

Dear Members:

The MBA's latest stop of 50th Anniversary Season was the Motiv Bowling Ball Open at Continental Lanes in Kalamazoo, MI with our largest field ever in Kalamazoo with 78 bowlers competing. We would like to thank our corporate sponsor, Motiv Bowling Balls for sponsoring our tournament. Thanks also go out to Randy Rowison, General Manager of Continental Lanes for hosting the tournament. This was our first tournament to be contested on string pins and we feel that the overall reaction was very favorable!! The tournament pattern was the Kegel Challenge – SYC 2018 SYC Little River which was a 45-foot pattern with an oil ratio of 4.57:1. Scores were a bit sluggish at first, but really took off during the qualifying squad. It took a score of +112 to cash and +168 to make match play. Steve DePoy had the high tournament game with a 300 in the qualifying round.

William Holmes won 3 straight matches coming from the #2 seed to win back-to-back MBA Titles. Steven Jones was the runner-up and has now qualified for the Masters Tournament! Our next event will be at a brand-new center for the MBA. We will be at Inman's Bowling & Recreation Center on April 19th at 9:00 a.m. Check-in is at 8:15. Please note that this Valparaiso is on Central Time so plan accordingly. This tournament will be contested on a custom shot created by Shaun Ciesielki (General Manager of Inman's). Pattern details will be posted on our Facebook page and the schedule link on the MBA's website when I find out.

Here are the top qualifying results.

Place	Name	Hometown	Class	Plus(Minus)	Cash
1	Steven Jones	Mishawaka, IN	E	314	
2	William Holmes	Elkhart, IN	C	279	
3	Devontae Woods	Dowagiac, MI	H	277	
4	Scott Tapley	Goshen, IN	C	246	
5	Isaac Jenkins	Olathe, KS	D	226	
6	Mark Gunthorpe	Kalamazoo, MI	A	214	
7	Joshua Rose	South Bend, IN	F	205	
8	Aaron Smith	Elkhart, IN	C	203	
9	Joe Hutchings	Marshall, MI	B	176	
10	Jim Artley	Elkhart, IN	E	175	
11	Maguire Alderman	Wakarusa, IN	H	170	
12	Sadie Stuglik	Elkhart, IN	H	168	
13	Paul Bender	Watervliet, MI	B	159	\$150.00
14	Tedd Dickson	Garrett, IN	C	156	145.00
15	Mark Pullins	Bridgman, MI	A	155	140.00
16	Micah Carter	Mishawaka, IN	G	154	135.00
17	Richie Benninghoff	South Bend, IN	A	151	130.00
18	William Ewing	Plymouth, IN	E	147	125.00
19	Steve DePoy	Grass Lanke, MI	E	141	117.50
19	Mike Hartman	South Bend, IN	E	141	117.50
21	Tyler Miller	Grand Rapids, MI	B	138	110.00
22	Antonio Wilson	South Bend, IN	F	136	105.00
23	Lucas Claxton (y)	Elkhart, IN	D	132	100.00 SMART
24	Chris Hartung	Elkhart, IN	C	128	95.00
25	Jammie Bongiovanni	Mishawaka, IN	G	120	90.00
26	Sam Ferrah	Elkhart, IN	D	112	85.00
27	John Langston	Portage, MI	A	109	
28	Jeremy Delcamp	Bristol, IN	A	98	
29	Matt Roberts	Mishawaka, IN	F	93	
30	Matt Hendrixson	Stevensville, MI	F	91	
31	Derik Stuglik	Elkhart, IN	D	90	
32	Kevin Beckman	Watervliet, MI	F	89	
33	Walter Griffin III	Elkhart, IN	C	88	
34	Taylor Sienicki	Mishawaka, IN	G	86	
35	Tyler Johnson	Union Mills, IN	D	85	
36	Ryan Oyama	Grand Rapids, MI	A	83	
37	Albert Giersberg	Elkhart, IN	D	74	
37	Glen Hershberger	Elkhart, IN	G	74	
39	Dennis Weatherman	Stevensville, MI	E	70	
40	Bill Rath	Stevensville, MI	F	65	
41	Robert Corvin	Bristol, IN	H	58	
42	Billy Hendrixson	Stevensville, MI	D	53	

