

Yearly Highlights

~ 1980 ~

The **International Gay Bowling Organization** (IGBO) began as an idea in 1980. Representatives from HOUSTON, LOS ANGELES, MILWAUKEE, NEW YORK CITY, SAN DIEGO and TORONTO met on August 29, 1980 in LA after receiving an invitation from the Inter-City Athletic Union of Los Angeles to participate in a joint bowling/softball tournament. The representatives agreed there was a strong need for an organization to help unify a growing gay and lesbian bowling community. From this meeting IGBO's foundation was created.

At this meeting, **Tom Hack** (New York City) and **David Theiss** (Milwaukee) were elected to contact other cities that might be interested in joining IGBO. Milwaukee's November 1980 Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT) was selected as the site for the first organizational meeting, where a President and Secretary/Treasurer would be elected and Bylaws adopted. The first Board of Directors consisted of these two officers plus one representative from each founding city.

In Milwaukee, **Hack** and **Theiss** presided over the meeting to formally organize IGBO. In addition to the original six cities, ATLANTA, CHICAGO, MINNEAPOLIS, ST. PAUL and SEATTLE became members. It was agreed to designate Memorial Day Weekend as the time for an annual IGBO bowling tournament. The six founding cities presented bids to host the first event in 1981. HOUSTON was selected as the host for the first tournament.

NEW YORK agreed to develop the first Bylaws, and the format for the annual tournament was adopted. The first event consisted of three games each in singles, doubles, and team. Team strength consisted of five regular members and one alternate/substitute. The tournament was open to league members of the member cities.

Nominees for the first IGBO President were **Tommy Davis** (Houston); **Tom Hack**; and **Gladys Lewis** (Minneapolis). **Hack** was elected. **Theiss** was elected unopposed as the first Secretary/Treasurer. Both officers were elected for a one-year term.

~ 1981 ~

In May 1981 HOUSTON's Montrose Sports Association hosted the first annual IGBO tournament/meeting with bowlers from 16 cities attending.

At the 1981 meeting the first Bylaws Committee was formed. The committee consisted of **Mike Sorte** (Seattle), **Davis** (Houston) and **Steve Tracy** (Dallas). This committee was to draft Bylaws to be presented to the organization at the next IGBO meeting. IGBO also established a rotating IGBO trophy to be given annually to the All-Events Team champion, with appropriate individual awards for each member. SAN DIEGO offered to purchase and donate the traveling All-Events Team trophy to IGBO.

The next meeting was held during the November 1981 HIT tournament in MILWAUKEE. At that time DALLAS was accepted as the host for the 1982 tournament. **Dan Donovan** (Minneapolis) was elected to the new position of IGBO Vice President.

~1982 ~

In 1982 IGBO achieved recognition for hosting the largest indoor gay/lesbian sports event of the time. More than 400 bowlers from 27 cities attended the tournament in DALLAS.

At the annual meeting, **John Hammett** (LA) was elected President. Other nominees were **Hack**; **Davis**; **Richard Dauchy** (Houston); and **Evelyn Akers** (Kansas City). **Theiss** was re-elected Secretary/Treasurer unopposed.

CHICAGO and SEATTLE bid to host the 1983 event, and CHICAGO was awarded the bid.

~ 1983 ~

The annual meeting in CHICAGO in 1983 proved that IGBO was here to stay when 13 new cities were approved as members. **Jackie Baker** (Dallas) was elected Vice President, thus becoming the first woman to hold an Executive Office in IGBO. **John Weaver** (Atlanta) was elected Secretary/Treasurer. SEATTLE and COLUMBUS, OH bid for the fourth annual tournament and SEATTLE was selected.

Theiss petitioned the American Bowling Congress (ABC) to change its rules on all-events competition. The existing rule allowed only one all-events competition to be held. **Theiss** proposed to offer a singles all-event category and a team all-event category. At its annual meeting later in 1983, ABC approved the proposal -- an important victory for IGBO which helped establish its legitimacy with ABC/WIBC.

~ 1984 ~

IGBO's Fellowship Award was unveiled at the 1984 SEATTLE meeting/tournament. The award was established to recognize individuals who uphold and promote IGBO's ideals of UNITY, COMMUNICATION and FELLOWSHIP. The IGBO '84 Tournament Committee donated the first Fellowship Awards to IGBO. It was decided to present two awards for each year IGBO had been in existence. The first IGBO Fellowship Award winners were: **Baker, Eric Caplan** (Atlanta), **Gerald Hagan** (Houston), **Mal Garcia** (San Francisco), **Hack, Dexter Kunishima** (Honolulu), **Gene Sides** (Washington, D.C.) and **Theiss**.

Hack was elected Vice President.

The first stage of incorporation also occurred in SEATTLE, and LOUISVILLE, KY was selected to host the 1985 meeting.

The procedure to select the host city for the Annual meeting/tournament was changed to two years in advance.

~ 1985 ~

IGBO, Inc. became a legally incorporated non-profit organization at the 1985 annual meeting. The organization was incorporated in the state of WASHINGTON and an attorney in that state was hired to oversee legal matters. As a result of incorporation, IGBO needed a revised set of Bylaws.

The office of Secretary/Treasurer was split, with **Jim Foster** (Atlanta) becoming the new Secretary and **Marc Ericson** (LA) elected Treasurer.

In a more formalized process for selecting the site for the Mid-Year meeting, DALLAS was chosen to host the 1985 Mid-Year meeting. An unopposed LAS VEGAS was awarded the bid to host the 1986 Annual tournament. NEW ORLEANS was selected for the 1987 Annual tournament, winning over LONG BEACH and SAN ANTONIO.

The new Bylaws Committee met in ST. LOUIS during the summer to begin drafting the new Bylaws. **Michael O'Brien** (Columbus, OH) chaired the committee. Participants were **Randy Peterson** (San Francisco); **Ron Keel** (New York City); **Vince Andrzejewski** (St. Louis); **Tom Keleman** (St. Louis); **Foster** and **Hammett**.

At the Mid-Year meeting in DALLAS, the new set of Bylaws for IGBO, Inc. was accepted by the membership. **Hack** also outlined IGBO's first efforts to reach the gay bowling community outside North America, an effort that continues.

Fellowship Awards were presented to **Weaver** (Atlanta) and **Donovan** (Minneapolis).

~ 1986 ~

LAS VEGAS hosted the largest tournament in IGBO's history. Over 1,000 bowlers participated in the Annual tournament. As a result of numerous protests that occurred during the tournament, IGBO began to seek more control over the IGBO Annual tournament. A Rules Committee was established to help enforce the rules and regulations of IGBO, Inc. and ABC/WIBC.

Following recommendations from the Bylaws Committee, the membership expanded the Board of Directors to 11 members: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director-At-Large and six regional directors. Elections for the expanded Board followed immediately.

Ron Keel (New York City) joined the Board as the new Vice President. The first regional directors elected were: **Ed Chetaitis** (Roanoke, Va; Northeast); **Ken Sparks** (Detroit; At-Large); **Dick Uyvari** (Chicago; Midwest); **Randy Peterson** (San Francisco; West); **Ray Nastasi** (Dallas; West Central); **Allen Lowe** (Miami; Southeast); and **Daryl Carter** (Vancouver; Canada).

WASHINGTON, D.C. was selected to host the 1988 Annual meeting, winning over SAN FRANCISCO.

Established at the annual meeting was a new committee to be called the Hall of Fame Committee.

Fellowship Awards were presented to **Ken Kurtz** (Milwaukee) and **O'Brien** (Columbus). **Hack** and **Theiss** were honored with permanent Lifetime Associate Memberships.

The position of IGBO Statistician was created to begin developing a centralized bank of bowling averages for leagues and tournament scores. The first Statistician was **Hack**.

CINCINNATI hosted the 1986 Mid-Year meeting. It was during this time that the voting reps began looking to IGBO, Inc. to assume jurisdiction over the Mid-Year event.

~ 1987 ~

NEW ORLEANS' Cocktail Bunch hosted the 1987 Annual tournament, with another first: **Judy Tompson** became the first female director of an IGBO Annual tournament.

The Rules Committee found five violations of ABC rules during the 1987 tournament. All involved bowlers who did not declare winnings of over \$300 or more in any single event, as required. The violations highlighted the need for more direct control of the Annual/Mid-Year tournaments by IGBO, Inc. and improved methods of verifying averages.

The first major changes in officers since incorporation occurred, with elections for President, Treasurer, and four Regional Directors.

Keel was elected the new President, succeeding **Hammett**, who held the office for five years. **Keel** was elected on the first ballot, winning over nominees **Jim Foster** (Atlanta) and **Gerry Arthurs** (Toronto). **Carter** (Vancouver) was elected to fill the vacated Vice President's office following **Keel's** election, thus becoming the first Canadian on the Executive Committee. **Athom Warman** (West Palm Beach) became Treasurer. Regional Directors elected were **Arthurs** who replaced **Carter** as Canadian Director; **Michael O'Brien** in the Great Lakes region; and for their second terms, **Peterson**, **Chetaitis** and **Sparks**.

Bylaws continued to be revised, and IGBO began its next phase of growth.

CINCINNATI and VANCOUVER presented bids to host the 1989 Annual tournament. In an extremely close vote, CINCINNATI was awarded the bid.

The IGBO Archives was established to preserve the history of IGBO. **Vince Andrzejewski** (St. Louis) was appointed IGBO's Archivist.

Chetaitis and **Hammett** received the IGBO Fellowship Award for 1987. **Hammett** also received a Lifetime Associate Membership.

SAN FRANCISCO hosted the 1987 Mid-Year meeting during its annual SFNTIT event.

As 1987 closed, 57 cities in the United States and Canada were IGBO members.

~ 1988 ~

The membership saw the new Board of Directors become an activist group committed to leading IGBO into new directions to ensure its continued growth. It initiated several new agendas, including:

- Getting IGBO, Inc. involved in providing information and services to the bowlers regarding AIDS and HIV infection.
- Emphasizing the need for the Annual/Mid-Year meeting/tournament to place a priority on responding to the needs of the member bowlers, especially in controlling costs.
- Encouraging more participation by the women bowlers in our communities and at tournaments.
- Creating a committee system to help develop future IGBO leaders.
- Building the Newsletter into a premier communications vehicle.

These were among the major initiatives that laid the foundation for the IGBO of the '90s. They recognize the need to manage the organization as a small, non-profit business while continuing to stress the fun side for the bowlers.

Warman resigned as Treasurer of IGBO in February. **Keel** appointed **Allen Lowe** (New York City) interim Treasurer. **Nastasi** resigned as Regional Director. The Newsletter gained the expertise of **Bob Gliniecki** as Editor and **Jeff Clark** (both from Milwaukee) as Assistant Editor.

The Board of Directors met formally in KANSAS CITY to organize for the Annual meeting/tournament. It was the first time that the Board had established a formal meeting prior to the Memorial Day event. It recognized that as the organization had grown it needed to meet more often to deal with the growing business issues of the organization and to streamline the Annual meeting.

The NORTHEAST REGION, under the leadership of **Chetaitis**, organized the first formal regional meeting in IGBO to begin developing a strong communications link between the region and IGBO and to become an active participant in helping guide IGBO's future.

WASHINGTON, D.C. hosted the '88 tournament. It included an international raffle as the centerpiece of an aggressive fundraising program.

Carter was re-elected Vice President. **Arthurs** was re-elected Canada's Regional Director. **Lowe** was elected Treasurer and **Hal Jones** became Secretary. New Regional Directors were **Mark Castleberry** (Atlanta; Southeast) and **Jorge Ramirez** (Ft. Worth; West Central, later Great Plains).

The Marketing Committee was established. The Women's Advisory Committee was formed, with **Carter** as the Board's representative, in an effort to get more women bowlers involved in the inner workings of IGBO and to encourage more participation at tournaments. The Hall of Fame Committee was eliminated. A major review and rewrite of IGBO's Bylaws was initiated to bring them in line with current needs and to prepare for new challenges of the 1990s. **Jim Berry** (Charleston, WV) was appointed chairperson of the Bylaws Review Committee.

IGBO, Inc. initiated two important forums in 1988. The Women's Forum held in KANSAS CITY was the first in a series of open discussions between women bowlers and IGBO Directors to help establish plans for more involvement by women. The second was the "Safe Sex Is Fun Sex" workshop held during the Annual meeting in WASHINGTON, D.C.

LOS ANGELES and HOUSTON were the original bidders to host IGBO's 10th anniversary meeting/tournament in 1990. Following HOUSTON's withdrawal, the membership awarded LA the honor of hosting the anniversary event.

The Fellowship Awards Committee instituted a formal nominating process for the Fellowship Award. The process was developed to encourage the membership to become involved in the selection process and to help ensure that nominees would be evaluated on their merits instead of popularity and/or politics.

Brian Glenn (Atlanta) and **Tony Leslie** (Louisville) were selected as the 1988 recipients of the Fellowship Award. **Foster** was presented an honorary award for his many years of service to IGBO.

The Board of Directors' annual Achievement Award became a formal recognition of an individual's contribution to helping improve IGBO. **Foster** was named the recipient for 1988 for his valuable contributions as IGBO Secretary.

MIAMI hosted the Mid-Year meeting. DALLAS was selected to host the '89 Mid-Year meeting. [MILWAUKEE's HIT celebrated its 10th anniversary.]

~ 1989 ~

In 1989, IGBO lost three former directors to AIDS: President **Tom Hack**; Secretary **Jim Foster**; and Treasurer **Marc Ericson**.

In March CALGARY hosted the first official IGBO Board of Directors meeting to take place outside the United States. The meeting prepared the Board for the Annual meeting in CINCINNATI.

A formalized bidding procedure was developed as part of the bid process for the 1991 Annual event, led by Bid Standards Chairman **Steve Muha** (Washington, D.C.). The efforts of the Bid Standards Committee led to standardized guidelines for all potential cities to use in building a bid package.

Jones resigned as secretary. **Eric Caplan** (San Diego) was asked to serve as corresponding secretary in order to prepare for the annual meeting. In order to serve as a director of the Toronto '91 bid committee, **Arthurs** resigned as the Canadian Director. **Andrew Chang** (Calgary) was appointed as the interim director.

CINCINNATI hosted the 9th Annual tournament. It was the first time that a three-bowling house format was used. Four cities bid to host the 1991 tournament. Competitors were: ST. LOUIS, COLUMBUS, MINNEAPOLIS and TORONTO. TORONTO won on the first ballot to become the first Canadian city to be selected to host the annual showcase.

Ramirez resigned as Regional Director following his election as IGBO Secretary. **Bill Harrison** (Cleveland) was elected Treasurer. **Chetaitis** was elected Director At-Large; **Don Blasi** (Louisville) was elected Director of the Great Lakes (formerly Midwest) Region; **Jim Berry** (Charleston, WV) became the Northeast Region Director; **Tommy Davis** (Houston) became the Great Plains Region Director; **Chang** was elected Canadian Director; and **Peterson** was re-elected as West Region Director.

The first phase of the Bylaws review process was completed. The package was approved by the reps at the Annual meeting.

The Board of Directors' Achievement Award was presented at the annual banquet to **Caplan** for his efforts to prepare for and organize the Annual meeting following **Jones'** resignation.

IGBO, Inc. initiated a formal audit procedure of the Annual tournament's financial records.

In the summer, IGBO '90 Directors **Hammett** and **Michael Delgado** resigned as a result of conflicts with the IGBO '90 Tournament Committee and IGBO, Inc. **Tim Connelly** (Long Beach) and **Jo Schadeegg** (Los Angeles) were selected as the new co-directors.

