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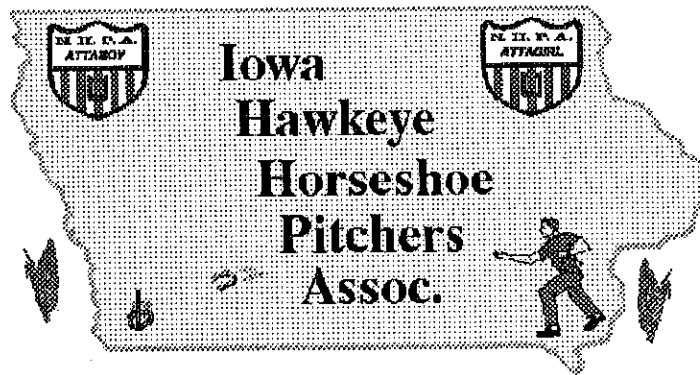
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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

December 3, 2005 Eldora  
December 4, 2005 Eldora  
January 7, 2006 Eldora  
January 8, 2006 Eldora

Putt Mossman Indoor Arena, Eldora, Iowa  
Register by 9:30 a.m., play at 10:00 a.m.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE :

- 50 % MEMBERSHIP INCREASE !!
- 25 % GENERAL FUND INCREASE !!
- 30 % TOURNAMENT ATTENDANCE INCREASE !!
- CEDAR RAPIDS W T BID OVERWHELMINGLY ACCEPTED !!
- FAIRGROUND ROOF CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN IN MAY !!

CAN THIS REALLY BE TRUE ? YES. WISHFUL THINKING ? NOT AT ALL !!

The above is what I am anticipating reporting two years from now. After reading the above, you are probably thinking, "How does he expect all this to ever happen - let alone in two years?" Well, the answer is simple. One person or one Executive Board alone will not make it happen. It will take the combined effort of the officers and all IHHPA members. If all of us are dedicated and all of us actively pursue the goals listed above, then there is no reason why we will not be successful.

Look at the five items above as one feeding off the other. I think you will see the connection that will move us forward. To begin with, all of us need to seek out non member pitchers: pitchers in your area who were once members, league pitchers who have not been members, introduce family and friends to the sport and bring them with you to a tournament. It's easy to say this is what we need to do. What we must do is follow through and do it.

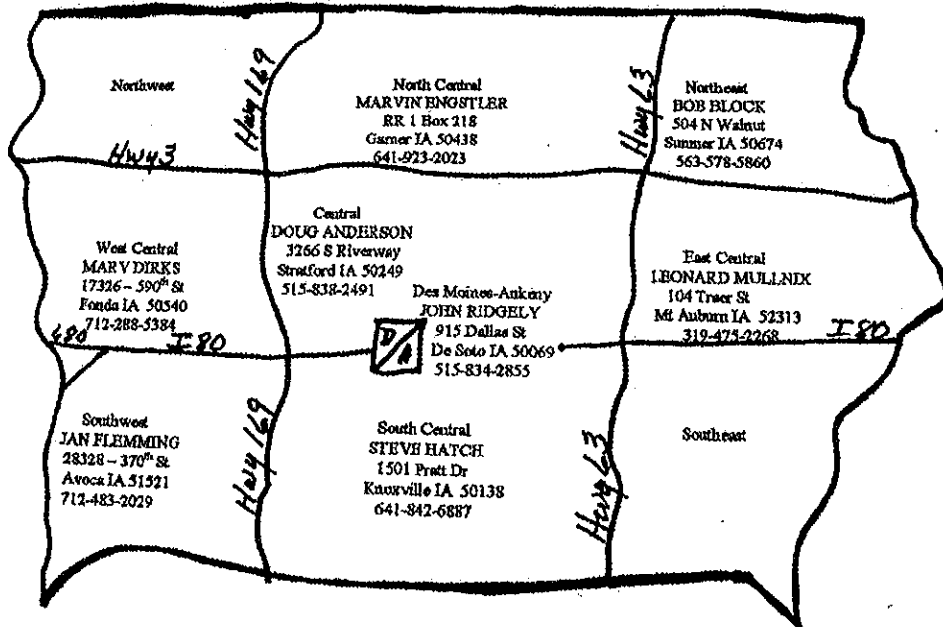
I want to take this opportunity to thank Don and Mic Wilson for all they have done as President and Newsletter Editor. I congratulate them on jobs well done.

Besides myself, we have two new rookies who will begin upholding the offices bestowed upon them. Deb Davis is our new Editor and I know she will welcome items of interest from all members - - Remember the deadline for articles is the 20th day of the month. Connie Moore takes over as 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President and I am confident she will do a splendid job also.

New courts in Dubuque !! What a great example of getting things done!!!!!! Thanks and congratulations to all those responsible for this great new facility. Special thanks to Vern McGrath and Mike Fishnick.

Together more positive moments to celebrate will be happening in the IHHPA !!!!!

LeRoy Law



## Minutes of the 2005 IHHPA Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Iowa Hawkeye Horseshoe Pitchers Association was held on October 22, 2005 at the Moose Lodge in Marshalltown, Iowa.

President Don Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

IHHPA Chaplain, Glenn Warden opened the meeting with a prayer, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 51 people were in attendance, which included 41 IHHPA members.

Secretary/Treasurer Dave Sidles read the minutes of the previous meeting. They were approved as read. He then gave a treasurer's report indicating the following: The current bank balance as of 10/20/2005 was \$2342.27. Factoring in extraordinary income and expenses the IHHPA had a net profit for the fiscal year of \$67.05. Extraordinary items included \$671.00 of additional expense for the Hall of Fame trailer, Memorial funds received from the family of Kenneth Clark in the amount of \$280.00, a donation of \$100.00 from Joe Dolter, \$479.00 raised at the WDM Fundraiser tournament put on by Leroy Law, and \$100.00 of IHHPA salaries returned to the association by both Dave Sidles and Jan Warwick. As of 9/30/2005 the investment account balance was \$5826.50. A total of 18 newsletter ads were sold in 2005. Membership for the year totaled 249, which was a decline of 13 from the previous year.

