

SKIP ARCULLI - Essex County (NJ) - 1999

**Skip Arculli** won the World Pairs Championship (gold medal) at Aberdeen, Scotland in 1984 (w/George Adrian). He also played on the U.S. World Bowls teams in 1988 (New Zealand) and 1996 (Australia). Skip appeared in nine United States Championships events representing the Eastern Division and holds four titles. He had Singles victories in 1978, 1981 and 1995; and won the U.S. Pairs crown in 1983 (w/J. Candelet). His other appearances in the U.S. Championships were in 1979, 1981 and 1990. A National Open "Triple Crown" champion, Skip won the Open Singles in 1981, the Open Pairs in 1978 and 1983, and the Open Triples in 1983 and 1985. He was named National Open "Bowler of the Tournament" in 1978 (tie), 1981 and 1983. Skip represented the United States in various major international competitions, including the Asia-Pacific Championships in 1993 (Victoria, BC). Born in Hong Kong, becoming a U.S. citizen in 1973, Skip served on the ALBA National Council 1984 to 1988, during which time he also managed the ALBA Memorial Foundation portfolio.

IRMA ARTIST - Rossmoor, Berkeley, Leisure Town (CA) - 2003

**Irma Artist** began lawn bowling in 1972 and has quite a number of bowling titles to her credit. Along with her partner, Pat Boehm, she won the National Open Tournament Pairs Title in 1975 and again 1977. Wins included the Greater Victoria Open, the Vancouver Silver Medallion Open, at least five National and five Divisional championships, and five State Championships. Irma competed in World Bowls at Worthing, England as a member of Team USA in 1976 and competed in the U.S. Championships in 1977. In the year 1978 alone she won the Southwest Division Singles and the Northwest Division Triples, was runner-up in the Division USC Playdowns, and was named Bowler of the Tournament in a PIMD Division tournament. Irma Artist contributed much time and effort to the sport by being PIMD Tournament Director on six occasions. She was Councilor from the PIM Division to the American Women's Lawn Bowls Association from 1980 through 1982. At other times Irma served at Club Delegate from both the Rossmoor and Berkeley clubs. Further she served several years on the PIMD Division Review Board, the National Review Board, and on the AWLBA Nominating Committee. Irma's husband of nearly 70 years was Hall of Famer, Orville Artist.

ORVILLE ARTIST - Leisure Town, Berkeley, Rossmoor (CA) - 1999

**Orville Artist** was a National Open Tournament "Triple Crown" champion (a winner of all three Open events): Open Singles in 1986, 1987; Open Pairs 1981, 1984; Open Triples in 1983. He was "Bowler of the Tournament" at the 1987 National Open. Orville appeared in seven United States Championships events between 1977 and 1988, winning the Singles in 1977 and the Pairs (w/J. Shepard) in 1988. He was a member of the 1984 USA World Bowls Team, and represented the U.S. at the 1985 and 1987 Asia-Pacific Championships. He served the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division in various capacities, including Division president, as a National Councilor, and a member of the ALBA Memorial Foundation Board of Directors. California-born, he began bowling in 1972 and was active at several Northern California bowling clubs until his death, including Leisure Town (Vacaville), Berkeley and Rossmoor (Walnut Creek). Orville's wife of nearly 70 years, Irma, shares in the honor of a membership in the USLBA Hall of Fame.

MICHAEL ASHTON-PHILLIPS - Beverly Hills, Holmby Park (CA) - 2002

A frequent winner in the tournament rich Southwest Division, and perennial fixture on annual All-Southwest Teams of the 1990s, **Michael Ashton-Phillips** was selected to the U.S. National Team every year from 1994 to 2001. Although business responsibilities occasionally interfered with his bowls career, Michael represented the U.S. at the Asia-Pacific Championships, North American Challenge, and several international invitational tournaments. He also served as Team USA Manager three times: 1993 Asia-Pacific Championships (Victoria, BC), 1996 World Bowls (Australia), 1997 Asia-Pacific Championships (Australia), and was Assistant Team Manager at the 1992 World Bowls (England). The British-born Los Angeles bowler represented the Southwest Division at the 1993 and 1995 U.S. Championships Pairs finals, with partner Mert Isaacman. Michael was president of the Southwest Division 1992-1993, having served in vice-presidential capacities the previous three years. He was elected a SWD national Councilor in 1991 and represented the division throughout the 90s. Early on, he was by far the most successful representative of ALBA interests in developing productive working relationships with AWLBA. Within the division and on the national level there was scarcely an important committee that the ebullient "MAP", as he often answered to, was not either its chairperson or a member. His major commitments were directed to the annual National Open Tournaments, which he chaired most years during the 1990s, and the growth and development, in general, of the sport of bowls. Michael created the ALBA-AWLBA National Recruiting Awards and popular Super Shots Club. But his most ambitious project was ALBA Marketing, a broad promotional undertaking created and managed by MAP. Although the concept never quite realized its full potential, it nonetheless added to the culture of American lawn bowling and improved the promise of the sport within the U.S. Although an Englishman, Michael learned to bowl at the Beverly Hills LBC (California), and later added memberships at Holmby Park, Santa Monica, and several other SWD clubs.

ANNE BARBER - Beverly Hills (CA) - 2006

**Anne** has had a very long and successful lawn bowling career since she started lawn bowling in South Africa in 1964. Anne represented South Africa where she achieved numerous titles. She competed in the South Africa Women's Masters Singles Championship no less than eight times. Starting in 1970 Anne managed to compete in virtually every major women's championship the country had to offer before immigrating to the United States in 1986. She became a member of TEAM USA in 1992, and played as a world class bowler for six consecutive years on the international scene. Other accomplishments included competing in United States Championships on 7 occasions (winning on 2), winning a title in the National Open Tournament on at least 8 occasions, winning Southwest Division titles on 10 occasions, and winning South-Central Division titles on 4 occasions. In service to the Southwest Division, Anne Barber served as president of her club and as a delegate to the Southwest Division council.

MARY ANN BECKLEY - (WA) - 2003

Oregon-born **Ann Beckley** learned to lawn bowl at the Woodland Park in Seattle in 1983 while she was completing her service as a Commander in the Navy. When she retired from the Navy she searched throughout the West for the best place to lawn bowl all year long and settled on Leisure World in Laguna Hills, CA within driving distance of seven other bowling facilities. She was selected to bowl on the National Women's team in 1989 when they competed in the Pacific Games in Fiji. She was also on the National Team at Hong Kong in 1991, Ayr, Scotland in 1992, and Canada in 1993. She also bowled in every U.S. National Open from 1985 through 1996. Ann was a fierce competitor who worked constantly to improve her game.

JACK BEHLING - Milwaukee Lake Park (WI), Sun City (AZ) - 2007

**Jack Behling** was elected ALBA "Bowler of the Decade" for the 1990's. At the USLBA National Open Jack has succeeded in every discipline: winning the Fours in 2006, the Triples in 1998, the Pairs in 1991 and 1992, and finishing second in the 2003 singles. At the US Championships he won the Pairs in 1995 and the Singles in 2006. As a member of team USA for fifteen years, Jack competed in the Asia Pacific games in New Zealand and Malaysia and at World Bowls in the UK, Australia, and Scotland. Jack was always willing to help other players-whether novice or veteran. He was keenly interested in all aspects of bowls and served as Central Division Councilor and Milwaukee Lake Park LBC greens keeper.

MURIAL "PAT" BOEHM - (WA) - 2002

Muriel "Pat" Boehm was a founding member of the old American Women's Lawn Bowls Association, its vice president for four years, and its third president. She served on the AWLBA Council from the Northwest Division for 10 years. Pat was a great bowler in appearing in the United States Championships 12 times, and winning it in Singles three times (1977, 1978, and 1980) and in Pairs in 1979. In the National Open Tournament, she won titles in Singles, Pairs, and/or Triples almost every year in the decade from 1971 to 1981. On occasion Pat partnered with Hall of Famer, Irma Artist. Pat was on our Women's National Team in New Zealand in 1973, in England in 1977, in Canada in 1981, and in Australia in 1985. She managed women's national teams at the Pacific Rim Games in Fiji in 1989, World Bowls in Scotland in 1992, and at the Atlantic Rim Games in Sun City Center, Florida in 1993.

FERRELL BURTON, JR. - Santa Monica, Holmby Park, Beverly Hills (CA) - 1998

**Ferrell Burton, Jr.** was Editor of BOWLS Magazine, the quarterly publication of the American Lawn Bowls Association, from 1978 to 1992, and Editor Emeritus until his passing in September 2000. He served ALBA and the ALBA Memorial Foundation as its Secretary-Treasurer from 1976 to 1982. FB Jr. created numerous bowls-related publications, usually at his own expense, including the ALBA Almanac and Directory of Clubs in the United States. He also published such staples the Laws of the Game, the lawn bowling rule book, as well as monthly and quarterly newsletters for many bowling clubs, and letterhead stationery for a variety of ALBA officers and committee-heads. During one period, he was at the same time: ALBA National Secretary-Treasurer, ALBA Memorial Foundation Treasurer, Editor of BOWLS Magazine, President of the Santa Monica (CA) LBC, Southwest Division National Councilor, and SWD Correspondent to BOWLS Magazine. ALBA Councilors bestowed Honorary Life Member status on Ferrell in 1987. He took up the game in 1974, and was a social bowler who championed competitive excellence. His club memberships included the Santa Monica, Holmby Park and Beverly Hills LBCs, all on Los Angeles' Westside. Ferrell met the future Mrs. Dorothy Burton on the bowling green.

SHIRLEY CAM - Rossmoor, Oakland (CA) - 2006

**Shirley Cam** was a strong supporter of lawn bowling in the U.S. and in World Bowls. For many years she attended overseas tournaments to which we sent our National Teams. She also served as a team manager for Team USA. Shirley was elected the first woman president of the Rossmoor LBC in 1991. She was also the president of AWLBA in 1995 & 1996. She was Treasurer of the newly formed USLBA in 2002. She served as the National Games Chairman and as a National Games Consultant. Shirley participated in many National & PIMD Opens and in the U.S. Championships. She also was the co-director of the last two U.S. Championships held in the PIMD at the Rossmoor LBC, her home club. Shirley is probably most remembered for the continuous insight and leadership she gave to the PIM Division.

