



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The BPAA Nominating Committee interviewed applicants interested in serving on the BPAA Board of Directors as Directors At Large or as an officer. After thorough review, the committee is pleased to recommend the following list of candidates for election this year.

The following proprietors are nominees for a two-year term as Directors at Large: Michael Shearer, Justin Studer and Frank Wilkinson.

The committee also recommends Tyler Herreman as President-elect, Roger Nyquist as Secretary and John Losito as Treasurer. As per BPAA bylaw Section 10.03b, if you should vote Tyler Herreman to the President-elect position, he will assume the role as President at the end of Kevin Krauss' term next year.

Each candidates' bios are included in the following pages and we hope you will find, as we did, that each of these proprietors have proven themselves to be strong leaders in our industry and capable of guiding our association.

We appreciate your consideration of these individuals and encourage you to apply if you are interested in serving.

Nancy Schenk
Nominating Committee Chair

CANDIDATES FOR AT LARGE DIRECTORS

MICHAEL SHEARER



Since December 1, 2014, Michael has co-owned Perfect Game with his parents, Simon and Deb Shearer. They transitioned the center from a 40-lane traditional center to a state of the art 31-lane FEC in Farmington Hills, Michigan, adding laser tag, and a redemption arcade. Michael has served as President of the Bowling Centers Association of Michigan (BCAM) for the past four years and as 1st Vice President and Sargeant at Arms prior to that. He had the unique experience leading Michigan proprietors through the unprecedented COVID pandemic including shutdowns and subsequent re-openings. Michael was involved with launching a lawsuit against the State of Michigan and the Governor when she allowed casinos to open in Detroit but not bowling centers. He and fellow BCAM members coordinated a \$50,000 donation from BCAM to a Republican-led grassroots effort to re-open Michigan businesses. As past president Michael plans to continue BCAM's focus to grow members and will continue to help members realize how their businesses can be most profitable.

JUSTIN STUDER



Justin Studer has been involved in the bowling industry his whole life, from cleaning ashtrays at Rupert Bowl to watching his dad live out his dream and build Snake River Bowl (Burley, Idaho) in 2000. After dropping out of college, he watched his dad keep the business afloat in 2008 through the financial crisis. At that time he got into management before purchasing the business in 2016. After attending International Bowl Expo and other industry meetings, he felt the business needed a change to be relevant in the future. In spite of mistakes along the way, the business continues to evolve and grow. Justin was past president of the Idaho Bowling Proprietors' Association and has served as a state board member for over 10 years. He has served on the BPAA Small Market Committee since 2016 (several years as Chairman) and is currently serving on the Marketing committee.

FRANK J. WILKISON



Frank Wilkinson of Rab's Country Lanes, Staten Island, New York, is a second-generation proprietor who started operating the family business when he was just 18 years old. At the age of 11 Frank showed great enthusiasm for the sport not only as a bowler, but also as a volunteer through the local YABA Youth Leaders where he served on various committees and was elected president at 14. Frank was elected president of the NYS USBC Youth Leaders chapter when he was 18 and two years later was elected president of the Staten Island USBC, a position he held until 2014. Most recently Frank has served as president of the USBC joining the board as a youth committee representative in 2010, later serving as committee chair and on the BPAA board (2014-18 and 2020-22). Frank is currently chair of the USBC Nominating and SMART committees as well as a member of the Executive Advisory Committee. He served on the board of the National Council of Youth Sports (NCYS) from 2012-2020. At the national level Frank serves on the International Bowl Expo Committee and as chair of the Digital Marketing Committee. He served as President of the North Shore Rotary for three consecutive terms and serves on the Staten Island Chamber of Commerce BOD as its Secretary. Rab's Country Lanes has been recognized as a top business in Staten Island and Frank has been recognized with many accolades for leadership in business.

OFFICER CANDIDATES

TYLER HERREMAN | PRESIDENT-ELECT

Tyler Herreman has served the last year as Vice President and as three years as BPAA Secretary prior to that. He is co-manager of his family's bowling center, Centennial Lanes in Hays, Kansas, with his brother. For over 20 years Tyler has worked diligently to promote the sport of bowling not only in his own community, but on the state and national levels as well.

In 2010 Tyler was inducted into the Hays Bowling Association Hall of Fame, which at the time, made him the youngest person to have been inducted. He served in every officer position on the Kansas State Bowling Proprietors' Association (KSBPA) including as its President from 2012-2014. Tyler served as Chairman of the KSBPA Nominating and Membership Committees and continues to serve on both. He is currently Chairman of the KSBPA Beverage Committee. In 2014 he was awarded the Meritorious Service Award by the KSBPA.

At the national level, Tyler served on the Membership Committee from 2013 to 2020 and as Chairman of the Small Market Committee from 2015-2018. He is currently the Chairman of the Governance Committee as well as having served on the BPAA Nominating Committee. Prior to becoming an officer of the association, Tyler served as the Midwest Regional Director on the board (2015-2019) and was elected twice by fellow board members to serve on the Executive Committee.

Tyler is an avid bowler and his bowling accolades include a high three-game set of 856 as well as numerous first place finishes in various tournaments. Tyler and his wife Bethany enjoy bowling together and have won the KSBPA State Mixed Tournament Doubles Championship twice.



ROGER NYQUIST | SECRETARY

Roger Nyquist has owned Lakeshore Lanes in Albany, Oregon, for nearly 40 years. At 19 he negotiated the sale of his parent's bowling center only to buy it back five years later. He relocated the center to a new location and building that includes a sports bar, redemption arcade and miniature golf course.

As Commissioner of Linn County (Oregon) for over 20 years, he lobbies for legislation and programs to champion local businesses. With this experience, Roger was an easy choice to chair BPAA's Government Affairs committee, and he proved very beneficial to BPAA members during the pandemic. He was instrumental in helping proprietors navigate the government aid programs and alleviate stringent regulations in many states. Roger also worked closely with the BPAA to develop a Resource Center for proprietors.

In addition to his involvement on the Linn County Board of Commissioners, Roger has spent time on the Oregon Restaurant Association Board of Directors, the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and the Albany Millersburg Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Roger has served as Secretary for the last year on the BPAA Board of directors and prior to that served four years as a Director at Large.



JOHN LOSITO | TREASURER

John Losito previously served as a BPAA board member for nine years, as both a Director At Large and Executive Committee member. He is the owner of Sun Valley Lanes and Games, a 55,000 sf family entertainment center in Lincoln, Nebraska. His center hosted the National Special Olympic games in 2010, the Intercollegiate Singles and Team Championships in 2012, 2013 and 2018, the 2016 World Youth Championships, the PWBA Tour in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019 and 2021 and the 2020 Men's U.S. Open.

In 2015 John served as president of the Southeast District Nebraska BPA and has been the state commissioner of the Nebraska High School Bowling Federation for 20 years. He was Nebraska Proprietor of the Year in 2006 and 2012. Nationally, John was named the 2017 Proprietor of the Year and received the BPAA President's Award in 2012. He currently serves on the BPAA Tournaments committee and as Chairman of the Executive Evaluation Committee.

John began bowling league at the age of four. He is a regular league bowler with a 220 average and is a current member of the PBA. He was a two-time collegiate national bowling team champion and was a three-time Academic All American. He is an ABC World Team Challenge champion and a lead instructor with the Dick Ritger Bowling Academy. John was also head coach of the Philippine National teams.