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43	Michael Davis	Chesterton, IN	A	52	
43	AJ Roche	South Bend, IN	A	52	
45	Zachary Morrison	Mishawaka, IN	B	47	
46	Jalen Taylor	Grand Rapids, MI	D	44	
47	Chad Hannah	Elkhart, IN	E	41	
48	Colin McDowell	Marshall, MI	F	40	
48	Bruce Burkett	Decatur, MI	F	40	
50	Nate Crosbie	Osceola, IN	D	39	
51	Dustin Hochstedler	Granger, IN	F	35	
52	Nicholas Luther	Coopersville, MI	A	34	
53	Dan Symonds	Berrien Springs, MI	F	26	
54	Jim Nadolny	Mishawaka, IN	D	22	
55	Jerry Knowles	Stevensville, MI	D	13	
56	Chelsea Farrell	Elkhart, IN	B	11	
57	Nattalie Volcsko	Valparaiso, IN	H	7	
58	Alex Weaver	Elkhart, IN	B	5	
59	Ryan Mauro	Michigan City, IN	G	0	
60	Jordan Johnston	Chesterton, IN	A	(1)	
61	Travis Ruthruff	Mishawaka, IN	D	(3)	
62	Aaron Phillips	Grand Haven, MI	A	(8)	
63	Joey Juday	Elkhart, IN	B	(10)	
64	Billy Froberg	Stevensville, MI	B	(14)	
65	Dakota Gross	South Bend, IN	F	(38)	
66	Jim Stealy	Marshall, MI	D	(40)	
67	Tyler Howard	Battle Creek, MI	H	(46)	
68	Bob Hutchings	Marshall, MI	F	(56)	
69	Kyle Applegate	Niles, MI	H	(65)	
70	Jasmine Collins	Michigan City, IN	G	(72)	
71	Russell Huneryager	Porter, IN	E	(74)	
71	John Sevison	Elkhart, IN	E	(74)	
73	Brandon Baker	Osceola, IN	B	(77)	
74	Dale McClosky	Elkhart, IN	F	(80)	
74	Joshua Trim Jr	LaPorte, IN	B	(80)	
76	Corey Fister	St. Joseph, MI	E	(88)	
77	Sonny Gross	South Bend, IN	H	(110)	
78	Amanda Pletcher	Mishawaka, IN	H	(163)	

Round 1

Joe Hutchings def. Aaron Smith 215 – 185
 Sadie Stuglik def. Isaac Jenkins (214 + 17) 231 – 206
 Aaron, Mark, Isaac, & Joshua each received \$175.

Maguire Alderman def. Mark Gunthorpe (216 + 17) 233 – 196
 Jim Artley def. Joshua Rose 212 - 145

Round 2:

Joe Hutchings def. Devontae Woods 159 – 142
 Jim Artley def. Scott Tapley (243 + 2) 245 – 178

Sadie Stuglik def. Maguire Alderman 193 – 168
 Devontae, Maguire, & Scott each received \$200

Quarterfinals

Jim Artley def. Joe Hutchings (243 + 2) 245 – 204
 Joe and Sadie each received \$250

William Holmes def. Sadie Stuglik 239 – (179 + 17) 196

Semifinals

William Holmes def. Jim Artley 232 – (187 + 2) 189

Jim received \$300

Finals

William Holmes def. Steven Jones 188 - 148
 William received championship plaque and \$800 and Steven received \$400. Steven has now qualified for the Masters Tournament



From left: Randy Rowson (GM Continental Lanes); William Holmes (Champion); Steven Jones (Runner-Up); Greg Spinner (MBA)

Tournament High Games

Steve DePoy – 300
John Langston – 279
Devontae Woods – 278, 268
William Holmes – 269, 259
Steven Jones – 269
Joe Hutchings – 268
Chris Hartung – 267
Tedd Dickson – 258
Aaron Smith – 258
Mike Hartman – 256
Alex Weaver – 254

Jeremy Delcamp – 280, 255
Ryan Oyama – 279
Mark Gunthorpe – 276, 267 ,267
Chad Hannah – 269
Joey Juday – 269
Scott Tapley – 268
Tyler Miller – 265
Nicholas Luther – 258
Richie Benninghoff – 256
Paul Bender – 255

Re-Rates:

Micah Carter – G to F Class; 181 Average
William Holmes – C to A Class; 220 Average (based on board meeting)
Isaac Jenkins – D to C Class; 220 Average
Tyler Miller – B to A Class; 218 Average
Sadie Stuglik – H to G Class; 181 Average
Scott Tapley – C to B Class; 208 Average
Devontae Woods – H to F Class; 201 Average

Here are the rules regarding re-classification as taken directly from the by-laws. You can review the entire set of MBA By-Laws at www.mba300.com.

New members will be subject to upwards reclassification after their first tournament. Existing members will be subject to upwards reclassification after their first two tournaments. **After meeting the preceding requirement, any member whose season adjusted average (true bowling average plus 1 pin for each \$300 won (money pins)) exceeds the bottom of the next higher class plus three pins will be rerated to that higher class. If their season adjusted average exceeds the bottom plus 3 of the next two (2) higher classes, they may be re-rated 2 classes, subject to a meeting by the board of directors.**

- a. The above ruling on re-rating does not apply if you have not **cached** any tournament, **since your last re-rate** during the current season.
- b. If you have bowled three (3) tournaments, **since your last re-rate during the current season**, have not cashed, and your **season adjusted average is below the bottom of the next lower class, you will be re-rated down one class**
- c. If you have bowled minimum of three (3) tournaments, **since your last re-rate during the current season**, have not cashed, you can request consideration for a re-rate down one class. This would need to be approved by the board. If granted, the bowler would be eligible for re-rate back up after one (1) event if their average warrants. This will be allowed once per season. The intent of this rule is to give a bowler some relief if they have not come close to cashing and aren't close to earning the automatic re-rate down.

Semi-Finalists for the 2025-2026 Val Medich Sr Sportsmanship Award.

Jasmine Collins	Jeremy Delcamp
Chelsea Farrell	Nate Fisher
Mike Hartman	Chris Hartung
Russell Huneryager	Joey Martin
AJ Roche	Jim Stealy

Upcoming Tournaments:

April 19, 2026 - Inman's Bowling & Recreation Center – Valparaiso, IN (Start time 9:00 a.m. Central Time)
May 3, 2026 – Casey's Lanes – LaPorte, IN (Start time – 9:00 a.m. Central Time)

See you there,
Greg Spinner