BILL CAMPBELL - San Francisco (CA) - 2013

**Bill Campbell** is that rare individual: he's been an active, highly competitive bowler for 50 years and he's made significant contributions to advance the sport. One could ask almost any member of the San Francisco Lawn Bowling Club (SFLBC) over the past 20-30 years who taught them to lawn bowl – and the answer would be Bill Campbell or Mr. Campbell. He has developed a proven, consistent training method and it's estimated that he has introduced over 1500 people to lawn bowls. Virtually every Wednesday (and weekends by appointment) Bill is on the green encouraging new bowlers to learn the game, its rules, regulations and etiquette. He "cuts a fine figure" too as noted by the California AAA magazine, Via, and several internet web sites. Bill exemplifies all that is good about our sport. Bill's track record as a bowler is impressive locally, within PIMD and nationally. Based on his performance as a bowler he was named SFLBC "Bowler of the Year" three times.

JAMES CANDELET - St. Petersburg (FL), Pawtucket (RI) - 1998

**Jim Candelet** won seven U.S. Championships titles: Singles in 1961, 1966, 1971, 1980; Pairs in 1959 (w/R. Smart), 1968 (w/R. Smart), 1983 (w/Skip Arculli). In all, he qualified for ALBA's premier annual event 14 times. His collection of U.S. Championship gold medals rank third all-time (tie w/Willis Tewksbury). Jim also registered six National Open victories: Pairs in 1970; Triples in 1964, 1971, 1975, 1976 and 1982. He skipped every event. He was a member of the USA's first World Bowls team in 1966 (in Sydney), as well as the 1972 (Worthing, England), 1976 (Johannesburg), 1984 (Aberdeen, Scot) World Bowls teams, and managed the U.S. contingent in 1980 (Frankston, Australia). At the 1972 event, Jim and partner, Willis Tewksbury, won the silver medal in Pairs. Four years later, he teamed with Frank Souza and Harold Esch to finish fourth in Triples; and, in 1984, he took ill after two matches, and partner Skip Arculli continued on with a replacement player to capture a gold medal. Jim was president of ALBA from 1970 to 1972, and an Eastern Division national Councilor for twenty years, 1964-1984. He was Eastern Division president in 1959. He took up bowls at the age of 12 years in St. Petersburg, Florida, and later in Pawtucket and Providence, Rhode Island.

KENNETH DEGENHARDT - Milwaukee Lake Park (WI) - 2000

**Ken Degenhardt's** five United States Pairs Championships (1982, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1999) are the second most U.S. Pairs titles won by one individual. (Neil McInnes has won seven Pairs championships). Representing the Central Division, Ken made twelve U.S. Championships appearances beginning in 1972 (7 Pairs, 5 Singles, and his last in 1999). No other Central Division bowler qualified as many times for the U.S. Championships. Ken has been selected to the National Team more than a dozen times, and was a member of the U.S. International teams that competed in the Asia-Pacific Championships in 1985 in Australia, 1991 Hong Kong, and 1995 New Zealand. In the decade of the 1980s, Ken ranked third in "Bowler of the Decade" rankings (behind previous Hall of Fame honorees Neil McInnes and Harold Esch). Off the green, Ken has been President of the Central Division, a trustee of the ALBA Memorial Foundation, and an ALBA Councilor representing the Central Division.

EDITH DENTON - San Francisco (CA) - 2003

**Edith Denton** began lawn bowling in 1969 at the Sunrise LBC on Long Island. A Scottish friend in her bridge club introduced her to the game. She had instructions one morning and got in the draw that afternoon. She was a natural player and even though she could only bowl on weekends in the summer months, her enthusiasm for the game continued to grow. When Edith retired in 1973 she moved to California and joined the Berkeley LBC. A year later she joined the Women's Golden Gate LBC which later merged to become the San Francisco LBC. Edith served in virtually every elected office in the San Francisco club. In the PIM Division she served numerous positions including its presidency in 1980 and 1981. She was also a member of the council of the American Women's Lawn Bowls Association for ten years as well as being a Life Member of that organization. Edith was a bowler of considerable note in international competition. It is claimed that she has delivered more bowls and played more ends than any other member of the United States Women's Team over the years.

HAROLD ESCH - Orlando (FL), Mt. Dora (NC) - 1998

**Harold Esch** was the 1960s "Bowler of the Decade" (Pilcher Trophy), and trophy runner-up in the decades of the 1970s and 1980s. He received the W. G. Bill Hay "Bowler of the Year" Award in 1974. A National Open Tournament "Triple Crown" champion, Harold won the Open Singles in 1958 and 1976; the Pairs in 1963, 1969, 1975 and 1987; and Triples in 1974, 1975. In 1975, 1976 and 1980, he was "Bowler of the Tournament". Harold represented the Southeast Division 16 times in the U.S. Championships finals, winning the Pairs in 1962 (w/C. Swafford) and 1967 (w/A. Hughes); and runner-up in Singles three times. He was a member of USA World Bowls Teams in 1966 (Australia) and 1976 (South Africa), and team manager in 1988 (New Zealand). In 1987, he managed the U.S. Asia-Pacific Championships team. Off the green, Harold was ALBA President from 1958 to 1960 and, beginning in 1956, served 35 years as a Southeast Division national Councilor. In 1992, he was elected ALBA Honorary Life President. Harold has been ALBA, now USLBA, National Historian since the office was created sometime during the 1960s. He has also held positions as secretary-treasurer of the International Bowling Board (IBB) 1982-84, and 44 years as Southeast Division secretary-treasurer, 1950-1994. Harold published the monthly ALBA Newsletter (forerunner to BOWLS Magazine) from 1950 to 1960, and compiled and published the "Lawn Bowling Handbook" in 1947. Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Harold began bowling in 1935 in Orlando, Florida. His affiliations include the Orlando and Mount Dora LBCs.

VIVIAN CLARK ESCH - Clearwater, Orlando (FL) - 2002

**Vivian Clark Esch** was born in Lewiston, Maine and was introduced to lawn bowling in Clearwater, in the 1940s when her family began wintering in Florida. As a Clearwater bowler she won club Women's Singles championships seven times. Vivian was instrumental in bringing the Southeast Division into the American Women's Lawn Bowls Association in 1971, and she served as Southeast Division secretary from 1970 to 1977. Vivian was president of the AWLBA in 1976 after serving as Southeast Division councilor for a number of years. After her marriage to championship bowler, Harold Esch, she made her home in Orlando, where she won many club and North Central Florida League championships. She died in 1981.

BILL FARRELL - Essex County (NJ), Clearwater (FL) - 2002

**Bill Farrell** is likely the only American bowler to serve as president of the national organization and two different divisions. From 1977 to 1980 he was president of the American Lawn Bowls Association. He was also president of the Eastern Division during the 1970s and Southeast Division in the 1990s. Bill was an Eastern Division national Councilor from 1974 to 1981, and a Southeast national Councilor 1983-1989. He was also president of his bowling clubs in Essex County, New Jersey and Clearwater, Florida. A two-time winner of the U.S. Championships Pairs, in 1989 and 1991 (w/B. MacWilliams), Bill represented either the Eastern or Southeast Divisions in the Championships eleven times since 1975--nine times in Pairs (all with MacWilliams) and twice in Singles. During one period, he appeared in the U.S. Championships nine consecutive years. Teamed with J. Candelet and H. Wintermute, he won the National Open Triples in 1982. Bill has been named to the U.S. National Team three times, and is currently a member of the USLBA National Team Selectors Committee. Born in Scotland and has been a bowler since his teens. In 1977, in Edison, NJ, Bill organized the first sanctioned indoor bowling club in the United States.

HUGH FOLKINS - Redlands, Arroyo Seco (CA) - 2001

Triple Crown winner **Hugh Folkins** is the younger brother of American lawn bowls legend Dick Folkins, and son of Dr. Frank H. Folkins, one of the organizers in 1922 of the West Coast pioneering Redlands Lawn Bowling Club, in Redlands, California. Hugh was president of the Redlands club in 1942. A National Open "Triple Crown" champion, Hugh captured the Open Singles in 1952; paired with brother Dick Folkins to win the Open Pairs in 1950, 1952, 1954; and teamed with his brother and various others to win National Open Triples titles in 1950, 1954, 1973. (Victories in the three National Open events are known as "the Triple Crown".) Hugh's success on the bowling green mirrored that of his brother's until he was stricken by polio in the mid-1950s, rendering both his arms useless. But courage and determination returned an inspirational Hugh Folkins to lawn bowls in the 1960s. Fashioning a metal "cup" to his right shoe, Hugh developed a smooth, effortless delivery resulting in his resumption of tournament competition. Leading for skip Dick Folkins and vice Roland Rapp in the 1973 National Open Triples event, Hugh and his unique shoe delivery lead the team to victory.

RICHARD FOLKINS - Redlands, Arroyo Seco, Casta del Sol (CA) - 1998

**Dick Folkins** holds more championship honors than any other American bowler. He skipped the United States Triples team to a gold medal at the 1972 World Bowls Championships (Worthing, England), and a silver medal in Pairs at the 1976 World Bowls (Johannesburg, SA). He was also a member of the 1980 USA World Bowls team, and frequently represented the U.S. in international competitions. A National Open "Triple Crown" champion, Dick won the Open Singles in 1950, 1954, 1957 and 1980; Pairs in 1950, 1952, 1954, 1957, 1977; Triples in 1962, 1973; and Rinks in 1950, 1954, 1962. He was "Bowler of the Open Tournament" five times: 1950, 1952, 1954, 1957 and 1962. His victories in Singles, Pairs and Rinks of the 1950 and 1954 National

Tournaments mark the only times one player won every Open event in the same year. Dick won the U.S. Championship Singles in 1974, 1975; and Pairs in 1976, 1977, 1979, each with Gerald LaPask. He was named 1970s "Bowler of the Decade" (Pilcher Trophy), The California-born engineer was ALBA president 1976-1977, represented the Southwest Division on the National Council for nine years, and was president of the SWD. Dick was associated with various SWD clubs through the years, including Redlands (founded by his father), Arroyo Seco and Casta del Sol.

