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Robin Orlikowski (r) is congratulated by MDUSBC President John Vorpagel (c) and runner-up Julie Oczepek

ROBIN ORLIKOWSKI THREE-PEATS IN WOMEN'S SERIES AT FORD LANES

Robin Orlikowski of Grand Rapids three-peats winning the Metro Detroit USBC (MDUSBC) Women's Series Sunday with a thrilling 225-224 victory over Julie Oczepek of Vassar at Ford Lanes in Dearborn Heights when Oczepek left a solid 9-pin. Orlikowski cashed for \$500, while Oczepek took home \$250.

Orlikowski qualified third in the field of 30, with a four-game total of 823. Her high game in qualifying was 222. In match play she beat Natalie Miskiel of Dundee 238-172 and Ashley Denard of Southfield 225-190 to advance to the finals. She averaged 215.8. In winning the event she clinched the Cup with 889 points.

Oczepek, who hadn't made match play all season, was the top qualifier with 864 and a high game of 246. In match play she advanced to the finals with victories over Lauren Roberts of Warren 202-169 and Valerie Bercier of Spring Lake 247-187. She averaged 219.6.

Denard and Bercier finished third and fourth respectively for \$100 each.

By virtue of winning the Cup Orlikowski will take home a check for \$600. Finishing second was Lisa Bishop of Redford for \$300, Ashley Denard third for \$200, Brandie Reamy of Livonia fourth for \$150 and Sandra Schultz of Macomb fifth for \$100. Ten other players cashed for \$75 each.

The top 15 in the Cup points list will be awarded their checks at the Rip 10 Invitational on Sunday, May 6 at Shelby Lanes in Shelby Township.

Complete results are available at www.mdusbc.com under "Tournaments" and Women's Series page.

The Metro Detroit USBC serves over 40,000 adult and youth bowlers in the Metropolitan Detroit market and is the largest local association of the United States Bowling Congress.