February 15, 2017

AN INVITATION TO IBMA MEMBERS

Dear IBMA Member,

The United States Bowling Congress invites you to join them for Convention Week 2017 in Las Vegas April 24-27, 2017. Convention week activities will take place at The Orleans Hotel and Casino.

In addition to the 2017 Hall of Fame Induction at this year's convention, USBC will conduct important business and offer attendees a variety of educational workshops and more. It's always a significant media event for anyone who covers the sport as a journalist.

The Convention schedule of events follows and you are invited to attend all the activities. All activities will take place at The Orleans Hotel and Casino.

- **REGISTRATION & Exhibits– Bienville Room**
  - Monday, April 24 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.
  - Tuesday, April 25 from 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.
  - Wednesday, April 26 from 7:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.
  - Thursday, April 27 from 7:30 a.m. until 9 a.m.
- **DELEGATE WELCOME RECEPTION – Esplanade Room**
  - Tuesday, April 25 – 6:30 to 9 p.m.
- **WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS**
  USBC will conduct a variety of educational workshops:
  - Tuesday, April 25 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.
  - Wednesday, April 26 from 8:30 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.
- **MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER – Mardi Gras Room**
  - Tuesday, April 25 from 9 – 10 a.m.
- **MEET THE CANDIDATES –**
  - Wednesday, April 26 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- **BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIP LUNCHEON – Wednesday, April 26, Noon – 1:30 p.m. Dauphine Room (**Prior to the opening of the Annual Meeting.)
- **USBC ANNUAL MEETING – Mardi Gras Room**
  - Wednesday, April 26: The Annual Meeting will begin at 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
  - Thursday, April 27: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a Town Hall Session from 4:30–5:30 p.m.
- **USBC HALL OF FAME DINNER and INDUCTION – Wednesday, April 26 – Esplanade Room**
  - Reception at 5:30 p.m., Dinner and Induction at 6:30 p.m.

TO RSVP: Please return the enclosed RSVP Form by March 15, 2017.

We would be happy to reserve a room for you in our room block based on availability. Please indicate your information including credit card on the RSVP Form.

When you arrive at The Orleans please visit the Registration Area located in the Bienville Room on the 2nd floor to check in and pick up your credentials.

If you have any questions, please contact Robin Marshall, at 800-514-2695 ext. 8223 or via e-mail at robin.marshall@bowl.com.

We look forward to seeing you in Las Vegas!

Sincerely,

Frank Wilkinson
USBC President

CC: Mike Larsen, Director of Associations and Membership Operations
Tangela Chance, Travel and Housing Coordinator

Enclosure: RSVP form (see below)