Regional Director Leo Buell expressed the need to continue to try to sell more newsletter advertising. He indicated that currently the NW region was without a director since Mel and Opal Harms had moved to California. He also indicated that Bob Block was not as active in the NE region. Marv Dirks reported on the WC region. He said there were no leagues in the region this year and that work on new Spencer courts had stopped for now. He said he would try to get an update on the Spencer courts in January. Marv said he would like to see more Iowans participating in the World Tournament. He spoke briefly of his trip to the Bakersfield tournament and finishing 6<sup>th</sup>. Marv Engstler pointed out that regional directors were asked to submit a report to the newsletter prior to annual meeting and that only he did. As indicated in his report, there had been several non-sanctioned tournaments in his region. He also said that he would like to see the state champions receive their awards at the annual meeting. Central region Director, Doug Anderson, reported that the court he helped built at the retirement facility in his area was apparently not being used. He said that the two tournaments held in Boone this year were well attended and that there is a possibility of getting the lights working there for possible future use. He also suggested inviting an area radio celebrity to a tournament and broadcasting it on air. EC regional director Leonard Mullnix reported having a good tournament in Dubuque at which several door prizes were given away. He said new courts had been built in Dubuque. He reported that Cedar Rapids continued to host well attended tournaments and the Larry Purcell was also running a sanctioned league there. Leonard thought that Clinton might not hold another tournament because of poor turnout. Stoney Jackson confirmed poor attendance at his tournaments but that he would still try to have some. He did say that an indoor tournament held in Grandview on rubber mats was a success. Stoney again raised the question of declining participation in the sport. SC director Steve Hatch was not present. Dave Sidles reported for the DM/Ankeny region. He said that the Central Iowa Traveling Horseshoe League had another successful year with an increase in participation. He reported that the Iowa Games would continue in Ames with a change to hi-lo doubles for the Friday event. The senior event was dropped because of the limited number of players. Jan Fleming reported that there little change in participation in the SW region. Vern McGrath displayed pictures of the new facility in Dubuque and described the league activities there. Dave Sidles asked why they weren't sanctioned and Vern indicated that beer drinking during play was the reason.

Leo Buell indicated that 60 sanctioned tournaments were held in Iowa with 20 of those being held indoors at Eldora. He thanked Leroy for the work he did on the schedule.

Reports from the association officers the next item on the agenda. 1st Vice President, Glenn Warden said that as chaplain, he was only contacted about 3 times by members wanting to discuss IHHPA or personal issues. He indicated that he would like to see better facilities in Iowa for pitching and that members be more involved in helping do the work necessary to make a tournament happen. He suggested advertising tournaments in local newspapers. Ronnie Burgess brought up the point as to what purpose the ads should try to serve, to get more players or spectators. Glenn suggested having 50/50 drawings at all tournaments to cover the cost of the ads. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Dick Carlson expressed concern over the average age of the IHHPA membership. He said that he was attempting to compile information on membership in the IHHPA as far back as he could. He thanked everyone that helped with the Iowa Games again this year. Don Wilson said he would like to see more IHHPA members participating in the Iowa Games. 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Mike Fishnick reported that he had attended the delegates meeting at the World Tournament. He followed up on Glenn's suggestion to advertise events and indicated that they do that in Dubuque. 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President Leroy Law thanked all the tournament directors for helping make sure everyone got a date for their tournament. He expressed his concerns about declining membership. He indicated that leagues might be good avenue to get new members. He spoke to the idea that many non-sanctioned leagues remained that way so they could have alcohol at the site. Ronnie Burgess suggested having church leagues. Dave Sidles reported that he had spoken to Jan Warwick about web site content and possible improvements. He then expressed concern that 2 tournaments remained unreported because results were never turned in. He also reiterated that tournament directors need to make sure everyone has a current membership or pays for one at the tournament. Bob Walters reported for the Eldora Club saying that the ads they put in the local paper are free public service ads. He said he had attended a tournament in Waverly on portable courts in which 25 non-sanctioned players attended. It was the first time in 12 years that such an event had taken place. Bob suggested every current member try to get 1 new person to join this year.

Following a recess for lunch, Don Wilson put forth a motion to form a committee to rewrite the IHHPA By-Laws. The motion was seconded and passed. Leroy Law agreed to head up the committee that would also include Dick Carlson, Danny Sease and Dave Sidles.

Leo Buell took the floor to present a proposal to host the 2009 World Tournament in Cedar Rapids. He said that he was joined by Larry Purcell and Ralph Palmer to explore suitable locations for the event. It was determined that the best site would be the new Ice Arena. Representatives of the Ice Arena and the CVB then gave a presentation and handed out information folders to everyone. They answered questions and described the CVB's commitment to the IHHPA and the WT. Leo read a letter from Ralph Palmer indicating his support for the attempt to secure the WT in Cedar Rapids. A vote of the members present at the meeting showed support to continue with the bid process.

Year-end awards were presented next. Dave Sidles and Dick Carlson each received the Presidents award for their years of dedication to the Iowa Games horseshoe event.

The most improved player award went to Alan Duffy of Dubuque. Carl Kaiser was the recipient of the inaugural Player of the Year award. Bob and Marion McKee were recognized for their efforts with the indoor tournaments in Eldora by together receiving the Frank Jackson award. Bob also received the tournament director of the year award.

C Leo Buell and Bernard Ricker were induced into the IHHPA Hall of Fame. Mr. Ricker lives in Mt. Ayr and was unable to attend the ceremony. Dick Carlson said he would personally deliver the plaque him within the next week.

Danny Sease presented the only bid to host the 2006 State Tournament. The location would be the Iowa State Fairgrounds courts and the event would again take place during the Iowa State Fair. He read a letter that was sent the fair board with several suggestions for improvements to the court facility. He said that the 2005 events were a success. Danny expressed disappointment in the Des Moines Register for sporadically publishing daily results. It was moved and seconded that the IHHPA accept the bid. The motion passed.