CLIVE FORRESTER - Various PIM, SW, SC clubs - 2000

Known as "The Fox", **Clive Forrester** won a gold medal in Triples at the 1972 World Bowls Championships, as vice-skip to Dick Folkins and lead Bill Miller. One of ALBA's handful of National Open "Triple Crown" winners, Clive skipped the 1959 winning Triples team, won the 1983 Open Singles, and skipped the 1984 Open Pairs championship duo (w/O. Artist). He also was vice-skip of the victorious Triples team (w/A. Odell, S. Whittingslow) at the 1986 National Open. At various times representing the PIM, Southwest and South Central Divisions, Clive qualified for thirteen U.S. Championships (8 Singles and 5 Pairs) winning the 1969 Pairs (w/A. Lockhart) and 1970 Singles. In 1969, he was ALBA Bowler of the Year. In addition to his successful 1972 World Bowls appearance, Clive was also a member of the U.S. team that competed at the 1980 World Bowls in Melbourne, Australia, and on the 1985 American team that competed in the first Pacific Games. From 1968 to 1971, Clive was an ALBA Councilor representing the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division.

ISABELLA FORBES - Long Beach (CA) - 2002

**Isabella Forbes**, joined the Essex County Lawn Bowling Club in 1957 as the youngest member ever of that club. She attended her first National Open Tournament in Chicago, IL in 1974, winning the National Open Triples with Jo Gilbert and Marie Clausen (a new bowler at that time). She has only missed 2 National Opens since then. Izzie, as she is affectionately known, served as a Board member for the Eastern Division for more than 15 years and held the offices and duties of Club representative, Treasurer, Councilor to the AWLBA and President of the Division. Also, served as the division Games Chairperson for over 10 years. She served on the Board of Directors for the Essex County Club for approximately 10 years and became its first woman President in 1979. Izzie represented the Eastern Division in the United States Championships 12 times between 1982 and 1999 before relocating to Long Beach, CA. She was part of the organizing committee for the First U. S. Championships held in Buck Hill Falls, PA and served as Games Chairperson on the committee for the first Atlantic Rim Games held in Sun City, Florida. This was the first and only large International Tournament held in the United States. She won the US Pairs Championships in 1982 with lead Ceil Brown from the Bridgeport LBC. Izzie played for the USA at World Bowls in Melbourne, Australia 1985 and Ayr, Scotland 1992. Played in the Pacific Rim Games in Fiji in 1989. Managed the US teams for World Bowls in Leamington Spa, England and most recently the Pacific Rim Games in Moama, Australia in 2001. Izzie moved to Southern California in 1999 due to work commitment and the yearn to bowl all year round and has served the Women's Southwest Division as Games Chairperson since 2000 and National Tournament Chair for the last 4 years. Presently she bowls out of the Long Beach Lawn Bowling Club where she became a member in 1999.

CARRIE FOSSATI – Newport Harbor (CA) – 2015

**Carrie Fossati**, from the Southwest Division was a Team USA member in 2000, 2001, 2010, 2011, 2012. At the US Championships she took Gold in Women's Pairs in 2009 and Silver in Women's Pairs in 2008. In the US Open Carrie was on the Gold Medal team in Women's Fours in 2008 and 2011; and on the Silver Medal Women's Fours in 2010; Gold Medal in Women's Pairs in 2001; and Silver Medal in Women's Pairs in 2008. Carrie was well known to us all as a most enthusiastic support of lawn bowls. She love the game and spread her joy for it in the SW Division and the United States. She supported our Team USA players and worked hard for the game at every level. Carrie was a lead fund raiser for Team USA. She was the SW Councilor 2010-2013 and a Bowls USA National Umpire.

HARRY FURZE - Montclair (NJ) - 2002

President of ALBA 1928-1929, **Harry Furze** undertook the task of obtaining International Bowling Board (IBB) affiliation for the American Lawn Bowls Association. His efforts were realized on July 12, 1938. Furze was appointed cochairman of the World Bowling Tournament in 1932, held concurrent and staged next door to the Olympic Games held in Los Angeles. The event was held July 18 through August 8 on the three-green complex of the Los Angeles Lawn Bowling Club, directly adjacent to the LA Coliseum, site of the Olympics. An extraordinary bowls enthusiast in an era when means of travel were few, lengthy and expensive, Furze organized a successful U.S. bowling tour to Great Britain in 1929. A year earlier, he accompanied a group of New Zealand bowlers, en route home from a trip to England, on a 14 match cross-country tour of the U.S., with stops reaching from Buffalo to Chicago to California. His home club was in Montclair, New Jersey, which lists Furze in its historical file as an outstanding bowler and a traveling ambassador of the sport.

JO GILBERT - Daytona Beach (FL) - 2002

**Jo Gilbert** began her bowling career in the then Eastern Division in 1971 at the Essex County LBC.. Her first appearance at a National Open was in Chicago in 1974, at which time she won the triples event with Izzie Forbes and Marie Clausen. She went on to win numerous local, divisional, and national events. She and Jack moved to Florida in 1979, bowling at the Daytona Beach, LBC. She participated in 12 US Championships, winning the Pairs competition with Nora Miller Dorman in 1987 and 1988; and in 1996 with Patti Grabowski. Jo was on the US Women's teams 5 times: at World Bowls in Australia in 1985 and in New Zealand in 1988; at the Pacific Rim games in Papua New Guinea in 1987 and Fiji in 1989; and the inaugural Atlantic Rim games in Florida in 1993. Jo served as an AWLBA councilor for 9 years. She served as Treasurer of the National Organization in 1978 and again in 1982. Under the AWLBA presidency of Ruth Gillard in 1987, she was appointed the Women's National umpire chairman. During this time, she established the Policy and Procedure Manual for women umpires. Jo was an official at the Paralympic lawn bowling games held in Atlanta, GA in 1996. During 2001-2002, she was a member of the National Committee to establish criteria for the selection of National Team members.

CLIFFORD R. GILLAM - Buck Hill Falls (PA) - 2001

The president and chairman of the board of the Buck Hill Falls Corporation, Buck Hills Falls, PA, **Clifford Gillam** was an activist and supporter of level competitive bowling in the United States. In 1958, Gillam's Buck Hill Falls bowling greens hosted the inaugural Men's U.S. Pairs Championship, and the Pairs event was staged on the Buck Hill greens for its initial twelve years. The perpetual U.S. Pairs Championship Trophy is an elegant sterling silver bowl provided by Gillam and the Buck Hill Falls Corp. From 1960-1969, Buck Hill Falls was also site of the annual U.S. Singles Championships. Gillam introduced a pair of popular open tournaments in the 1960s designed to encourage participation and competition between American and Canadian bowlers. His untimely death cancelled plans to establish a Lawn Bowls Hall of Fame at Buck Hill Falls, and marked the beginning of the movement of ALBA's showcase national tournaments to other locales from year to year. Upon his passing, Gillam was elected Honorary Life Member of ALBA.

PAT GONZALES - Long Beach (CA) - 2012

In the beginning, **Pat Gonzales** helped the SW Division as Coach for 6 years, traveling from Oxnard to San Diego to get it done, enlisting her talented friends to help. She chaired the Merger Committee, helped administrate the ladies days, and served once as parliamentarian. At the Club level she was the perennial President and tournament bowler, feeling it was her duty to be there for them and share with them that which she had learned. Serving one more term as President she has concentrated on helping the younger lions get better and focused on the state of the greens and the vitality of the draw games. Pat broke into the national scene in 1997 by winning the US Singles Title, once as a right hander and once as a left hander. After successful shoulder surgery she won one more US Championship title, the Pairs title in 2001. Internationally, and with Team USA the competitive achievements of which she is most proud: US open singles champion in 2001, Can/Am competitions in Edmonton, Canada, NAC competitions in Seattle, British Columbia, Montreal and Milwaukee. Milwaukee excited her in 2004 because she was instrumental with her six wins, three in singles and 3 in pairs in helping the team defeat the Canadians in the Folkins Cup. She was the first woman sent by the US to compete in the Champion of Champions in Moama, Australia in 2003. In 2004 she earned the title Bowler of the tournament in the PIMD Open, having won the singles and the triples. She was selected to play singles in the Inaugural World Bowls Indoor competitions in Hong Kong, in 2005 and competed in the Atlantic games in 2005 reaching the semifinals in singles. Back surgery and finally, unsuccessful knee surgery, then ended the fun. In 2006 she finally had to admit she could not compete at the international level and settled down to enjoy Club bowls, with an artificial arm, at her beloved Long Beach Lawn Bowling Club in Long Beach, CA.

EUGENE GOODWIN - Mount Dora (FL) - 2006

**Gene Goodwin** is probably best known as the editor of BOWLS USA magazine. Under his leadership the magazine steadily improved to the point it was expanded onto glossy paper, and printed in full color. Prior to that Gene served as Southeast Division correspondent to BOWLS magazine. Other service accomplishments include president of the Mount Dora LBC 1994-95, editor of the Mount Dora newsletter since 1994, Mount Dora games director 1990-1994, ALBA/USLBA councilor from Southeast Division since 1995, United States Championships coordinator 1997-2002, 2nd vice president of ALBA 1999, and guided the merger of the ALBA and the AWLBA..Gene's contributions to his club and to his division have been unceasing since he first appeared on the scene, and are too numerous to list here. They continue today. Eugene Goodwin is a professor emeritus of journalism at Penn State University.

PATRICIA GRABOWSKI - Sun City Center ( FL ) - 2015

**Patricia Grabowski's** introduction began long before she was able to participate in the Sport of Bowls. Her Father, Pat Rauccio, was a lawn bowler in Niagara Falls, New York, which enticed Patti's future husband, Joe Grabowski, to join the game. Moving to Ft. Lauderdale in 1978, Joe & Patti joined the Hollywood, Florida LBC. Four years later, they moved to the Tampa area where they joined the Lakeland LBC. Within four years, they made a move into Sun City Center. From that day on Patti participated in many tournaments. She qualified 7 times for the National Championships. Patti & Jo Gilbert won Pairs and was R/U in Singles once. Patti co-chaired the 1996 Atlanta Georgia Para-Olympics which followed the Olympics.

