

Texas Women Bowling Writers

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It's that time, y'all!

With any luck at all your bowling season began better than mine did. Although "sandbag" as a game tactic is not in my vocabulary and my husband and I practiced throughout the summer, my average after the second week of league was **UP** to only twenty-seven pins below last year's finishing average. It's amazing how bowling poorly takes so much more energy than bowling well.

Fortunately the TWBW board of directors is in much better shape than my current bowling aptitude. After the retirement of Past President Syleta Halbert and the work-related resignation of Director Teresa Cantu, the board reorganized so that some familiar faces are in new places. The current roster is:

Ellen Goss, 1st Vice President
Adna Clevenger, 2nd Vice President
Cheryl Ross, Secretary/Treasurer
Liz Latham, Sgt-at-Arms
Sharon Creagor, Director #1
Donna Hall, Director #2
Gail Cantu, Director #3
Jane Askew, Director #4.

Now that you know what we're up to nowadays, here's what we're sure you're working on for the November 30 deadline: nominations for TWBW 1st Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and Director #2. Send nominations to Carol Gomillion, P.O. Box 1334, Edinburg, TX 78540. If you have a piece of proposed TWBW legislation to submit, now is the time to write it up and send it to Donna Hall, 13706 Red Coral Court, Houston, TX 77059.

In addition, it's time to dust off that tournament article you wrote for your local newspaper and your two best newsletter issues from last season and submit them for judging. If you know a youth bowler who wrote a noteworthy bowling-related article last season, he or she may earn TWBW's Rising Star Award. We haven't had submissions in that category the past few years, but I'm sure some of you out there are aware of someone's work that qualifies. Send writing contest entries to Elizabeth Latham, 1102 Glencrest Drive, LaPorte, TX 77571.

The October *TWBW Newsletter* has complete information about writing contests, nominations, and proposed legislation, plus other goodies like the entry form and rules for TWBW's second Annual Mail-o-graphic Tournament. Although the tournament entry deadline is November 1, your league scores from December 5-11 will be used for that competition.

If you didn't get the July *Newsletter* issue, it may be because your TWBW dues aren't up-to-date and it's time to send \$7.00 to Secretary/Treasurer Cheryl Ross at 512 Clearview Drive, Georgetown, TX 78626. Remember that TWBW is for all bowling promoters, not just for prizewinning writers, so everyone is welcome in our organization.

Although September 11 may hold bad memories for people, that date in 2004 is good for those of us who bemoan the lack of media bowling coverage. That day's *Dallas Morning News* included special contributor Darla Atlas' article about bowling coach *extraordinaire* Susie Minshew. If you want to see all the pictures that accompany the story, try to locate a hard copy of the newspaper, maybe at your local library. The text version is available online at <http://www.dentonrc.com/s/dws/fea/texasliving/stories/091104dnlivbowling.48257.html>.

You'll remember that TWBW's News and Views theme this season is The Rest of the Story. Now is the time to prepare to tell the rest of YOUR story.