Election of officers was next. All offices up for election received only one nomination and all candidates were elected by acclamation. Those persons elected were as follows:

President – Leroy Law

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Glenn Warden

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President – Mike Fishnick

Regional Director – C Leo Buell

With Leroy Law moving to President, nominations for the now vacant 4<sup>th</sup> VP position were opened. Connie Moore received the only nomination and was elected.

Mic Wilson said that she had spoken to Debbie Davis about the position of newsletter editor and that Debbie had agreed to accept the position. She was then nominated and elected by voice vote. Debbie was not present at the meeting.

A drawing for several door prizes was held with Steve Jackson winning the free IHHPA membership for the second year in a row.

A motion was made to have the 2006 meeting at the Moose Lodge in Marshalltown. The motion was passed. A motion to adjourn the meeting was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Sidles, Sec.

# IHHPA/NHPA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## 2005 IHHPA Fund Raiser West Des Moines, Ia September 3, 2005

### CLASS (A)

Slim Allen	West Des Moines	1st	4-1	52.00
Larry Purcell	Cedar Rapids	2nd	4-1	51.00
Pat Simon	Waterloo	3rd	3-2	43.50
Ed Walsh	Albia	4th	2-3	41.00
Glen Warden	Mitchellville	5th	1-4	42.50
Keith Baker	Clive	6th	1-4	40.00

### CLASS (B)

Leroy Law	West Des Moines	1st	5-0	41.50
Charles Phipps	Grimes	2nd	3-2	41.00
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	3rd	3-2	37.00
Bob Mckee	Marshalltown	4th	3-2	33.50
Harold Garner	Melrose	5th	1-4	33.50
Pacer		6th	1-4	37.50

### CLASS (C)

Don Wilson	Greenfield	1st	4-1	36.50
Russ Martin	Clarksville	2nd	3-2	36.50
Dennis Hopkins	Missouri Valley	3rd	3-2	34.50
Leo Lamparek	Cedar Rapids	4th	2-3	30.00
Chuck McFadden	Des Moines	5th	2-3	29.50
Leonard Mullnix	Mt Auburn	6th	1-4	30.50

### CLASS (D)

Bob Rounds	Perry	1st	5-0	34.00
Ken Cook	Cedar Rapids	2nd	4-1	32.50
Gerald Weeks	Indianola	3rd	2-3	21.50
Dean Fortune	Des Moines	4th	2-3	19.00
John Ridgely	De Soto	5th	1-4	26.00
Marian Mckee	Marshalltown	6th	1-4	18.50

### CLASS (E)

Danny Sease	Des Moines	1st	5-0	24.30
Bob Walters	Eldora	2nd	3-1	21.20
Ralph Davis	Ankeny	3rd	3-1	19.50
Harold Barker	Marshalltown	4th	1-3	11.20
Leona Gaines	Mt Vernon	5th	0-4	12.60

### CLASS (F)

John Ghrist	Des Moines	1st	3-3	10.5
Jim Kempkes	Des Moines	2nd	1-5	7.2
Pacer		3rd		
Pacer		4th		

## Russell Homecoming Russell, IA September 15, 2005

### CLASS (A)

Keith Baker	Des Moines	1st	4-0	54.04%
LeRoy Law	West Des Moines	2nd	3-1	51.70%
Ed Walsh	Albia	3rd	2-2	48.28%
Bob Mckee	Marshalltown	4th	1-3	40.91%
Glenn Warden	Mitchellville	5th	0-4	31.88%

### CLASS (B)

Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	1st	5-0	43.50%
Art Brown	Patterson	2nd	4-1	30.00%
Harold Garner	Melrose	3rd	2-3	28.50%
Bob Rounds	Perry	4th	2-3	25.50%
Jerry Dunkin	New Virginia	5th	1-4	24.00%
Gerald Weeks	Indianola	6th	1-4	20.00%

### CLASS (C)

Dean Fortune	Des Moines	1st	4-1	19.50%
Marian Mc Kee	Marshalltown	2nd	3-2	26.50%
Ira Hartwick	Bloomfield	3rd	3-2	21.00%
James Bown	Delta	4th	2-3	21.00%
Dick Hultt	Des Moines	5th	2-3	16.50%
Walter Martin	Ottumwa	6th	1-4	16.50%

### Corbett Burlington, Ia

### CLASS (A)


Vern Kollasch	Iowa City	1st	5-0	56.99%
James Jackson	New London	2nd	4-1	55.56%
Leo Buell	Iowa City	3rd	3-2	46.46%
Betty McGregor	Lone Tree	4th	2-3	35.98%
Larry Purcell	Cedar Rapids	5th	1-4	46.00%

### CLASS (B)

Stoney Jackson	Burlington	1st	6-0	50.45%
Bob Hardy	New London	2nd	4-2	45.50%
Dean Wehrle	Burlington	3rd	2-4	31.58%
Ken Cook	Cedar Rapids	4th	0-6	23.78%

### CLASS (C)

Steve Jackson	Grandview	1st	6-0	26.92%
Bob Walters	Eldora	2nd	4-2	14.58%
Ron Fromm	Mediapolis	3rd	4-2	13.64%
Ron McBride	Iowa City	4th	1-5	9.90%
Lee Drewelow	Stanley	5th	0-6	7.50%



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# IHHPA/NHPA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## Madison County Covered Bridge

Winterset, Ia  
October 09, 2005

### CLASS ( A )

Jim Jackson	New London	1st	5-1	50.36%
Wilbur Rasmussen	Prescott	2nd	4-1	49.34%
Ed Walsh	Albia	3rd	3-2	48.77%
Deb Dalton	Indianola	4th	3-2	42.13%
Glen Stover	Council Bluffs	5th	1-4	36.72%
Larry Purcell	Cedar Rapids	6th	0-5	39.21%

### CLASS ( B )

Clarence Krueger	Nebraska	1st	4-1	56.50%
Gary Reed	Stuart	2nd	4-1	40.00%
Charles Phipps	Grimes	3rd	3-2	36.00%
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	4th	2-3	39.50%
Darwin Mott	Hartford	5th	2-3	32.00%