Locally she chaired two Bowls Camps plus a camp at Mount Dora. Team member for the Asia Pacific Games in Victoria, Canada and the Atlantic Games in Clandridad, Wales. President of Southeast Division for 10 years for AWLBA and two years for USLBA plus President of the Sun Coaster LBC in Sun City Center.

JAMES GRAHAM - Santa Maria (CA) - 2005

**Jim Graham** began lawn bowling when he joined the Thistle LBC in Hartford, Connecticut in 1952. Since then, he has held many administrative positions and has participated in tournaments both domestic and international. He lived and worked in the Hartford area for forty years before retiring to California in 1992. He was a senior vice-president of the Connecticut Bank and Trust Company. Administratively, Jim served extensively at all levels. On the national level he was a councilor representing both Eastern and the Southwest Divisions of the United States Lawn Bowls Association for a total of eight years. In addition, he served as Treasurer of the USLBA Memorial Foundation (five years) and as Chairman of the National Team Selectors (five years). At the Division level, Jim held the position of President of the Eastern Division, Secretary/Treasurer of the Eastern Division, and Secretary/Treasurer of the Southwest Division for eight years. While at the club level he held the presidency and other offices of every club to which he has belonged. In competition, Jim Graham took first place in the Eastern Division numerous times and qualified for the United States Championships on three occasions, winning the Championship Singles in 1984. He played as a member of Team USA in Papua New Guinea at the Asia-Pacific Championships in 1987.

DR. EDGAR HALEY - Beverly Hills, Santa Monica (CA) - 1998

**Dr. Edgar Haley**, affectionately known as "The Greens Doctor", dedicated more than three decades to research and develop championship bowling greens. He authored and published two primary references works: "Construction of a Lawn Bowling Green" (The Yellow Book) and "Maintenance of the Lawn Bowling Green" (The Green Book). At his own initiative, curiosity and expense, Dr. Haley began a scholarly journey in 1962 at the University of California-Santa Cruz that fostered development of the contemporary sand-based bowling green, as well as unique and appropriate tools and routines for its maintenance. He invented the "greensplanner" and personally built every unit. Dr. Haley constructed a four rink green on his Escondido (CA) estate to test and prove his theories. The green (and active LBC) closed shortly before his death in 1998. Bowls was his father's game and he (and brother Rupert) learned to play as youngsters at a Brentwood Park private green in West Los Angeles. The green was forerunner of the Santa Monica LBC, of which the Haley's were founding members. Father and sons were also long-time members of the Beverly Hills club. As he traveled, Edgar joined various clubs in the U.S. and Canada after his retirement.

ARTHUR HARTLEY - Chicago (IL), Clearwater (FL), Los Angeles (CA) - 1998

**Art Hartley** won National Open Singles titles five times over a period of 25 years: in 1940, 1941, 1946, 1960 and 1965. He appeared in the U.S. Championships nine times, winning the Pairs crown in 1965 (w/E. Hayden), and Singles runner-up four times. Arthur was a member of the United States national team that competed in the 1966 (first) World Bowls Championships in Australia, and finished fourth in Singles. He captured National Open "Marl" Singles championships six times: 1947, 1951, 1955, 1957, 1958, 1962; and won the Southeast Singles seven times, Pairs three times, between 1947 and 1962. Art Hartley developed a 'concept' lawn bowl manufactured by Brunswick-Balke-Collender in Chicago, and the Marl synthetic lawn bowling surface, once used by numerous Florida bowling clubs and still in place at a few LBCs. His clubs of record include the Chicago, Clearwater and old Los Angeles bowling complex.

WILLIAM HAY - Beverly Hills (CA) - 1998

**Bill Hay** was president of the American Lawn Bowls Association from 1946 to 1951, the longest contiguous tenure of any ALBA president. Elected IBB president in 1962, he was the first (of two) American to head the International Bowling Board, international federation for the sport of bowls. (Larry Hennings was IBB president 1982-84.) Bill was United States' IBB delegate for ten years.

ALBA elected Bill Hay Honorary Life President in 1953. His many years as a prominent U.S. radio personality (announcer on "Amos & Andy", et al) put him in the position of ambassador for lawn bowling on numerous occasions. Bill's tenure of 24 years on the ALBA Council (mostly as Southwest Division Councilor), represents the second longest service on the Association's governing board. (Harold Esch was a Council member for 35 years.) His home club was Beverly Hills.

LARRY HENNINGS - Various Seattle clubs (WA) - 1998

**Larry Hennings** is one of only two Americans ever elected President of lawn bowling's international federation. He headed the IBB (International Bowling Board) 1982-1984, and was a United States delegate for many years. Like his American IBB presidential predecessor, Bill Hay, Larry Hennings was an ambassador of lawn bowling throughout the world. Hennings was an ALBA Councilor representing the Northwest Division from 1958 to 1970, and it president 1962-1964. Upon his retirement from the Council, though he never truly retired from active service to the organization, he was elected an Honorary ALBA Life President. Larry chaired the 1962 Century 21 World's Fair National Open Tournament in Seattle, Washington, only the third major international bowls event ever held on U.S. soil. In 1984, he was chairman of the Aberdeen, Scotland World Bowls Jury of Appeal. A Washington State attorney, Hennings authored the charter for the ALBA Memorial Foundation and Charles Middleton Fund. He was a member of all bowling clubs in the Seattle area.

DOROTHY HENRY - New York, Southern California - 2002

A championship bowler with a great singing voice, **Dorothy Henry** was president of the American Women's Lawn Bowls Association in 1978, and before that was president of the Eastern Division (now Northeast Division), while bowling out of the New York Club in Central Park. She was a leader in getting the women's United States Championships started in 1977 at Buck Hill Falls, PA. Dorothy was the United States Champion in Singles in 1980 and in 1988 and in Pairs in 1989. In the National Open Tournament, she won the Pairs in 1989 and the Fours in 1990. While best known for her smooth delivery, many recall that Dorothy would often break into song during her matches. She had a lovely voice. Dorothy spent the latter part of her bowling career in Southern California where the faster greens were easier on her failing knees. She retired to Colorado.

WILLIAM HISCOCK - Coronado, San Diego (CA) – 2012

**Bill Hiscock** started bowling in 1972 at the San Diego Lawn Bowling Club in Balboa Park to which he has belonged longer than any other member. He served as President of the San Diego Club in 1984 and the Coronado Club from 2006 to 2010. The Coronado Club started in 1935, Bill spearheaded a successful movement of interested residents of Coronado to retain and resurrect the bowling green. Bill was recognized in 2011, with the SWD's President's Award. Bill served on the Tournament Committee of the SWD for more than 10 years. Bill bowled for 12 consecutive years in four different U. S. Division Open Tournaments. Those competitions led to him winning individually, or as the captain of the team, championships in the Singles and Fours in the SED. Singles and Triples in the SCD and Triples in the PIMD. In his own SWD, he won championships in the Fours, Triples and Pairs. In 2011, he captained the Coronado Club's Team to its first championship in the SWD Five Man All Star Competition. Because he loves the sport, Bill believes that the lifeblood of lawn bowling is membership, he continues to encourage everyone he meets to try "Bowling on the Green".

MELVIN L. HOOPER - Redlands, Long Beach, Claremont (CA) - 2001

**Mel Hooper** took up bowls in his hometown of Winnipeg, Canada and brought enthusiasm for the game to Redlands, California, where, in 1922, he (and Dr. Frank Folkins) organized one of California's earliest lawn bowling clubs. In 1924, Hooper organized the Southern California Lawn Bowling Association, was its first president, and served as the group's leader until 1927, when he was named Honorary President. During the 1920s, Hooper also had a hand in establishing various Southern California bowling greens and clubs, including LBCs in the towns of Claremont and Long Beach. In 1932, Hooper chaired the World Tournament in Los Angeles, staged concurrently with the '32 Olympic Games on the three-green bowling complex in Exposition Park, adjacent to the LA Coliseum, site of the Olympics. The huge undertaking, posturing lawn bowls as an Olympic 'demonstration sport', was the first major international bowls event held in the United States. In 1939, Hooper played a key role in staging the next big U.S. International Tournament, in San Francisco. After the Southwest Division was organized in 1944 and became a member of ALBA, Hooper served a year as president of the SWD. An outstanding player as well as organizer, Hooper ranked as "the Southern California Dick Folkins of his era". He was one of few Californians who traveled the U.S. and Canada to bowls events, and is the recorded skip of the 1927 and 1929 Fox Trophy champions-United States vs. Great Britain.

John Iral JOHNSON - Jefferson Park (WA) - 2004

Everyone called **John Johnson** "Johnny." Born in 1917, he hailed from the Southern state of Mississippi but after World War II his home became Seattle, Washington. Johnny started lawn bowling in 1972 following his business retirement and the Jefferson Park Lawn Bowling Club became his home away from home. Always the perfect gentleman, he represented the Northwest Division in the United States Championships no less than nine times. Johnny won the National Open Tournament Singles title in 1985 and was awarded "Bowler of the Tournament" immediately following. In 1986 he and partner Bill Craig won the United States Championships Pairs title. Beside being an expert bowler, Johnny was also an umpire and an expert greenskeeper. He could be found every Tuesday "working the greens." To him it was a matter of pride and his goal was to make these greens the very best possible - so much that the United States Championships and the National Open Tournaments were once held in Seattle during his tenure. His untimely death in 1995 due to cancer was a great loss to Jefferson Park Lawn Bowling Club and to the world of lawn bowling. (our thanks to George West)

MARCELLUS L. JOSLYN - Santa Monica, Holmby Park (CA) - 1999

In 1960, **Marcellus Joslyn**, a long-standing member of the Santa Monica (CA) Lawn Bowling, founded the Joslyn Foundation, with major emphasis on Southern California senior citizens projects, particularly lawn bowling facilities. The Foundation's Board of Trustees Chairman, Remy Hudson, distributed in excess of six million dollars during the life of the Foundation, a substantial amount of those funds towards construction, remodeling and purchase of bowling greens, clubhouses and maintenance equipment. Some of the Southwest Division beneficiary bowling establishments were: Cambria, Casta del Sol, Cove Communities (Palm Desert), Hemet, Holmby Park (Los Angeles), Laguna Beach, MacKenzie Park (Santa Barbara), Newport Harbor, Oxnard, Pasadena, Rancho Bernardo, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, and Santa Monica. Many of the bowling clubs carry the Joslyn name. A successful Chicago businessman, Joslyn retired in the West Los Angeles area, where he became an enthusiastic lawn bowler. He bowled originally at the pioneer Brentwood Park green (in the backyard of a California State senator), forerunner to the Santa Monica Club, which was developed on the site of the original Douglas Aircraft factory.

