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10th ANNUAL NATIONAL JOINT SLOVAK BOWLING TOURNAMENT
A JOINT TOURNAMENT OF FCSU, GCU, NSS & SLOVAK CATHOLIC SOKOL
 "USBC MORAL SUPPORT CERTIFIED"
 AMF Airport Lanes ⇨ Cheektowaga, NY
 Friday, May 19 & Saturday, May 20, 2023

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Please note: Bowling Fees must accompany this application for the bowlers to be registered in the tournament.

BOWLER INFORMATION (LIST CAPTAIN FIRST)	FCSU TOURNAMENT INFORMATION
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Please check one: Men's Events Women's Events Mixed Events

DOUBLE & SINGLES EVENTS—SATURDAY, MAY 20
 Bowling begins at 10 AM for all bowlers.

TEAM EVENT—FRIDAY, MAY 19

Hospitality Meal Served 5 PM at Airport Lanes Bowling Begins at 6:30 PM All Teams

Team Name: _____
(Please place team bowlers in the order they will be bowling.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

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Name of your Local USBC: _____
 Association Secretary: _____
 Address: _____

Make all Checks or Money Orders payable to: First Catholic Slovak Union

Mail to: Joanne Fibbi, 1741 Hempstead Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15241.

Important: Every Individual and Captain on this entry agrees to relinquish his rights to prize money if it should be found that any information herein is false.

Financial Totals for this Application	
___ Singles Event	@ \$23 ea. = \$ _____
___ Doubles Event	@ \$23 ea. = \$ _____
___ Team Event	@ \$23 ea. = \$ _____
___ All Events	@ \$5 ea. = \$ _____
___ Banquet Fee (Optional)	@ \$0 ea. = \$ _____
___ Banquet Fee (Guests)	@ \$65 ea. = \$ _____
Total Enclosed \$ _____	

Important to All Tournament Entrants

Read Carefully Information Given Below

Rules and Regulations of Annual FCSU/GCU/NSS/SCS Bowling Tournament

1. The Tournament shall be conducted in compliance with the rules and regulations of the United States Bowling Congress (USBC).

2. This event is being sponsored by the First Catholic Slovak Union, Slovak Catholic Sokol, NSS and GCU. The goal of the tournament is to promote fraternalism and good sportsmanship and to generate nationwide interest in the Slovak fraternal organizations. The National Officers of the First Catholic Slovak Union, Slovak Catholic Sokol, NSS and GCU wish to extend to all members a cordial invitation to attend the tournament.

3. ELIGIBILITY: This Tournament is open to all First Catholic Slovak Union male and female bonafide MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING. All winners will be checked before any prize money is awarded.

4. CONSENT RULES: Any grade or high school student who has not attained the age of eighteen (18) must have written consent of his/her parents or guardian in order to participate in USBC Certified Tournament where cash or merchandise prizes are offered. Said written consent must be on a form approved by USBC and must be on file with Tournament Committee at least one week before the bowler is eligible for tournament competition unless the student is accompanied by his/her parents, in which case the parental consent form may be filed up to the time the student starts to bowl. USBC Rule No. 13.

5. The total cost per person for each event shall be:

a. Prize Fee	\$10.00
b. Bowling Fee	\$8.25
c. Hospitality Fee	\$4.75
TOTAL COST (per event)	\$23.00
Banquet Fee (Optional)	\$0.00
*All Events (Optional)	\$5.00

**Only bowlers paying the \$5.00 for the All-Events will be eligible for the cash awards.*

PRIZE FEE WILL BE RETURNED 100 PERCENT IN EACH EVENT

At least 1 of 10 of participants in each event will win prizes.

Note: Contestant may win only one cash prize event (gross or net), whichever cash prize is higher. Excluding special prizes. Awards will be presented to the Contestants who roll the highest gross and highest actual net scores in each event.

6. *SUBSTITUTES*. Bowlers may compete only once in each event. However, the tournament manager may allow a bowler who has previously bowled to substitute on a four bowler team when one of its original entrants is absent. The score of such bowler in the team event rolled with his entering team must count for all events. No one may bowl in this tournament except those originally entered before the tournament opens or such substitutes who may be authorized by the captain of a team or his appointee provided the individual whose name appears on the entry blank is unable for sufficient reason to attend the tournament at the time scheduled. The National Fraternal Director shall have power as to the substitutes that are offered by the captain or his legalized representative, and if accepted, each substitute must bowl each event under his full name and only at scheduled time in each event. The substitutes score and handicap from the said event will be used.