IGBO signed its first corporate contract following negotiations with AMERICAN AIRLINES to become the official IGBO airline. Favorable discounts were provided to IGBO bowlers attending IGBO-affiliated tournaments, including the Annual/Mid-Year events. The second corporate contract was signed with OMEGA TRAVEL (the Omega contract was not renewed).

President **Keel** and Vice President **Carter** became members of the Board of Directors of the new Federation of Gay Games to ensure that IGBO maintained an active role in the organization.

DALLAS hosted the Mid-Year meeting. MILWAUKEE was chosen to host the 1990 Mid-Year meeting over the Thanksgiving weekend.

At the Mid-Year meeting, **Keel** announced plans for IGBO to sponsor a series of panels for the international Quilt to honor IGBO members who died of AIDS. Volunteers were sought to participate in the name-gathering and panel preparations. Coordinators were assigned to regions to gather the names. Eventually more than 450 names were gathered. Active coordinators were: **Deiter Murphy** (Ft. Lauderdale); **Joe Concilio** (New York); **Vince Leonardo** (St. Louis); **Tom Geil** (Portland); and **Diana King** (Ft. Worth).

The IGBO Newsletter continued to expand its advertising and distribution. A bulk distribution program was introduced and a second color was added.

~ 1990 ~

The Board of Directors met in ST. LOUIS to prepare for the Annual meeting.

Blasi resigned his regional directorship because of ill health. **Bob Cox** (Toledo) was appointed as interim Director. **Chetaitis** also resigned as Director-At-Large, and **Ken Rogers** (Cincinnati) was appointed until the May elections.

A special 10th anniversary logo was created by **Art Prillaman** (Atlanta) and was used throughout the year to celebrate 10 years of IGBO history.

The Board formally named its annual service recognition award the **Tom Hack Memorial Achievement Award** in honor of IGBO's first President who died of AIDS in 1989. **Vince Andrzejewski** (St. Louis) was presented the award at Atlanta's Dixie Tournament for his work on developing the IGBO Archives. [Dixie celebrated its 10th anniversary.]

LOS ANGELES hosted IGBO's 10th anniversary tournament. The highlight was the first AIDS Memorial Service initiated by IGBO and organized by an IGBO '90 committee headed by **Jerry Lovell** (Los Angeles). The service included the unveiling of the first 12'x12' section of IGBO's contribution to the Quilt project.

IGBO appealed to the membership to contribute money to pay for the Quilt, including a donation to the Names Project. More than \$3,500 was donated by leagues, tournaments and individuals. **Ed Courtney** (Atlanta) contributed \$500.

Re-elected were **Carter** as Vice President and **Chang**, Canadian Director. Newly-elected were **Bruce Blonder** (Cleveland) as Secretary; **Cox** as Great Lakes Director; **Bryan Eble** (Tampa) as Southeast Director; **Steve Stepleton** (Houston) as Great Plains Director; and **Ray Hart** (Pittsburgh) as Director-At-Large. Later following the resignation of **Peterson**, **Connelly** was appointed interim Director from the West region.

The first major changes in the voting structure were approved by the membership at the Annual meeting. The changes included creating four classifications of membership and allocating votes based upon a league's "normal playing strength," defined as the number of teams times the number of competing bowlers per team. The four

classifications became: REGULAR, TOURNAMENT, ORGANIZATION and ASSOCIATE. Only REGULAR members were given a vote. Votes were allocated as: 1-150 bowlers - 1 vote; 151-250 bowlers - 1.5 votes; 251 and more - 2 votes.

A new dues structure also was approved. Dues for Regular members were based upon population. Dues for other membership classifications were increased.

Jim Berry (Charleston, WV) and **Tom Geil** (Portland, OR) were selected as the '90 Fellowship Award recipients. **Chetaitis** was honored with a Lifetime Associate Membership.

DALLAS-FT. WORTH was awarded the IGBO '92 meeting/tournament with **Diana King** (Ft. Worth) named as the event's director.

MILWAUKEE hosted the Mid-Year meeting/tournament.

The IGBO Handbook was published and distributed at the Mid-Year meeting.

~ 1991 ~

IGBO held its first Annual tournament outside the United States in TORONTO, Ontario, Canada over the Memorial Day Weekend.

Business dealing of the meeting included the extension of Tournament Membership benefits to those tournaments that donate \$1.00 per bowler to IGBO. The announcement of an IGBO Yearbook to detail the averages of the member leagues was welcomed. **Bryan Eble** would undertake the task to complete the yearbook for the 1990-1991 season. Additionally, the Southeast Region had voted to change its name to Southern Region. Negative Handicaps were added to the IGBO tournament rules for those with averages in excess of 210.

The Quilt committee reported that seven panels were complete and would be unveiled at the Memorial Service on Sunday. Quilt Coordinator, **Paul Mankelow** was granted Lifetime Associate Member status in recognition of his work on the project.

Lifetime Associate Member status was also given to outgoing President **Ron Keel**

In a presentation centered around the strains of Michael Bolton's "Georgia" and Gladys Knight's "Midnight Train to Georgia", fifty Atlantans demonstrated why IGBO should choose ATLANTA for the site of the 1993 Annual Tournament.

In the annual elections, **Daryl Carter**, formerly Vice President, became the first President of the Organization from outside the United States. **Jim Berry** was elected to complete the term of the Vice President. Treasurer **Bill Harrison** was reelected to a two year term. These officers were elected without opposition.

Marty Rogers became the second woman to hold an IGBO office when she was elected as Director At Large. In regional elections, **Bob Cox** was reelected Great Lakes Director; **Ray Hart**, Northeast Region and **Jerry Lovell**, Western Region Director.

New leagues admitted to IGBO in Toronto were, Friendship, Hartford, CT; Lambda, Oklahoma City, OK; Alexandria Women's, Alexandria, VA; Not Ready for Prime Time, Columbus, OH; Niners, Ottawa, Ontario; Silver Spring Monday Mixed, Silver Spring, MD; San Francisco Business Women's, San Francisco, CA; Music City Rollers, Nashville, TN; and Providence GALA, Providence, RI.

Associate members joining in Toronto included Tio LaBudd, John Hess, Bobby Patton and David Murphy. Also joining as Associate Members were Ian Wilby from Sydney, Australia and Alan Olsen from Auckland, New Zealand.

Tournament applications were approved from Music City Classic, Nashville, TN; OKClassic, Oklahoma City, OK; Heartland Classic, Kansas City, MO; and Rosebowl Classic, Portland, OR.

IGBO's highest honor, the Fellowship Award was bestowed on **Buck Hagle** (Washington, DC and Sacramento, CA) and **Bill Edwards** (Vancouver).

In November, TAMPA hosted a very successful IGBO Mid-Year tournament.

Topics presented for consideration by the membership were ABC vs. IGBO Sanctioning, Convention Format for the Annual Tournament, Regional Redistribution, and Prize Fund Surveys.

DETROIT overcame obstacles in its quest to host the 1992 Mid-Year Tournament over Columbus Day weekend.

Three new tournaments were admitted as members, Los Angeles Silver Screen Invitational, Los Angeles, CA; Greater Hartford Annual Invitational Sweetheart Tournament, Hartford, CT; and Chicago Lesbian Invitational Tournament, Chicago, IL. Western Region Director Jerry Lovell applied and was granted Associate Member status.

New leagues joining in Tampa were, Garden State Gay Bowling, Jersey City, NJ; Twin Cities Friday, St. Paul, MN; Metro Detroit Friday Mixed, Detroit, MI; Pride League, Seattle, WA; On the QT, New York, NY; and the first league to join from the Southern Hemisphere, Auckland Gay Bowling Association, Auckland New Zealand.

TAMPA concluded the weekend with the First IGBABE competition. IGBABE (International Gay Bowling Amateur Best Entertainer) was devised as a fundraiser for AIDS organizations. Entertainers from Dallas, Detroit, Seattle, Chicago, Orlando, Vancouver and Atlanta competed. Entrance fees from the door and tips for the contestants were split between an AIDS organization in the host city (Tampa) and the city of the winner. **John Baity**, Mr. Gay America 1983, representing Atlanta won the competition with his sign language interpretation of Barry Manilow's "Memories" from the play "CATS".

~ 1992 ~

At the annual meeting in DALLAS, the reps approved of changes to the determination of tournament averages for more consistency in future IGBO tournaments and OKLAHOMA CITY was chosen to host the 1994 annual tournament.

IGBO and its members felt the loss of one of our biggest supporters in the passing of **Dexter Kunishima** (Honolulu). Dexter was one of the first eight Fellowship Award winners announced in 1984. His love of the sport and his feelings for his fellow man will live on whenever we think of him.

The Fellowship Committee was faced with an enormous task. Sixteen people had been nominated, each worthy of the honor. **Mark Castleberry** (Atlanta) and **Charlotte Eakin** (Roanoke) were selected to receive the award for 1992.

In the elections, Vice President **Jim Berry** chose not to run for reelection. **Bryan Eble** (Tampa) was elected as his successor. For the Secretary position, **Tommy Windsor** (Tampa) was selected. In regional elections, **Gary Douthright** (Vancouver) was selected to succeed **Chang** as Canadian Director, while **Benny Alfano** (Tampa) was elected in the Southern Region, replacing **Eble**; and **Rodney Seiler** (Houston) in the Great Plains, replacing **Stepleton**.

The 1992 Mid-Year Tournament was held in DETROIT over Columbus Day weekend. Though the turnout for the tournament was less than expected, those in attendance were treated to a well organized event.

During the General Membership meeting on Friday, membership cards and updates to the IGBO Handbook were distributed. The membership decided to contribute up to \$1,000 per year to the Names Project in San Francisco for the upkeep and maintenance of the Quilt sections in their care. A Committee was formed to study naming an award

after the late **Dexter Kunishima**. SAN ANTONIO was awarded the bid to host the 1993 Mid-Year tournament over Veterans Day weekend.

The topics of Membership and Regional Redistribution were both brought to the floor for input to the respective committees for consideration in their planning.

Four new Associate members, two new tournament members, and eight new or rejoining leagues brought the total number of member leagues up to 105.

~ 1993 ~

The thirteenth year of IGBO was celebrated with the second largest tournament in our history. ATLANTA capitalized on its own tournament's reputation and treated the IGBO bowler to a truly unforgettable weekend. With 936 registered bowlers and over 50 guests, the tournament was filled with excitement, glamour, festivities and entertainment.

The annual meeting was held in the host hotel. A record 93 of the 105 member leagues were represented. Officer elections capped the morning events, with **President Carter** reelected without opposition. In a close race, **Paul Weiss** (Silver Spring, MD) was elected to a two-year term as Treasurer, replacing the retiring **Harrison**. The first non-North American, **Alan Olsen** (Auckland, New Zealand), was selected for the post of Director-at-Large.

In regional elections, **Bill Harrison** (Cleveland) was chosen Great Lakes Director; **Charlotte Eakin** (Roanoke, VA) became the third woman elected to office as she was chosen to lead the Northeast Region; and, **Lovell** was elected to a second term as West Director.

After two excellent bid presentations by Philadelphia and Vancouver, the representatives selected VANCOUVER to host the 1995 annual tournament.

New members welcomed into membership were St. Patrick's Invitational in Memphis, TN, as a tournament member; Associate members Hal Bergin (Washington), Lou DeLuca (Pittsburgh), Jim Fincher (Atlanta), John Kinchloe (Dallas), Bob Moseley (Memphis), and Tommy Windsor (Tampa). Lifetime Associate member status was given to **Vince Andrzejewski** (St. Louis), **Mark Castleberry** (Atlanta), and **Toby Pineau** (Boston).

New leagues joining the organization were; PGBL - South Jersey, Maple Shade, NJ; Dynasty Thursday, Vancouver, BC; Monday Nite Women's, Houston, TX; Queen City Rollers, Charlotte, NC; and **West Valley Invitational**, Los Angeles, CA.

In Policy and Procedure changes, the Board added an Awards Committee to review the Hack and Lifetime Associate awards. In addition, the divisions for the Scratch Optional Event of the IGBO Annual and Mid-Year tournaments were adjusted to four divisions. The new divisions were 139 average and below; 140 average to 159; 160 average to 179; and 180 average and above. The new appointed office of Tournament Treasurer was created to assist the IGBO Treasurer.

The Tournament Director's Forum and Women's Social Hour were both deemed successes. The weekend concluded with the Banquet at the host hotel, the Marriott Marquis. Special entertainer for the event was Mr. Jimmy James. His renditions of famous performers kept the audience of 1,050 enthralled.

The weekend was capped with IGBABE at the Backstreet Lounge. The number of acts performing kept the crowd hopping until well into the wee hours of the morning.

The first major change in the IGBO, Inc. corporate structure, since 1986, was completed at the Mid-Year tournament in SAN ANTONIO, with the approval of the redistribution of regions from six to seven. The associated Bylaws to effect the change would be approved in OKLAHOMA CITY in 1994. The Director-at-Large position was designed to maintain an odd number of IGBO Board positions during future expansions of the IGBO Board.

The Newsletter began a transformation in the way it was organized, produced, and distributed. **Benny Alfano** (Tampa) was appointed as the first business manager of the Newsletter, to assume a lion's share of the workload from the Vice President, who could focus on other work for the organization. IGBO welcomed one new tournament member, six new associate members, and seven new league members. TUCSON, AZ was chosen as the site for the 1994 Mid-Year meeting over Halloween weekend.

The meeting at Mid-year was brief, due to air conditioning problems with the hotel. However, the hotel did do their best to make everyone comfortable until the problem was resolved. In a departure from the ordinary, the San Antonio committee held its banquet on Saturday followed by a gala Fiesta. On Sunday, in lieu of a formal banquet, the awards ceremony was held with hors d'oeuvres and cocktails.

~ 1994 ~

The 1994 Annual tournament was held in OKLAHOMA CITY. Final changes to the Bylaws were approved to convert to the new regional structure. All the current sitting regional directors resigned so each region could start fresh with a director chosen to represent the new region. The former Great Lakes Director, **Harrison**, was selected to head the North America Heartland region. Canadian Director **Douthwright** led the Pacific Northwest region, while **Maurice Beasley** (Orlando), was chosen to head the Southern. The new Southwest/Pacific Basin region chose **Michael Witt** (Los Angeles) as its Director, while Dallas resident **Michael Champion** was designated to direct the South Plains. The North Plains chose **Bob Doornek** (Madison, WI) as interim director until the 1994 Mid-Year meeting. Northeast Director **Eakin** continued as leader of that region. Former West Region Director **Lovell** was selected as the new Vice President, and Secretary **Windsor** was re-elected to his position.

At the suggestion of the Audit Committee, a new Futures and Planning Committee was created to look at the goals of the organization and how best to achieve them.

Unfortunately, the Quilt continued to grow. As of the Oklahoma City meeting, there were over 900 names on the completed panels, with enough names to complete two more panels already on hand.

The Board granted Lifetime Associate member status to **Tio LaBudd** (Minneapolis) for his longtime service to IGBO on various committees. Seven new associate members were added to the ranks, along with nine new leagues, bringing the total to 125 leagues. After stirring presentations by both the Houston and Philadelphia Bid Committees, PHILADELPHIA was selected as the city to host the 1996 annual tournament.

In a straw poll, the representatives indicated a desire to set a regular date for the Mid-Year tournament, over Veterans Day weekend. The Fellowship Award was given to **Ken Stewart** (Dallas) and **LaBudd** for their contributions to their local leagues, their communities, and IGBO.