BERT MacWILLIAMS - East Cleveland (OH), Clearwater (FL) - 1998

**Bert MacWilliams** played major roles in American lawn bowling on and off the green. Only one other player in American lawn bowls history qualified for as many U.S. Championship finals as Bert MacWilliams. He and Willis Tewksbury represented their divisions 20 times in the Championships. Bert won the U.S. Singles in 1976, 1979 and 1983, and the Pairs in 1989 and 1991, partnering with Bill Farrell in both victories. He represented the Central Division four times in Pairs and six times in Singles; and the Southeast Division once in Singles and nine times in Pairs. Bert was a member of the USA World Bowls Teams of 1980, 1984 and 1988. Taking his seat on the Council in 1974, Bert served on the ALBA Council for ten years. He was ALBA president 1980-1982. He was Central Division president for two terms. Cleveland-born, Bert took up bowls in 1964 at the East Cleveland, Ohio LBC, later moving to Florida and the Clearwater club.

EMILY EDITH "Ede" MacWILLIAMS - East Cleveland (OH), Clearwater (FL) - 2004

**Ede MacWilliams** was well known throughout the United States as one of the very bowlers in this country. She was seeded at one time as the women's pairs champions with partner Dora Stewart. Ede participated in the United States Championships on six occasions, winning it once in pairs. She was also a former member of Team USA and played in World Bowls competition. She championed so many Central Division and Southeast Division events they could not be mentioned here. In service of the sport, Ede MacWilliams served in a wide variety of capacities including umpire-in-chief at Southeast Division mini-camps, umpire-in-chief at the inaugural Atlantic Rim Games, umpire-in-chief at the Paralympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia, president of the East Cleveland LBC, president of the Central Division, president of the Southeast Division, secretary of the Clearwater LBC, club delegate to the Southeast Division council, and Central Division councilor to the AWLBA .

LACHLAN McARTHUR - Washington Park, Lakeside (IL), Sun City West (AZ) - 2000

**Lachlan McArthur** won his first National Open crown skipping the winning 1937 Rinks team featuring "the four McArthurs", L.D., L.M., R. Sr., and R. Jr. In the same Open, Lachlan (w/L. M. McArthur) won gold in the Pairs event. That same year, he skipped the winners of the Bennett Trophy (East vs. West) Rinks team. In 1949, Lachlan again skipped the National Open Rinks champions (w/R. McArthur, Sr., R. McArthur, Jr., J. Furgeson). He qualified four times for the U.S. Championships Pairs, 1972, 1975, was runner-up in 1976 and 1980. (NOTE: His 1937 Open victories and 1980 U.S. Championships runner-up finish were 43 years apart!) Born in Scotland, Lachlan served on the ALBA Council for six years. He was president of the Central Division, and president of three different lawn bowling clubs: Washington Park and Lakeside, both in Chicago, and Sun City West in Arizona. A bowler for 71 years, he was the United States' first national umpire and one of the original National Selectors, with Dr. Edgar Haley and James Candelet.

In 1977, Lachlan was appointed Team Manager for a USA vs. South Africa test match in Johannesburg. He was tournament director of the 1959 and 1967 National Open Tournaments, and assistant director of the 1993 and 1998 Open events.

#### REBECCA McARTHUR - Sun City West (AZ) - 2002

Although she was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, **Rebecca McArthur** did not take up lawn bowling until her parents moved to this country and she met her husband-to-be, Lachlan. Now both are in the USLBA Hall of Fame and their son, Douglas, is a champion bowler who has represented the South-Central Division on the National Council. In the early 1970s Rebecca helped organize women's lawn bowling in the Central Division, and helped bring about its affiliation with the (then) new American Women's Lawn Bowls Association. She was that division's first president. Rebecca was also National President of the AWLBA in 1974 and served for a number of years on its Council. During one period, she was the U.S. representative on the International Women's Bowls Board. Rebecca has been a selector for the Women's National Team and for a number of years was the AWLBA Historian. Active in all the bowling clubs to which she belonged, Rebecca originated a South-Central Division tournament called the President's Fives. Lawn bowling was such a major part of her life that most of her family vacations were spent at division and national tournaments.

#### VIRGINIA MARLAR - Laguna Woods (CA) - 2002

**Virginia Marlar** served as the President of the Southwest Division of the old American Women's Lawn Bowls Association in 1990 following being its Vice President in 1989. Later she was the President of the AWLBA in 1997 and 1998 having previously served as First and Second Vice President. Her gentle nature has been present in nearly every national and international lawn bowling event where the United States was represented. In addition, she organized both of the 1995 and 1998 National Open Tournaments of the USLBA. Look for her at World Bowls events. She's the quiet one with the big smile. Virginia passed away in October of 2005.

#### MARIE MANNERS - Essex County (NJ) - 2002

**Marie Manners** began her lawn bowling career at the Essex County Club in 1968. She served various terms, with distinction, as President and Secretary of the Essex Club. She also served as President and Secretary of the Ladies Eastern Division. In addition to her administrative leadership, she was an active player on both the local and divisional levels of our game. She won several titles such as Women's Singles and Pairs Champion and placed highly in each of the Ladies' Eastern division Open events. She was the driving force behind the merger of the Men's and Women's clubs at Essex and was elected the first female President in the history of the Essex Club. She and her husband Bill bowled as guest members of the Buck Hill Falls and SkyClubs located in Pennsylvania throughout their careers. Her sister, Jo Gilbert, is also a member of the USLBA Hall of Fame.

#### DOUGLAS McARTHUR – Sun City (AZ) - 2010

**Douglas McArthur** began bowling at the Lakeside LBC as a 14 year old. Two years later now 16 years old Douglas, better known as Doug played in the United States Open at Niagara Falls finishing 4th in the Championship Flight Singles after losing to a very good Canadian bowler. Five years later again in Niagara Falls he won the United States Open Singles beating a nationally ranked Canadian bowler in the semi-final in a close game played in torrential rain. After this epic game his final win was anti-climatic. Douglas is believed to be the youngest ever Open Singles Winner. In the Central Division, Douglas, better known as Doug qualified for the United States National Championships on seven occasions, twice as the Singles player and five times in Pairs, skipping for Lachlan, his HOF father with one 2nd place tie. Moving to Sun City, AZ in 1989, he qualified eight more times, four times in Singles with two 2nd places and four times in Pairs with HOF partner Champ Salisbury with one 2nd place. Playing in the South West Open he won the Triples twice and the Pairs once. In the South Central Open he won the Triples five times in a six year period and the Singles once. Internationally Doug represented USA in the six different countries winning a silver medal in 2001 and a bronze medal in 2005 both times in the Asian Pacific. Doug was South Central Division President, '94, '95 and '96 and the division Councilor for 15 years. For nine years he was financial adviser for the USLBA Memorial Foundation and trustee for four years. Doug chaired three US National Championships and co-chaired three United States Opens. In addition to obtaining sponsors for the aforementioned events he was also a major sponsor.

#### DR. FRANK McGUIRE - Meadow, Buffalo (NY) - 1998

Dr. **Frank McGuire** was the first President of the American Lawn Bowls Association. Chairing an organizational meeting of lawn bowling enthusiasts on July 27, 1915, in Buffalo, New York, Dr. McGuire was elected President of the new ALBA. He headed the novel group through 1919. Dr. McGuire was the first president of the Meadow Lawn Bowling Club in upstate New York, the forerunner of the Buffalo LBC. In 1916, Dr. McGuire organized the first recorded international event ever held in the United States, attracting 92 U.S. and Canadian rinks teams. In 1921, fourth year of the National Open Tournament, Dr. McGuire skipped his Rinks team to the championship.

NEIL McINNIS - Hermosa Beach, Arroyo Seco, Pasadena (CA) - 1998

**Neil McInnes** is the winner of more combined United States Championships/National Open titles than any other American lawn bowler. He was ALBA's "Bowler of the Year" in 1972 and 1973, and 1980s "Bowler of the Decade". In 18 U.S. Championships appearances, Neil owns three Singles victories, 1972, 1982, 1990; and seven Pairs championships, 1972 (w/E. Wyeth), 1974 (w/E. Wyeth), 1975 (w/A. Grimmett), 1980 (w/A. White), 1981 (w/A. White), 1985 (w/A. Mortensen) and 1998 (w/ H. Findlay ). His ten U.S. Championships gold medals rank #1 all-time. And, he is the only competitor to win U.S. Singles and Pairs titles in the same year (1972). A National Open "Triple Crown" winner, he won the Open Singles in 1977 and 1991; Pairs 1971, 1993; and Triples in 1993. Neil has been a member of four USA World Bowls teams-1976, 1980, 1984, 1988. With teammate Dick Folkins, he won a World Pairs silver medal in 1976. He has also represented the U.S. in numerous other international events. Glasgow born, Neil took up bowls in Australia in 1958 before moving to the United States and joining the Hermosa Beach, California LBC. Subsequent clubs include Arroyo Seco and Pasadena.

CHARLES MIDDLETON - Various Seattle Clubs (WA) - 1998

**Charles Middleton's** \$100,000 gift to the Association keyed establishment of the ALBA Memorial Foundation. He was instrumental in the formation of many clubs within the Northwest Division. Charles was president of ALBA 1956 to 1958. Upon completion of his term of office, he was elected an Honorary Life President. He served as a NW Councilor from 1954 to 1966. He chaired the special committee that proposed and delineated the U.S. Championship program, launched with Singles competition in 1957 and Pairs in 1958. Charles established indoor bowling at Life Care Retirement Facility in Seattle, Washington. He, himself, bowled at various Seattle area clubs.

