

"Meritorious Service"



Phoebe Riley, known as Sis to family and friends, has been a member of the Harford County Women's Bowling Association for thirty three years.

Sis served the bowling community through sixteen years on the Harford County Women's Bowling Association Board of Directors. Over the years as a Director she was a member of numerous committees and was chairman of the Finance & Budget, Nominating, Local Tournament Scorekeepers, and Local Tournament Auditing Committees.

Diligently looking after the Harford County membership's well being, she served as its Treasurer from 1980 to 1990. In 1983, after the death of Mary Plott, Sis completed Mary's term as Secretary from March to July while continuing her duties as Treasurer.

When Sis retired from the Board of Directors of the Harford County Women's Bowling Association she was honored as our first "Member Emeritus".

Sis Riley has been the Secretary and Treasurer of the Wednesday Night Ladies League at Bel Air Bowl since 1966 and continues to serve them this season. For several years she was also league secretary to the Tuesday Morning League at Edgewood Fair Lanes.

In the 1990-91 season Sis was recognized by the Harford County Women's Bowling Association as "Secretary of the Year". As a league secretary Sis was a contributor of news to the Pin Dust publication. And in 1984 she received the Pin Dust "Editors Award" for her article on sanction fee's titled "Three Dollars Goes A Long Way".

When the Harford County Women's Bowling Association hosted the state tournament in 1980 Sis was chairman of the Maryland State Women's Bowling Association Memorial Service. In the same year she was also League Visitation Chairman. Her diligent efforts produced the second largest number of participants in the Maryland State Women's Bowling Association Annual Tournament to. In 1987 she was again Chairman of the State Memorial Service as well as Chairman of the State Tournament Auditing Committee.

There are no boundaries where this dedicated volunteer is concerned. Sis served as Director of the Maryland State Women's Bowling Association for six years from 1979 to 1985 and served on nearly all committees at the state level. She was a Harford County Women's Bowling Association Delegate to State Annual Meeting eight times and Harford County Women's Association Delegate to the Women's International Bowling Congress Annual convention six times. She was one of the first HCWBA Lane Representatives serving Bel Air Bowl.

Always searching to learn more and better ways to serve the bowler, Sis attended the WIBC Leadership Training seminar in Gaithersburg, Maryland in 1978 and in Baltimore, Maryland in 1975. She also attended the WIBC Leadership workshop in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in July, 1982. Sis's volunteer efforts branched out far enough to benefit our youth and disabled veteran bowlers. In 1978 she assisted with the Eastern Maryland Junior Bowling Association Annual Tournament when it was hosted by Harford Lanes. And in 1979 for several weeks, she helped Perry Point wheel chair patients participate in their National Tournament.

For the unselfish contributions of talent, time and enthusiastic support, the Harford County Women's Bowling Association respectfully honors Phoebe "Sis" Riley with induction into its Hall of Fame.