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ISBPA ANNUAL MEETING CONCLUDES

The 2023 ISBPA Annual Meeting just concluded, and by all accounts, was a huge success. The two-day event was held at the plush, boutique style Arista Hotel, Naperville, III., and kicked off with a Sunday evening heartfelt farewell reception honoring Executive Director, Bill Duff and Tournament Coordinator Joy LaCour, who retired together on June 30 of this year. About 50 people converged to join Bill and Joy at Zorbas bistro which was conveniently located within the hotel.



Both were given gifts: Joy received an **OnTheBallBowling** customed pin that included words of appreciation while Bill received a custom, authentic **Chicago White Sox** Jersey bearing his name and that of his recently deceased wife, Jacki.



The following morning featured two seminars: **Cameron Linder**, **Western Bowling Proprietor Insurance**, updated membership on the insurance industry which is coming off of a couple of costly years which has been impacting rates; he also discussed the penalties relating to "underinsurance." **BPAA's** Food & Beverage Director, **John Karabatsos**, provided a seminar on *10 Ways to Enhance Your F&B Operation*.

Following the seminars, ISBPA's Annual Meeting & Luncheon

featured a keynote address by PBA Commissioner, **Tom Clark** (photo left), who enthusiastically regaled the audience with some tales-from-the-tour and announced the opening of the 2024 Tour Schedule, with an airing on Monday, January 15, 5:00 ET, with the **PBA Players Championship**. Tom added that the tour will be heading to **Bowlero Mount Prospect** with the finals scheduled to air on Saturday evening, February 10, at 8:00 ET.

The meeting concluded with ISBPA President, **Tom Doud**, presiding over the ISBPA's annual awards ceremony by introducing each of the individuals who earned recognition by providing service to the industry and/or association. (photo right)

ISBPA Youth Scholarship winners, Delaney Hall and lan McGrath, were unable to

attend the ceremony as they

were attending to their high school related studies.

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DANNY HAYES Award of

Recognition

BAKER Louie P. Petersen DEDE BOSCO Lifetime Membership JOY LaCOUR Patrick F. Bosco Award of Merit BRUCE DAVIS Award of Gratitude

Tivoli Bowl, Downers Grove, and Wood Dale Bowl received plaques for reaching the landmark status of 75 Years in Membership. Digger's City College Bowl of Macomb, Ill., was unable to attend the meeting, was nonetheless acknowledged for reaching 50 Years in Membership.

To access the presentations of the seminar and luncheon speakers, please click on the links below. (Please note the



Steve Cieslewicz, on his seminar on *Ideas to Jump Start Your Business*, did not provide a visual presentation. We will roll out some of his ideas at a later date.)

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Food & Beverage

BPAA Update

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