### CLASS ( C )

Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	1st	4-1	43.00%
Don Marx	Marion	2nd	4-1	30.00%
Art Brown	Patterson	3rd	2-3	37.50%
Bob Hardy	New London	4th	2-3	33.50%
Don Wilson	Greenfield	5th	2-3	31.00%
Russ Martin	Clarksville	6th	1-4	33.00%

### CLASS ( D )

Mike McNace	Lakeview	1st	5-0	28.00%
Marvin Dirks	Fonda	2nd	3-2	34.50%
Mac McKay	Corning	3rd	3-2	24.00%
Leonard Mullnix	Mt Auburn	4th	3-2	26.50%
Larry Bolt	Mt Auburn	5th	1-4	28.00%
Chuck McFadden	Des Moines	6th	1-4	18.50%

### CLASS ( E )

Dave Mittlestadt	Jewell	1st	4-1	30.00%
Gerald Weeks	Indianola	2nd	3-2	28.85%
Ron Welsh	Nebraska	3rd	3-2	24.00%
Rick Hudson	Stuart	4th	2-3	29.00%
Bob Rounds	Perry	5th	2-3	25.94%
John Ridgely	De Soto	6th	0-5	18.63%

### CLASS ( F )

James Bown	Delta	1st	4-1	28.00%
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	2nd	3-2	29.00%
Eric Ohnemus	Melcher	3rd	3-2	20.50%
Bob Lindberg	Stuart	4th	2-3	29.00%
Connie Moore	Murray	5th	2-3	23.00%
Rusty Dalton	Indianola	6th	1-4	18.50%

## Madison County Covered Bridge (Con't)

Winterset, Ia  
October 9, 2005

### CLASS ( G )

Dick Huitt	Des Moines	1st		
Dean Fortune	Des Moines	2nd	4-1	27.00%
Danny Sease	Des Moines	3rd	4-1	23.00%
Walter Martin	Ottumwa	4th	2-3	24.50%
Bob Walters	Eldora	5th	2-3	21.00%
Veronica Goode	Indianola	6th	2-3	20.00%
			1-4	16.50%

### CLASS ( H )

Don Smith	Leon	1st		
Mike Goode	Indianola	2nd	4-0	16.25%
Chuck Vandever	Grand Junction	3rd	2-2	11.88%
Cody Wessell	Indianola	4th	2-2	8.75%
Dorothy Krueger	Nebraska	5th	1-3	8.75%
			1-3	8.13%

## Eldora Indoor November 5, 2005

### CLASS ( A )

Pat Simon	Waterloo	1st	5-0	60.42
Mike Fishnick	Dubuque	2nd	4-1	55.22%
Vern Kollash	Iowa City	3rd	3-2	52.96%
LeRoy Law	West Des Moines	4th	2-3	43.81%
Marv Engstler	Garner	5th	1-4	47.03%
Glenn Warden	Mitchellville	6th	0-5	36.90%

### CLASS ( B )

Will Foelske	Waverly	1st	5-0	56.37%
Larry Purcell	Cedar Rapids	2nd	3-2	53.64%
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	3rd	3-2	46.88%
Ronnie Burgess	Cedar Rapids	4th	2-3	51.30%
Betty McGregor	Lone Tree	5th	2-3	48.82%
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	6th	0-5	35.00%

### CLASS ( C )

Dennis Hopkins	Missouri Valley	1st	4-1	42.24%
Leo Lamparek	Cedar Rapids	2nd	4-1	35.25%
Russ Martin	Clarksville	3rd	2-3	34.75%
Mike Littell	Minnesota	4th	2-3	30.93%
Chuck McFadden	Des Moines	5th	2-3	28.86%
Dick Walker	Cambridge	6th	0-5	24.14%

# IHPA/NHPA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## Eldora Indoor (Cont')

November 5, 2005

### CLASS ( D )

Danny Sease	Des Moines	1st	5-0	23.66%
Ken Cook	Cedar Rapids	2nd	3-2	28.00%
Bob Rounds	Perry	3rd	3-2	26.95%
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	4th	3-2	23.33%
Bill Mason	Grinnell	5th	1-4	25.98%
Bill Grinstead	Osage	6th	0-5	17.68%

### CLASS ( E )

Dean Fortune	Des Moines	1st	4-0	23.16%
Alan Duffy	Dubuque	2nd	3-1	8.50%
Ron Swartzendruber	Iowa City	3rd	1-3	11.22%
Harold Barker	Marshalltown	4th	1-3	10.82%
Mike Fishnick Jr.	Dubuque	5th	1-3	7.00%

## Eldora Indoor Eldora, Ia November 6, 2005

### CLASS (A)

Vern Kolash	Iowa City	1st	4-1	48.97%
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	2nd	3-2	42.66%
Don Wilson	Greenfield	3rd	3-2	42.45%
Russ Martin	Clarksville	4th	3-2	39.55%
Stoney Jackson	Burlington	5th	2-3	34.62%

### CLASS (B)

Art Brown	Patterson	1st	5-0	39.50%
Marv Dirks	Fonda	2nd	4-1	32.00%
Deb Davis	Ankeny	3rd	3-2	38.50%
Mic Wilson	Greenfield	4th	2-3	28.92%
Brett Robb	Bouton	5th	1-4	35.29%

### CLASS (C)

Marian McKee	Marshalltown	1st	5-0	36.50%
Sheryl Mason	Grinnell	2nd	4-1	32.00%
Steve Jackson	Grandview	3rd	3-2	24.50%
James Bowen	Delta	4th	2-3	23.00%
Ira Hartwick	Bloomfield	5th	1-4	26.00%

### CLASS (D)

Ralph Davis	Ankeny	1st	4-1	19.00%
Bill Mason	Grinnell	2nd	4-1	17.00%
Kathy Hartwick	Bloomfield	3rd	3-2	10.00%
Lee Drewlow	Iowa City	4th	3-2	7.50%
Harold Barker	Marshalltown	5th	1-4	10.00%