The tournament marked a new cooperative opportunity for IGBO. Working with the International Gay Rodeo Association highlighted the potential for pursuing corporate sponsorship, and for mixing and mingling with the rodeo. A co-sponsored event, "The Boots and Balls" party, was held at the Rodeo host hotel on Saturday night, with separate areas for Country music, Pop / Dance music and entertainers. The rodeo also offered an opportunity for IGBO to earn money for the Quilt by sponsoring a Martha Washington race at the Sunday afternoon rodeo events.

Over Halloween weekend, IGBO held its Mid-Year 1994 meeting and tournament in TUCSON. Due to a change on the laws in the State of Washington (IGBO's home state of incorporation), the use of the term "IGBO, Inc." was amended to simply "IGBO". At the General Membership meeting the membership agreed to continue pursuing tax exempt status. (This had been under consideration for several years). Resolutions were passed on a roll call vote of 93.5 to 0, to authorize the Board to continue pursuit of non-profit status with the Internal Revenue Service, and to amend the Bylaws to achieve that goal.

The membership also approved Lifetime Associate Member status to **Glenn Denis** (New Jersey and Ft. Lauderdale). Three new member tournaments were welcomed: Albuquerque (SPLIT), Dallas (Ladies Inv.), and the New England Inv. (Boston, Hartford and Providence). Eleven new Associate members were added to the ranks, and a record 18 new leagues were admitted to membership.

TUCSON was the weekend place to celebrate Halloween, with a pumpkin-carving contest was a major AIDS fundraiser. During the Saturday night Halloween party, **Ric Clarke** (San Diego) walked away with first prize as a restroom wall, and **Dean Facklam** (Las Vegas) drew raves as “Lorena ‘IGBO’ Bobbit.” During the banquet, the Awards Committee presented the Tom Hack Service Award to President **Daryl Carter** and to Quilt Liaison **Darlene Ruckaber** for their selfless contribution to the organization.

~ 1995 ~

For the second time in IGBO’s history, the annual meeting and tournament were held outside the United States. VANCOUVER, British Columbia, welcomed over 800 bowlers over Memorial Day weekend. The Board of Directors spent a great deal of time reviewing the Bylaws Committee’s efforts to reorganize the Bylaws and Policy & Procedure documents, and approved both as working documents in progress.

In other items of business before the Board, investigations would begin for Archive storage, online access for the organization, and a review of the status of Air IGBO. Up Your Alley, a division of Say What You Will, was selected to market an IGBO line of apparel at the tournament.

In the General Membership meeting, it was reported that IGBO had eleven panels completed in the IGBO AIDS quilt, and additional names to fill four more panels. Representatives were updated on the status of IGBO’s efforts to attain non-profit status. In elections, Vice President **Lovell**, Secretary **Windsor** and North America Heartland Region Director **Harrison** accepted nominations for President, with **Harrison** winning election as IGBO’s fifth President. Treasurer **Weiss** was re-elected for a second term. In regional elections, **Charlie Kolisch** (Cincinnati) was chosen to lead the North America Heartland; **Rob McDaniel** (Norfolk, VA) in the Northeast; **Mike Himics** (Miami) to fill the unexpired term of Director **Beasley** in the Southern. Director **Witt** was re-elected to serve his first full term in the Southwest / Pacific Basin Region, and Director **Doornek** was elected to his first full term in the Upper Mississippi Valley Region.

Three cities bid to host the 1997 annual tournament: San Diego, CA; Cleveland, OH, and Nashville, TN. NASHVILLE was selected on the second ballot. The membership approved Lifetime Associate Membership status for **Benny Alfano** (Tampa); **Hal Bergin** (Atlanta and Washington, DC); **Ric Clarke** (San Diego); **Jim Fox** (Vancouver, BC); and **Ken Sparks** (Detroit). Eleven new Associate members were welcomed along with one new tournament. Thirteen new member leagues were also welcomed, bringing total league membership to 152.

The Tom Hack Fellowship Award was presented to **Ken Sparks** and to **Michael Champion** (Dallas) for outstanding contributions to IGBO and to their local communities.

During the year, IGBO was granted 501(c)(3) (non-profit) status in the United States.

The 1995 Mid-Year tournament and General Membership meeting was held in LEXINGTON, Kentucky. There, the Board discussed ways to ensure the continuation of IGBO’s new, non-profit status beyond the five-year provisional term granted by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Key elements to maintaining the status were training and education services, which were to be provided by IGBO throughout the initial five-year term.

During Region caucus at the General Membership meeting, **Steve Rosenberg** (Lexington, KY) was elected Director of the North America Heartland Region, to complete the unexpired term of **Charlie Kolisch**, who unexpectedly passed away earlier in the year. On-Line Committee Chairperson **Dennis Russell** (Tucson) demonstrated the capabilities and usefulness of the Internet, giving the Membership one of its first glimpses of a communications medium that promised to take IGBO into the twenty-first century. The Membership also approved the creation of the Governmental Compliance Committee, which was charged with ensuring that the actions of the organization were compatible with its non-profit status.

ORLANDO, Florida was selected as the site of IGBO Mid-Year 1996. Six new associates joined the organization, as well as a new, non-league organization and 10 new leagues.

~1996~

IGBO's 1996 Annual Tournament was held in PHILADELPHIA. President **Harrison** appointed **Tod Janssen** (St. Petersburg, FL) Interim Director of the Southern Region, following the resignation of **Mike Himics**, to serve on the Board during the Board meetings that were regularly held for two days prior to the General Membership meeting.

Lifetime Associate membership status was recommended and unanimously approved for IGBO's attorney, **Tarl Oliason**, and for IGBO's CPA, **Michael Schemm** (both of Seattle), in recognition for their efforts for obtaining non-profit status for the organization. **Dennis Russell** announced the creation of an IGBO Web Site on the Internet (at <http://www.igbo.org>), and **Sherry Work** (Vancouver, BC) was appointed Web Master.

At the General Membership meeting, CLEVELAND was selected to host IGBO XVIII – 1998. During officer elections at the meeting, **Lovell** was re-elected Vice President and **Dennis Russell** (Tucson) was elected Secretary, replacing outgoing Secretary **Tommy Windsor**. During region caucuses, **Gary Shope** (Houston) was elected South Plains Director, replacing retiring **Michael Champion**. **Janssen** was elected Director of the Southern Region, and **Gary Douthright** (Vancouver) was re-elected Director of Pacific Northwest Region.

The Mid-Year 1996 tournament and General Membership meeting was held in ORLANDO. The Board discussed the need to “re-engineer” the organization, and began by examining what IGBO does and how it does it. The decision to proceed with examining the organization's operations & services was made in response to information received from the Membership in Philadelphia. A special Board meeting was scheduled to be held in Las Vegas during January 1997.

The Board also approved a new bid application format that was developed and recommended by the Bid Standards Committee. The new application was designed to assist bidding cities by reducing the costs associated with developing bid packages and presenting bids to host IGBO tournaments. Bidding tournament committees were encouraged to begin using the new application starting with the 1999 Annual tournament bids.

The Marketing & Finance Committee was re-activated, primarily to run the organization-wide raffles and mail-in tournaments, which had become regular IGBO fundraising activities for the Annual and Mid-Year tournaments.

During the General Membership meeting, Passport Travel was approved as IGBO's travel agency.. Five new leagues were admitted into membership, as well as seven Associate members.

At Orlando's banquet, The Tom Hack Service Award was presented to **Dennis Russell** for his work with the Board and for the organization in gathering statistical data on membership and for his work on the On-Line Services Committee and the Web Site.

~1997~

In January, IGBO Board members met for a special Board meeting in Las Vegas to begin a long process of examining the services the organization provides to its members, and re-aligning organization services to meet members' needs. One of the first products of the re-engineering process was the development of a **Mission Statement**, which was approved by the General Membership at the 1997 Annual Tournament in NASHVILLE. The Mission Statement is as follows:

“IGBO, an international gay bowling organization, provides educational services, communication avenues, and social opportunities to promote the sport of bowling and to enrich the lives of individuals through leagues and tournaments worldwide.”

Also at the General Membership meeting IGBO's first “official” corporate sponsor was approved. Coors Brewing Company was designated the official sponsor of IGBO tournaments in 1998, in exchange for a \$20,000 contribution to the organization. Half of this contribution was designated for the 1998 Annual and Mid-Year tournaments; while the other half was designated for improving IGBO's educational and communication activities.

The organization's Policies & Procedures were tested in Nashville, where the Board and membership found it necessary to seek a substitution for the Cleveland tournament committee which had originally bid for IGBO Annual 1998. A new roster of committee members from Cleveland, and new co-directors Bruce Blonder, Jim Gruzowski and Blair Maynard appeared before the membership and expressed their commitment to hosting the tournament. A very grateful IGBO Board and membership approved the substitution.

The General Membership meeting was characterized by many changes in the IGBO Board. During region caucuses at the General Membership meeting, **Heath Costain** (Atlanta) was elected to complete the unexpired term of **Tod Janssen**, who had resigned. In addition, resigning Director **Gary Douthwright** was replaced by **Michael Poulin** (Vancouver, BC). Vice-President **Jerry Lovell** was elected IGBO's sixth President.; Northeast Region Director **Rob McDaniel** (Washington, DC) was elected to complete **Lovell's** term as Vice President, and **Bill Roman** (Washington DC) was elected to complete **McDaniel's** term as Northeast Region Director. In addition, **Bob Lach** (Cleveland) was elected new IGBO Treasurer, replacing **Paul Weiss**, who had also resigned. **Mark Rosenbaum** (Tucson) was elected Southwest / Pacific Basin Director, replacing **Michael Witt**, who had resigned to serve on the Los Angeles IGBO Mid-Year 1998 Tournament Bid Committee. Finally, **Rosenberg and Doornek** were re-elected Directors for new terms as Directors of the North America Heartland and Upper Mississippi Valley Regions, respectively.

In Nashville, the Board also distributed its proposal to address the relationship between IGBO and "IGBO-affiliated" tournaments. Two forums were held during the Nashville tournament weekend, and IGBO reps and local tournament directors were invited to attend and discuss what their expectations were for IGBO, with regard to providing support to, and deriving support from, tournaments. This information was to be used to assist the Board in developing a "service package" to be offered to tournaments.

A second special Board meeting was held in late summer in Cleveland, with invited guest, to complete the re-engineering process as it related to tournaments.

Mid-Year 1997 was held in TORONTO, Ontario. IGBO Secretary **Dennis Russell** was unable to attend the Board and General Membership meetings and indicated need to resign his position. **Lovell** appointed South Plains Director **Shope** Interim Secretary. In addition, Tom O'Dell was appointed to complete **Shope's** unexpired term as South Plains Director. During the General Membership meeting **Ross Nagata** (Waianae, Hawaii) was elected Director of the Southwest / Pacific Basin Region, completing the unexpired term of **Mark Rosenbaum**, who had resigned.

The Board also voted to hold a third special Board meeting in early 1998 in Phoenix to continue the re-engineering process, this time to focus on IGBO's relationship with its member leagues.

The Awards Committee selected **J B Schuelein** (Oklahoma City) and **Sherry Work** (Vancouver) as recipients of the Tom Hack Service Awards. Both Los Angeles and San Francisco presented excellent bids to host IGBO Mid-Year 1998, and after several rounds of voting LOS ANGELES was selected. Eight leagues and one Associate member were approved for membership. In addition, **Alan Olsen** of Auckland, New Zealand and **Ian Wilby** (Enmore, Australia) were granted Lifetime Associate memberships.

~1998~

The 1998 Annual Tournament was held in CLEVELAND. During the General Membership meeting, the IGBO membership approved recommendations submitted by the Board of Directors to encourage tournaments to join IGBO as voting members. The recommendations and bylaws to extend voting membership to tournaments was thus far the most significant outcome of a re-engineering process which had involved the IGBO Board and a number of volunteers over a two year period. Also during the General Membership meeting, four cities presented bids to host the IGBO Annual -- 2000 Tournament, which would mark IGBO's twentieth anniversary. Excellent bid presentations by Atlanta, Columbus, Denver and Milwaukee resulted in DENVER's selection on the first ballot.

The membership elected **Rob McDaniel** (Washington DC) to his first full term as Vice-President, and Interim Secretary **Gary Shope** (Houston) was elected to his first full term as Secretary. In Region Director elections, the Pacific Northwest elected **Bill Moore** (Calgary, Alberta) replacing **Michael Poulin**; the Southern Region elected

Heath Costain (Atlanta) and the South Plains Region elected **Tom O'Dell** (Houston) to his first full term as Region Director.

The Board recommended and the Membership approved Lifetime Associate Membership status for two individuals - for former President, Treasurer and Region Director **Bill Harrison** of Cleveland; and for former Secretary **Tommy Windsor** (Knoxville, TN). Two new Associate members were welcomed into IGBO, as well as three new member leagues -- **Friday Frolics** (Oklahoma City); **Monday Knight** (Fort Lauderdale) and **Dayton Rainbow** (Dayton, OH). During the "Open Discussion" portion of the General Membership meeting, newly elected Director **Nagata** announced the Southwest / Pacific Basin Region had voted to change its name to "**Southwest / Pacific Nations**", in recognition of that region's participation by members in Australia and New Zealand. During Sunday's Awards Banquet, IGBO's Fellowship Award was given to **Tom DeConza** (New York City) and **Bill Harrison** (Cleveland) for their services and contributions to their communities and to IGBO.

IGBO's Mid-Year 1998 Tournament and General Membership meeting was held in Long Beach, south of LOS ANGELES, to the theme, "Where You're the Star!" The Board approved a new merchandiser -- "Say It Proud Sportswear" -- to develop and market IGBO merchandise. The format of the General Membership meeting for the first time included "breakout sessions" for all Representatives, Alternates, Associates and guests. Attendees were given the opportunity to attend a New IGBO Rep Clinic presented by Vice-President **McDaniel** or a workshop on Parliamentary Procedures led by Rep **Stephanie Johnstone** (London, ON). Concurrently, the Marketing & Finance Committee and the Membership Committees also met during the breakout session. The breakout session was a first step in moving to a convention-style format for the General Membership meeting.

The Membership also considered bids to host Mid-Year 1999 from Minneapolis/St. Paul and by Honolulu; Honolulu being chosen. Seven new Associate members were approved, as well as five new leagues -- **3 of a Kind** (Houston); **Scratch This!** (Long Beach); **Saturday Seal Beach Bowlers** (Long Beach); **Merry Mixers** (Denver); and **CARA -- Sunday Mixed** (Annandale, VA).

For the first time in IGBO's history, tournaments were brought into the organization as voting members. Fifteen tournaments submitted applications and were voted into membership: **Chicago Pride Invitational & Scratch Masters**; **London Invitational No-Tap** (London, ON); **Gotham Open** (New York City Metro area); **Western Cup** (Calgary); **FLAME** (Fort Lauderdale); **Texas Invitational** (Houston); **OK Classic** (Oklahoma City); **Denver International Gay & Lesbian Invitational**; **Alamo City** (San Antonio); **Dixie Invitational** (Atlanta); **Los Angeles Silver Screen Invitational**; **HABIT** (Honolulu); **Motown Invitational** (Detroit); **Greater Hartford Area Invitational Sweetheart** (Hartford, CN); **Paul Bunyan Invitational** (Minneapolis/St. Paul).

Finally, at the Awards Banquet the Awards Committee (comprised of the seven Region Directors) awarded the Tom Hack Service Award to **Ted Lorenzen** (San Francisco), recognizing his years of service as photographer at IGBO and regional tournaments throughout the organization.

There were two special Board meetings held with invited guests from the general membership relating to the re-engineering of IGBO. The first took place in February in Phoenix, Arizona and the second in August in Washington, DC.

