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## **DETROIT BOWLING HALL OF FAME ELECTS FIVE NEW MEMBERS**

The Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame Committee, a committee of the Metro Detroit USBC (MDUSBC), has elected five new members to its Hall of Fame and named three others for special awards. This will increase the number of hall of fame members to 282.

Julie Halstead of Redford, Toary Taylor of Redford, Lonnie Jones Jr. of Ypsilanti, Michael Calhoun of Wyandotte and Michael Calvin of Warren earned their place in the prestigious Hall. Michael Lucente of Warren, Thomas Strobl of Bloomfield and Leroy Shepherd of Detroit will receive special awards.

Halstead has been named to the Women's All-City team two times. First team honors in 2015 and second team in 2018.

She won the Michigan Queens in 2000. She was a member of the Michigan State championship team in 2000 and 2017; and won the Michigan State Singles in 2008 and 2018.

Locally she was a member of the championship team in the Detroit Women's Bowling Association championship in 2001. Also won the MDUSBC Women's All-Events in 2015 and a member of the MDUSBC Women's Championship team in 2017, 2018, 2020 and 2021.

She was elected into the Michigan State Hall of Fame in 2011.

She was a member of the first all-woman team in history to record a 3,600 team series.

Her high career average in 229 in the 2014-15 season and also has six 300 games and two 800 series with a high of 814 to her credit.

Taylor has been named captain of the MDUSBC Women's All-City team twice (2019 and 2020). She also has named captain of the MDUSBC Senior Women's All-City team twice (2019 and 2020) in addition to being on the first team four other times (2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018).

In 2020, she won the Michigan State USBC Women's Singles title. In 2017, she bowled a 300 game in the Michigan State USBC Women's Championship.

She won the MDUSBC Senior Queens in 2019 and 2020 and the MDUSBC All-Events in 2019.

She was inducted into the Detroit Black Bowler's Hall of Fame in 2020.

Her high average is 220 in the 2019-20 season in addition to 12 300 games and a high series of 774.

Jones was captain of the Men's All-City team in 1998 and 2019.

In Michigan State competition, he won the Singles with 802 in 1998.

He was a member of the championship team in the Greater Detroit Bowling Association Championship in 1996 and MDUSBC All-Events champion in 2019. Additionally he won a Men's Series title in 2019.

His career high average is 244, achieved in the 2013-14 season. Also on his resume is 39 300 games and 31 800 series including a high series of 845.

Calhoun won the MDUSBC Team event in 2014 and was named to the MDUSBC Men's All-City First Team in 2007.

He was one of the first to shoot a 300 game in a PBA Experience league in 2007.

He has numerous top 10 finishes in the Michigan State tournament and the MDUSBC Open Championship.

His high average is 241 achieved in the 2008-09 season. He also has 57 300 games and 38 800 series including a high series of 868.

Calvin has been named to the MDUSBC Senior All-City three times (2017, 2018 and 2019) including captain in 2019.

He won the MDUSBC Singles in 2017.

In 2018, he was the Michigan State USBC Senior Masters champion.

His high career average is 229 in the 2017-18 season. To his credit he has 25 300 games and eight 800 series including a high series of 832.

Thomas Strobl will be honored with the Thomas W. McKay Award for a lifetime of service to the sport of bowling.

Michael Lucente will receive the Judge Watts Award for making outstanding contributions to the promotion of bowling.

Leroy Shepherd will receive the George Prybyla Industry Award presented for someone involved in the ownership or management of a bowling center that has contributed to the promotion of the sport.

Induction ceremonies will take place Sunday, Oct. 24, 2021 at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman in Livonia. Cocktails will be served at 4 p.m., dinner at 5 p.m. with ceremonies to follow. Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased through the MDUSBC office at (248) 443-2695 ext. 104.

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