## Eldora Indoor

Eldora, Ia

November 12, 2005

### CLASS ( A )

Leo Buel	Iowa City	1st	5-0	53.08%
Pat Simon	Waterloo	2nd	4-1	50.83%
Larry Purcell	Cedar Rapids	3rd	2-3	47.04%
Vern Kollasch	Iowa City	4th	2-3	46.64%
Betty McGregor	Lone Tree	5th	1-4	42.31%
Doug Anderson	Stratford	6th	1-4	41.18%

### CLASS ( B )

Bob McKee	Marshalltown	1st	4-1	49.51%
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	2nd	3-2	41.39%
Leo Lamparek	Cedar Rapids	3rd	3-2	40.18%
Russ Martin	Clarksville	4th	2-3	42.86%
Dick Walker	Cambridge	5th	2-3	40.68%
Leonard Mullnix	Mt Auburn	6th	1-4	35.07%

### CLASS ( C )

Bob Rounds	Perry	1st	4-0	29.50%
Bob Waldo	Iowa Falls	2nd	3-1	35.00%
Ken Cook	Cedar Rapids	3rd	2-2	29.00%
Dave Sidles	Ames	4th	1-3	18.00%
Vern McGrath	Dubuque	5th	0-4	24.00%

### CLASS ( D )

Marian McKee	Marshalltown	1st	4-0	27.50%
Bob Walters	Eldora	2nd	3-1	19.50%
Tom Dunham	South Dakota	3rd	2-2	29.00%
Gilbert Nickell	Renwick	4th	1-3	13.50%
Ron Swartzendruber	Iowa City	5th	0-4	9.00%

### CLASS ( E )


Dean Fortune	Des Moines	1st	6-0	17.92%
Ron Stanerson	Marengo	2nd	4-2	17.08%
Sarah Dunham	South Dakota	3rd	1-5	7.92%
Harold Barker	Marshalltown	4th	1-5	7.50%



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**Eldora Indoor**

Eldora Ia  
November 13, 2005

**CLASS (A)**

Bob Mckee	Marshalltown	1st	4-1	44.14%
Russ Martin	Clarksville	2nd	3-2	39.15%
Marv Dirks	Fonda	3rd	3-2	33.78%
Larry Purcell	Cedar Rapids	4th	2-3	47.39%
Art Brown	Patterson	5th	2-3	35.00%
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	6th	1-4	35.00%

**CLASS (B)**

Marian McKee	Marshalltown	1st	5-0	22.41%
Tom Dunham	South Dakota	2nd	3-2	25.61%
Sheryl Mason	Grinnell	3rd	3-2	24.79%
Bill Mason	Grinnell	4th	3-2	20.33%
Lee Drewelow	Stanley	5th	1-4	10.36%
Bob Walters	Eldora	6th	0-5	16.80%

**CLASS C**

Dean Fortune	Des Moines	1st	4-1	19.19%
Mark Hoover	Eldora	2nd	4-1	17.00%
Ralph Davis	Ankeny	3rd	3-2	23.50%
Ron Stanerson	Marengo	4th	3-2	20.53%
Sarah Dunham	So. Dakota	5th	0-5	07.45%

**CONDOLENCES**

Don Brandau of Charles City passed away November 20, 2005. Don lost a hard fought battle from complications of a ruptured lung during bypass surgery. Don took a lot of horseshoe energy and enthusiasm to his grave.

I played side by side with Don for 23 years, every week of the year. We rode to many tournaments and tried through conversation to solve the World's problems. I will always remember the day we were headed to Cedar Rapids. We were wiring a 3 phase electric motor. When we got it wired, we realized we were half way to Dubuque and had to turn around and go back.

Don really enjoyed small tournaments. He and I were playing doubles in a small town in Minnesota. Don was the last one to throw. His first shoe was a ringer, so we won the game and the tournament. Most people would have thrown the second shoe away, but not Don. He threw the second shoe at the stake. And it so nicely just flipped that ringer right off. We lost not only the game, but the tournament. I bet our eyes were as big as sauce dishes when that second shoe hit.

*Condolences (cont'd)*

If we should ever go back to points per shoe instead of ringer percentage, it will have originated from Don. He firmly believed that should be the way to go.

Don had a handicap formula second to none. He claimed to have had every single score card he ever had. I can't hang onto mine till I get home. He kept our books for league and they go back for 20 years. For instance, we could ask him our results for May 1992 and he could give it to you.

For years he had given us a yearly report, even as to miles walked and tons of steel pitched. The only thing that he was missing was calories burnt per 100 shoes pitched.

Don was a great sport. If you were looking at the stake to see your points and a pretty girl rode by on the bike trail, you could enjoy the look while Don gave you your points and you knew you got what you had coming and more. Whenever there was a discrepancy of any kind, Don was right in the middle of it, and it was solved very fairly.

Thank everyone for signing his card at the annual meeting. He really got a thrill from that card.

I am so glad that I called him the night before he died. He sounded good and said he was taking some new pills that cost \$12.00 a piece and he really thought he was on the climb, but the next morning at 4 a.m., he was gone. I am sure that when he said good-bye that he had no idea of the size of the void he was leaving.

A Very Dear Friend, Russ Martin

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Harry Price, Jr. 86, of Dubuque passed away November 14, 2005, at The Finley Hospital in Dubuque. The following is an excerpt from his obituary in *The Dubuque Gazette*:

[Harry] was an avid horseshoe pitcher, winning many tournaments. Harry qualified multiple times for the National Horseshoe Tournament.

Surviving are a daughter, Patricia Fury of Davenport, a son, Duane H. Price of Dubuque, five grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, and a son-in-law, Paul Beversdorf of Dubuque. He was preceded in death by his wife, Rosemary Willman, a daughter, Frances E. Beversdorf, a granddaughter, Connie Fury, and a sister, Elaine.