~1999~

The 1999 Annual Tournament was held in Washington, DC. During the general membership meeting two cities presented bids to host the IGBO Annual 2001 Tournament. The membership had to choose between Houston, TX and Columbus, OH with Columbus, OH selected as the site for the Annual 2001.

The membership elected **Jerry Lovell** (Los Angeles) to his second term as President and **Bob Lach** (Cleveland) was elected to his second term as Treasurer. In Regional Director elections, the North America Heartland elected **John Eyster** (Columbus), the Northeast Region elected **Bill Roman** (Washington, DC), the Southwest Pacific Nations Region elected **Jeff Heiden** (Santa Ana) and the Upper Mississippi Valley Region elected **Gary Hillstrom** (Minneapolis).

The membership approved Associate membership status to five new associates: **Greg Bristow** (Portland, OR), **Samuel Delgado** (Plainfield, NJ), **Stephen Stanley** (Asheville, NC) **Geoffrey Newby** (London, England) and **Steve Rosenberg** (Lexington, KY).

The membership approved League Member status to six new leagues: We Are Everywhere (Arlington, VA), Kings and Queens (Raleigh, NC), New Jersey Gay and Lesbian Bowling (Elmwood Park, NJ), Syracuse Mixed Pride (Syracuse, NY), Party Time (West Covina, CA) and Sunday Night Rainbow (Richmond, VA).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to the following tournaments: Holiday Invitational Tournament (HIT) (Milwaukee), Surf and Sun Invitational (SASSI) (Norfolk), GAGME (Tampa), Liberty Belle Invitational (Philadelphia), Ladies Invitational (Dallas), GLASSIC (Toledo), Dallas Columbus Day Invitational (DICDT) (Dallas), Maple Leaf Classic (Toronto), GREAT (Rochester), Show Me St. Louis Classic (St. Louis), The Greater Indianapolis Fourth of July Classic (Indianapolis), Ladies Organized Valley Invitational Tournament (LOVIT) (Los Angeles), COMIC (Columbus), GIFT (Cleveland), Three Rivers Eastern Area Tournament (TREAT) (Pittsburgh), Thoroughbred Invitational (Lexington), NEIT (East Providence, RI and Boston, MA), CHIT (Washington, DC) and English Bay Cup (Vancouver).

The Fellowship Committee awarded this year's Fellowship Award to **Hal Bergin** (Washington, DC) and **Kelly Carter** (Dallas) for their years of service and contributions to their communities and IGBO.

The 1999 Mid-Year Tournament was held in Honolulu, HI. **Dave Randall** and **Ron Langham**, representatives from the Federation of Gay Games – Sydney 2002 Committee participated in the tournament. Dave Randall presented an update of the work done relating to the Gay Games VI. IGBO announced the two-year agreement reached with Coors Brewing Company and a one-year sponsorship agreement with United Airlines making United the “official and exclusive airline of IGBO”. One additional quilt panel was added to our quilt held by the Names Project in San Francisco. The additional quilt panel is a result of the dedication and hard work of Bill Moore and the Calgary community.

The membership approved Associate member status to six individuals: **Richard Bessette** (San Diego), **Patrick Shipley** (San Diego), **Donnie Chance** (Las Vegas), **Cornet Fruge** (Lafayette, LA), **Guy Wojtanowski** (Pomona) and **Michael Larkin** (Coral Gables).

The membership approved League Member status to three leagues: Alternative Edge (Delray Beach, FL), Stonewallers (Dallas) and The Rainbow League (San Diego).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to fourteen (14) tournaments: ORGE 1999 (West Palm Beach), Dayton Ohio Invitational (DOIT) (Dayton), Heart of Texas (HOTT) (Austin), Ice Bowl Invitational (Omaha), Texas Rolloff Tournament (Ft. Worth), Pacific Orange Kounty Invitational (POKIT) (Santa Ana), San Diego Invitational Tournament (SDIT) (San Diego), San Francisco Golden Gate Classic & Scratch Masters (San Francisco), River City Classic (Sacramento), Tacoma Rainbow Invitational Classic (TRIC) (Tacoma), Big Easy Annual Tenpin Invitational (BEATIT) (New Orleans), Rosebowl Classic (Portland), Espresso Cup (Seattle) and Sunshine Invitational (Orlando).

The Awards Committee presented the Tom Hack Award to **Gary Shope** (Houston, TX) for his work on the Board and contributions to IGBO.

The Board had two special Board meetings with invited guests from the general membership. These individuals continued the re-engineering process. The meetings were held in Houston, TX in February and in Los Angeles, CA in August.

~2000~

The 2000 Annual Tournament (20th Anniversary) was held in Denver, CO. IGBO has replaced quilt panel #13 and new panel #16 was completed and added to the Names Project quilt after being viewed in Denver. The membership was asked to select the site of the Annual 2002 tournament between Phoenix, AZ and South Florida. After excellent

bids and presentations, the membership selected South Florida (Ft. Lauderdale) as the site of the Annual 2002 tournament.

The membership elected **Sharon Stump** (Denver) to her first term as Vice-President and **Bill Moore** (Calgary) to his first term as Secretary. In Regional Director elections, the Pacific Northwest Region elected **Jim Jansen** (Seattle) to his first term, **Heath Costain** (Atlanta) was elected to his second term representing the Southern Region and **Darrin Casola** (Ft. Worth) was elected to his first term as Director for the South Plains Region.

The membership approved Associate Member status to four individuals: **Dan Scotney** (Toronto), **Scott Tansor** (Chicago), **Sherry LeBus** (San Antonio) and **David McGinness** (Dallas).

The membership approved League Member status to two leagues: Central New Jersey Pride Bowlers (Plainville, NJ) and LAMBDA (Tulsa).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to two tournaments: St. Patrick's Invitational Tournament (SPIT) (Memphis) and Phoenix Regional Invitational Tournament (PRIT) (Phoenix).

The Fellowship Committee presented the following individuals with the Fellowship Award. The first is **Alan Olsen** (Auckland, NZ) and the second is **Jim Howell** (Los Angeles). The selection of Alan Olsen makes him the first recipient from off the North American continent.

The Mid-Year 2000 was held in Minneapolis, MN. At this meeting, the membership was asked to select sites to host Mid-Year 2001 and Mid-Year 2002. Only Houston, TX (2001) and Auckland, NZ (2002) were presenting bids and were named successful by the membership. The award of the Mid-Year 2002 to Auckland, NZ is the first non-North American host of either the Annual or Mid-Year events.

At Mid-Year, the Board introduced several new concepts including: IGBO's inaugural, formalized operating budget, a new decentralized renewal process, and On Your Back, Inc was introduced as IGBO's new merchandiser.

The membership approved Associate Member status to two individuals: **Michael Thomas** (Orlando, FL) and **Michael Shouse** (Louisville, KY).

The membership approved League Member status to a dozen leagues: Red Ribbon League (Huntsville, AL), Amigo Singles (Sydney, Australia), Wednesday Night Bra & Brief (Milwaukee, WI), Salt Lake Goodtime (Salt Lake City, UT), TGIF (Toledo, OH), Sunday Fun (Wilton Manors, FL), Columns (Lakewood, CO), Easy Pick-ups (San Diego, CA), Alternate League (Raytown, MO), 10% Pin Hitters (San Diego, CA), Friday Night 4-Play (San Diego, CA) and Friday Friends & Family (Artlington, VA).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to two tournaments: CINTIT (Cincinnati, OH), MAKIT (Kansas City, MO).

The Tom Hack Award was presented to **Tommy Windsor** (Dallas, TX) and **Rob McDaniel** (Manassas Park, VA).

~2001~

The 2001 Annual Tournament was held in Columbus, OH. The membership was asked to select the site of the Annual 2003 tournament between Chicago, IL and Phoenix, AZ. Excellent bid presentations were made by both committees and the membership selected Phoenix.

The membership elected **Rob McDaniel** (Manassas Park, VA) to his first term as President and **Ron Suttora Jr.** (San Diego, CA) to his first term as Treasurer. In a Regional bi-election, the Pacific Northwest Region elected **Joe Brown** (Portland, OR) to complete the term of Jim Jansen (resigned). In Regional elections, **Doug Goff** (Indianapolis, IN) was elected to his first term representing the North America Heartland Region, **Mark MacBain** (Syracuse, NY) was elected to his first term representing the Northeast Region, **Jeff Heiden** (Santa Ana, CA) was

re-elected to represent the Southwest Pacific/Nations Region and **Rick Harrelson** (Milwaukee, WI) was elected to his first term as Director for the Upper Mississippi Region.

The membership approved Associate Member status to six individuals: Cameon Cradic (West Palm Beach, FL), **David Dupuy** (Baton Rouge, LA), **Victor Kiser** (Portland, OR), **Glen Martin** (Clear Lake, IA), **Nancy Neil** (Villa Park, IL) and **Timothy Ricks** (Waldorf, MD).

The membership approved League Member status to eight leagues: Alternate Values (Phoenix, AZ), Community Athletic Union League (San Pedro, CA), High Rollers (San Diego, CA), KISS (Phoenix, AZ), Rainbow Rollers (Rockledge, PA), Rainbowl League (Jacksonville, FL), Rainbow League (Branford, CT) and the Sydney Rams (Penshurst, Australia).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to one tournament: Bluegrass Classic (Louisville, KY).

The Fellowship Committee presented the following individuals with the Fellowship Award. The first is **Darrin Casola** (Ft. Worth, TX) and the second is **Toby Pineau** (Boston, MA).

At the Mid-Year 2001, held in Houston, TX, the membership approved San Diego, CA as host city for Mid-Year 2003.

The membership approved Associate Member status to three individuals: **Joseph Cox** (Stanford, CT) **Rusty Cummings** and **Ross Larson** (both of Riverside, CA).

The membership approved League Member status to a dozen leagues: FITS (Portland, OR), Royal Family Bowling (New Westminster, BC), CARA Sunday Alternative (Alexandria, VA), Staten Island Rainbow (Staten Island, NY), Capitol City Rainbows (Raleigh, NC), Rainbow Warriors (Durham, NC), Rainbow League (Westland, MI), Monday Night Special (Grand Rapids, MI), Century 21 League (Seattle, WA), Charlotte Rainbows (Charlotte, NC), Rainbow Bowlers (Omaha, NE) and the Fun Bunch (Mesquite, TX).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to six new tournaments: Showgirl Invitational (Las Vegas, NV), Huntsville Invitational Classic (HIC) (Huntsville, AL), Greater Raleigh Area Bowling Invitational Tournament (GRABIT) (Raleigh, NC), Dallas Men's Scratch Classic (Dallas, TX), Salt Lake City (SLUT) (Salt Lake City, UT) and the Music City Invitational (Nashville, TN).

The Tom Hack Award was presented to **Tom O'Dell** (Houston, TX) and **Dean Veros** (Atlanta, GA).

~2002~

The Annual Meeting & Tournament was held in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. At this meeting, the membership selected St. Louis, MO as host city for Annual 2004.

The membership re-elected **Sharon Stump** (Lakewood, CO) as Vice-President and elected **Jeff Heiden** (Santa Ana, CA) to his first term as Secretary. In Regional Director elections, the Pacific Northwest Region re-elected **Joe Brown** (Portland, OR) to his first full term, **Greg Edenfield** (Charlotte, NC) was elected to represent the Southern Region and **David Felton** (Houston, TX) was elected to represent the South Plains Region, both are two-year terms. The Southwest/Pacific Nations then elected **Ted Lorenzen** (Palm Springs, CA) for a one-year term to complete Jeff Heiden's term.

The membership approved Associate Member status to three individuals: **Leslie Elswick** (Bristow, VA), **Gary Hillstrom** (Plymouth, MN), and **Robert Anderson** (Forest Hills, NY).

The membership approved League Member status to seven new leagues: Lexington Rainbow Bowling League (Winchester, KY), Tri-State Alternative Bowling Alliance (Cincinnati, OH), ILIDS (Bonita Springs, FL), Just Friends (San Diego, CA), IGLAB (Dryden, NY), San Diego Try Bangers (San Diego, CA) and Sure Happy It's Thursday (Kansas City, MO).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to two tournaments: TILT (Tulsa, OK) and the Big D Classic (Dallas, TX).

The Fellowship Committee presented the following individuals with the Fellowship Award. The first is **Heath Costain** (Smyrna, GA) and the second is **Rev. Belva Boone** (Holly Springs, NC).

For the first time ever, the Mid-Year will be held outside of continental North America in Auckland, New Zealand.

At the Mid-Year 2002 Event, held in Auckland New Zealand, the membership approved Fort Worth, Texas as the host city for Mid-Year 2004.

The membership approved League Members status to nine new leagues: Match Play Masters (New York, NY), Wednesday Night Rainbow League (Richmond, VA), Buffalo Historical Bowling League (Buffalo, NY), Lavender League (Lakewood, CO), Funlovers League (Orange, CA), Over The Rainbow (Wheatridge, CO), Monday Alternative Edge South (Davie, FL), Rainbow Bowling League (San Antonio, TX) and A League Of Our Own (Sarasota, FL).

The membership approved Tournament Member status to two tournaments: Funlovers California Spring Classic (Orange, CA) and Winter Express Trio Tournament (WETT) (Ann Arbor, MI).

The Awards Committee presented the Tom Hack Service Award to two individuals: **Stephanie Johnstone** (London, ONT) and **Alan Olsen** (Auckland, NZ).

~2003~

The Annual Meeting and Tournament was held in Phoenix, AZ. Excellent bids to host IGBO Annual 2005 were presented by New Orleans, LA and Milwaukee, WI, and the membership chose Milwaukee as the site of IGBO's 25th Anniversary event.

History was made more than once, as the membership elected **Sharon Stump** of Lakewood CO as the new President of the organization. Sharon is the first female President in IGBO history. **Stephanie Johnstone** of Woodstock, Ontario Canada was then elected to fill the position of Vice President for the remainder of the term, making it the first time two women have sat on the IGBO Board of Directors simultaneously, and the first time two women sat on the Executive Board at the same time. **Ron Suttora Jr.** was reelected to the position of Treasurer. Regional elections were also held, and **Doug Goff** (North American Heartland) and **Rick Harrelson** (Upper Mississippi Valley) were re-elected, and two new Regional Directors were elected: **Scott Loudon** (Southwest Pacific Nations) and **Reggie Ware** (Northeast Region).

The membership approved Associate status to two individuals: **Steven Cather** (Lolo, MO) and **Michael Forstrom** (Truckee, CA).

The membership approved League Member status to eleven new leagues: Montreal 2006 (Pacifica, CA), Golden Gate Invitational Scratch League (Pacifica, CA), Family Affair (Augusta, GA), Pittsburgh Pride Bowling League (Pittsburgh, PA), CARA Sunday Mixed League (Alexandria, VA), Sunday Unity (Calgary, Alberta Canada), Rainrowlers (Nashville, TN), Sunday Bowling League (New York, NY), Hump Day Bowlers (Minneapolis, MN), Sunday Alternative (Kansas City, MO) and Northern Exposure (Anchorage, AK). Total League membership now stands at 163 leagues.

The membership approved three new tournaments as Tournament Members: Paul Bunyan Invitational (Minneapolis, MN), Charlotte Area Regional Invitational Tournament (Charlotte, NC) and the Texas Invitational Gay Handicap Tournament (Austin, TX). Total Tournament membership now stands at 63.

The Fellowship Committee honored two individuals with the Fellowship Award: **Tom O'Dell** of Houston and **Skip George** of Atlanta, GA.

San Diego was the site of IGBO Mid-Year 2003, and proved to be a tremendous event. San Diego set a record for attendance at a Mid-Year with 560 bowlers participating in the tournament.

