

--- Rich Hughey ---



Rich was born in Fremont, Michigan and grew up in the Muskegon, Michigan area. His bowling career began there in 1984 at the age of 18 when he took a part time job at AMF Muskegon Lanes where he worked during his college years. While most of his bowling accomplishments occurred after he moved away from Muskegon, it was during this time that his love for bowling developed as he learned about the game from some of Muskegon's best.

Rich moved to Elkhart in February 1988 for work. Soon after settling in the Elkhart area he was introduced by a co-worker to Ken Jackson, Doug Taft and the crew at Oakland Lanes where he worked part-time for a couple years. Before long he was a regular in several Michiana leagues.

In 1992 Rich met Christel Hoffman and they were married in May 1993. Christel's father Dan Hoffman just happened to be one of the best bowlers in the area at the time. Christel would become arguably the most accomplished female bowler to date in Elkhart. It would seem only natural that their daughters Jessica and Samantha would succeed in the sport as well. Both had very successful youth careers and both became Sectional champions as high school seniors. Samantha has already won a Heart City Masters title. Jessica is currently the Heart City USBC Membership Recorder.

For the last several years Rich has tried to give back to the game. In the fall of 2009 he took the head coach position for the Elkhart Central High School boys team and has continued in that role since. During his time as coach Central has two Conference and one Sectional Team Championships and one individual Sectional Champion. The team was a State Finalist 2011-12.

As the Elkhart Men's and Women's associations merged in 2009 Rich joined the new Heart City USBC board. After 6 years as a Director he was elected to a 3-year term as President which he is currently serving. For all eight years on the board he has been the Tournament Director for the Heart City Masters tournament. In 2012 he proposed and helped start the Heart City Outstanding Youth Scholarships. His family has sponsored one of the scholarships every year since. He was a league Secretary or Treasurer for 16 years in one or more leagues.

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Rich's bowling accomplishments include 300 games in nine different centers and 800 series in seven different centers.

Participated in 20 State Tournaments.

Participated in 24 ABC / USBC National Tournaments.

(11) 299 games at 6 different centers.

(40) 300 games

- 3 at Parkway West Mishawaka
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- 2 at Regal Lanes Mishawaka
- 1 at Blossom Lanes Benton Harbor, MI
- 1 at Casey's Lanes La Porte
- 9 at Country Club Lanes
- 16 at Signature Lanes
- 5 at Maple City Bowl
- 2 at Oakland Lanes

(16) 800 series

- 1 at Parkway West
- 1 at Parkway East
- 1 at Chippewa Bowl
- 1 at Oakland Lanes
- 1 at Maple City Bowl
- 3 at Country Club Lanes
- 8 at Signature Lanes

800 series three consecutive weeks (827-801-826) in Signature Scratch League in 2005.

High Series of 857 (279-300-278) in Signature Scratch League roll-off in 2005.

High Average 245.25 for 99 games Signature Scratch League in 2005.

1992 EBA Doubles Scratch Champion with Jerry Healey Sr. at Eagles Lanes.

1996 EBA All Events Scratch Champion at Country Club Lanes.

1996 EBA Singles Scratch Champion at Country Club Lanes.

1996 Member of Higley Mixed Team Champion with Hoffman Sharpening at OC Lanes.

1997 Finished 9th in singles at ABC National tournament in Huntsville, AL. (770 series)

2005 Goshen City All Events Scratch Champion.

2005 Goshen City Scratch Doubles Champion.

2005 Member of Goshen City Scratch Team Event Champion.

2006 Truth Roll-Off Champion at Country Club Lanes.

2009 Elkhart Bowling Association Masters Champion at Oakland Lanes.

2010 Michiana Bowlers Association Masters Invitational Champion at Chippewa Bowl.

(2) M.B.A. Runner-Up finishes at Parkway East Mishawaka and Casey's Lanes La Porte.

2011 Heart City Masters Champion at Rainbo Lanes.

2011 Heart City Singles Scratch Champion at Oakland Lanes.

2012 ISUSBCYA Delores Webb Memorial State Youth-Adult Champion with Andrew Glaser in Noblesville.

2012 Heart City Doubles Scratch Champion with Christel Hughey at Country Club Lanes.

2015 Member of Heart City Mixed Team Champion Hoffman Sharpening at Signature Lanes.

2016 Member of Heart City Open Tourney Team Scratch Champion Travel Star at Signature Lanes.

2016 Member of Goshen Scratch and HDCP Team Event Champion Hoffman Sharpening.

2017 Member of Goshen Scratch Team Event Champion KG's Pro Shop.