

# The National Bowling Association National Junior Council Program



## **Vision**

Our vision is that youth bowlers would develop a love for the sport of bowling through sportsmanship, fellowship and friendship through their TNBA (The National Bowling Association, Inc.) certified youth bowling programs and it fuels their desire to continue bowling and supporting TNBA into their adulthood.

## **Mission Statement**

Our mission is to educate, train and encourage youth to become aware, interested and involved in the operation of their local Senate and The National Bowling Association, Inc through active participation and growth.

## **Purpose and Objectives**

- A. To foster the spirit of good Sportsmanship, Fellowship, and Friendship.
  
- B. To educate TNBA Junior Members the philosophy and objectives of the National Bowling Association, Inc.
  
- C. To introduce TNBA Junior Members to the operation, administrative procedures, various programs and providing practical experience pertaining to The National Bowling Association, Inc.
  
- D. To train TNBA Junior Members by having them, via mentoring opportunities, assist in the operation and administration of the Senate's Junior Bowling Program so that they can assume responsibilities when they become adult members in The National Bowling Association, Inc. Demonstrate the steps necessary to progress from the local view of the TNBA to the National level and what it encompasses
  
- E. To represent the class of TNBA Junior Members so that their views are incorporated in the planning of the TNBA Junior Program.

## **NATIONAL JUNIOR COUNCIL DIRECTOR -**

The National Junior Council Director will receive nominations for participants for the National Junior Council. Upon receipt of all required documentation, the National Junior Council Director and a committee of three, will process the applications and make final selections. Selected juniors will be notified by the National Junior Council Director.

## **NATIONAL JUNIOR COUNCIL SELECTION GUIDELINES**

The Junior Council program has been enhanced by the establishment of a **National Junior Council Committee**. The national programs main purpose is to incorporate the ideas of our junior bowlers in the planning of the **TNBA Junior Program**. In order to accomplish this goal we have identified the following guidelines for participation.

- a. The nominees **must** be a bowling member of a TNBA certified junior league and be at least 15 years old.
- b. Participate in an active local Junior Council program

## **ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES**

The member will be notified in a timely manner as to whether they have been selected or not. Basic expenses (i.e. travel, lodging, and food) to the annual national convention will be paid by the TNBA. To submit a council members name for consideration send all of the following:

- **Detailed resume of qualifications, including the knowledge of the game of ten pins**
- **Two Letters of Recommendations (coach, community leader, teacher, pastor or church officer)**
- **Transcript reflecting 2.5 GPA or higher**
- **Supporting letter of community involvement**
- **300 word essay “Why I should be selected for the National Junior Council”**
- **A copy of the signed Application for National Junior Council Representative**
- **A copy of the signed Junior Council Application for Membership (found in Senate Junior Council Manual)**

The application, resume, two letters of recommendation and essay must be received by January 31<sup>st</sup> of the current season. Determinations will be mailed no later than February 15<sup>th</sup>.

***The National Junior Council*** will consist of up to **two (2)** representatives from each region\* who will serve for a two year term\*\*. General and specific performance objectives as defined by the program are to be maintained. Each selected member will be given these objectives in writing.

The minimum age will be (15) fifteen. The following qualifications should be used in the selection process.

- **Display of leadership skills**
- **Knowledge of the game of ten pins**
- **Displays a teamwork attitude**
- **Commitment**

\*Open positions may be filled by other region candidates. Revised 1/2016.

\*\*Note: Effective with the 2015/16 season a third year option has been added. The selection will be at the discretion of the National Junior Council Director and will be assigned advanced mentoring opportunities and serve as a national tournament worker/trainee. All graduating committee members are eligible for consideration. Committee members desiring to be considered are to write an essay (minimum 100 words) why they should be considered.

Also effective with the 2015/16 season we have added a two hundred dollar (\$200) book scholarship for all committee members completing the two year program.

## Application for National Junior Council Representative

The \_\_\_\_\_ Senate of the National Bowling Association, Inc.

Submits the name of \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

As our nominee for National Junior Council Representative.

I \_\_\_\_\_ give my permission for the Senate to submit  
(please print)  
the name of my son/daughter to be a National Junior Council Representative at the annual convention of the National Bowling Association, Inc.