WILLIAM MILLER - Gary (IN), Clearwater (FL) - 1998

**Bill Miller**, with American teammates Dick Folkins and Clive Forrester, won a gold medal in Triples at the 1972 World Bowls Championships in Worthing, England. His 17 appearances rank fourth all-time in the number of U.S. Championship finals played. Representing either the Central or Southeast Division between 1958 and 1990, Bill qualified for six Singles events and eleven Pairs. He won the U.S. Pairs in 1971 (w/R. McGaffney). Bill won the National Open Triples in 1979, and Pairs in 1982. He was president of ALBA from 1972-1974, and served as a Central Division Councilor from 1964-74 and Southeast Division Councilor 1975-79. He was also president of the Central Division. Born in Scotland, Bill emigrated to the U.S. in 1928. He joined the Gary, Indiana LBC in 1937. Clearwater (FL) has been his home club since the mid-1970s.

FRIDA MIXSON - Sun City Center (FL) - 2002

The late **Frida Mixson** was president of two divisions: the Southeast in the 90s and the East (now called the Northeast) in the 80s. She moved to Sun City Center, FL in 1993, after bowling in the inaugural United States Championships for women in 1977 and after winning the U.S. Pairs championship with Edith Miller in 1985. Frida also represented the Southeast Division in the United States Championships in 1997. In the old American Women's Lawn Bowls Association, She was national secretary from 1982 until 1986. Frida died on January 27, 2001.

BOB NUNES- Newport Harbor Lawn Bowling Club (CA) - 2015

**Bob Nunes** started bowling in 1994. He won the U. S. Championship Singles in 2001 and 2002 which qualified him to bowl in the inaugural Champion of Champions in Australia in 2003. He won the U. S. Championship Pairs in 2004 with Simon Meyerowitz. He won the U. S. Open Fours twice, 2001 and 2003. He won the U. S. Open Pairs with Ed Quo in 1997.

Bob was selected to represent the United States in 2003 at the Asia Pacific Games in Brisbane, Australia. He was selected to the National Team for the North American Challenge in 2000, 2001 and 2002.

Off the greens, Bob served as an officer of the Southwest Division and a member of the Tournament Committee.

WOODRUFF OGDEN - Berkeley (CA), Oakland (CA) – 2012

Competing over the years revealed **Woody Ogden's** fine character, showcasing his bowling skills wonderful personality, enthusiastic spirit, quick wit, and jovial ways each and every time he played. Woody won his a few tournaments, but whether he just recorded a great win or frustrating loss, his demeanor was always the same, delightful! Off the green Woody gave endless effort, and time, to every facet of Bowls. He was appointed or elected to positions in his Club, on a Divisional level and the ALBA and the

USLBA for over 25 years. Woody is one of the most heavily decorated bowlers for his enduring efforts, having received the outstanding service award from former ALBA president Gil Stephan; the President's Award by Colin Smith; the outstanding service award from the PIMD. Woody initiated the ALBA/USLBA web site running it for 13 years; ALBA Secretary from 1992-1998; ALBA treasurer for 9 years; a counselor for the PIMD to the ALBA and the USLBA for over a half decade; on the Memorial fund as treasurer; served on Nomination, Rules and Judicial committees regionally; Club offices as President and Treasurer at Berkley; divisionally, staff correspondent for Bowls USA: Co-Director to The 2002 US Open ; twice was master of ceremonies at the US Open in 1998 and again in 2002. The list goes on and on. Overall, Woody spent 99 years plus, if you count one year per annual position held. A work ethic that helped Bowls for over a quarter century is truly admirable and maybe unmatched. However, more important are the first few sentences of this biographical sketch which shows: Woody Ogden is a true Character with Character, who always has a smile, and has freely taught by example, of how easy it is to enjoy one's time playing with countless friends in an attempt to, and soak in, all the camaraderie the sport of bowls has to offer to the fullest extent.

VANITTA F. OLINGER - Oakmont Lawn Bowling Club (CA) - 2002

**Vanitta Olinger** began bowling in the Spring 1980. She was the first woman President of the local Oakmont Club 1987. President PIMD of AWLBA 1985 & 1986. Councilor from PIMD to AWLBA 1987 & 1988; V. President of PIMD USLBA 2001 & 2002; President PIMD of USLBA 2003. Was V. President of AWLBA 1989 & 1990; President of AWLBA 1991 & 1990. Skipped in some important PIMD tournaments with 10 wins. In 1990 Skipped Pairs with G. Cichy and won the National Open in Buck Hill Falls; was 2nd in Singles and became BOWLER OF THE TOURNAMENT. Vanitta was on the first team to bowl against Canada in the North America Challenge in 1995 held in Sun City, AZ. She was on the National Team that played in the Atlantic Rim Games in Durbin, S. Africa. She has volunteered in many areas for lawn bowls. She not only taught newcomers at the local club; but has held coaching classes in the Division as well. She served on and was Chairman of the Division Review Board for PIMD of AWLBA. She was a Member of the USLBA Long Range Planning Committee 2001 & 2002. Vanitta was Chairman of the 1987, 1990 AWLBA National Open held in the PIMD and in 1996 cochaired with Frank Souza the National Open held in the PIMD. In 1998 she was Games chair of the N. America Challenge held in Oakmont. Vanitta has chaired many tournaments in her own club as well as in the Division.

JOHN (JACK) L PHILLIPS – Southeast Division – 2015

**Jack Phillips** competed in many local club tournaments over the years, including several club championships at Frick Park in the Central Division. He finished in the Second Flight in Pairs at the 1998 US Open. He was Secretary-Treasurer for the Central Division and President of Frick Park (CEN) and Pebble Beach (SE).

As President of American Lawn Bowls Association (ALBA) John was instrumental in the merger of ALBA & AWLBA to form United States Lawn Bowls Association (USLBA). John was tournament director for several Central Division Opens plus the 2006 US Open for both men and women played in the Southeast Division. He qualified for the Presidential Sports Award in 1992.

ED QUO - Newport Harbor Lawn Bowling Club (CA) - 2011

**Ed Quo** started bowling in 1986, and his first major win was as skip in the 1988 National Open Pairs, with Dick Talt. His teams also won the 1997 National Open Pairs with Bob Nunes, and the 2001 and 2003 National Open Fours, also with Bob Nunes. Qualifying for the US Championships 7 times, he won the Singles in 1992 and 2000. Won various Singles, Pairs, Triples, and Fours events in the SouthCentral, SouthEast, and SouthWest Division Opens. Was selected to the National Team 9 times, beginning in 1989. Representing the USA at the Pacific Games in Victoria, Canada in 1993, and the North American Challenge in 1999 and 2000, his teams had winning records.

As a member of the indoor PBA/WBT, Ed qualified for two Welsh Masters Singles indoors in the UK, and also played in five World Indoor Pairs events with five different partners.

As an administrator and advocate, Ed serves on his Division Tournament Committee, which he has chaired often, and is also the Chair of the men's National Team Selection Cmte. Has been the Drawmaster for the US Open. Was Secy-Treasurer of USLBA (then ALBA) 1989-90. Helped develop the talents of bowlers through organized training and coaching. Managed or coached men's and women's teams at the NAC and at the Asia-Pacific Championships. With Canada, originated the NAC.

MURIEL RACKLIFF - Sun City Center Lawn Bowling Club, (FL) - 2005

**Muriel Rackliff** started lawn bowling in 1980 when she retired from her career as office manager of the Harrisburg PA School District. She founded the ladies Suncoasters AWLBA organization of the Sun City Center LBC in Florida, served eight years as American Women's Lawn Bowls Association Treasurer, served four years as a member of the women's Team USA selection committee, and served as co-chair of the international Atlantic Rim Games on the occasion of this event's inaugural appearance in the U.S. in 1993. Muriel bowled on two U.S. national teams: in Hong Kong in 1991, and in Victoria, Canada in 1993, One of Muriel's

best achievements was when she managed Women's Team USA in 1995. At the Pacific Rim Games that year in New Zealand, her team medaled in the fours and brought home the first such award in 20 years. Numerous division and club competitive titles reside in Muriel's list of achievements along with seven appearances competing in the United States Championships. She currently resides in Sun City Center, Florida.

#### FRANK RANSOME - 2011

**Frank Ransome's** association with lawn bowling began in Arizona in 1987. He almost immediately developed the opinion that new lawn bowlers should receive a more complete training and better understanding of the game. He devoted the next 24 years to this end. As his first task he developed a three day course of instruction for new bowlers that was adopted by a number of other clubs. In 1994 Frank was elected Instruction and Coaching Chairman and Membership Chairman of the American Lawn Bowls Association (ALBA). The following year he was elected president of the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division (PIMD) and was the first president of the PIMD to be re-elected to a second term. He served 10 years as president of the Richmond Lawn Bowling Club in the PIMD. He also served several years as the PIMD tournament director. In 1999 Ransome was elected division chairman of the Instruction Committee and chairman of the Membership Committee. These two positions were held until his retirement in 2011. Frank has also written a multitude of instruction and recruiting manuals that are in use today including syllabi for etiquette, tactics, remedial bowlers, and instructors as well as The Tournament Directors Handbook and The Primer for Teaching Lawn Bowlers. Frank Ransome's tireless efforts and contributions to the sport of lawn bowling will long be remembered.

#### CHARLES S. RETTIE - Thistle Lawn Bowling Club, (CT) - 2003

U.S. lawn bowling pioneer **Charles Rettie** was Secretary-treasurer of the American Lawn Bowls Association 1937 through 1945. A charter member of the Thistle Club in Hartford, Connecticut (organized June 26, 1913), he was also one of the original members of the New England Association, forerunner of ALBA's Eastern Division and the USLBA's Northeastern Division. Rettie served as Secretary of the Eastern Division. On the green, he was one of the country's players, skipping the winning Rinks (fours) team at the 1928 National Open. Among the other recorded major tournament victories that Rettie skipped: the 1918, 1924 and 1925 Walter Scott Rinks Trophy; the 1928 M.F. Robertson Rinks Trophy; and the 1935 McGuire-Lockie Rinks Trophy.