Memorials may be given to Tri-State Dialysis, 1500 Delhi St., Dubuque, IA

## 2005 IHHPA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

This year two individuals were inducted into the IHHPA Hall of Fame. Mr. Leo Buell was inducted at the annual meeting in Marshalltown. This was based upon his high level of pitching over the years and upon his long term service to our association. He shared his thoughts with us after the plaque presentation.

Mr. Bernard Ricker of My Ayr was the second individual honored, but he is 93 years old and lives in an Assisted Living Home in Mt Ayr. The trip to the annual meeting would be quite a strain for him so his son and I decided to do the honors in Mt. Ayr with his family and friends present. We did this on Nov 5 and past president, Don Wilson, came along to help. It turned out to be a really super afternoon for Don and I. Mr. Ricker has a little difficulty with his hearing; otherwise he was very in tune with his surroundings. I talked about the IHHPA and the Hall of Fame and then about his credentials. After that I gave the plaque to his son to give to his dad. That was impressive to watch, but what I will remember most from the day was when I handed him one of my horseshoes I sneaked in from my pickup and asked him to show the audience how he did it. You would not believe the smile on his face when he saw the horseshoe. I could only imagine all the memories that passed through his mind at that moment.

I had to spend a little money on gas for the trip, but it was really worth it. Before the meeting, Don and I had lunch together after which, he showed me where the horseshoe courts were located and where Marv Woollums lived and practiced his horseshoe pitching ...quite a day for Don and I.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice- President,  
Dick Carlson

## TEAM WORLD BELOIT

The Iowa team of Vern Kollasch, Gary Reed, Mike Fishnick, and Bob McKee pitched in the 2005 Team World. We had great support as the wives also attended. This was in May at the Sports Center in Beloit, Wisconsin. The pitching was indoors and similar to our Eldora site. There were 20 teams from the U.S. and Canada. Team Colorado won and Iowa finished 17th with 23 1/2 points. All Iowa pitchers won some games. This was a first time experience for some pitchers. The fun part was pitching against other pitchers from other States and Ontario, Canada.

Keep practicing and competing and the Iowa team will be very competitive in 2006 at the Team World.

Vern Kollasch

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*From the editors:*

*Thank you to John Michels for submitting the information on the passing of Harry Price, Jr. of Dubuque. John reports that he has had five by-passes last year but is "doing okay now and hopes to take in some tourneys next summer."*

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## IHHPA/NHPA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Eldora Indoor, December 3, 2005

CLASS (A)				
Jim Jackson	New London	1 <sup>st</sup>	5-0	59.47
Vern Kollasch	Iowa City	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-1	49.20
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-2	37.84
Stoney Jackson	Burlington	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	39.92
Leo Buell	Iowa City	5 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	34.87
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	6 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	31.82

CLASS (B)				
Dick Walker	Des Moines	1 <sup>st</sup>	3-2	39.60
Deb Davis	Ankeny	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-2	33.07
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-2	29.20
Bob Rounds	Perry	4 <sup>th</sup>	3-2	28.35
Laverne Schroeder	Morrison, Ill	5 <sup>th</sup>	3-2	28.40
Tom Cranston	Parnell	6 <sup>th</sup>	0-5	22.40

CLASS (C)				
Henry Nelson	Oelwein	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-1	28.80
Bill Mason	Grinnell	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-1	22.80
Kevin Bailey	Prairie City	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-2	24.00
Steve Jackson	Grandview	4 <sup>th</sup>	3-2	20.80
Sheryl Mason	Grinnell	5 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	29.20
Bob Walters	Eldora	6 <sup>th</sup>	0-5	14.00

CLASS (D)				
Ken Bailey	Dallas Center	1 <sup>st</sup>	7-0	22.50
Richard Cranston	Keswick	2 <sup>nd</sup>	5-2	19.58
Ron Stanerson	Marengo	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-3	19.58
Bruce Dennis	Prairie City	4 <sup>th</sup>	4-3	14.17
Ralph Davis	Ankeny	5 <sup>th</sup>	3-4	12.92
Matt Bombei	Delta	6 <sup>th</sup>	3-4	10.83
Lee Drewelow	Independence	7 <sup>th</sup>	2-5	12.08

### Eldora Indoor, December 4, 2005

CLASS (A)				
Vern Kollasch	Iowa City	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-0	48.99
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-1	48.11
Leo Buell	Iowa City	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-2	45.54
LeRoy Law	W. Des Moines	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	42.99
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	5 <sup>th</sup>	0-4	34.71

CLASS (B)				
Brett Robb	Bouton	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-0	34.71
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-1	29.25
Marv Dirks	Fonda	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-2	30.64
Deb Davis	Ankeny	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	27.72
Sheryl Mason	Grinnell	5 <sup>th</sup>	0-4	18.02

CLASS (C)				
Bob Walters	Eldora	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-0	32.35
Ken Bailey	Dallas Center	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-1	25.00
Bill Mason	Grinnell	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-2	23.20
Ron Stanerson	Marengo	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	13.29
Ralph Davis	Ankeny	5 <sup>th</sup>	0-4	15.22

### Eldora Indoor, December 10, 2005

CLASS (A)				
Pat Simon	Waterloo	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-0	60.29
LeRoy Law	W. Des Moines	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2-2	40.19
Larry Purcell	Cedar Rapids	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-2	38.20
Glen Warden	Mitchellville	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	41.39
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	5 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	40.85

CLASS (B)				
Leo Lamparek	Cedar Rapids	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-0	39.50
Doug Anderson	Stratford	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2-2	39.50
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-2	33.50
Chuck McFadden	Des Moines	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	35.00
Dennis Hopkins	Missouri Valley	5 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	27.50

CLASS (C)				
Marv Dirks	Fonda	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-0	38.50
Bob Waldo	Iowa Falls	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-1	34.00
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-2	34.50
Bob Rounds	Perry	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-3	28.50
Danny Sease	Des Moines	5 <sup>th</sup>	0-4	20.50

