Youth bowlers set torrid pace on and off lanes

Four youth bowlers from AMF Marlow Heights recently have accomplished a great deal on and off of the lanes.

Lamont Pearson Jr. of Bryans Road, Md.; Dominique Thompson of Upper Marlboro; Brandon Lowe of Severn, Md.; and Waldorf's Victoria Briana Bush came from behind in the standings to capture first place in the Platinum Division of the Silver Hill Strikers league.

The foursome, coached by Lamont Bush, also won the TNBA Eastern Region Tournament in Baltimore, where they earned a trip last month to the TNBA National Tournament in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Appearing as the youngest team ever to compete for the national title, "Silver Hill Strikers #16," representing the Greater Washington Bowling Senate, performed admirably but fell a bit short and placed second.

Below is some biographical information about these up-and-coming stars on the lanes and in the classroom.



Victoria Briana Bush, 17, is in the 11th grade at North Point High School. She has bowled for 11 years, and her hobbies include drawing, basketball, reading, and play-

ing video games. As a result other hard work, Victoria has improved her grade point average to 3.75. She also qualified for, and participated in, the 2008 Junior Gold Tournament in Detroit. In the 2009 NCAUSBCA Youth Championship Tournament, she placed fifth in All Events and seventh in Singles. Victoria plans to attend college and become a graphic designer or artist.



Brandon Lowe is 15 and in grade 10 at Old Mill High School (3.25 GPA). He has bowled for 11 years, and his hobbies include singing and tennis. As a member of the

Anne Arundel County Mass Choir, he had the opportunity to sing for the Governor of Maryland. He also tied for fifth in the 2006 NCAUSBCA Youth Scratch Invitational Tournament. Brandon's future



Accompanied in the center by their coach, Lamont Bush, (from left), Brandon Lowe, Victoria Briana Bush, Lamont Pearson Jr., and Dominique Thompson proudly display their hardware for their remarkable second-place finish in the finals of the TNBA National Tournament.

goals are to study music in college and own his own business.



Dominique Thompson, 14, is in the ninth grade at Oxon Hill High School and enjoys baseball, video games, flying remote control airplanes, flying on flight simula-

tor, and playing board games. A 4.0 student, he was a member of the P.G. County baseball All-Star team for two consecutive years. He is also a member of JROTC, where he received the Outstanding Cadet Award. Recently on the lanes, he won the Singles and All Events divisions in the NCAUSBCA Youth Championship Tournament and finished 11th in the B Division of the NCAUSBCA Youth Scratch Invitational. Dominique's goals are to graduate from college with a degree in aviation and become a commercial pilot for USAirways or Southwest.



Lamont Pearson Jr. is 13 and in the seventh grade at Matthew Henson Middle School (3.5 GPA). He has bowled since the age of three, and, in addition to bowling, enjoys

playing the Wii. Lamont is on his school's Honor Roll and won a Citizenship award. In addition, he placed sixth in this year's Invitational, won a MAYBE Tournament, and was the "Mini-Bio" subject in the February/March 2009 edition of *BOWL Magazine.* Lamont's goals are to become a professional bowler or an architect.

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