#### EMMET L. RICHARDSON - Milwaukee Lake Park (WI) - 2001

Milwaukee's **E. L. Richardson** was president of ALBA twice, 1940-42 and 1945-46. He was elected Honorary Life President in 1948. Previously, in 1939, Richardson served as ALBA Eastern Division president, when the ED included most clubs east of the Mississippi River. From 1937 to 1943, E. L. was president of the Milwaukee Lake Park Lawn Bowling Association, and headed the Midwest Bowls Association, forerunner to the Central Division. An attorney, by trade, Richardson devoted considerable time and finance to promoting bowls countrywide. He personally funded publication of ALBA yearbooks/roster listings during the period 1939-1946. He also published the booklets: "Lawn Bowls Articles-New and Old", Veenker's "Construction & Care of Lawn Bowling Greens", "Lawn Bowling" by Charles Rettie, and "Bowling on the Green-Around the World". He also conducted a national mail survey gathering historical files from America's bowling clubs.

#### GEORGE "CHAMP" SALISBURY - Milwaukee West and Lake Park, (WI) - 1999

**Champ Salisbury** (no one called him George) was president of the American Lawn Bowls Association 1992-1993, a past-president of the Central Division, and served as a CD national Councilor from 1983 until elected association President in 1992. As ALBA's ex officio "ambassador" during the 1990s, Champ served four years as the USA's senior delegate to the IBB (now World Bowls Board). For more than a decade preceding his passing in 2002, he was the presence at virtually every international competition in support of American teams. On the green, Champ won the National Open Pairs championship in 1990 and 1991 (w/J. Behling), and the Open Triples title in 1998 (w/J. Behling, S. Meyerowitz). In 1995, he and partner Jack Behling won the U.S. Championships Pairs. Champ served as president of the Lake Park Club in Milwaukee. In 1987, he spearheaded a countrywide drive that raised nearly \$25,000 to assist U.S. teams competing internationally. In 1988, he was appointed to the National Team Selectors Committee, where he served almost continuously through 2001. Champ was a member of both Milwaukee LBCs, West and Lake Park, as well as Sun City in Arizona.

#### JOYCE SCHLINDLER - Sarasota (FL) - 2002

**Joyce Schindler** has been lawn bowling since 1993. She has bowled in the United States Championships six times and was twice the U.S. Champion, once in Pairs with the late Ellie Esch of Mt. Dora, and once in the Singles. Joyce was on the National Women's Team in 1998 and was its manager in 1992. In the Southwest Division of the American Women's Lawn Bowls Association, Joyce represented Bradenton for six years and Sarasota for 20 years. She has served as secretary for both of those Gulf Coast clubs.

Joyce was also on the National AWLBA Council and more recently on the Executive Board of the Southeast Division of the United States Lawn Bowls Association.

#### JOSEPH SHEPARD - Sunnyvale (CA) - 2012

**Joseph Shepard** was born in Pittsfield, Ma. Both he and his wife Tecla were introduced to the sport of bowls in 1972 at Sunnyvale. For many years his time was limited to playing on weekends as he owned his own shoe repair shop. Joe's natural ability as an athlete in semipro baseball earlier helped him to learn the game's strategies quickly. 2 years later Joe began dominating most Tournaments at his home club winning the Pairs title 12 times from 1974 - 2003; and won Club Singles Championships 13 times between the years of 1974 and 2002. Joe formulated a plan back when he was only 16. To have his own shop, work hard, save for early retirement, and the freedom to enjoy life fully at the age of 50. Staying true to his goals, in 1980 Joe sold his business and had more time to practice and travel to the larger tournaments. Results came immediately. Winning the AZ Open in both the Singles and Pairs and added a win to the PIMD Open in Pairs in 1980. As the decade continued so did his winning fashion with a second AZ Singles Open title in 1982 and also their triples title the same year. Joe won the PIMD Open Pairs title 10 years in a row, 1980-1989 and the PIMD Triples crown three years running in a row 1987-1989. In the Southwest Open won the Pairs in 1982 and 1995 and added the Triples in 1987. Joseph qualified for the National Championships in the PIMD Playdowns in Singles in 1987, 1989, 1990 and the Pairs in 1984, 1986, 1988 and 1991; winning the National Title playing with Orville Artist in his third attempt in 1988. Joe was selected to play several times overseas to represent the USA: The Pacific Games in New Guinea & Hong Kong in 1987, 1988 respectively, and to World Bowls in New Zealand in 1998. Retirement also allowed more time to help his club and division by serving as: Club President of Sunnyvale, and 2 terms as President of PIMD. Joe was ALBA National Coach and PIMD Tournament Chairman, each for 5 years. For three decades everyone knew, you would not find Joe at home, but at the green where he was bowling, teaching, or on his knees humbly pulling weeds. For these reasons Joe is considered the foundation of Bowls in Sunnyvale and everyone knew his famous cry: "Be up when you're down!" an echo which applies to life itself.

#### JOSEPH SIEGMAN - Beverly Hills (CA) - 2002

**Joe Siegman** was editor and publisher of BOWLS Magazine, the quarterly publication of ALBA and USLBA, from 1992 to 2002. He was President of ALBA's Southwest Division in 1990 and 1991, the first SWD president to be elected to consecutive terms. Joe previously served as SW Division's First Vice-president (1989) and Second Vice-President (1988), and the division's national Councillor 1986 to 1990, and 1992 to 1996. He was President of the Beverly Hills (California) Lawn Bowling Club 1982-83, and 1991-2010. Joe served as manager of United States international teams that competed at the 1991 Asia-Pacific Championships (Hong Kong), 1992 World Bowls Championships (Worthing, England), 1997 Asia-Pacific Games (Australia—withdrew due to work-related circumstances), 2003 North American Challenge (Vancouver, BC), 2005 and 2006 Asia-Pacific Championships (Brisbane, Australia & Christchurch, New Zealand). He was also ALBA representative to the IBB (now WBB) international meetings in 1991 (Hong Kong) and 1992 (Worthing). On the green, Joe was National Open Pairs champion in 1989 (with Lee Bain); won the Southwest Division U.S. Pairs Playdowns in 1994 (w/Jim Graham), 2002 & 2008 (w/Neville Sacks), and 2010 (w/Bill Kagan). Siegman & Sacks won the 2002 U.S. Pairs Championship. Joe was a member of U.S. Maccabiah Games bowls teams that competed in Israel in 1977, 1981, 1985 and 1989. In 1983, he was named by BOWLS Magazine to ALBA's "Sweet 16", recognizing the sixteen U.S. bowlers "under age 60". Joe served as Chairman of 1989 U.S. Championships, held at the Beverly Hills LBC; was co-developer/organizer of the ALBA (now USLBA) Hall of Fame; and originator of the annual All-Southwest Team.

#### FRANCISCO "FRANK" SOUZA - San Jose, Palo Alto, San Francisco (CA) - 1999

**Frank Souza** was a member of the U.S. National Team from 1976 to 2000, whereupon he became a team manager. He played on U.S. World Bowls teams in 1976 (S. Africa), 1980 (Australia), 1988 (New Zealand) and 1992 (England). A National Open Tournament "Triple Crown" champion, Frank won the Open Singles in 1979 and 1988; Open Pairs in 1975, 1979, 1983 and 2002; and Open Triples in 1975, 1985, 1995 and 1996. He was national Open "Player of the Tournament" in 1975 (tie), 1978 (tie) and 1979. Frank represented the Pacific Inter-Mountain Division at the U.S. Championships 14 times, winning the Singles in 1994, and Pairs in 1978 ((w/D. Coyle) and 1992 (w/S. Jones). Representing the United States in numerous international competitions, Frank played on the U.S. Asia-Pacific Championships teams in 1991, 1993 and 1995. He was recipient of ALBA's "Bill Hay Player of the Year" Award in 1975 and 1978. Born in Hong Kong, Frank has been an American citizen since his U.S. Army discharge. He has held numerous administrative positions within the PIM Division, including President in 1996 and ALBA Councillor. His clubs through the years have been San Francisco, Sunnyvale, San Jose and Palo Alto.

RANDALL E. SPALDING - Spalding Inn (NH) - 2001

The owner and manager of the Spalding Inn Resort and Spalding Inn Lawn Bowling Club, in Whitefield, New Hampshire, **Randall Spalding** inaugurated the United States Championship Singles in 1957 and donated the event's perpetual sterling silver championship cup. The U.S. Singles Championship was hosted again on the Spalding greens in 1958 and 1959, and at additional times since. Some years both the Singles and Pairs Championships were played on the Spalding greens. For many years, the Spalding Inn hosted a popular annual USA vs. Canada competition, as well as a yearly media-attracting visitation by Williamsburg, VA lawn bowlers playing in colonial dress. Spalding's passion for the game of bowls provided impetus for Clifford Gillam's and Buck Hill Falls' elevated involvement in competitive bowling, as well as an overall increase in respect for the game of bowls. For many years, both the Spalding Inn and Buck Hill Falls bowling locations were America's lawn bowling showplaces.

CYRILLA "CY" R. STEPHAN - Sun City (AZ) - 2002

**Cyrilla Stephan** or Cy, as she was affectionately known, began lawn bowling in Milwaukee at the Lake Park Lawn Bowling Club and was the club's President in 1980-1981. As a Central Division bowler she won every title in the Central Division Open and made it to the United States Championships in 1983. She also ran the games in that Division for several years. After she and her husband, R. Gilbert Stephan, Jr., moved to Arizona in 1988, she continued her winning ways on the green, and made it to the United States Championships for a second time. She also became a South-Central Division AWLBA Councilor. An umpire who also served as AWLBA chief umpire for some years, Cy became active in and chaired the selection of the women's National Team and in running their training camps. She managed the women's events at the 1993 and 1998 National Opens.

R. GIL STEPHAN Jr. - Sun City (AZ) - 2003

Nicknamed "Gillie" by his closest friends, **Gil Stephan** began his lawn bowling experience in April of 1970 as a member of the Milwaukee Lake Park LBC. After moving to Arizona he was a South-Central Division Councilor to the American Lawn Bowls Association from 1990 to 1996. Gil was the President of the ALBA in 1997 and 1998 and the President of the South-Central Division in 1999 and 2000. Again on the national scene, Gil chaired the National Open Tournament in 1993 and 1998; was National Tournament Director for eight years; a national umpire for over 16 years; and Chairman of the National Open Senior Tournament in 2000, 2001, and 2002.

