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President's Message

Tony DeFazio



Top O' the Morning to you all and Happy St Patrick's Day! I want to thank Leprechaun Jim Lee for repairing several benches that were in need of repair. Tip your hat to him, or give him a wink or better yet give him your pot of gold!

This weekend starts our club singles tournament. May the best Leprechaun win! Jackie Huisman has been hard at work organizing all three club tournaments so return the favor and get your games done in a timely fashion.

Next month is our 20th Annual Carnival. For all you new members, this is a fun way to get into tournaments. No pressure and no having to find your own team. Just pay your entry fee of \$20, choose your position and have a fun-filled day on three different draw teams. Stay afterwards and enjoy a lovely wine and cheese party. (We will be getting a permit). Applications can be found on line as well as the sandwich board.

I will be looking forward to our St Patrick's Day Party on Sunday the 15th. Hope you will all come out and enjoy some corned beef sandwiches! Coast League begins on the 27th and Holmby Park will be visiting, bowling and eating wonderful food with us on Saturday, March 28th at Long Beach. So mark your calendars.

We want to wish Candy DeFazio, Margi Rambo, Linda Roberts, and Reggie Banares GOOD LUCK at Tiger Bowls/China Open. Hopefully, those little Leprechauns can bring home a pot of gold. GO TEAM USA!

See you on the green! *Tony*

DRAW BOWLING

Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays

10 am & 1 pm

Wednesdays 6 pm

Please arrive at least 30 minutes before start time.

NOBODY'S DARLING

Up and down, walking, walking,
Often measuring, sometimes chalking;
Shifting mats - keeping score,
Thirty ends, maybe more;
Aching back - tired of limb,
Cheers for others, none for him,
Night draws on, darker, darker,
No one cares for he's the marker!

CONGRATULATIONS!

*2015 Winter League
3rd Place Champions*



Grant-Barry-Heidi-John



3/4	Wed	Gender Challenge Pairs (<i>Guys vs Gals</i>)	Long Beach
3/7	Sat	Mix-Match Vet-Novice Triples	Santa Anita
3/14	Sat	Don Goodrich Senior Triples (55+)	Sun City
3/15	Sun	St Patrick's Day (<i>Wear green or get pinched</i>)	Long Beach
3/18	Wed	SWWD Ladies' Day	Santa Anita
3/21	Sat	SWWD Australian Pairs (<i>women</i>)	Riverside
3/21-22	Sat-Sun	SWLBA SoCal Triples (<i>men</i>)	San Diego
3/28	Sat	Holmby Park LBC Visitation	Long Beach
3/29	Sun	SWWD Vet-Novice Triples (<i>women</i>)	Casta del Sol

MOVIE REVIEW

John Arbogast

Currently streaming on Netflix



Chef, under pressure from his employer, is unable to let his creative juices flow when he tries to change the menu. Because he is unable to change the menu, his life takes a turn for the worse when he's rated negatively by a celebrated food critic who visits the restaurant. When a squabble between the two of them goes viral on the Internet, he loses his job. His reputation is ruined and he is unable to find a job at another restaurant.

Chef's son convinces him to purchase a food truck and take a trip across the country regain his reputation as well as introduce his recipes. In the process, the son can spend quality time with his father during summer vacation.

As the name already might have hinted, this movie is, most of the time, about food. In addition to that you can find bits of a father-son relationship and the influence that social media (Twitter) has in daily life.

The way the food is shown to be prepared and decorated definitely makes you drool and arouses an immediate urge to eat something tasty. (That happened for me). Do not see this film on an empty

stomach. Food is lovingly shot and used to great effect. Meats, spices, fruit, sweets and so on, are given screen time most actors would kill for.

The role of Chef is played by Jon Favreau. His son Percy is played by Emjay Anthony. The cameo from Robert Downey Jr provides a good, fun moment. Dustin Hoffman does his role to perfection making sure you hate his character in the little screen time he had.

To paraphrase The Most Interesting Man in the World: "I don't always review movies, but when I do, it's a damn decent one." It was a genuine pleasure to watch this film. The cast were superb and all looked like they were genuinely having a good time together. I left the theater feeling happy without having been overwhelmed by action. I would thoroughly recommend this film to cheer up the most miserable soul.



Trailer: www.youtube.com/watch?v=wgFws3AoIUy



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MYSTERY MEMBER



Can you guess this month's Mystery Member?

(To be revealed next month.)

Submit your childhood photo to Scott Boyd for future publications.



