VP or President in many of his other leagues.

He was also an accomplished bowler. In addition to being a member of the Country Club Lanes Championship Team in the 2002 City Tournament, he also won individual titles in the 1994-95 Michiana Bowlers Association's season ending tournament and an annual CCL's "best of the best" in-house tournament. In winning the MBA event he was named their Comeback Bowler of the Year.

Some of Chuck's other accomplishments include bowling in the ABC/USBC Nationals 34 consecutive years, 5-300 games, 1-800 series and averaging over 200 for 20 plus seasons posting a high average of 227 in 2005.