Gil has won more major tournaments than can be mentioned here. However, he is probably best known for his leadership as Team USA Manager. In 1995 and again in 1999 at the Asia Pacific Games and as Team USA Manager, Gil guided the team to finish high enough to qualify for the World Bowls Tournaments in 1996 and 2000. He was also the Team USA Manager at World Bowls in 2000 which led to team qualification for World Bowls 2004.

DORA STEWART - Sun City (AZ) - 2009

**Dora Stewart** qualified 9 times for the National Championships; was National Championship Pairs winner in 1978 & 2000 and runner-up in 2004; won the US Open Fours 2004, 2006 & 2008; was selected 8 times the Team USA; represented the US in the Asian Pacific Games in Malaysia (1999) and World Bowls in Australia (2000); represented US in North American Challenge six times (1998 thru 2003); championship winner over 25 times in 4 division different opens; bowler of the tournament in 4 different divisions; South Central Division councilor 2005-; co-chair National Championships 2008; co-chair US Open 2009; co-chair Central Division Open 1979 & 1989; and co-chair Salisbury Singles for 11 years (1998-2008).

HEATHER STEWART – Laguna Beach (CA) - 2010

**Heather Stewart** won the 1994 US Open Triples (with Anne Barber and Margaret Belt); was a member of the 1995 team to win Rinks at Pacific Games in Dunedin, New Zealand; won the 1996 Southwest Women's Division Pairs Playdowns with Anne Barber; won the 1997 US Open Singles; won the 2003 Southwest Women's Division Rinks with Maryna Hyland, Sybil Bernash and Anllia Hill; held numerous Southwest Women's Division offices (Vice President 1998, President 1999-2000, Secretary 2002-2003, Membership Chair 2006-2009, and Tournament Chair 2008-2009); AWLBA Secretary 1999; held USLBA offices (Women's Coach 2006-2009, Councilor 2008-2009); held numerous Laguna Beach club offices (AWLBA delegate 1996-1997, Vice President 2001, President 2002-2003); and represented the US in numerous international events (Atlantic Rim 1995/1997/1999, Pacific Games 1995, World Bowls 1996, North American Challenge 1998-1999).

JOHN STEWART - Sun City (AZ) - 2003

**John Stewart** has served as Chief Umpire in the United States continuously since his appointment in 1982. He has also served as Rules Chairman since 1990. Although he is a native of Scotland, John's lawn bowling career began in the U. S. at the East Cleveland club in the late 1960s where he won over 70 club events. That was enough to have him voted "Bowler of the Year" on 13 occasions. He succeeded in winning numerous titles in the Central and Northeast divisions before retiring to Sun City, AZ in 1997. In South Central Division tournaments John has won both pairs and triples events. On the national level John Stewart earned the honor of competing in the United States Championships on no less than 14 occasions and winning the Pairs championship in 1993 and 1994. Further, John served on the Nation Team Selectors committee both as a member and as its Chairman and also as Secretary/Treasurer of the South Central Division.

WILLIS TEWKSBURY - Orlando, Clearwater (FL) - 1998

**Bill Tewksbury** was the most dominant U.S. Championships Singles player from 1957 to 1969. During that period, he won U.S. Singles titles six times: 1958, 1959, 1963, 1964, 1967 and 1969. He won the U.S. Championship Pairs in 1970, and was ALBA "Bowler of the Year" that same season. Bill's twenty U.S. Championships appearances (tied with Bert MacWilliams) are the most in the history of the event. His seven U.S. Championship gold medals rank third all-time (tie w/James Candelet). He won the National Open Pairs crown in 1976. Bill and USA teammate Jim Candelet captured a silver medal in the Pairs event at the 1972 World Bowls in Worthing, England. He was a longtime member of the Orlando and Clearwater, Florida Lawn Bowling Clubs.

MARY TERRILL - Sun City West (AZ) - 2010

**Mary Terrill** played in the National Championships 8 times; was a Pairs winner in the Championships in Sun City Centre, FL; was a Singles runner-up in the 1991 Championships at Laguna Beach, CA; was a Singles winner in the 1999 Championships at Long Beach, CA; played in Hong Kong, Malaysia, Australia, New Zealand, England, Ireland and Wales with Team USA; won a Fours bronze medal in 1995 in New Zealand; was 1st Vice President of AWLBA Arizona when it was formed in 1984; was president of the Sun City West Lawn Bowls Club; was Team USA manager in Malaysia and Ireland in 1995; was South Central Division councilor for several years; and was a team member of the Women's Selection Committee.

DOROTHY MUMMA TODD

**Dorothy Mumma Todd** (a.k.a., "Dot"), America's crusader for woman's rights to lawn bowl equally with the men. When her husband, Bill Mumma, now deceased, persuaded Dot to lawn bowl, she fell in love with the game, but complained of the many problems of unfairness and prejudice towards women that existed in the sport of Lawn Bowling. Women lawn bowlers were prohibited to bowl with, or against the men in team competition. When the men had finished their morning games the women were allowed to play their games in the heat of the summer.

Dot was a tenacious and feisty competitor, determined to establish woman's rights equal to that of the men's association. She worked diligently towards establishing the National Woman's Lawn Bowling Association which she founded and established in 1970, becoming the first president of the organization. She was also president in 1983.

Dot was awarded a life time membership in 1995 of the American Woman's Lawn Bowling Association for her contribution to the organization, including being the focal point in the formation. She traveled all over the USA and the world as a player, captain and a delegate. She competed in four world tournaments, traveling to New Zealand, England and twice to Australia.

She married Bill Todd in 1985, who also was an avid bowler. Together they and entered many tournaments. They organized and sponsored the Mumma Todd Mixed Pairs Tournament in 1986 which was held in Riverside every year, where the women skipped. The Mumma tournament continues on, now being sponsored by her son, Larry and daughter-in-law Jo.

She was a terrific bowler and won many tournaments, leaving behind numerous trophies, awards and pins from all over the world.

Sadly she passed away of cancer on February 17, 1996 at the "young" age of 92.

WILLIAM TODD - Hermosa Beach, Friendly Valley, Various (CA) - 2000

**Bill Todd** held and defined the position of Circulation Manager of BOWLS Magazine for twenty years, 1975-1995. He took up bowls in 1957 at the Hermosa Beach Club in Southern California. At different times, Bill also held memberships at lawn bowling clubs in Friendly Valley, Holmby Park, Riverside and Lake Hodges. He was Friendly Valley's first president. In 1975, Bill was asked by ALBA's president to give-up his position as ALBA Public Relations Committee Chairman-which took him to greens that had been newly installed to help locals organize-to take the circulation management position. In an era before computers, Bill worked with thousands of index cards to keep the magazine subscriber rolls current. He was well into his eighties when he transferred his massive subscription files to a computer, deftly learning how to operate modern technology in the process. He was 93 when he called it quits with the Magazine. Bill's first wife, Rose, was a Southern California bowler. Dorothy Mumma Todd, whom he married after the death of Rose, founded the American Women's Bowls Association in 1973, and was AWLBA's first president.

DONNA WEST - Tacoma (WA), Sun City (AZ) - 2009

**Donna West** was elected to the Hall of Fame in 2009. In 2010 she was presented with the President's Award for her service and knowledge to the organization over the years. Donna was elected and served as the first President of the USLBA, having been elected in 2000 when ALBA and AWLBA merged into one organization. She was reelected in 2001. For eight years she was Councilor from the Northwest Division. For a number of years Donna was a member of the National Team Review and Selection Committee and she drafted one of the early versions of the NTS manual.

Donna was Northwest Division Pairs Champion in 1995 and 1996, bowling with Myra Wood, and in 1998 with Nancy Nishikawa. She has bowled in numerous national events and remains active in the Northwest and South Central Divisions.

Donna was a principal organizer for the highly successful US Championships held in 1998 at Jefferson Park LBC in Seattle. She wrote the History for the Northwest Division and the AWLBA 25th Anniversary Commemoration Book published in 1995, produced by Ann Wood. She also co-wrote and edited with John Stewart the South Central Division Constitution.

ANN WOOD - Sun City Center (FL), Sun City (AZ) - 2002

**Ann Wood** was president of the now merged American Women's Lawn Bowls Association in 1984. Coming from Sun City Center, Florida, she served that organization in many ways. She was national secretary twice; second vice president and the first VP; chairwoman of the National Open of national Singles and Pairs of the Eastern Games and of the inaugural Atlantic Rim games; member for five years of the National Team Selection Committee; and U.S. delegate to Women's International Bowls for 10 years.

Ann was president of the old Eastern Division and secretary of SE-AWLBA. She edited AWLBA's 25th anniversary booklet in 1955 as well as the Handbook of Lawn Bowling published in 1998 by the AWLBA Memorial Foundation.

Ann got into lawn bowling in 1978, and won many local tournaments in the East and Southwest.

EZRA WYETH - Beverly Hills (CA) - 1999

**Ezra Wyeth** won the United States Champion Singles in 1965, and the Pairs title twice, in 1972 and 1974, both times with partner Neil McInnes. He also won the National Open Singles crown in 1964 and 1971, and was named "Bowler of the Year" in 1971. In 1966, Ezra captained the United States team that competed in Australia at the first World Bowls Championships. From the moment of its inception, Ezra was a key member of BOWLS magazine's editorial staff and wrote a regular column on bowling technique. He also authored several books on lawn bowls. After his appointment as ALBA's National Coach, he built a rink at his San Fernando Valley home to further research and develop both practical and scientific approaches to the various aspects of bowls. Usually at his own expense, Ezra traveled America organizing "Wyeth's Fundamentals" teaching clinics, and certifying national umpire candidates. For quite a few years, he held bowls clinics for the handicapped throughout Southern California and conducted classes for Beverly Hills High School students. In 1970, Ezra was principally responsible for instituting the Walt Disney Masters Singles Tournament, the only U.S. invitational event accorded sanction by the (then) International Bowling Board. Born in Toowang, Australia. Ezra was an international cricket star before taking up bowls in 1941. A member of several clubs, he represented Queensland and Victoria in interstate competitions. In 1961, he became a U.S. citizen, a professor at California State University Northridge, and joined the Beverly Hills LBC.