February Mystery Member

Greg Goltart
Age 6 – Manila, Philippines

In 1956 my father was a professor at the University of Manila. We sometimes ate at the U.S. Naval Officer's Club. When entering the club there was an "L shape" of eight slot machines. It was my custom to run down the line and pull every handle. I could not put money in...I was too short. One day, on the last machine, I just pulled the handle and hit the jackpot. My first camera, around my neck in this photo, was purchased with the winnings. We were henceforth banned from the club.

Good Bowls & Good Luck!

Team 

Candy DeFazio	Aaron Zangl
Regina Banares	Brian Stewart
Linda Roberts	George Ralston Jr
Margi Rambo	Clay Nolde

2015 Tiger Bowls/China Tour
Hong Kong & Shenzhen, China
March 13-19

News from the
GREENS COMMITTEE

Stephanie Johnson

The greens are waking up from the dormant season. We are going to start giving the greens their first dose of fertilizers this month. We will also start verticutting and planing all three greens. This is the time we start the cycle of non-stop tournaments for 2015.

Thanks to Candy and Stephanie for moving the markers on the center green. South green markers will be moved the first week in March. Markers are moved every four to five month to prevent traffic wear on the greens. We are thinking of new ways to move markers on the greens. Sun City, Arizona, uses a magnetic type marker that sounds like what we need for our club. We could use this easy method and change rink boundaries every month. This could help to prevent worn out areas and keep those nasty uneven ridges from forming on the greens.

Happy Birthday

Gail Aden	Mar	1
Morris Jolly	Mar	1
Reggie Rook	Mar	3
Joe Schromen	Mar	5
Laurent Despins	Mar	12
George Godwin	Mar	12
Jason Flores	Mar	12
Robert Busciglio	Mar	14
Joel Fruehan	Mar	19
Eileen Wood	Mar	23
Steve Alessi	Mar	27
José Miller	Mar	29



WHEN I'M NOT BOWLING

John Arbogast



Outside of bowling we all have a life that engages each of us in various hobbies, activities or interesting endeavors. For the past ten years I have been involved with a non-profit organization known as the Young Artist Awards. Ten years ago I met the founder of the organization, Maureen Dragone, when she was signing books at a book store. Her mother was the cofounder of the Golden Globes and Maureen, until her death two years ago, had a standing invitation to attend each event. She was also the senior member of the Hollywood Foreign Press in the LA area.

During my talk with Maureen, my previous law enforcement experience came up and she asked me if I would like to organize security for her annual Young Artist Awards shows. I had never heard of the organization before, but I said I would look into it. As it turned out, Maureen started the YAA 36 years ago to recognize the outstanding achievements of young actors in the fields of Motion Pictures and Television. She was so angry when Ricky Schroder never received an award for his performance in THE CHAMP, she wanted to make sure that kids received their own awards. The first YAA show was the year after THE CHAMP was released.

After attending the first few shows I came to realize how important her mission was and how the child actors were so positive and enthusiastic about having their own awards show. I soon was offered a position on the Executive Committee, which I am still a part of. In this role, I am responsible for maintaining and operating the Twitter account for YAA and currently have over 28,000 followers. Many of you that know me, hear my "frog" croaking frequently while I am bowling. I am constantly getting messages/questions seeking information about the YAA from the actors, parents, or those in the Industry.

The followers are made up of actors, agents, publicists, motion picture studios and a few celebrities; the most famous being Ellen DeGeneres. Each evening, I spend two to three hours on Twitter communicating with followers. If an actor has a new TV series or a movie coming out, I

will help that actor by promoting his/her performance so he/she can get publicity for their upcoming movie/show. I also help to promote musical videos of young entertainers by posting their videos to my followers, hopeful that they might get "discovered."

Starting in March each year, actors or their agents, send in submissions to the YAA. The age range for the actors is 5 to 21. A submission is a brief clip of the actors work during the current calendar year. It could be from a movie they were in or a TV show they appeared in, or even Live Theater. Submissions are accepted up to December 31.

Then the nominating committee, which I am a part of, reviews the submissions and narrows the field down to the finalists for various categories. Usually we have four or five finalists in each category. In January, the Executive Committee members receive a ballot with the final nominees. Each member of the Committee is allowed to vote. The votes are then tallied by an accounting firm. Nobody knows the winners until they are announced at the Annual YAA Show.

Each year in March we hold an annual show at a major hotel in LA and hundreds of young actors, their parents and agents attend the show. There is a Red Carpet for the actors to walk, and there is local press/TV coverage. There is a very nice meal served followed by the Awards show. At that time, the winners are announced and they receive a Young Artist Award trophy. The show usually lasts three hours.