On a sadder note, President **Sharon Stump** informed the membership of the passing of past IGBO President **Darryl Carter**.

Archivist **Gerald Hagan**, with the help of Treasurer **Ron Suttora** began the exhaustive task of converting twenty-three years of historical data into electronic format. IGBO also began creating a standardized set of rules for all future Gay Games bowling events.

Calgary, Alberta Canada was chosen by the membership to host IGBO Mid-Year 2005.

Storm also continued and strengthened its relationship with IGBO by signing a two-year sponsorship contract, instead of the past one-year contracts. Storm also implemented a Storm "Ambassador" program, with select IGBO bowlers from different regions to represent the company at IGBO member tournaments, as well as the Annual and Mid-Year.

IGBO became the first ever GLBT bowling organization to join the Bowling Proprietors Association of America (BPAA) and have a booth at the annual convention in Las Vegas, NV promoting the organization.

Mark Greenwood was elected to the position of Regional Director for the Pacific Northwest Region, as former Director **Joe Brown** had to resign due to work conflict.

The membership approved Associate status to five new members: **Bonita Scudella** (Plainfield, IL), **Randy Albright** (Detroit, MI), **Bob Cruz** (Detroit, MI), **Jay Stephens** (San Francisco, CA) and **Michael Klauza** (San Diego, CA).

The membership approved membership status to five new tournaments: Hugs at Long Beach (Seal Beach, CA), Tucson Old Pueblo Invitational Tournament (Tucson, AZ), State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Invitational Tournament (Providence, RI), Sun and Surf Summer Invitational (Virginia Beach, VA) and Buffalo International Tournament (Buffalo, NY).

The membership approved membership status to fourteen new leagues: Tuesday Night Teams (New York, NY), Montreal 2006 LA (Saugus, CA), BOHICA (Denver, CO), MCAANY (New York, NY), Fun Handicap (Cathedral City, CA), Rainbow Pride (Flint, MI), 193 Alternate League (Kansas City, MO), Monday Out and About (Baltimore MD), Sunday Out and About (Baltimore, MD), South Jersey GBL-Friday (Maple Shade, NJ), C-U Laters (St. Louis, MO), MAPL (Dearborn, MI), Wichita Pride League (Wichita KS) and Guys and Dolls (Tarzana, CA).

~2004~

The Annual Meeting and Tournament was held in St. Louis, MO. An excellent bid was presented and the 2006 Annual Meeting and Tournament will be held in Kansas City, MO.

Elections were held for **Vice President** and **Secretary** and both **Stephanie Johnstone** and **Jeff Heiden** were reelected by acclamation. **Greg Edenfield** was reelected for Southern Regional Director and **John Kincheloe** was elected to Regional Director for South Plains. **Mark Greenwood** was appointed by the president, Sharon Stump, to the position of Regional Director of the Pacific Northwest and was then elected to this position during the Mid-Year tournament in Fort Worth.

Eleven Bylaw changes were presented and accepted. The membership approved continued membership with the Federation of Gay Games.

The membership approved Associate status for six individuals at annual: **Ruby Bennett**, **Julie LaFollette**, **Daniel Sellers**, **Demetrya Wilson**, **Pam King** and **Judy Marsh**.

The membership approved two new tournaments at Annual: City of Palms Invitational Tournament and the Heartland Pride Classic Invitational.

The membership approved four new leagues during annual: Storm Saturday Night, Royal Family Bowling, Laurel Monday Night Mixed and Rainbow Rollers, Inc.

Joe Curci of Lyndhurst, NJ and **Ray Krasneck** of Atlanta, GA were awarded the Fellowship Award.

The Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament was held in Fort Worth, TX and the 2006 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament will be held in Detroit, MI.

Mark Greenwood serving in an interim appointed position of Regional Director of the Pacific Northwest was elected to this position during the Mid-Year meeting and tournament in Fort Worth.

At Mid-year eleven additional individuals received Associate status: **Virginia Davies, Candace Cramer, Al Morrison, Thomas Whitley, Jack Davis, Louis Mattivi, Manessa Brown, Joey Saputo, Jesse Trevino, Lonnie Grady and Frederick Lam.**

One new Tournament was accepted at Mid-Year: Sarasota and Manatee Invitational Tournament.

During Mid-year eight leagues were granted membership: Passion Flakies, Friday Night Trios, Friday Night Club, Match Play Trios, Pete's, Austin Rainrowlers, Friday Night Out, Sunday Night Special.

At Mid-Year, **Bill Moore** of Calgary, AB and **Todd Denmark** of Hicksville, NY were recipients of the Tom Hack Service Award.

~2005~

IGBO's annual gathering was held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin not only to conduct our annual business and hold our tournament but also to celebrate IGBO's 25th Anniversary. It was a spectacular time that was enhanced by Archives chair and co-founder of IGBO, Gerald Hagen, who displayed the History of IGBO throughout the event.

Denver, CO was awarded the bid to host IGBO Annual 2007. **Sharon Stump** (Lakewood, CO) was elected to her second term as president and **Reggie Ware** (Wethersfield, CT) was elected as treasurer. Four new regional directors were elected: Region 5, **Rich Kraemer** (Dayton, OH), Region 7 **Rob Silliman** (Chelsea, MA), Region 9 **Rob Hisey** (San Diego, CA) and Region 11 **Claude Sloan** (Milwaukee, WI).

There were eighteen new Associates admitted to IGBO: **Jerimi Thomas, Victor Clay, Dawn Beech, John Alexander, Susan Alexander, Rusty Mowrey, John Bogess, Kevin Schwabe, Bruce Schwabe, Melanie Coyle, Eric Broward, John Collado, Jeffrey Fiebrink, Eric Stainbrook, David Lasalandra, Randall Buda, Marvin Hale, Harvey Johnson and Keith Dommer.**

One new Tournament was accepted, Midwest Invitational Ladies Klassic, and two new leagues, Bowling Out Loud and Queen City Rollers.

Earl Haney, Grand Rapids, MI, and **Rick Steiner**, Milwaukee, WI, were recipients of the Fellowship Award.

At the Mid-Year tournament in Calgary, AB, was the conclusion of the 25th Anniversary celebrations. Oklahoma City, OK was selected to host Mid-Year 2007.

One new associate was accepted, **Tim Keller**. Seven new Leagues were voted on and accepted, Friends of Dorothy Bowling, PDX Pride Bowling, Friday Night Mixed, All Star Specials, Rainbow Rollers, Fun Ones, and GLBL. One new Tournament was also voted in, Desert Invitational Classic Palm Springs.

Receiving the Tom Hack Service Award were **Ron Suttora** of San Diego, CA and **Dick Cooper** of Calgary, AB.

~2006~

IGBO 's annual Meeting and Tournament was held in Kansas City, Missouri. An excellent bid was presented and IGBO's annual event will be held in Atlanta, Georgia in 2008.

Elections were held for the following board positions: **Stephanie Johnstone** was reelected as Vice President; **Larry Sanchez** was elected as Secretary; **Ron Suttora** was elected as Treasurer to complete the term vacated by the resignation of **Reggie Ware**; **Ray Krasneck** was elected as Southern Regional Director; **John Kincheloe** was reelected as Regional Director for South Plains and **Mark Greenwood** was appointed to continue serving as interim Pacific Northwest Regional Director.

There were five new associate members accepted: **Marva Sampson, Gene Bower, Monte Holtz, Steven Homer** and **Jim Lee**.

Seven new leagues were voted in: PGBL Cookie Capelli Memorial Classic (Brooklawn, New Jersey), Beantown Central LGBT Invitational (Malden, MA), Dale City Tuesday Pride (Dale City, VA), Northern Lights Thursday (Minneapolis, MN), Sunday Bowling League (New York, NY), Fun Handicap (Cathedral City, CA), A League OF Our Own (Tarzana, CA) One new league was voted in to membership: Northeast Invitational Tournament (Boston, MA)

Recipients of the Fellowship Award were **Ron Suttora** of San Diego, CA and **Michael Ferguson** of Toronto, Ontario.

IGBO's Mid-year meeting and Tournament was held in Detroit, Michigan. After presenting their bid, the membership voted to hold IGBO's Mid-Year event in San Diego in 2008.

Two new associate members were accepted into membership: **Bill "PURL" Heaver** and **Greg Edenfield**.

Seven new leagues were accepted into membership: The Pride League (Seattle, WA), Polyester Bowling Academy (Columbus, OH), Sunday Twisters (Oklahoma City, OK), Kings and Queens (Raleigh, NC), Midtown Monarchs League (Atlanta, GA), Monday's Myth (Atlanta, GA), and Phoenix Bowling (Dayton, OH)

The recipients of the Tom Hack Award were **Toby Pineau** of Boston, MA and **Gerald Hagen** of Houston, TX.

~2007~

The 2007 Annual Meeting and Tournament were held in Denver, CO. A bid to host IGBO Annual 2009 was presented by Las Vegas, Nevada, and the membership selected Las Vegas as the site of IGBO's 2009 Annual Meeting and Tournament.

The membership elected **Greg Edenfield** (Charlotte, NC) to his first term as President, and elected **Steve Mathis** (Long Beach, CA) to his first term as Treasurer. **Rich Kraemer** was reelected as North American Heartland Regional Director, **Rob Silliman** was reelected as Northeast Regional Director, **Rob Hisey** was reelected as Southwest Pacific Nations Regional Director, **Claude Sloan** was reelected as Upper Mississippi Valley Regional Director, and in a bi-election **Tim Tkacik** was elected to his first term as Pacific Northwest Regional Director.

The Board selected **ROK Enterprises** as IGBO's new merchandiser.

The membership approved Associate status to sixteen new members.

The membership approved membership status to six new leagues: **Lambda Trio** (Broken Arrow, OK), **Merrimack G&L** (Merrimack, NH), **The Hangovers** (San Antonio, TX), **Charm City Kings & Queens** (Nottingham, MD), **Tulsa Lambda Bowling** (Tulsa, OK), and **Tucson Desert Coyotes** (Tucson, AZ).

The membership approved membership status to four new tournaments: **San Jose Invitational** (San Jose, CA), **Money Pennies Invitational** (Calgary, Alberta), **W.H.A.T.???? Invitational** (Wichita, KS), and **Chuzapalooza Invitational** (Tucson, AZ).

For the first time since its inception, there were no recipients of the Fellowship Award.

Oklahoma City, OK was the site of IGBO Mid-Year 2007, and was an exceptional week of friendship and hospitality. The membership approved Syracuse, NY as the site of IGBO Mid-Year 2009.

The Board unanimously approved a new two year contract with **Storm**, as well as a one year contract with **Midwest Airlines**.

The membership approved Associate status to a record number of seventy-five new members.

The membership approved membership status to nine new leagues: **NRFPT** (Columbus, OH), **INWGBL** (Spokane, WA), **A League of Our Own** (Santa Clara, CA), **CAUL** (Lakewood, CA), **Sunday Night Out** (Albuquerque, NM), **Gay Games** (Pacifica, CA), **South Jersey Pride** (Brooklawn, NJ) and **Rainbow** (Ypsilanti, MI).

The recipients of the Tom Hack Award were **Mike Tamburrino** of Atlanta, GA and **Brian Elley** of Houston, TX.

~2008~

The 2008 Annual Meeting and Tournament were held in Atlanta, GA. Two bids to host IGBO Annual 2010 were presented by Columbus, OH and Washington, DC. The membership selected Columbus, OH as the site of IGBO's 2010 Annual Meeting and Tournament.

The membership reelected **Stephanie Johnstone** as Vice President. and **Larry Sanchez** as Secretary. **Tim Tkacik** was reelected as Pacific Northwest Regional Director, **Ray Krasneck** was reelected as Southern Regional Director and **John Kincheloe**. Johnstone and Kincheloe became the first to take advantage of the maximum terms limits since they were expanded in 2004.

The Board was presented with two presentations and proposals for IGBO's merchandiser. The board continued negotiations with ROK and selected **ROK Enterprises** as IGBO's merchandiser for a period of one year.

The membership approved Associate status to 30 new members.

The membership approved membership status to seven new leagues:

Freedom Club (Taylors, SC), **We Are Everywhere** (Springfield, VA), **SMACK** (Washington, DC), **Buffalo Historical** (Buffalo, NY), **CARA Out & About** (Washington, DC), **Friday Night 4 Play** (Tampa, FL) and **Rainbow Match Point** (Atlanta, GA).

Receiving the Fellowship Award were **Ronnie Grist** of Lawrenceville, GA and **Earl Martin** of Cincinnati, OH.

San Diego, CA was the site of IGBO Mid-Year 2008, and was an exceptional week of friendship and hospitality. The membership approved Washington, DC as the site of IGBO Mid-Year 2010.

Also during the week and at the General Membership Meeting, **Barbara Chrisman**, one of the owners of **Storm Bowling Products**, was present.

The membership approved Associate status to a 43 new members.

The membership approved membership status to sixteen new leagues: **Alternate League** (Kansas City, MO), **Centreville Pride League** (Centreville, VA), **East Valley Pride** (Chandler, AZ), **Faily Affair** (Phoenix, AZ), **KISS** (Phoenix, AZ), **Laughlin Lambdas** (Phoenix, AZ), **League of Women Bowlers** (Riverdale, MD), **LGBT**

Wednesday Community (Daly City, CA), **Monday Night Pride** (Lake Worth, FL), **Our Gang** (Phoenix, AZ), **People and Persons** (Phoenix, AZ), **Rainbowlers** (Antioch, TN), **Studio City Bowling League** (Studio City, CA), **Tavern Guild Trios** (Daly City, CA), **Thursday Night 4 Play** (Lakewood, CO) and **Thursday Northern Light** (Minneapolis, MN).

The membership also approved two new tournaments: **Northeast Invitational Tournament** (Boston, MA) and **Phoenix Regional Invitational Tournament** (Phoenix, AZ).

The Tom Hack Award recipients were former President **Sharon Stump** of Lakewood, CO and **Jim Tsugawa** of Alexandria, VA.

~2009~

The 2009 Annual Meeting and Tournament were held in Oklahoma City, OK. There was one bid to host IGBO Annual 2011 that was presented by Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The membership approved and selected Toronto as the site of IGBO's 2011 Annual Meeting and Tournament.

The membership reelected **Greg Edenfield** into his second term as President. **David Felton** (Houston, TX) was elected as Treasurer. **Rich Kraemer** was reelected as North American Heartland Regional Director, **Rob Silliman** was reelected as Northeast Regional Director, **Kirt Herronen** (Signal Hill, CA) was elected as Southwest/Pacific Nations Regional Director and **Bradford LeHew** (Chicago, IL) was elected as the Upper Mississippi Valley Regional Director .

The Board was presented with two presentations and proposals for IGBO's merchandiser. The board selected Bowled Over Promotions (BOP) as IGBO's merchandiser for a period of one year.

The membership approved Associate status to 14 new members.

The membership approved membership status to seven new leagues: **Gold Coast Bowlers** (Ventura, CA), **Welcome to OZ** (Tuscon, AZ), **Saturday Slingers** (Memphis, TN), **Metro Rollers** (Washington, DC), **A League of Our Own** (Phoenix, AZ), **Pride of Dixie** (Norcross, GA) and **Cape Fear Strikers** (Wilmington, NC).

The Fellowship Award recipients were **Larry Pike** of Denver, CO and **Dick Uyvari** of Chicago, IL.

Syracuse, NY was the site of the 2009 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament. There was one bid to host IGBO Mid-Year 2009 that was presented by Rochester, NY. The membership approved and selected Rochester as the site of IGBO's 2011 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament.

