

# CINDI BLAIR-MCMANUS



**BIRTHDAY:** July 3

**CITY OF RESIDENCE:** Lorton, Virginia

**SOCIAL STATUS:** Married 21 years to Gil McManus ... two children

**EDUCATION:** Graduated from College of Charleston (S.C.) ... masters degree in chemical engineering from the University of Virginia

**CURRENT JOB:** Chemical engineer with the federal government

**EARLIEST BOWLING MEMORY:** I bowled with my husband at Fort Gordon in Georgia around 1990.

**BOWLING LEAGUES:** Friday Night Mixers at Fort Belvoir ... Belvoir Sport Trios summer league

**OTHER NOTABLE TOURNAMENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** 2003 Monmouth County (N.J.) singles champion ... 2003 New Jersey State doubles champion

**BEST PART OF MY GAME:** I'm content with it—it's not my job! I don't take it home with me.

**WORST PART OF MY GAME:** Spares, particularly on the left side

**BEST TACTIC I USE TO HANDLE PRESSURE:** I breathe and relax before taking the shot.

**SPARE-SHOOTER RATING (10 = best / 1 = worst):** 7

**IMPORTANCE OF BOWLING IN MY LIFE (10 = most / 1 = least):** 5

**MOST IMMEDIATE BOWLING GOAL:** Bowl a 300 game

**TOP INTEREST OUTSIDE OF BOWLING:** Quilting

**BIGGEST MISCONCEPTION ABOUT MYSELF:** I'm unapproachable

**FAMOUS LIVING PERSON I MOST ADMIRE:** President Barack Obama

**FAMOUS PERSON WHO MOST ANNOYS ME:** Sarah Palin

**MY ONE GUILTY PLEASURE:** I indulge in fabrics shopping to make quilts.

**FIRST THING I'D BUY IF I WON THE LOTTERY:** New home with a quilting studio

**STRANGE AND UNUSUAL FACT ABOUT ME:** My middle and ring fingers on my right hand can't flatten out.

**IF I HAD MORE TIME, I WOULD.....:** Do more piecing (quilting)

**THE ONE PLACE I WANT TO VISIT:** Hilton Head, S.C.

**VEHICLE I DRIVE:** 1990 Acura Integra

**FAVORITE MEAL:** Goat cheese and spiced pecan salad at Mike's American Restaurant in Springfield, Va.

**FAVORITE BEVERAGE:** Poland Spring Lime Sparkling Water

**FAVORITE TV SHOW:** "True Blood"

**FAVORITE MOVIE:** *The Color Purple*

**FAVORITE PLACE I'VE VISITED:** Charleston, S.C.

**MY MOST OVERUSED PHRASE:** *You understand?*

**PRODUCT FOR WHICH I'D LIKE TO BE SPOKESPERSON:** My BERNINA sewing machine

**TASK I HATE TO DO:** Clean the bathroom

**SUBJECT ABOUT WHICH I'D LIKE TO KNOW MORE:** Bowling!

**QUALITY I MOST ADMIRE IN MY FRIENDS:** Honesty

**THREE FAMOUS PEOPLE (LIVING OR DEAD) I'D INVITE TO MY HOME FOR DINNER:** Barack Obama, Bill Maher, and Michelle Obama

**NUMBER ONE PET PEEVE:** Rude and inconsiderate people

**ONE WORD THAT BEST DESCRIBES ME:** *Honest*

**BIGGEST PERSONAL FAILURE:** The subject of differential equations

**NOBODY KNOWS I'M GOOD AT:** Quilting

**SUPERSTITIONS:** I don't bowl with money in my pocket.

**MY HERO IN LIFE:** My maternal grandmother

**FAMOUS LIVING PERSON I'D LIKE TO BE FOR ONE DAY:** Lalah Hathaway

**MY MOST IRRATIONAL FEAR:** Getting hit by a car or some moving vehicle as a pedestrian

**TRAIT I MOST DEPLORE IN MYSELF:** Doubts—I often give myself less credit than I deserve.

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### **MY MOST TREASURED POSSESSIONS:**

My family and my quilts

### **MY GREATEST PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT:** Having my children

### **IF I COULD BE GRANTED ONE WISH:** Win the lottery!

**FUTURE PLANS:** Still with the federal government, perhaps in a supervisory position or as a senior federal employee

**PHILOSOPHY I LIVE BY:** Be content.

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*Cindi scored her first 700 series, a 706, en route to placing second in all events and third in singles in the 2011 NCAUSBCA Open Championship Tournament.*