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ALDEN "ANDY" ANDERSON

BUDDY ENGLEMAN



*Class
of
2012*



BOBBY HALL SR.

RICHARD "RICK" PARKER

Hall of Fame “Class of 2012” includes Anderson, Engleman, Hall Sr., and Parker

Four to be inducted October 6 at Rosecroft Raceway

Alden “Andy” Anderson’s interest in the sport of bowling started when he joined the Air Force at age 17, participating in his first league at 18. Bowling was an integral part of his 21½-year military career, where he served as a league president and secretary-treasurer, captained the 1979 Ellsworth AFB base championship team and was the secretary for the Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota Bowling Association from 1977-1979.



Andy’s final Air Force assignment was to the Pentagon, which brought him to this area in July 1980. He was responsible for running the Saturday youth program at Rinaldi’s Shirley Park in Arlington,

where his own three children learned to bowl. When he and his family moved from Arlington to Falls Church in early 1983, his children began bowling at Bowl America Falls Church, where he was a coach for the youth Senior League from 1983-1990.

At Falls Church, he has been the league secretary for the Tuesday Mixed Nuts and the Friday Late Sparetimers leagues and served as president of the Club 55 League. In 1985, Andy was elected secretary for the Falls Church Commercial League, a position he still holds today. He prepares an eight-page weekly standing sheet from a computer bowling program he wrote and posts the standing sheets on *bowling.com*. At the end of each league season, he publishes an [end-of-year summary](#) of over 20 pages for the Commercial League, which includes 30 years of records and league history. It has appeared on *ncausbca.org* for the past several years.

Andy has sponsored several local bowlers in their quest for bowling professionally on the national level, including fellow Hall of Famers Rich Wolfe and Lisa Rand.

He was a director on the Nation’s Capital Area Bowling Association board for several years in the mid-1990s. He served on the Technology Committee and was responsible for posting all Championship Tournament scores bowled at the end of each day so that the most up-to-date information was available for the participants. Andy served as lane director for Falls Church, which included representing the association at center jamborees, presenting awards, and collecting donations for the BVL Fund.

Before the creation of USBC, Andy played a major role in converting the former WDCAWBA’s computer system to the new WinLABS software. This included converting the data from the

previous system, setting up the local awards program profiles in the system, working with the WinLABS project team in Wisconsin to resolve software problems, and recommending improvements in the initial WinLABS functionality that were later implemented in future software releases. He wrote a computer routine that took an output file from WinLABS and converted it to a list of men’s and women’s high scores in a format that was compatible for publication in *BOWL Magazine* (for which also he has authored two articles). Andy continued to provide this report to the publication through 2008.

His work took him out of the area for several years, and he was unable to continue to serve on the association board. However, when in town he was the first to volunteer many hours assisting the local associations, in processing sanctions and awards.

As he approached age 60, Andy joined the Professional Bowlers Association. Over the past six years, he has enjoyed bowling in both regional and national senior tournaments, cashing in 10 of them.

He has bowled in 30 consecutive ABC/USBC Championship Tournaments. He has four certified perfect games and a high average of 219. His top series is 825, which included 27 consecutive strikes and games of 258, 300, and 267.

Alden “Andy” Anderson has volunteered many hours and provided expert technical advice to the local associations over the past 18-plus years and continues to do so today. He is an excellent addition to the NCAUSBCA Hall of Fame.

Buddy Engleman has been a top-notch bowler in our area since the 1960s and has averaged over 200 for more than 30 years. In the association’s first official ranking (for the 1966-67 season), he missed appearing in the “Top 10” by a mere fractional pin (.122). Since then, he has been ranked in the “Top 10” eight times: 1967-68 – 6th; 1968-69 – 4th; 1969-70 – 9th; 1971-72 – 9th; 1973-74 – 5th; 1976-77 – 4th; 1980-81 – 2nd; and 1982-83 – 7th.



Furthermore, in a [document](#) prepared by future Hall of Famer Chuck Gannon Jr. that was published in the October 1972 issue of *BOWL Magazine*, Buddy placed third in a composite average book

listing among the top 55 bowlers who competed in at least one league for the 10-season period of 1960-61 to 1969-70.

Buddy won Association Tournament titles in consecutive years, capturing the Classic Division Doubles with Bob McKee in 1968 and then scoring 694 to lead his “Mario’s Italian Groceries” fivesome to the 1969 Classic Division Team crown. (Incidentally, Buddy’s team placed second in both the 1968 Association Tournament and the 1967 American Bowling Congress Championships in Miami, Fla.)

After winning the 1971 Maryland Men’s Open, he represented the state in the U.S. Open in St. Paul, Minn.

Buddy still competes in several area leagues and currently carries a “book” average of 216. His highest average the previous five seasons has been 223 (2010-11), 217 (2009-10, 2008-09, and 2006-07) and 216 (2007-08). He has multiple Honor Score awards to his credit, with his latest 300 game rolled during the 2011 summer season.

He has been a good ambassador for bowling and has exhibited great sportsmanship through the years. In 1970, he supported youth bowling by teaming with future Hall of Famers Elmer Breeden, Mike Hahn, and Larry O’Neill in an exhibition match against the area’s top junior bowlers. Three years earlier, he was asked and agreed to bowl with a team that included Breeden and another future Hall of Famer, Jim Robinette, in a special match against other top area bowlers in front of a large crowd of spectators at Fair Lanes Wheaton Plaza for the benefit of Muscular Dystrophy.

Many area bowlers who have competed against Buddy Engleman have long believed that he belongs in the Nation’s Capital Area USBC Association Hall of Fame. This omission exists no longer, and he is a superb addition to it.



