

## VPUSBC ANNUAL MEETING

June 10, 2018

### President's Report

It is difficult to believe that I have already had the honor of serving as your President for five years. The time has gone by so fast. I can only hope that I have served you well and honored your needs as members to the best of my ability.

There has been a lot of change over the years – we have been through three association managers and now have one in Bev Hamrick that is totally dedicated to the members and doing a fantastic job. Your board of directors has a lot of new faces and will gain some new ones today. You have one of the youngest Board of Directors in the state of Virginia and that bodes well for the future. It takes fresh thoughts and energy to maintain the programs and services we provide. Yes we need those with experience to help provide perspective but your board has those persons too.

In the time I have served, we have tried to listen to our members and make any changes we can that will benefit the majority of our membership. This effort has resulted in many new programs, like the current local awards, the running of our adult championships concurrently to provide the environment of a larger tournament, changing the timing of events, running the BVL Tournament as a virtual one, holding a Bowl for the Cure Tournament, and so on. I can only hope that you will continue to share your ideas with us and that the Board Members will listen and also share ideas with each other. With open communication, the Virginia Peninsula will continue to be an example for other associations not only in the state but across the country.

SO enough about the past – the future is bright. In November in Harrisonburg, one of our own members – Renee Brubaker, will be inducted into the Virginia State USBC Hall of Fame for Bowling Achievement. Then in 2019 the Virginia Peninsula USBC will be hosting three (yes 3!) of the Virginia State USBC Championship Tournaments – the Open Championships from May 18<sup>th</sup> through June 16<sup>th</sup>, the Youth Championships from June 22<sup>nd</sup> through July 14<sup>th</sup> (skipping June 29-30), and the Senior Championships from October 12 through November 3<sup>rd</sup>. These events will be a lot of work and we will need help from our members but they will give us the opportunity to raise monies to support our programs and services.

In closing, please remember that your Board Members are working hard for you and please feel free to contact any one of us if you have questions or suggestions. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President. I will always consider it an honor and will continue to serve in any capacity I can to support the Virginia Peninsula USBC.

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