

The 2017 City Tournament was dedicated to: Dar Koops



President Grams with Dar

Dar has been bowling on the same league for almost 50 years, starting in 1971. He has served as President of the Tuesday Nite Community League for many years; which he jokingly told us, he was elected because nobody else wanted it! 😊

When asked how he got started in bowling, he said that some friends asked him and of course the rest is history. One of his first team mates was Jim Menken

Also bowling with Dar before he bought the lanes, Hub VanderVeen was a member of the team. We are not sure, but we think Hub bought the lanes after a SLIDE down the lanes that he had when there was a leak in the roof. Dar stated the team wasn't sure he was ok...but they saw the smile on his face and knew that the 20 foot slide had not been too bad!

At the time Dar started, they bowled on the second squad- starting at 9:00 pm and sometimes not getting down till almost midnight.

On top of his love for bowling, Dar also is part of the “Kids Mentoring program” at Park Church. Dar said he started this because he is a “Gear Head” and his love for cars is a great area to reach out to kids with, something they can share.

Over the years with the help of Dar, these kids have refurbished a “Camaro”, and two “hot rod” pickup trucks. They meet on Thursday nights and Dar told us, some of the kids still come to borrow one of the pickups when they have a “Hot Date”!!



Dar, the Greater Holland Bowling Association was proud to dedicate this tournament to you, for your love of the game and for your service to your bowlers.

History of the tournament dedication:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Holland Women's Tournament dedications</u>	<u>Holland Men's Tournament dedications</u>
1992	Jean Altena	Stan Jesky
1993	May Peters	Herb Beelen
1994	May Rattinger	W. Clare Walker
1995	Irma Ladewig	Frank Wicks
1996	Judy Reest	Harry Weener
1997	Helena Brinks	Ed Zuidema
1998	Virginia "Jinx" Alverson	Owen Smith
1999	Lona Tyink	Art Quist
2000	Elberdene, Lillian & Mae Rose Essenburg	George Baker
2001	Shirley Volkema	Jerry Glupker
2002	Karen Kirkland	Marty Kole
2003	Mary Beverly	Rich Wolters
2004	Arlene Van Hekken	Larry Monique
2005	Margaret Crane	Bruce Bruursema
2006	Marcia Essenburg	Hub VanderVelde
2007	Merry DeBoer	In memory of Hank & Judy Reest
2008	Mary Van Ommen	Doug Nienhuis
2009	Sue Dexter	Don Crane
2010	Lin Bruursema, Sandy Garvelink & Cathy Johnson	Tom Lutz
	<u>COMBINED BOARDS</u>	
2011	John Marone	
2012	The Wabeke Family	
2013	John & Bobbie Jo Bruursema	
2014	Rich Dalman	
2015	Cindy Whittecar	
2016	Dale & Tami Newberry	

We appreciate those who have given much to the sport of bowling in the Holland Area.

If you have someone you would like to see the tournament dedicated to, please contact your board members