In the early 1970s, Bobby joined the Professional Bowlers Association and traveled the tour sporadically while maintaining his position as a government corrections officer. He learned about a variety of lane conditions and other aspects of the game, roomed with future PBA Hall of Famer Barry Asher, picked up a few prize checks, and even qualified for match play. It was overall, he said upon reflection, a “very nice experience.”

Returning home in 1974, Bobby used some of that experience to fulfill his promise and take home the champion’s trophy that summer in the MWBPA Invitational Singles. He proved that victory was no fluke four years later when he returned to the winner’s circle. It is believed he and two other Hall of Famers, Jim Robinette and Larry O’Neill, are the only individuals who won more than one Invitational title.

Bobby continued to compete in top area leagues and occasional PBA events, mainly those of the regional variety. He also spent significant time helping to develop the bowling game of his son, Bobby II.

His last major spotlight event occurred at the 2007 PBA Senior (Bowl America) Manassas Open when he qualified for the Round of 16 and created a buzz among the spectators during a most exciting opening match before falling in four games to the eventual champion, PBA Hall of Famer David Ozio.

Bobby Hall Sr. demonstrated on the lanes that he is one of the best bowlers this area has ever seen. He is an outstanding addition to the NCAUSBCA Hall of Fame.

Bobby Hall Sr. started bowling in the mid-1960s when he joined a league at Rinaldi’s Riggs Plaza to be with a friend with whom he had long been competitive who himself had joined

for the purpose of meeting a girl. A year later, Bobby captured a tournament sponsored by radio station WOOK, and the trophy he won that day truly sparked his interest in the sport, even while recognizing he had a lot to learn. *I can do this*, he constantly reminded himself.

A few years later, the prestigious MWBPA Invitational Singles, sponsored by the Metropolitan Washington Bowling Proprietors’ Association and featuring

the area’s best bowlers, had a qualifying round at Riggs Plaza. An African-American by the name of Earl Hickerson (a future Hall of Famer) caught Bobby’s eye, as did another left-hander, Joel Decker. Impressed and inspired by the bowling he was watching, Bobby walked over to friend Bobby Holmes and vowed to win this event one day.

In the meantime, Bobby continued to work on his game and started bowling in some of the area’s more competitive leagues, including the Virginia Masters, where his teams often finished high in the standings and where he topped the field one season with his 744 series.



Richard “Rick” Parker is a military veteran who has been an avid bowler since 1963. He bowled in several leagues, including one at Bowl America Silver Hill, where in the mid-

1980s he took over from George Yarborough the administrative duties of the Silver Hill Strikers League, in which his son, Sean, and daughter, Renee, learned how to bowl. Rick enjoyed watching the kids and youth bowling so much that he decided to become a youth coach—ultimately a Bronze Level coach—and he served as a coach in the league’s Prep division and as a coach director on the Vir-Mar District youth board.

After Bowl America Silver Hill closed in 1992, Rick refused to see the program fold and moved the league to Fair Lanes Clinton. The league was so big that he ran two shifts yet still had to turn away bowlers. As a result, after just one year in Clinton, he relocated the league to Fair Lanes (now AMF) Marlow Heights, its current home.

He remained in charge of the league until his “semi-retirement” in 2008. However, after assisting his replacement over the next two seasons, he again returned to the leadership position to stabilize the league.

In his leadership role, Rick boosts the self-esteem of less-confident bowlers, and he always sets the bar high for all bowl-



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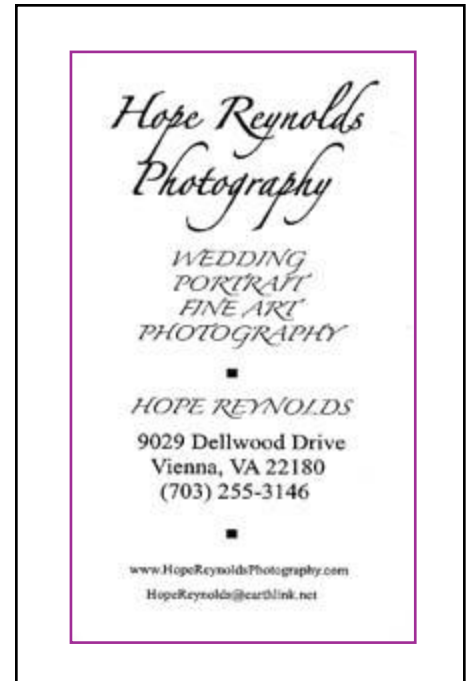
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ers and challenges them to reach their goals. He also encourages the more-talented bowlers to help those with low averages and urges youths who hope to attend college to apply for scholarships.

Rick also has long been responsible for introducing many youth bowlers to tournament competition at events such as the association's Youth Championship Tournament and Youth Invitational Scratch Singles. He even arranges for competitions outside of the area, including the TNBA Junior Eastern Regional and the Virginia State Tournament. For many of these events, Rick is involved in putting together schedules and organizing teams while always making sure to include all who wished to bowl, whatever their skill level, negotiating contracts with bus companies, and running fund-raisers to help lower costs to the bowlers. And when the price is still too high for some bowlers, Rick has been known to reach into his own pocket to assist.

Rick is known to quickly push aside any credit thrown his way for the having the area's largest youth league and usually the most tournament participants, not to mention the outstanding development of so many of these youth bowlers, both on and off of the lanes. He instead attributes any praise to his dedicated youth coaches, who through the years have volunteered faithfully, and to his administrative staff.

For his untiring and selfless service to youth bowling and youth bowlers, a special spot has been reserved for Richard "Rick" Parker in the NCAUSBCA Hall of Fame.



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