7. Any contestant whose current average as of March 15, 2023 of at least 21 games is ten pins or more above his highest average from the previous season must use his current average.

HANDICAP - Handicap (Men) allowed will be 85% of the difference between 240 and last season's 2021-2022 highest sanctioned league average of at least 21 games. Bowlers who have no established average will use their highest sanctioned league average of at least 21 games as of March 15, 2023. Male bowlers who have no established average for this year or last year will be listed as 175 average and will be handicapped accordingly. If the bowler does not have a sanctioned average over the last two years, but has competed in the Joint Fraternal Tournament, the most recent 5 year history from the Joint Fraternal Tournaments will be used. Male bowlers with an average over 240 will receive no handicap and will bowl scratch in the tournament.

Handicap (Women) allowed will be 85% of the difference between 200 and last season's 2021-2022 highest sanctioned league average of at least 21 games. Bowlers who have no established average will use their highest sanctioned league average of at least 21 games as of March 15, 2023. Female bowlers who have no established average

for this year or last year will be listed as 150 average and will be handicapped accordingly. If the bowler does not have a sanctioned average over the last two years, but has competed in the Joint Fraternal Tournament, the most recent 5 year history from the Joint Fraternal Tournaments will be used. Female bowlers with an average over 200 will receive no handicap and will bowl scratch in the tournament.

Under no circumstances will handicaps be increased after participant has bowled.

Contestants in this tournament are not required to report any tournament prize winnings for the previous 12-month period.

8. *FALSIFYING AVERAGES - PENALTY* - The team captain is responsible for reporting all averages of the individual team members, and they are responsible to him. Should the Tournament Committee find at any time that the averages have been falsified, the team shall forfeit all claims for prize money as well as their entry fee and will be subject to disqualification and suspension from organized bowling.

All prize winners are subject upon request to submit an affidavit of correct league averages.

9. *Rerating of Bowlers* - According to USBC Rule No. 319 A-E, bowlers may be rerated by the Tournament Committee.

10. All entry applications and bowling fees are to be sent directly to: Joanne Fibbi, 1741 Hempstead Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15241; not later than April 17, 2023. Rule 310-A2 is in effect.

11. Bowlers who participate in tournament games must be dressed in a presentable manner to appear before public and when possible to use an emblem attached to shirt or dress so that participant can be identified.

12. Both USBC and eligible non-USBC members may participate in moral support tournaments with high score protection automatically extended to USBC members. Eligible non-USBC members can qualify for high score protection at their option by paying a \$21.00 fee for which the Congress will issue an unattached membership card.

13. **NO MONEY WILL BE REFUNDED.** All prize fee money will be paid in prizes.

14. Bowlers may choose to bowl in their respective gender team and doubles event or on a mixed team or mixed doubles team but cannot participate in both divisions. Singles and All Events are gender specific. Mixed team and mixed doubles scores will be used to calculate All Events specific to the gender of the bowler. Must have 6 teams and 10 doubles teams to hold the mixed events.

15. In the Doubles contest the names of both members of the team must be given, because entries with the word "Partner" will not be accepted. Entry blanks so compiled will be returned and the entry money retained until proper blank is received. If both entrants in the Doubles event appear when scheduled, it is understood that they must bowl as they have been entered on the original entry blank and no change in position will be allowed at any time after entry blank has been filed.

16. *Assignment of Alleys* - The Tournament Committee will make up the alley assignments for all entrants in the Doubles, Singles and Team Events. Entrants in the Doubles and Singles Events are required to report fully 30 minutes prior to the time they are scheduled to bowl. Captains of teams must report their line-up at least 30 minutes before scheduled to bowl.

17. In the Doubles & Singles Events bowling entrants will bowl all six of their games on the same pair of lanes. Bowlers entered in the Singles Event only will be assigned to alleys by the Committee.

18. A team may use a name other than its league name for tournament entry without the payment of additional membership dues as formerly required.

19. Failure to use the correct average shall disqualify score if submitted average is lower than correct average thereby resulting in a lower classification or more handicap. Prize winnings shall be based on the submitted average if it is higher than the correct average. However, corrections in averages may be permitted up to the completion of the first game of a series.

Entries will close at midnight April 17, 2023.

Please note: all forms must be filled in completely and sent to: Joanne Fibbi, 1741 Hempstead Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15241. Entry fees, as stated on the front of this entry blank, must accompany this entry. All incomplete forms will be returned to team captain to be completed and resubmitted.