CLASS (D)				
Dave Weston	Cedar Falls	1 <sup>st</sup>	3-1	21.00
Dean Fortune	Des Moines	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-1	18.50
Ron Stanerson	Marengo	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-2	21.50
Bob Walters	Eldora	4 <sup>th</sup>	2-2	18.50
Ron Swartzendruber	Iowa City	5 <sup>th</sup>	0-4	8.50

### Eldora Indoor, December 11, 2005

CLASS (A)				
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	1 <sup>st</sup>	5-1	45.42
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-2	43.33
Russ Martin	Clarksville	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-3	32.50
Dennis Hopkins	Missouri Valley	4 <sup>th</sup>	0-6	32.50

CLASS (B)				
Marvin Dirks	Fonda	1 <sup>st</sup>	5-1	30.49
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-3	27.46
Bob Rounds	Perry	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2-4	30.99
Sheryl Mason	Grinnell	4 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	30.83

CLASS (C)				
Bill Mason	Grinnell	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-2	22.50
Bob Walters	Eldora	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-2	18.00
Dean Fortune	Des Moines	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-2	16.50

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## IHHPA/NHPA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Eldora Indoor, January 7, 2006

CLASS (A)				
Meredith Kahrig	Ohio	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-2	47.90
LeRoy Law	W.Des Moines	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-2	45.10
Pat Simon	Waterloo	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-2	42.96
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	4 <sup>th</sup>	3-3	48.69
Leo Buell	Iowa City	5 <sup>th</sup>	3-3	40.00
Glen Warden	Mitchellville	6 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	32.97
Betty McGregor	Lone Tree	7 <sup>th</sup>	1-5	34.76

CLASS (B)				
Terry Hlatt		1 <sup>st</sup>	5-1	47.09
Don Wilson	Greenfield	2 <sup>nd</sup>	5-1	40.00
Doug Anderson	Stratford	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-2	42.50
Dave Hahn	Iowa City	4 <sup>th</sup>	3-3	35.00
Dick Walker	Des Moines	5 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	35.83
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	6 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	33.75
Leo Lamparek	Cedar Rapids	7 <sup>th</sup>	1-5	31.25

CLASS (C)				
Art Brown	Patterson	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-2	37.08
Bob Waldo	Iowa Falls	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-2	32.50
Bob Rounds	Perry	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-2	28.75
Laverne Schroeder	Morrison, IL	4 <sup>th</sup>	3-3	33.33
Marv Dirks	Fonda	5 <sup>th</sup>	3-3	32.50
Gene Rittman	Ankeny	6 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	24.58
Leonard Mullnix	Mt. Auburn	7 <sup>th</sup>	1-5	26.66

CLASS (D)				
Ken Cook	Cedar Rapids	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-2	28.33
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-2	27.00
Roger Tope	Marion	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-2	25.00
James Bown	Delta	4 <sup>th</sup>	4-2	19.58
Ernie Benda	Cedar Rapids	5 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	27.50
Bob Walters	Eldora	6 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	10.83
Vern McGrath	Dubuque	7 <sup>th</sup>	1-5	21.60

CLASS (E)				
Bill Grinstead	Osage	1st	4-2	25.00
Dean Fortune	Des Moines	2nd	4-2	21.66
Gilbert Nickell	Renwick	3rd	4-2	19.16
Danny Sease	Des Moines	4th	3-3	25.00
Dave Weston	Cedar Falls	5th	2-4	18.75
Mitchell Fitz	Readlyn	6th	2-4	16.25
Roger Gaulke	Dows	7th	2-4	15.83

CLASS (F)				
Bernie Anderson	Osage	1st	6-0	24.58
Mark Hoover	Eldora	2nd	5-1	22.50
Gene Fitz	Waterloo	3rd	4-2	15.41
Denver Fortune	Des Moines	4th	3-3	18.33
Harold Barker	Marshalltown	5th	2-4	15.00
Curt Fitz	Waterloo	6th	1-5	14.58
Ron McBride	Iowa City	7th	0-6	6.66

Eldora Indoor, January 8, 2006

CLASS (A)				
Jim Jackson	New London	1 <sup>st</sup>	5-0	59.47
Vern Kollasch	Iowa City	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-1	49.20
Bob McKee	Marshalltown	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-2	37.84
Stoney Jackson	Burlington	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	39.92
Leo Buell	Iowa City	5 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	34.87
Carl Kaiser	Des Moines	6 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	31.82

CLASS (B)				
Dick Walker	Cambridge	1 <sup>st</sup>	3-2	39.60
Deb Davis	Ankeny	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3-2	33.07
Marian McKee	Marshalltown	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-2	29.20
Bob Rounds	Perry	4 <sup>th</sup>	3-2	28.35
Laverne Schroeder	Morrison, IL	5 <sup>th</sup>	3-2	28.40
Tom Cranston	Parnell	6 <sup>th</sup>	0-5	22.40

CLASS (C)				
Henry Nelson	Oelwein	1 <sup>st</sup>	4-1	28.80
Bill Mason	Grinnell	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-1	22.80
Kevin Bailey	Prairie city	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3-2	24.00
Steve Jackson	Grandview	4 <sup>th</sup>	3-2	28.80
Sheryl Mason	Grinnell	5 <sup>th</sup>	1-4	28.20
Bob Walters	Eldora	6 <sup>th</sup>	0-5	14.00

CLASS (D)				
Ken Bailey	Dallas Center	1 <sup>st</sup>	7-0	22.50
Richard Cranston	Keswick	2 <sup>nd</sup>	5-2	19.58
Ron Stanerson	Marengo	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-3	19.58
Bruce Dennis	Prairie City	4 <sup>th</sup>	4-3	14.17
Ralph Davis	Ankeny	5 <sup>th</sup>	3-4	12.92
Matt Bombei	Delta	6 <sup>th</sup>	3-4	10.83
Lee Drewelow	Independence	7 <sup>th</sup>	2-5	12.08

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Up until the early

1900s, all you ever needed to play were four shoes which you could buy or borrow from any barn or blacksmith shop—two iron stakes, and a willing opponent.