The Board approved to extend its relationship with Storm Bowling Products as "The Official bowling ball, bowling bag and accessories of IGBO". The contract that was approved has made the relationship with Storm as a Corporate Sponsor one of the longest in IGBO's history for a total of 10 years.

The membership approved Associate Status to 58 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 8 new leagues voted into membership: **Rainbow League** (Wichita, KS), **First Coast Freedom** (Jacksonville, FL), **Deuces Wild** (Dallas, TX), **Pride League** (St. Petersburg, FL), **Rose City Rollers**, (Windsor, ON , Canada), **Summit Bowling** (Stow, OH), **Pot Of Gold** (Nashville, TN), **GLBHC – Gay Lesbian Bowlers of Hudson County** (Union City, NJ).

The membership also approved and welcomed back into membership one tournament: **Big Easy Annual Ten-pin Invitational Tournament – (BEAT-IT) New Orleans, Louisiana**.

The recipients of the Tom Hack Service Award were former President **Jerry Lovell** of Valley Village, CA and the **Oklahoma City host Committees of 2007 and 2009**. Jerry was awarded for his many contributions to the organization over the years, including IGBO's involvement with the Federation of Gay Games. Oklahoma City was

awarded for their willingness to step up and host IGBO Annual 2009 after the board had removed the event from Las Vegas.

~2010~

The 2010 Annual Meeting and Tournament were held in Columbus, OH, to kick-off the 30th anniversary celebrations of IGBO. There was one bid to host IGBO Annual 2012 that was presented by the combined cities of Jersey City, NJ and New York City, NY. The membership approved and selected NJ/NY as the site of IGBO's 2012 Annual Meeting and Tournament.

The membership elected **Rob Silliman** (Chelsea, MA) as Vice President. **L.E. McLemore, PHD** (Atlanta, GA, was elected to complete the term as Treasurer. **John Kincheloe** (Lewisville, TX) was elected as Secretary, **Tim Tkacik** was reelected as Pacific Northwest Regional Director, **Donny Tang** (Vernon, CT) was elected to complete the term as Northeast Regional Director, **Ray Krasneck** (Tucker, GA) was reelected to his third term as Southern Regional Director and **Joey LeBlanc** (San Antonio, TX) was elected as the South Plains Regional Director .

President **Greg Edenfield** announced that with the sudden passing of IGBO's long-time Archivist **Gerald Hagan** (Houston, TX) in 2009, that the transition of relocating IGBO's records had been completed. **Tom O'Dell** (Houston, TX) was acknowledged for his assistance in helping with the transition, as well as **Toby Pineau** (Boston, MA), IGBO's new Archivist.

There was a huge presence of IGBO's Corporate Sponsors in attendance. First, Storm Bowling Products had two representatives present. Bowled Over Promotions (BOP) and Tidy Fitz both presented proposals to extend their relationships with IGBO. The board renewed and extended the agreements with BOP for a period of two years and Tidy Fitz for a period of one year.

The membership approved Associate Status to 18 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 11 new leagues voted into membership: **Easy Pickups League** (San Diego, CA), **People and Persons** (Phoenix, AZ), **Family Affair** (Phoenix, AZ), **East Valley Pride** (Phoenix, AZ), **Alternative Values** (Phoenix, AZ), **Our Gang**, (Phoenix, AZ), **Laughlin Lambdas** (Phoenix, AZ), **Miami Rainbowlers** (Miami, FL), **Thursday Night Action** (Farmingdale, NY), **Rainbow** (Chattanooga, TN) and **Tuesday Night Men's League** (Lakewood, CO).

The membership also approved and welcomed into membership seven tournaments: **James River Bowling Tournament Extravaganza** (Mechanicsville, VA), **Aces High Tournament** (Chelsea, MA), **Texas Roll Off Tournament** (Ft. Worth, TX), **Phoenix Regional Invitational Tournament** (Phoenix, AZ), **Rivercity Invitational Open Tournament** (Jacksonville, FL), **Western Cup** (Calgary, Alberta, Canada), **Pride Classic** (Norcross, GA) .

The Columbus Committee hosted a special reception for previous Fellowship Award recipients in addition to having a display from Archives celebrating 30 years of IGBO's history. The fellowship recipients for 2010 were **Mark MacBain** of Syracuse, NY and **Michael Kondalski** of Atlanta, GA.

Washington, DC was the site of the 2010 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament. There was one bid to host IGBO Mid-Year 2009 that was presented by Seattle, WA. The membership approved and selected Seattle as the site of IGBO's 2012 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament.

The General Membership approved a proposal to redistrict the organization, adding an additional two regions to the IGBO Board of Directors. The main objective of the redistricting plan was to redistribute the workload on the Regional Directors, giving each director approximately the same amount of leagues and tournaments. The two new regions created are: Region 12 (Mid Atlantic including DC, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee), and Region 13 (Rocky Mountain including: Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico). One additional change included Louisiana, moving from the Southern region to the South Plains region.

The membership approved Associate Status to 79 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 4 new leagues voted into membership: **Gutter Boys Bowling League** (Belchertown, MA), **The Strike Outs** (York, PA), **Charlotte Rainrowlers** (Belmont, NC), **All-Star Specials** (Pasadena, CA).

The membership also approved 1 new tournament and welcomed back into membership 1 tournament: **VGL Bowling Society – (VGL) Vancouver, British Columbia, Ice Bowl – (ICE) Omaha, Nebraska.**

The recipients of the Tom Hack Service Award were **Paul Burnett** of Lewisville, TX and **Brian McKee** of Dayton, OH for their selfless contribution to the organization.

~2011~

The 2011 Annual Meeting and Tournament were held in Toronto, ON, CAN. There was one bid to host IGBO Annual 2013 that was presented by Tampa, FL. The membership approved and selected Tampa as the site of IGBO's 2013 Annual Meeting and Tournament.

The membership re-elected **Greg Edenfield** to a historic third term as President. **L.E. McLemore, PHD** (Atlanta, GA, was re-elected as Treasurer. **Ken Scaddan** (Windsor, ON) was elected as North American Heartland Regional Director. **Mark Macbain** (Syracuse, NY) was elected as Northeast Regional Director. **Alex Gregory** (Land O' Lakes, FL) was elected to complete the term of Southern Regional Director due to Ray Krasneck deciding to step down. **Larry Sanchez** (San Diego, CA) was elected as Southwest/Pacific Nations Regional Director. **Curtis Martin** (St. Louis, MO) was elected as Upper Mississippi Valley Regional Director. **Donny Tang** (Arlington, VA) was elected to the newly created position of Mid Atlantic Regional Director. **Greg Frey** (Albuquerque, NM) was elected to the newly created position of Rocky Mountain Regional Director

Also during the week and at the General Membership Meeting, **Barbara Chrisman**, one of the owners of **Storm Bowling Products**, was present.

There was a presentation made by Station Casinos Lanes. The board approved an agreement for a period of one year, for Station Casinos Lanes to be 'the Official Las Vegas Destination of IGBO'.

There was also a presence of Australia with the attendance of Mel Comerford, Alan Norman, Wendy Pudney and Kim Shephard from Sydney.

The membership approved Associate status to 85 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 5 new leagues voted into membership: **Toledo Mixed League** (Toledo, OH), **RAB's Pride Mixed** (Staten Island, NY), **Judy Garland Memorial** (Toronto, ON), **Tuesday Night Tease** (West Islip, NY) and **Sydney Rams** (New South Wales, Sydney Australia).

The membership also approved and welcomed into membership two tournaments: **Winter Express Trio Tournament** (Ann Arbor, MI), and **Menopause the Tournament** (Orlando, FL) .

The Toronto Committee presented special awards to Dick Uyvari (Chicago, IL) and Ray Nastasi (Dallas, TX) for having attended all 31 IGBO Annual events. The fellowship recipients for 2011 were **Rob McDaniel** of Land O' Lakes, FL and **Jerry SESCO** of Columbus, OH.

The 2011 Mid-Year and Tournament was held in Rochester, NY. There was one bid to host IGBO Mid-Year 2013 that was presented by city of Dallas, TX. The membership approved and selected Dallas as the site of IGBO's 2013 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament.

The membership approved Associate status to 60 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 15 new leagues voted into membership: **Naptown Kings & Queens** (Indianapolis, IN), **Friday Fab Four F3** (Sterling Heights, MI), **Hung Over Mondays** (Jacksonville, FL),

Wednesday Night Mixed (Ocala, FL), **Bear Bowl Invitational** (Wilton Manors, FL) **Kings & Queens** (Raleigh, NC), **Triangle Rainbow Bowling** (Raleigh, NC), **Charm City Kings & Queens** (Baltimore, MD) **Laurel Monday Night Mixed** (Laurel, MD), **Friday Night Out** (Norfolk, VA), **A League of Our Own** (Glendale, AZ), **Thursday Night 3-Way** (Phoenix, AZ), **Tucson Desert Coyotes** (Tucson, AZ), and **Storm Fall Singles** (Henderson, NV).

The membership also approved and welcomed into membership three tournaments: **Western Cup** (Calgary, Alberta, CAN), **Tim Connelly Memorial Doubles Tournament** (Long Beach, CA) and **Silicon Valley Invitational Tournament** (San Jose, CA).

The recipient of the Tom Hack Service Award was **Tim Keller** of Columbus, OH.

~2012~

The 2012 Annual Meeting and Tournament were held in the combined areas of Jersey City, NJ and New York City, NY for the first time in the organization's history. There was one bid to host IGBO Annual 2014 that was presented by Las Vegas, NV. The membership approved and selected Las Vegas as the site of IGBO's 2014 Annual Meeting and Tournament.

The membership re-elected **Rob Silliman** as Vice President. **John Kincheloe** was re-elected as Secretary. **Tim Tkacik** was re-elected as Pacific Northwest Regional Director. **Alex Gregory** was re-elected as Southern Regional Director. **Joey Leblanc** was re-elected as South Plains Regional Director. **Donny Tang** was re-elected as Mid Atlantic Regional Director.

Also during the week and at the General Membership Meeting, **Bill and Barbara Chrisman**, the owners of **Storm Bowling Products**, was present.

The board approved to extend the relationship with Station Casinos agreement for a period of one year, as 'the Official Las Vegas Destination of IGBO'.

The Board was presented with two presentations and proposals for IGBO's merchandiser. The board approved to extend the relationship with Bowled Over Promotions (BOP) as IGBO's "Preferred" merchandiser for a period of one year.

There was also a presence of Australia with the attendance of Kim Shephard from Sydney.

The membership approved Associate status to 56 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 4 new leagues voted into membership: **Golden Horseshoe Bowling** (Hamilton, Ontario, Canada), **Best Bowling League** (Milwaukee, WI), **Pride Bowling** (Springfield, IL), **Q League** (San Antonio, TX).

The recipients for the Fellowship Award for 2012 were **Todd Denmark** of Meriam, KS and **Stephanie Johnstone** of Woodstock, ON.

The 2012 Mid-Year and Tournament was held in Seattle, WA. There was one bid to host IGBO Mid-Year 2014 that was presented by city of Jacksonville, FL. The membership approved and selected Jacksonville as the site of IGBO's 2014 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament.

Las Vegas, NV which was previously awarded the bid to host IGBO Annual 2014 withdrew. The city of Tucson, AZ agreed to step in and host Annual 2014 and requested a date deviation. The membership voted to accept the date deviation for Annual 2014 to be held one week earlier than usual and awarded the event to Tucson.

The membership approved Associate status to 91 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 7 new leagues voted into membership: **Durham Rainbow Bowling** (Durham, NC), **Freedom League** (Birmingham, AL), **GLBT League** (Sarasota, FL), **A League of Our Own** (Santa Clara, CA), **Desert Pride Strikers** (Cathedral City, CA), **Monday Matchup** (Cathedral City, CA), **Sunday Unity** (Calgary, AB)

The recipient of the Tom Hack Service Award was **Skip George** of Atlanta, GA.

~2013~

The 2013 Annual Meeting and Tournament was held in Tampa, FL. There was two bids presented to host IGBO Annual 2015. The cities were Albuquerque, NM and Omaha, NE. The membership selected Omaha as the site of IGBO's 2015 Annual Meeting and Tournament.

The membership elected **Rob McDaniel** (Land O' Lakes, FL) as President. **Bruce McHale** (Oakland Park, FL) was elected to complete the term of Secretary due to John Kincheloe deciding to step down. **L.E. McLemore, PHD** (Atlanta, GA) was re-elected as Treasurer. **Ken Scaddan** (Windsor, ON) was re-elected as North American Heartland Regional Director. **Mark MacBain** (East Syracuse, NY) was re-elected as Northeast Regional Director. **Judy Thompson** (Imperial Beach, CA) was elected as Southwest Pacific/Nations Regional Director. **Curtis Martin** (St. Louis, MO) was re-elected as Upper Mississippi Valley Regional Director. **Greg Frey** (Albuquerque, NM) was re-elected as Rocky Mountain Regional Director.

Also during the week and at the General Membership Meeting, **Bob Hart**, representing **Storm Bowling Products**, was present.

The Board was presented with three presentations and proposals to be the partner for manufacturing IGBO's 300/800 awards. The board approved to enter into a relationship with Embroidery for All Occasions as a "Preferred Partner" with IGBO for a period of one year.

There was also a presence of Australia with the attendance of Kim Shephard from Sydney.

The membership approved Associate status to 82 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 2 new leagues and 2 tournaments voted into membership: **TGIF Double Rollers** (Indianapolis, IN), **Salt Lake Goodtimes** (Salt Lake City, UT), **ORBIT Tournament** (Raleigh, NC), **Silicon Valley Invitation Tournament** (San Jose, CA).

The recipients for the Fellowship Award for 2013 were **Larry Sanchez** of San Diego, CA and **Bill Roman** of Chesapeake, VA.

The 2013 Mid-Year and Tournament was held in Dallas, TX. There was one bid to host IGBO Mid-Year 2015 that was presented by city of Pittsburgh, PA. The membership approved and selected Pittsburgh as the site of IGBO's 2015 Mid-Year Meeting and Tournament.

President McDaniel received the resignations of Bruce McHale, Secretary and Dr. L.E. McLemore, Treasurer before the start of the General Membership Meeting. The membership elected **Bill Roman** of Chesapeake, VA as Secretary to fulfill the final six months of the term, and **Terri Paulk** of Decatur, GA to complete the remainder of the term of Treasurer.

The membership approved Associate status for 72 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 5 new leagues voted into membership: **Tuesday Mixed League** (Farmington, MI), **3 River Rollers** (Pittsburgh, PA), **All Mixed Up** (Norcross, GA), **Sunday Tea League** (Kernersville, NC), and **Pride League** (McAllen, TX).

The recipient of the Tom Hack Service Award was **Greg Edenfield** of Charlotte, NC.

~2014~

The 2014 Annual Meeting and Tournament was held in Tucson, AZ. The membership selected Albuquerque, NM as host of Annual 2016.

The membership elected **Mark MacBain** (Syracuse, NY) to his first term as Vice President. **Bill Roman** (Chesapeake, VA) was elected to his first full term as Secretary. **Steve Martinez** (Seattle, WA) was elected to his first term as the Pacific Northwest Regional Director. **Joey LeBlanc** (San Antonio, TX) was re-elected as South Plains Regional Director. **Paul Scheib** (Rochester, NY) was elected to complete the term of Northeast Regional Director left vacant by Mark MacBain. Regions 8, Southern and 12, Mid-Atlantic were not able to elect new directors, and the President will appoint before the start of the fiscal year.

The Board approved a 3-year contract Connections Housing as IGBO's official hotel negotiator. **Robert Wood**, VP of Sales for Connections Housing gave a presentation to the General Membership during the Friday session.