Applicant' Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Ph# \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Ph# \_\_\_\_\_

Signature League Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Ph# \_\_\_\_\_

## National Junior Council Member Achievement

### Award & Scholarship

The National Junior Council Achievement Award & Scholarship winner will receive this award in the names of

**Mrs. Viola Crosswhite**  
**Founder and Life Member**

**Mr. Sydney V. Celestine**  
**TNBA President Emeritus**

### Scholarship (TBD)

This award will be presented to the **National** Junior Council Member (Male & Female) who best demonstrates a keen interest in the National Bowling Association as well as in the TNBA Junior Program.

Qualifications for the TNBA National Junior Council Member of the Year are:

- To be eligible for award consideration, the nominee must be a member of the National Junior Council Committee and complete his/her two year commitment on the national junior council committee.
- Each national junior council committee member must successfully complete their assigned project or a mentorship assignment.
- The National Junior Council Director will notify the local Senate to submit a letter noting local junior council contributions and other qualities that merit consideration for this award. The letter should be received no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Mentors will be required to submit a written report noting satisfactory or unsatisfactory completion of the assignment. Report should be received no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The assistant Junior Council Chairperson, the Junior Council Liaison and the Owen O. Washington scholarship chairperson shall constitute a committee to study the reports and letters and declare a winner(s).\*
- **The winner shall be presented with a suitable plaque, properly engraved for permanent possession and a \$500 scholarship\*\*.**
- **NEW! All other eligible committee members that complete their two year term will receive a \$200 book scholarship\*\*. Effective 2015/16 season.**

This award shall be presented to the winner(s) at the Annual Awards Banquet TNBA Week.

\*In the event a candidate(s) is from the Senate of a committee member a suitable alternate will be selected by the National Junior Council Director.

\*\* **Scholarship will be paid directly to the winner upon receipt of proof of enrollment in a college, university or trade school.**

## Junior Council Member of the Year Award

The Junior Council Member of the Year Award winner will receive this award in the names of

**Mrs. Martha Burton**  
**TNBA Life Member & Hall of Famer**

**Mr. Bobby R. Richardson**  
**TNBA Life Member and Hall of Famer**

This award will be presented to the **local** Junior Council Member (Male & Female) who best demonstrates a keen interest in the National Bowling Association as well as in the TNBA Junior Program.

Qualifications for the TNBA Junior Council Member of the Year are:

- To be eligible for award consideration, the nominee must be a member of a Local Junior Council Program.
- Each local junior council program member should possess a good understanding of the TNBA Junior Council program guidelines, knowledge of the game of ten pins, good academics, community involvement and extracurricular activities.
- **The local Senate must register\* their Junior Council Program in writing with the National Junior Council Director.**
- The local Junior Council Advisor should submit a letter noting local junior council contributions and other qualities that merit consideration for this award. The letter should be received no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The candidate must write a 100 word essay stating why they should receive this award.
- The assistant Junior Council Chairperson, the Junior Council Liaison and the Owen O. Washington scholarship chairperson shall constitute a committee to study the reports and letters and declare a winner(s).\*
- **The winner shall be presented with a suitable plaque, properly engraved for permanent possession.**

The award winners will be announced during TNBA Week.

\*See registration form in Senate Junior Council Program Handbook!

## **Brief History of the TNBA**

**The National Bowling Association (TNBA) – The National Bowling Association, Inc was organized August 20, 1939, in Detroit, Michigan, for the purpose of encouraging Negroes to develop their skills in the game of Ten Pins. It was originally known as the National Negro Bowling Association because at the time of its birth, African Americans and other Non-Caucasians were not permitted to belong to the former American Bowling Congress (ABC) or the Women’s International Bowling Congress (WIBC), now known as the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) because of certain restrictive clauses in their constitutions. In 1944 it was renamed The National Bowling Association, Inc (TNBA). Please refer to TNBA tri fold for more detailed information pertaining to the history of The National Bowling Association. This tri-fold will be required reading of all Junior Council members.**

We encourage you to establish strong Junior Council Programs on a local level and encourage our juniors to participate on a national level. Any questions on establishing a Junior Council Program please contact John W. Collins, National Junior Council Director, at (248) 872-8911 or via email at jwcmc12@aol.com.

**SPORTSMANSHIP ? FELLOWSHIP ? FRIENDSHIP**