

Madison Women's Bowling Association

HALL OF FAME – 2008

SHIRLEY BROOKS, is inducted into the Madison WBA Hall of Fame in the Meritorious category in August 2008.

Shirley has been a sanctioned bowler and member of our association for 46 years and for 19 years she has served the Madison area bowlers as a Director and Sergeant-at-Arms of the MWBA.

During those years, Shirley has taken on many responsibilities; the most noted that of being our resident expert on legislation. When WIBC merged into the USBC the Legislative Committee under Shirley's guidance, completely revised our local By-laws and Policy and Procedures – no small task.

Shirley has participated in over 40 of our annual City Tournaments and was on the 1989 Division 2 champion's team. For the last 20 tournaments we have counted on her assistance as either chair of the tournament, scorekeeper or office worker. Shirley doesn't know how to say no!

In 1983 and 1996 Madison hosted the WWBA's Annual Tournament. Shirley worked the tournament office and kept score, and then put in endless hours after the tournament to compile a historical scrapbook that was presented to the State Board. When we hosted the 2005 tournament, Shirley stepped forward to take on the difficult task of "sub-chairperson" being virtually on-call throughout the entire tournament finding local subs for state bowlers who couldn't make their squads – often on just a few hours notice.

Shirley has accomplished much in her 46 year career. She has represented our Association at 12 WWBA Annual Meetings and 15 National Conventions. She is a proud member of State and Madison 600 Clubs and has served on their local audit committee. She has also devoted much of her time to the leagues she bowls in serving over the years as both President and Secretary.

Shirley has been recognized for her 27 years of bowling in the National Tournaments as well as her 25 years of participation in the WWBA State Tournament. Her bowling career is highlighted by a 254 game, 602 high series, and career high average of 162.

Bowling has been good to Shirley and she has been good for bowling to the benefit of all Madison area bowlers. To quote Shirley Hoffman's nomination letter, "Shirley never thought that when she became a sanctioned bowler 46 years ago she would exemplify what a bowler could become."

The MWBA is pleased to honor Shirley Brooks as an inductee into the MWBA Hall of Fame.