Also during the week and at the General Membership Meeting, **Bob Hart**, representing **Storm Bowling Products**, was present.

There was also a presence of Australia with the attendance of Kim Shephard from Sydney.

The membership approved Associate status to 102 new members.

During the General Membership Meeting there were 7 new leagues and 4 tournaments voted into membership: **South Sound Gay** (Tacoma, WA), **Triad Pride Bowlers** (Greensboro, NC), **Game On Bowling Organization** (W. Sacramento, CA), **The Classis** (Winnetka, CA), **Sunset Combo** (Ft Worth, TX), **Thursday Summer Doubles** (Omaha, NE), and **Thursday Night Out** (Albuquerque, NM). The tournaments are **Bridgetown Invitational Tournament – BIT** (Portland, OR), **Game On Bowling Organization Tournament – GO-BOT** (W. Sacramento, CA), **HUGS** (Lakewood, CA), and **Prairie PLOW Tournament** (Wichita, KS)

The recipients for the Fellowship Award for 2014 were **Ron Sperry** of San Diego, CA and **Ray Nastasi** of Dallas, TX.

The 2014 Mid-Year Meeting and Conference was held in Jacksonville, FL. The membership did not approve site for Mid-Year 2016, and the Board re-opened the site selection process.

The membership elected **James McLain** (Federal Way, WA) to complete the unexpired term of the Pacific Northwest Regional Director vacated by Steve Martinez. **Scott Stiff** (Orlando, FL) was elected to complete the unexpired term for outgoing Southern Regional Director, Alex Gregory. **Donny Tang** tendered his resignation, but no eligible candidates were interested in running as the Director for the Mid-Atlantic Region. As a result, Donny Tang agreed to remain in the position until Annual 2014 in Omaha.

The membership considered several Bylaw changes at the meeting and approved the Deletion of the Tournament Account Committee and the rewording of the Fellowship Award Committee in the Bylaws.

The membership also approved 148 new individual members and six (6) new leagues. The league applications for membership: **Rainbow Bowl**, Keene NH; **Auckland Gay Bowling Organization**, Auckland NZ; The **Unbowlievables**, Stockton CA; **Front Range Sunday Night Rollers**, Lafayette CO; **LGBT** (Let's Go Bowling Together), Las Vegas NV; and **DIGLIT Doubles**, Thornton CO.

At the IGBO Awards Banquet, **Rob Silliman** of Chelsea, MA and **Steve Frable** of Arlington, VA were presented the Tom Hack Service Award for their outstanding service to IGBO.

~2015~

The 2015 Annual Meeting and Tournament was held in Omaha, NE. During the Friday General Membership Meeting, the membership selected San Francisco, CA as host for Mid-Year 2016 and Ft. Lauderdale, FL of Annual 2017.

The membership also held elections and elected **Joey LeBlanc** (San Antonio, TX) to his first term as President. **Terri Paulk** (Decatur, GA) was elected to her first full term as Treasurer. **Ken Scaddan** (Windsor, ON) was re-elected to his third term as North America Heartland Director. **Paul Scheib** (Rochester, NY) was elected to his first full term as Northeast Director. **Judy Thompson** (Imperial Beach, CA) was elected to her second term as Southwest Pacific Nations Director. **Joseph Puckett** (Irving, TX) was elected to complete the term vacated by LeBlanc as the South Plains Director. **Curtis Martin** (St. Louis, MO) was elected to his third term as Upper Mississippi Valley Regional Director. **Jeremy Glasser** (Vienna, VA) was elected to complete the term of out-going Director Tang in the Mid-Atlantic. **Greg Frey** (Albuquerque, NM) was elected to his third term as Rocky Mountain Regional Director.

Also during the week and at the General Membership Meeting, **Hank Boomershine**, representing **Storm Bowling Products**, was present. Also notable was the attendance of Kim Shephard from Sydney, Australia.

The membership approved membership for 148 Associates, 2 Leagues and 1 Tournament. The leagues are **Sunday Fun League** (Liberty, MO) and **Hump Day Doubles** (Tampa, FL), and the tournament is **Charlotte Regional Invitational** (Charlotte, NC).

The recipients for the Fellowship Award for 2015 were **Lucien Rene** of Toronto, ON Canada and **Jeff Weinberg** of Edison, NJ.

The 2015 Mid-Year Meeting and Conference was held in Pittsburgh, PA. No bids were submitted to host Mid-Year 2017 and the Board re-opened the bidding process. The Board approved our agreement with Storm extending our partnership for another two years. This year marked our fourteenth year. together.

The membership elected **Greg Edenfield** (Charlotte, NC) to complete the unexpired term of the Southern Regional Director vacated by Scott Stiff.

No Bylaw changes were considered during the General Membership meeting.

The membership also approved 124 new individual members, seven (7) new league, and two (2) tournament members. The league approved for membership were: **Cincy LGBT**, Cincinnati OH; **Dayton Rainbow League**, Dayton OH; **Friday Playmates**, Tampa FL; **Friday Progressives**, Wilton Manors FL; **HUGS Doubles League**, Garden Grove CA, **Open Classic Invitational**, Cathedral City CA; and **Our Gang - Summer**, Phoenix AZ. The tournament members approved were **Women's Invitational Tournament**, Barstow CA and **Dallas Area Masters Invitational Tournament (DAMIT)**, Dallas TX.

At the IGBO Awards Banquet, **Tim Tkacik** of Camas WA was presented the Tom Hack Service Award for his outstanding service to IGBO.

~2016~

The 2016 Annual Conference and Tournament was held in Albuquerque, NM. During the Friday General Membership Meeting, the membership selected Oklahoma City, OK as host for Mid-Year 2017.

The membership also held elections and re-elected **Mark Mac Bain** (Syracuse, NY) to his second term as Vice President and **Bill Roman** (Chesapeake, VA) to his second term as Secretary. **Bart MacMillan** (Vancouver, BC) was elected to his first term as Pacific Northwest Director. **Skip George** (Marietta, GA) was elected to his first term as Southern Director. **Joseph Puckett** (Irving, TX) was elected his first full term as the South Plains Director.

Mark Craig (Nashville, TN) was elected to his first term as Mid-Atlantic Director.

Also during the week and at the General Membership Meeting, **Hank Boomershine**, representing **Storm Bowling Products**, was present. Also notable was the attendance of Kim Shephard from Sydney, Australia.

The membership approved applications for 152 Associates and three (3) new leagues: **Ball Busters League**, Maumelle AR; **Wednesday Hump II**, Columbus OH; and our first member from the European Union, **FVV-Bowling**, Langen, Germany.

The recipients of the Fellowship Award for 2016 were **Gregory Hughes** of Atlanta, GA and **Lyn Dwyer** of Canton, MI.

The 2016 Mid-Year Conference and tournament was held in San Francisco, CA. No cities presented bids to host Annual or Mid-Year 2018, but letters of intent have been received for both. Formal bids are expected at Annual 2017 in Ft. Lauderdale. Storm and IGBO are entering their fifteenth year as partners. To commemorate the occasion, Barbara Chrisman, owner of Storm Bowling, addressed the assembly.

No elections were needed at this meeting.

The membership welcomed six (6) new leagues into membership. **Golden Horseshoe Bowling League**, Hamilton ON; **Elite Bowling**, Tamarac FL; **Guys & Dolls**, Wilton Manors FL; **Monday Knighters**, Tamarac FL; **Monday Mixers**, Wilton Manors FL; and **Rainbow Humpers**, Atlanta GA. In addition, the membership approved 164 Associate applications.

At the awards banquet, **Jeremy Glasser** of Vienna, VA was announced as the recipient of the 2016 Tom Hack Award.

~2017~

The 2017 Annual Conference and Tournament was held in Fort Lauderdale, FL. During the Friday General Membership Meeting, the membership selected Denver, CO as host for the Annual 2018 Conference and Reno, NV as host of the Mid-Year 2018 Conference.

The membership also held elections and re-elected **Joey LeBlanc** (San Antonio, TX) to his second term as President and **Terri Paulk** (Decatur, GA) to her second term as Treasurer.

Jerry Sesco (Hillard, OH) was elected to his first term as North America Heartland Director.

Paul Scheib (Rochester, NY) was elected to his second term as Northeast Director.

Richard Foster (Tucson, AZ) was elected his first full term as the Rocky Mountain Director.

Regions 9 and 11 did not have quorum present. The sitting Directors will complete their term and the President will appoint a replacement until the next General Membership Meeting is held in Oklahoma City, OK.

Bob Hart from Storm addressed the attendees and presented a check to the organization.

The membership approved 205 new Associate members. The membership welcomed four (4) new leagues including our first members from Great Britain: **Champagne Memorial**, Newport KY; **Diverse City Bowlers**, Brighton, East Sussex GB; **Stonewall Sports Pittsburgh**, Pittsburgh PA; and **Honeymooners**, Madison WI. The membership also accepted one (1) tournament into membership: **Western Cup**, Calgary AB.

The Board passed changes to the P&P to simplify the renewal process, to change the renewal cycle to calendar year and to bring the P&P in line with current practices. The Board also eliminated the late fee for renewals, increased the Tournament Part II dues to \$.75 per participant, and clarified the intent to limit the IGBO Award Shirt program to IGBO members.

During the awards banquet, **Theresa "Tre" Mason** (Rockland, MA) and **Michael Witt** (Rancho Mirage, CA) were awarded the Fellowship Award.

Oklahoma City, OK hosted IGBO for our Mid-Year event over the US Veteran's Day week. The General Membership did not consider bids to host upcoming events, and the bid process was extended. IGBO welcomed seven (7) new and returning into membership including **CT Pride Bowlers**, Wallingford CT; **Asheville Pride Bowling Organization**, Asheville NC; **Bowl United**, Orlando FL; **Easy Pick Ups**, San Diego CA; **Flaming Pins**, St. Louis MO; **Heartland LGBT Tuesday**, Omaha NE; and **Heartland LGBT Sunday**, Omaha NE.

Regions 9 and 11 held Region Director elections and **Michael Letender** from San Diego CA and **Clark Thompson** from Cameron WI were elected to fulfill the remaining terms in their regions respectively.

Steve Mathis received the Tom Hack Service Award for his many years of service to IGBO.

~2018~

The 2018 Annual Conference and Tournament was celebrated in Denver, CO. During the Friday General Membership Meeting, the membership selected San Antonio, TX to host Annual 2019; Detroit, MI to host Mid-Year 2019; and Seattle, WA as host of Annual 2020.

The membership also held elections and elected **Mark MacBain** (Syracuse, NY) to his third term as Vice President and **Rob Silliman** (Chelsea, MA) to his first term as Secretary.

Bart MacMillan (Vancouver, BC) was elected to his second term as Pacific Northwest Director.

Skip George (Atlanta, GA) was appointed to his second term as Southern Director as the Region did not have quorum to elect.

Joseph Puckett (Irving, TX) was elected his second term as the South Plains Director.

Clark Thompson resigned his position as Upper Mississippi Valley Director, and President LeBlanc appointed **Curtis Martin** as acting Director until elections can be held at Mid-Year in Reno, NV.

The membership approved 121 new Associate members and welcomed five (5) new leagues into membership:

Random Draw Doubles, Seattle WA; **Capital Area Pride Bowlers**, Schenectady, NY; **Gay Games**, Pacifica CA; **Sydney Rams Tenpin Bowling**, Mascot, NSW Australia; and **We Are Everywhere**, Annandale VA. The membership also accepted two (2) tournaments into membership: **San Jose Invitational Tournament**, San Jose CA and **Missouri and Kansas Invitational Tournament (MAKIT)**, Olathe KS.

The Board passed changes to the P&P to clean up the sections related to the responsibilities of the Regional Directors and amended the Annual and Mid-Year rules to comply with recent USBC rules regarding Sport and Challenge condition averages.

The membership passed a Bylaw to clarify quorum requirements for Regional Caucuses to facilitate elections.

At the IGBO awards banquet, the Fellowship committee honored **Amando Hernandez** (Morristown, NJ) and **Greg Frey** (Albuquerque, NM) our newest recipients of the Fellowship Award.

The 2018 Midyear Conference and Tournament took place in Reno, NV, and at the National Bowling Stadium. This marked the first time in IGBO history that an event was completely run by Current and Past members of the IGBO board, seeing as we have no local presence in Reno. There were no bidding cities for future events at the GMM and Skip George, was re-elected Southern Regional Director.

The membership also approved 125 new associates into Membership and 6 new leagues into membership; **Friday Night 3 Way**, Columbus, OH; **Ten Week Trios**, Seattle, WA; **Ten Week Wine League**, Seattle, WA; **Friday Night Trios**, Fountain Valley, CA; **The Metroplex Bowling Association**, Dallas, TX; **TC Pride Bowlers**, Bloomington, MN.

The Board passed changes to the P&P to reflect the following, Tournament Average Verification, Membership dues to be paid online, and changed the Membership renewal deadline to October 31. The membership also passed 3 Bylaws; moving items to make the Bylaws more logical, making Associate Membership upon receipt of application and changing the terms of the committee to a calendar year.

At the IGBO awards banquet, The Tom Hack committee honored **Kim Shepard** (Sydney, AU) and **Judy Thompson** (San Diego, CA).

Also at the banquet President LeBlanc announced that National Bowling Stadium and the Silver Legacy Casino and Resort will be bidding to host us again in 2021.