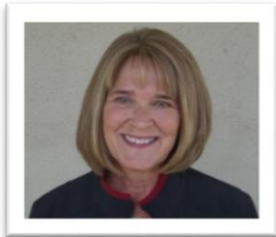
Winners have their name listed on the Internet Movie Database under "awards". . . Receiving a YAA award is quite an accomplishment in the acting industry. It can help them land roles in other movies or TV shows. www.youngartistawards.org

The next show will be on March 15 this year. If you are interested in attending, the tickets start at \$250. Even the nominees have to pay, but it is a night to remember for these talented young actors. They fly in from all over the USA/CANADA/EUROPE . . . it is quite an honor.

*Members are encouraged to contribute a story for WHEN I'M NOT BOWLING or PLACES I'VE TRAVELED columns for publication in *The Write Shot*.*

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Meet Our New Members



Donna Snyder



Greg Pike

Etiquette

- Never applaud lucky shots – accept them graciously.
- Never complain about lucky bowls – they tend to equal out over time.
- Do not say “thanks” for a bad shot that goes your way.
- Admit a “fluke” in good spirit.

International etiquette policy:
It is considered poor etiquette to "ride" an opposition player's bowl.

In other words – do not talk to your opponents' bowls.

A Rose Garden History



When you stroll by the kitchen rose garden and see the stone marker in the center you might have asked yourself, “Who was John D. Roller anyhow?” John Dean Roller and his wife, Verne Bowbeer Roller, were both former Long Beach lawn bowlers who were particularly active in the 1970s. Together the couple established the rose garden using all patented roses. Many of these roses were grown from cuttings that were cultivated by Verne, who operated a nursery along with her brother, George Bowbeer. As Ernie Allfie remembers him, John was a good caretaker and lawn bowler.

According to his brother-in-law, Bo Bowbeer (still a member of our club), John joined the club after he retired from his job as a Sunshine Cookie salesman. Bo remembers working in the rose garden too because it became a family affair. Sadly, John collapsed on our green while playing a game of bowls and died. Not a bad way to go if you think about it! Subsequently, the stone marker was installed as a memorial to the man who kept such beautiful roses for everyone to enjoy. Since that time many roses have been added and subtracted to all three rose gardens. Rose caretakers have come and gone but the beauty of the rose garden lives on for all of our members to enjoy.



Law 25 Marking a Toucher

- 25.1 A toucher should be marked with chalk by a member of the team that delivered the bowl or the marker as soon as it comes to rest.
- 25.2 If, in the opinion of either skip or opponent or the marker, a toucher comes to rest in a position in which marking it would be likely to move the bowl or alter the head, the bowl should not be marked but nominated as a toucher instead.



CONGRATULATIONS!

South Central Division Open
2/7-2/12 ~ Sun City, AZ

Women's Fours

4th Championship Flight

Cheryl Barkovich, Eileen Morton, **Margi Rambo**, Christine Collins



Women's Pairs

1st Second Flight

Candy DeFazio
Eileen Lancendorfer



2nd Second Flight

Regina Banares
Dee McSparran



1st Second Flight

Regina Banares, **Dee McSparran**, **Eileen Lancendorfer**, **Candy DeFazio**



1st Third Flight

Kim Heiser, Sue Roth



Women's Singles



1st Second Flight



Carol Poto

1st Third Flight Challenge



Eileen Lancendorfer

1st Fourth Flight Challenge



Candy DeFazio

CLUB TOURNAMENTS 2015

PAIRS – TRIPLES

- Whites NOT required.
- Collars NOT required.
- USLBA rules do apply ~ unlimited dead ends.
- Footwear must be flat-soled and heelless.
(No sandals without heel straps & no bare feet.)
- Cost is \$5.00 per person and must be paid prior to playing and paid to Jackie Huisman.
- With Pairs & Triples – monies must be paid to the SKIP and the Skip is responsible for turning in the monies to Jackie Huisman.
- Check in time: 8:30 A.M. and after announcements Playing shall commence.
- If you cannot play on these dates listed below, then please do not sign up. Check your calendars – mark it ahead of time.
- Anyone or any team that does not show up – forfeits.
- All monies will be paid out at the Christmas Party.

PAIRS will be “round robin” for the first game with SINGLE elimination – playing 14 ends – keep track of total points – second game will be winner playing against winner – if there is a tie – the extra points come into play.

Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4

TRIPLES will “round robin” for the first game with SINGLE elimination – playing 14 ends – keep track of total points – second game will be winner playing against winner – if there is a tie – the extra points come into play.

Monday, May 11 and Tuesday, May 12

NO substitutes allowed after the first game. Prior to the first game – if someone has to drop out, then the team must find someone that can complete all games, or you forfeit.

GOOD LUCK AND HAVE FUN!!