

## CRITERIA FOR HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

The Hall shall be named the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame. Four members of the committee shall be named by the Southeast Michigan Bowling Centers Association and the remaining members by the President of the Metro Detroit USBC. Eight members, four men and four women, will be from the Metro Detroit USBC Association. Four from the press will be named (others if they are active bowling writers) along with a maximum of eight members at large. The at large members will be Hall of Fame members or individuals approved by the committee.

Nominations are submitted to the Metro Detroit USBC Association Manager who, in turn, will send copies of the applications to the Committee Members. Candidates are separated into Women's, Men's, Meritorious and Veteran's Categories. To be considered an individual must be at least 35 years of age at the time of the banquet, except in the Veteran's Category. Those individuals must be at least 55 years of age at the time of the banquet. A candidate must have an outstanding record in ABC/WIBC, USBC, State, City, Masters, Queens and other important bowling events. Nominees must have city, state or national title to be eligible in the Women's, Men's or Veteran's Category (performance based). Nominations must come from someone other than the candidate.

To be considered in the Women's, Men's and Veteran's Categories, individuals must have been a member of the local associations - Detroit Women's, Pontiac Women's, Greater Detroit, Greater Detroit Youth and/or Metro Detroit USBC for a minimum of ten years. This would include Canadian residents if members of one of the local associations.

To be eligible in the Meritorious Service Category an individual must have been involved in the promotion or administrative aspect of the game for a minimum of ten years.

Once a candidate has been on the ballot for seven (7) years without being elected the candidate will be removed from the ballot. The candidate can be re-submitted again after three (3) years.

If injury or illness has shortened his or her career, this is to be taken into consideration.

Candidates cannot be under suspension from the United States Bowling Congress at the time of consideration.

Additional criteria that should be used: Promotion of the game - Congeniality - Conduct on and off the lanes

When the committee meets the list in each category will be narrowed to the top five, either by discussion or vote if necessary. After the committee selects five names each member of the committee votes for all five (5-4-3-2-1 basis), with 70% needed to be inducted. If no one gets 70% the committee narrows it down to top three and votes again (3-2-1 basis) with 70% needed. If no one receives 70% the vote will be for the two (2-1 basis) with 70% approval still needed for induction.

If only one or two candidates the committee will first agree that they are worthy of consideration. If two are accepted for consideration the above policy will be used. If only one person is being considered committee will vote for or against and 70% approval is necessary.

**WATTS AWARD** - Given to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the promotion of bowling for at least five years. For approval an individual must receive a plurality vote of the members present. If a tie exists for the winner then an additional ballot will be required to break the tie.

**MCKAY AWARD** - To recognize an individual who has made major contributions to the advancement of bowling and the bowling industry during their lifetime. The same voting procedure as the Watts Award.

**PRYBYLA INDUSTRY AWARD** - Proprietor or someone in management that has contributed to the promotion of our game. The same voting procedure as the Watts and McKay awards.

The Hall of Fame banquet will be held between October 15<sup>th</sup> and Thanksgiving each year.