Fellowship Award Winners

1984 *First year award is presented; two winners are designated for each year of IGBO's existence.*

Jackie Baker (Dallas, TX)	Eric Caplan (Atlanta, GA)
Mal Garcia (San Francisco, CA)	Tom Hack (New York City, NY)
Dan Donovan (Minneapolis, MN)	Dexter Kunishima (Honolulu, HI)
Gene Sides (Washington, DC)	David Theiss (Milwaukee, WI)
1985 Gerald Hagan (Houston, TX)	John Weaver (Atlanta, GA)
1986 Ken Kurtz (Milwaukee, WI)	Michael O'Brien (Columbus, OH)
1987 Ed Chetaitis (Roanoke, VA)	John Hammett (Los Angeles, CA)
1988 Brian Glenn (Atlanta, GA)	Tony Leslie (Louisville, KY)
1989 Jim Beck (Dallas, TX)	Bob Gliniecki (Milwaukee, WI)
1990 Jim Berry (Charleston, WV)	Tom Geil (Portland, OR)
1991 Bill Edwards (Vancouver, BC)	Buck Hagle (Sacramento, CA)
1992 Mark Castleberry (Atlanta, GA)	Charlotte Eakin (Roanoke, VA)
1993 Jerry Lovell (Los Angeles, CA)	J. B. Scheulein (Oklahoma City, OK)
1994 Tio LaBudd (Minneapolis, MN)	Ken Stewart (Dallas, TX)
1995 Michael Champion (Dallas, TX)	Ken Sparks (Detroit, MI)
1996 Daryl Carter (Vancouver, BC)	Glen Denis (New York City, NY)
1997 Pam Findl (Los Angeles, CA)	Mel Krist (Silver Spring, MD)
1998 Bill Harrison (Painesville, OH)	Tom DeConza (New York City, NY)
1999 Hal Bergin (Washington, DC)	Kelly Carter (Dallas, TX)
2000 Jim Howell (Los Angeles, CA)	Alan Olsen (Auckland, NZ)
2001 Darrin Casola (Ft. Worth, TX)	Toby Pineau (Boston, MA)
2002 Heath Costain (Smyrna, GA)	Rev. Belva Boone (Holly Springs, NC)
2003 Tom O'Dell (Houston, TX)	Skip George (Atlanta, GA)
2004 Joe Curci (Lyndhurst, N.J.)	Ray Krasneck (Atlanta, GA)
2005 Earl Haney (Grand Rapids, MI)	Rick Steiner (Milwaukee, WI)
2006 Ron Suttora Jr. (San Diego, CA)	Michael Ferguson (Toronto, ON)
2007 No Award Presented	
2008 Earl Martin (Cincinnati, OH)	Ronnie Grist (Lawrenceville, GA)
2009 Larry Pike (Denver, CO)	Dick Uyvari (Chicago, IL)
2010 Mark MacBain (Syracuse, NY)	Michael Kondalski (Atlanta, GA)
2011 Rob McDaniel (Land O' Lakes, FL)	Jerry Sesco (Columbus, OH)
2012 Todd Denmark (Meriam, KS)	Stephanie Johnstone (Woodstock, ON)
2013 Larry Sanchez (San Diego, CA)	Bill Roman (Chesapeake, VA)
2014 Ron Sperry (San Diego, CA)	Ray Nastasi (Dallas, TX)

Fellowship Award Winners (continued)

2015	Lucien Rene (Toronto, ON)	Jeff Weinberg (Edison, NJ)
2016	Lyn Dwyer (Canton, MI)	Gregory Hughes (Atlanta, GA)
2017	Theresa “Tra” Mason (Rockland, MA)	Michael Witt (Rancho Mirage, CA)
2018	Amando Hernandez (Morristown, NJ)	Greg Frey (Albuquerque, NM)

Tom Hack Service Award Winners

1990	Vince Andrzejewski (St. Louis, MO)	
1994	Daryl Carter (Vancouver, BC)	Darlene Ruckaber (Calgary, AB)
1995	Mark Castleberry (Atlanta, GA)	Benny Alfano (Tampa, FL)
1996	Dennis Russell (Tucson, AZ)	
1997	J. B. Schuelein (Oklahoma City, OK)	Sherry Work (Vancouver, BC)
1998	Ted Lorenzen (San Francisco, CA)	
1999	Gary Shope (Houston, TX)	
2000	Robert McDaniel (Manassas Park, VA)	Tommy Windsor (Dallas, TX)
2001	Tom O’Dell (Houston, TX)	Dean Veros (Atlanta, GA)
2002	Stephanie Johnstone (Woodstock, ON)	Alan Olsen (Auckland, NZ)
2003	Michael Witt (Valley Village, CA)	
2004	Todd Denmark (Hicksville, N.Y.)	Bill Moore (Calgary, AB)
2005	Ron Suttora Jr. (San Diego, CA)	Dick Cooper (Calgary, AB)
2006	Toby Pineau (Boston, MA)	Gerald Hagen (Houston, TX)
2007	Mike Tamburrino (Lilburn, GA)	Brian Elley (Houston, TX)
2008	Jim Tsugawa (Alexandria, VA)	Sharon Stump (Lakewood, CO)
2009	Jerry Lovell (Valley Village, CA)	Oklahoma City 2007 -2009 Committee
2010	Paul Burnett (Lewisville, TX)	Brian McKee (Dayton, OH)
2011	Tim Keller (Columbus, OH)	
2012	Skip George (Atlanta, GA)	
2013	Greg Edenfield (Charlotte, NC)	
2014	Rob Silliman (Chelsea, MA)	Steve Frable (Arlington, VA)
2015	Tim Tkacik (Camas, WA)	
2016	Jeremy Glasser (Vienna, VA)	
2017	Steve Mathis (College Park, MD)	
2018	Kim Shepard (Sydney, AU)	Judy Thompson (San Diego, CA)

Officers of IGBO

President

1980 - 1982	Tom Hack	New York City, NY
1982 - 1987	John Hammett	Los Angeles, CA
1987 - 1991	Ron Keel	New York City, NY
1991 - 1995	Daryl Carter	Vancouver, BC
1995 - 1997	Bill Harrison	Painesville, OH
1997 - 2001	Jerry Lovell	Valley Village, CA
2001 - 2003	Rob McDaniel	Manassas Park, VA
2003 - 2007	Sharon Stump	Lakewood, CO
2007 - 2013	Greg Edenfield	Charlotte, NC
2013 - 2015	Rob McDaniel	Land O' Lakes, FL
2015 -	Joey LeBlanc	San Antonio, TX

Vice President

1981 - 1983	Dan Donovan	Minneapolis, MN
1983 - 1984	Jackie Baker	Dallas, TX
1984 - 1986	Tom Hack	New York City, NY
1986 - 1987	Ron Keel	New York City, NY
1987 - 1991	Daryl Carter	Vancouver, BC
1991 - 1992	Jim Berry	Charleston, WV
1992 - 1994	Bryan Eble	Tampa, FL
1994 - 1997	Jerry Lovell	Los Angeles, CA
1997 - 2000	Rob McDaniel	Manassas Park, VA
2000 - 2003	Sharon Stump	Denver, CO
2003 - 2010	Stephanie Johnstone	Woodstock, ON
2010 - 2014	Robert Silliman	Chelsea, MA
2014 -	Mark MacBain	Syracuse, NY

Secretary

1980 - 1983	David Theiss	Milwaukee, WI
1983 - 1985	John Weaver	Atlanta, GA
1985 - 1988	Jim Foster	Atlanta, GA
1988 - 1989	Hal Jones	Cincinnati, OH
1989	Eric Caplan	San Francisco, CA
1989 - 1990	Jorge Ramirez	Fort Worth, TX
1990 - 1992	Bruce Blonder	Cleveland, OH
1992 - 1996	Tommy Windsor	Tampa, FL
1996 - 1997	Dennis Russell	Tucson, AZ
1997 - 2000	Gary Shope	Houston, TX
2000 - 2002	Bill Moore	Calgary, AB
2002 - 2006	Jeff Heiden	Santa Ana, CA
2006 - 2010	Larry Sanchez	San Diego, CA
2010 - 2013	John Kincheloe	Lewisville, TX
2013	Bruce McHale	Oakland Park, FL
2013 - 2018	Bill Roman	Chesapeake, VA
2018 -	Rob Silliman	Chelsea, MA

Officers of IGBO (cont.)

Treasurer

1980 - 1983	David Theiss	Milwaukee, WI
1983 - 1985	John Weaver	Atlanta, GA
1985 - 1987	Marc Erickson	Los Angeles, CA
1987 - 1988	Athom Warman	West Palm Beach, FL
1988 - 1989	Allen Lowe	New York, NY
1989 - 1993	Bill Harrison	Painesville, OH
1994 - 1997	Paul Weiss	Silver Spring MD
1997 - 2001	Bob Lach	Cleveland, OH
2001 - 2005	Ron Suttora Jr	San Diego, CA
2005 - 2006	Reggie Ware	New Haven, CT
2006 - 2007	Ron Suttora Jr	San Diego, CA
2007 - 2009	Steve Mathis	Long Beach, CA
2009 - 2010	David Felton	Houston, TX
2010 - 2013	L.E. McLemore	Atlanta, GA
2013 -	Terri Paulk	Decatur, GA

Director 5 - Midwest Region (1986 - 87); Great Lakes Region (1988 - 94); North America Heartland Region (1994 - present)

1986 - 1987	Dick Uyvari	Chicago, IL
1987 - 1989	Michael O'Brien	Columbus, OH
1989 - 1990	Don Blasi	Louisville, KY
1990 - 1993	Bob Cox	Toledo, OH
1993 - 1995	Bill Harrison	Painesville, OH
1995 - 1999	Steve Rosenberg	Lexington, KY
1999 - 2001	John Eyster	Columbus, OH
2001 - 2005	Doug Goff	Indianapolis, IN
2005 - 2011	Rich Kraemer	Dayton, OH
2011 - 2017	Ken Scaddan	Windsor, ON
2017 -	Jerry SESCO	Hillard, OH

Director 6 -- Canadian Region (1986 - 94); Pacific Northwest Region (1994 - present)

1986 - 1987	Daryl Carter	Vancouver, BC
1987 - 1989	Gerry Arthurs	Toronto, ON
1989 - 1992	Andrew Chang	Calgary, AB
1992 - 1997	Gary Douthwright	Vancouver, BC
1997 - 1998	Michael Poulin	Vancouver, BC
1998 - 2000	Bill Moore	Calgary, AB
2000	Jim Jansen	Seattle, WA
2001 - 2003	Joe Brown	Portland, OR
2003 - 2007	Mark Greenwood	Vancouver, BC
2007 - 2014	Tim Tkacik	Camas, WA
2014	Steve Martinez	Seattle, WA
2014 - 2016	James McLain	Federal Way, WA
2016 -	Bart MacMillan	Vancouver, BC

Director 7 -- Northeast Region

1986 - 1989	Ed Chetaitis	Roanoke, VA
1989 - 1991	Jim Berry	Charleston, WV
1991 - 1993	Ray Hart	Pittsburgh, PA
1993 - 1995	Charlotte Eakin	Roanoke, VA
1995 - 1997	Rob McDaniel	Norfolk, VA
1997 - 2001	Bill Roman	Arlington, VA

2001 - 2003	Mark MacBain	Syracuse, NY
2003 - 2005	Reggie Ware	New Haven, CT
2005 - 2010	Robert Silliman	Chelsea, MA
2010 - 2011	Donny Tang	Vernon, CT
2011 - 2014	Mark MacBain	Syracuse, NY
2014 -	Paul Scheib	Rochester, NY

Director 8 -- Southeast Region (1986 - 90); Southern Region (1990 - present)

1986 - 1988	Allen Lowe	Miami, FL
1988 - 1990	Mark Castleberry	Atlanta, GA
1990 - 1992	Bryan Eble	Tampa, FL
1992 - 1994	Benny Alfano	Tampa, FL
1994 - 1995	Maurice Beasley	Orlando, FL
1995 - 1996	Mike Himics	Miami, FL
1996 - 1997	Tod Janssen	St. Petersburg, FL
1997 - 2002	Heath Costain	Smyrna, GA
2002 - 2006	Greg Edenfield	Charlotte, NC
2006 - 2011	Ray Krasneck	Tucker, GA
2011 - 2014	Alex Gregory	Land O' Lakes, FL
2014 - 2015	Scott Stiff	Orlando, FL
2015 - 2016	Greg Edenfield	Charlotte, NC
2016 -	Skip George	Marietta, GA

Director 9 -- Western Region (1986 - 91); West Region (1991 - 94); Southwest/Pacific Basin (1994 - 98); Southwest / Pacific Nations Region (1998 - present)

1986 - 1990	Randy Petersen	San Francisco, CA
1990 - 1991	Tim Connelly	Los Angeles, CA
1991 - 1994	Jerry Lovell	Los Angeles, CA
1994 - 1997	Michael Witt	Los Angeles, CA
1997	Mark Rosenbaum	Tucson, AZ
1997 - 1999	Ross Nagata	Honolulu, HI
1999 - 2002	Jeff Heiden	Santa Ana, CA
2002 - 2003	Ted Lorenzen	Palm Springs, CA
2003 - 2005	Scott Louden	Granada Hills, CA
2005 - 2009	Rob Hisey	San Diego, CA
2009 - 2010	Kirt Herronen	Signal Hill, CA
2010 - 2013	Larry Sanchez	San Diego, CA
2013 - 2017	Judy Thompson	Imperial Beach, CA
2017 -	Michael Letendre	San Diego, CA

Director 10 -- West Central Region (1986 - 90); Great Plains (1990 - 94); South Plains Region (1994 - present)

1986 - 1988	Ray Nastasi	Dallas, TX
1988 - 1989	Tommy Davis	Houston, TX
1989 - 1990	Jorge Ramirez	Fort Worth, TX
1990 - 1992	Steve Stepleton	Houston, TX
1992 - 1994	Rodney Seiler	Houston, TX
1994 - 1996	Michael Champion	Dallas, TX
1996 - 1997	Gary Shope	Houston, TX
1997 - 2000	Tom O'Dell	Houston, TX
2000 - 2002	Darrin Casola	Fort Worth, TX
2002 - 2004	David Felton	Houston, TX
2004 - 2010	John Kincheloe	Lewisville, TX
2010 - 2015	Joey LeBlanc	San Antonio, TX
2015 -	Joseph Puckett	Irving, TX

Director 11 -- North Plains Region (1994); Upper Mississippi Valley Region (1994 - present)

1994 - 1999	Bob Doornek	Middleton, WI
1999 - 2001	Gary Hillstrom	Plymouth, MN
2001 - 2005	Rick Harrelson	Milwaukee, WI
2005 - 2009	Claude Sloan	Milwaukee, WI
2009 - 2011	Bradford LeHew	Chicago, IL
2011 - 2017	Curtis Martin	St. Louis, MO
2017 - 2018	Clark Thompson	Cameron, WI
2018 -	Curtis Martin	St. Louis, MO

Director 12 – Mid Atlantic Region (2011 – present)

2011 - 2015	Donny Tang	Arlington, VA
2015 - 2016	Jeremy Glasser	Vienna, VA
2016 - 2018	Mark Craig	Nashville, TN
2018 -	Steve Frable	Falls Church, VA

Director 13 – Rocky Mountain Region (2011 – present)

2011 - 2017	Greg Frey	Albuquerque, NM
2017 -	Richard Foster	Tucson, AZ

Director At Large

1986 - 1989	Ken Sparks	Detroit, MI
1989 - 1990	Ed Chetaitis	Roanoke, VA
1990	Ken Rogers	Cincinnati, OH
1990 - 1991	Ray Hart	Pittsburgh, PA
1991 - 1993	Marty Rogers	Kansas City, MO
1993 - 1994	Alan Olsen	Auckland, NZ

IGBO Annual and Mid-Year Tournament Host Cities

Year	Annual	Mid-Year
1981	Houston, TX	Milwaukee, WI
1982	Dallas, TX	Milwaukee, WI
1983	Chicago, IL	Milwaukee, WI
1984	Seattle, WA	Milwaukee, WI
1985	Louisville, KY	Dallas, TX
1986	Las Vegas, NV	Cincinnati, OH
1987	New Orleans, LA	San Francisco, CA
1988	Washington, DC	Miami, FL
1989	Cincinnati, OH	Dallas, TX
1990	Los Angeles, CA	Milwaukee, WI
1991	Toronto, ON	Tampa, FL
1992	Dallas/Ft Worth, TX	Detroit, MI
1993	Atlanta, GA	San Antonio, TX
1994	Oklahoma City, OK	Tucson, AZ
1995	Vancouver, BC	Lexington, KY
1996	Philadelphia, PA	Orlando, FL
1997	Nashville, TN	Toronto, ON
1998	Cleveland, OH	Los Angeles, CA
1999	Washington, DC	Honolulu, HI
2000	Denver, CO	Minneapolis, MN
2001	Columbus, OH	Houston, TX
2002	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Auckland, NZ
2003	Phoenix, AZ	San Diego, CA
2004	St. Louis, MO	Ft. Worth, TX
2005	Milwaukee, WI	Calgary, AB
2006	Kansas City, MO	Detroit, MI
2007	Denver, CO	Oklahoma City, OK
2008	Atlanta, GA	San Diego, CA
2009	Oklahoma City, OK	Syracuse, NY
2010	Columbus, OH	Washington, DC
2011	Toronto, ON	Rochester, NY
2012	Jersey City, NJ/New York, NY	Seattle, WA
2013	Tampa, FL	Dallas, TX
2014	Tucson, AZ	Jacksonville, FL
2015	Omaha, NE	Pittsburgh, PA
2016	Albuquerque, NM	San Francisco, CA
2017	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Oklahoma City, OK
2018	Denver, CO	Reno, NV
2019	San Antonio, TX	Detroit, MI
2020	Seattle, WA	