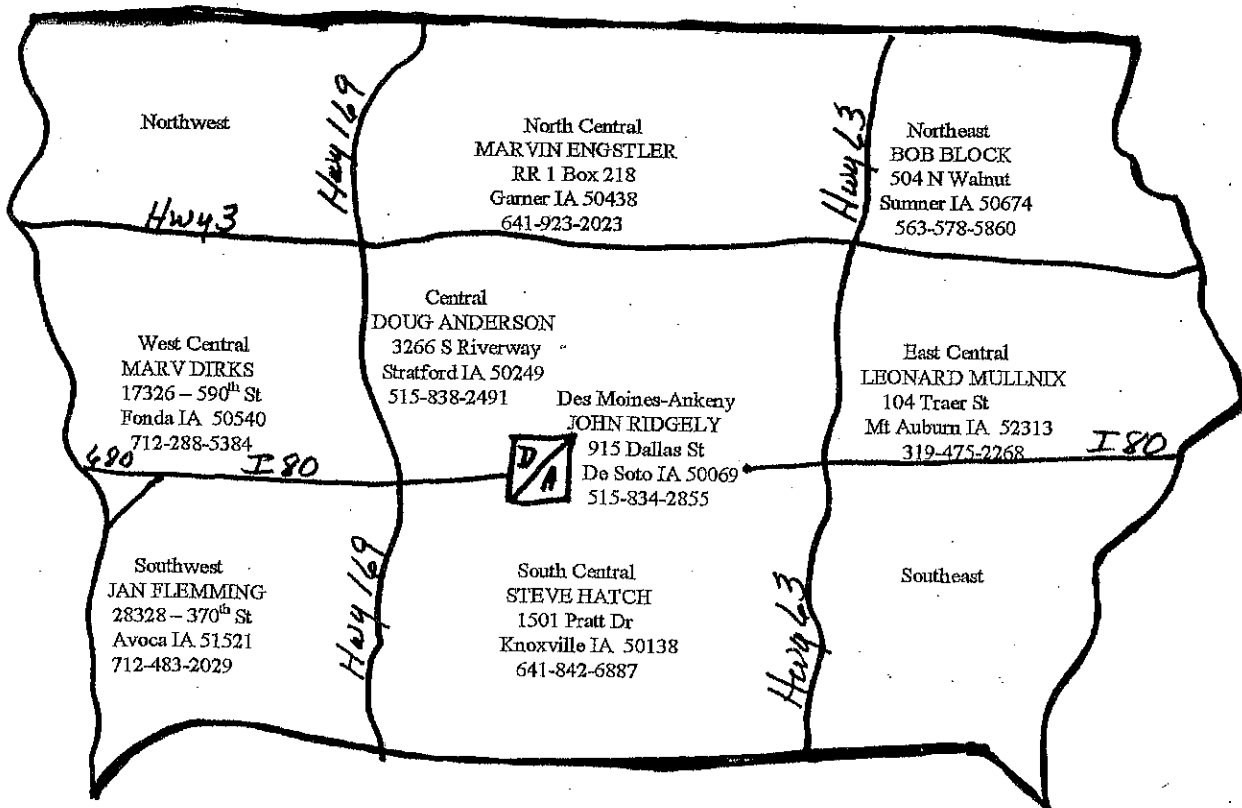
Following the Revolutionary War, it was said by England's Duke of Wellington, "the War was won by pitchers of horse hardware."

Daniel Webster was a famous horseshoe pitcher as was Abraham Lincoln. George Washington excelled at quoits, and just about every other farm or ranch boy from Maine to Texas threw shoes at one time or another.

According to the

*Guinness Book of World Records*, the first World Championship contest in this country was staged in Bronson, Kansas, in 1909. The record for men's titles (one they say will never be broken) is 10 by Ted Allen, of Boulder, Colorado. In 1951, Allen threw 72 consecutive ringers in a single game. However, the most ringers in a single game is 175 by Glen Henton, of Maquoketa, Iowa, in 1965.

Today, interest in the game is reviving. It would not be surprising to see horseshoe tournaments on ESPN just like billiards or beach volley ball as a regular television feature.



*In Memory*

**WILLIAM VANDEGRIFF**

William "Bill" Creighton Vandegriff of Fairfield, Iowa passed away on Tuesday, January 10, 2006, at his home.

Bill started pitching horseshoes at the age of 12 and began competing in tournaments in the 1950's. He threw a right handed, three-quarter turn and pitched Ted Allen Shoes. In 1970, he was the Iowa State Champion, and in seven other State Championships, he placed second. He won the Class A Monmouth Open (Illinois) 1975-1977, and the Burlington Corn Belt Open in 1971-72.

Bill played in the World Tournament Championship Division in 1975-1978. His best finish was 15<sup>th</sup> place, high tournament percentage was 78.9%; high game 95.4%. Bill was inducted into the Iowa Hawkeye Horseshoe Hall of Fame in 1982.

Bill was a member of NHPA for 25 years, and served as an NHPA Regional Director. He was also a past President and Vice President of the IHHPA.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth, of Fairfield; two daughters, Gloria Carol Honea and husband Brian of Dallas, Texas; Gayle Gilpin of Fairfield; and a son, Neil Vandegriff and wife Trudy of Fairfield.

Condolences may be made at [www.beherfh.com](http://www.beherfh.com).

**GENE McNAMAR**

Gene McNamar passed away on January 19, 2006. He was born May 5, 1922.

Gene started pitching after he retired in 1971. He was a long time pitcher who threw close to 40%. He pitched many times at the Iowa State Fair, mostly in the C-D classes.

Gene always wanted everyone to know he loved pitching. He liked to take photos of other players, and then later give them to the people whose pictures he had taken.

In June, 2002, a letter from Gene was published in the IHHPA Newsletter. He wanted to thank all the good people for letting him play for the past thirty years.

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**CONGRATULATIONS**

... to Pat Simon who bowled a 288 game on January 24, 2006. Pat threw ten strikes in a row then left a standing 10-pin in the last frame.

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