

Over \$4,200 raised at BVL Kickoff

Bowlers raised \$4,204.26 for the BVL (Bowlers to Veterans Link) Kickoff campaign for 2003-2004 November 1 at Fort Belvoir Bowling Center.



Carol Gauthier

NCABA's Bill Grover raised a total of \$800.56 to lead all participants, including \$610 on a per-pin pledge of \$1.06. WDCAWBA's Carol Gauthier topped the distaff side with \$647 in total pledges.

Other NCABA officials on the lanes included Tim Bailey (\$497 in total pledges), Lee Johnson (\$423.80), Harry Mundrick (\$241.16), Mark Bennett (\$168.36), Richard Anderson (\$122.66), Ray Brothers (\$113.49), Larry "Bud" Smith (\$72.41), Julius Prince (\$41.65), Will Marchanyvalentin (\$40), Noel Dysart (\$35.35), Ralph Hayward (\$26), Ron Holton (\$20), Carl W. Kilby, Harry Kline, Bob Lewis, and Darron Mayes (\$10), and Earl Hickerson.

The WDCAWBA field also included Wendy Bruce, who opened the event by singing the National Anthem and raised \$115, Barbara Vaughan (\$78.92), plus Jane Andrews, Zee Hickerson, and Helen Toms (\$10).

After the bowling, a total of \$151 was removed from a huge plastic water bottle that collected funds from the various individual and group "challenges" that occurred during the event.

Meanwhile, Harry Kline led the NCABA contingent in scoring with a 621 series on games of 189-227-205, while Anita Barila topped WDCAWBA bowlers with 560 and husband Ted Barila's 607 was high for the veterans.

In 1942, the sport of bowling organized BVL and made a promise to our nation's military men and women – we won't forget them. Since then, that commitment has been cemented with more than \$30 million to support hundreds of recreational and therapeutic programs and services for active duty military, veterans, and their families.

Once again this season, NCABA and WDCAWBA will unite in an attempt to lead the nation in BVL association pledges for the ninth time in 10 years. Bowlers are requested to "dig deeply" when association officials visit their center.