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Knuckleball Pitcher Tom Candiotti Rolls His Way into Celebrity Bowling Hall of Fame

Former Major League Baseball knuckleball pitcher Tom Candiotti has thrown many strikes in his career, but it's the strikes he rolls on the bowling lanes that earned him a spot in the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame Hall of Fame. Candiotti, a radio analyst for the Arizona Diamondbacks and life-long bowler, is the second inductee into the Celebrities Bowling Hall of Fame. Candiotti will be honored at the Bowling

Hello,

I hope you are planning to join us in Las Vegas at the BWAA convention and Bowl Expo!

This will be the first convention of the new BWAA and a number of important issues will be discussed. The Awards Review committee will be presenting their recommendations for your approval. We have some tough decisions to make on our awards program. While it is important for us to recognize and honour our members and those individuals and organizations who contribute so much to the game, it is not reasonable to expect that we can duplicate what the National Women Bowling Writers and the former Bowling Writers Association of America presented. Among the legislative issues will be a proposal to reduce the size of the board of directors and a language change regarding meetings. The board of directors has also selected a new 'logo' which will be presented to the membership for acceptance.

Committee reports are available on the website in May. Go to <http://bowlingwriters.com/> for the latest BWAA news.

We have limited the number of days for the BWAA meeting so that you will be able to attend the seminars, meetings and trade show presented by BPAA. BPAA is waiving the registration fee for BWAA members and I hope you have registered to attend.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at our annual convention. I'm sure you'll find it informative and an opportunity to learn more about the entire bowling industry!

Hazel McLeary
President

BWAA at Bowl Expo

Saturday, June 23

2:00 p.m. - Life Members (Past Presidents) meeting, Mandalay Coral A

3:30 p.m. - Board of Directors meeting, Mandalay Coral B

7:00 p.m. - NAIR Welcome Reception, Mandalay Tradewinds EF

Sunday, June 24

Proprietor's Association of America's International Bowl Expo on June 27 at Las Vegas' Mandalay Bay during the Museum's annual "Salute to Bowling" fundraising event.

An avid and excellent bowler, Candiotti always travels with his bowling ball and makes bowling a priority when on the road with the Diamondbacks throughout the season. He is a member of the United States Bowling Congress through its Metro Phoenix local association and holds a 200+ average in his league at Brunswick Via Linda Lanes in Scottsdale, Ariz.

"Tom embodies all that is great about bowling and his commitment and love of the game makes him an ideal ambassador and a perfect addition to the Hall of Fame," said BPAA president Joe Schumacker,.

In Candiotti's honor, the BPAA has established The Tom Candiotti Youth Bowling Initiative to support youth bowling. The program will award grants to bowling centers and youth-focused organizations to encourage bowling among today's youth and provide them with the necessary skills to enhance the fun and competitiveness of bowling.

"Bowling has always

8:00 a.m. - US Bowler Awards Breakfast, Mandalay Mariners B
9:30 a.m. - BWAA business meeting, Mandalay Mariners A
Noon-Brunswick Luncheon, Mandalay MarinersB
1:30 p.m. - BWAA business meeting, Mandalay Mariners A

Monday, June 25

8:00 a.m. - BPAA Breakfast, Mandalay Bay
8:30-11:30 a.m. - BPAA Annual Meeting, Mandalay Bay
1:00 p.m. - BWAA General Meeting (if necessary) Mandalay Mariners A
7:00 p.m. - Bowl Expo Welcome Reception, Mandalay Bay

Tuesday, June 26

All Day - Bowl Expo Seminars, Mandalay Bay
6:30 p.m. - Columbia 300 BWAA Awards Dinner, Ballroom E (spouse only invited). Co- sponsored by Ebonite International & BPAA, Mandalay South Pacific D

Wednesday, June 27

7:00-8:00 a.m. - BPAA Media Breakfast (continental)
8:00-10:00 a.m. - Bowl Expo General Session (Keynote speakers James Carvell & Mary Matalin)
10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. - International Bowl Expo Trade Show
1:30 p.m. - BWAA Press Conference: Bowling's Focus
6 p.m. - International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame "Salute to Bowling" Fund-raiser (optional: tickets available to BWAA for \$50)

Thursday, June 28

8:30-10 a.m. - Bowl Expo Breakfast with Industry Leaders
10:00-10:15 a.m. - Press Conference
10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. - Expo Trade Show
7:00 p.m. - Club Xpo grand finale featuring LeAnn Rimes
(Optional ticketed event for all Expo attendees: \$79/person.

Hints, Admonitions, and Downright Threats from a Jaded Reader of Too Many Sloppy Essays, Part I

The following was written by R.I. Wolfe , Department of Geography, York University, in 1975 (revised in 1996). It includes some fundamentals of English that are worthy of review by any writer, no matter how experienced.

Because of its length, Wolfe's commentary will be presented in three installments. Watch future eNews for Parts II and III. As Wolfe noted, "The following comments are not intended to take the place of Strunk and White's Elements of Style or Fowler's A Dictionary of Modern English Usage. Here are mere technicalities; there you will find wisdom."

PART I: IF YOUR ESSAY CONTAINS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING UNCORRECTED ERRORS, BEWARE!

1. Starting a sentence with the word "Hopefully." **You** can be adverbially hopeful; a **situation** cannot be.

been an important part of my life. I spent much of my youth at bowling centers, and even as my career took me to cities across the country, I always made time to bowl. I hope that through The Tom Candiotti Youth Bowling Initiative, more children will have the opportunity to fall in love with bowling like I did," said Candiotti. "Being inducted into the Hall is an incredible honor--it is surreal that I will be enshrined along with so many of my bowling idols."

Candiotti will be recognized in the Celebrities exhibit at the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame in St. Louis this summer, joining former NFL great Jerome Bettis.

Committee Reports, Proposed Legislation Posted on bowlingwriters.com

To expedite business during our annual meeting in Las Vegas Sunday, members are urged to review committee reports, including proposed legislation, which have been posted on our website (bowlingwriters.com) for the past few weeks.

When you open the home page, look for

2. Leaving out the second "m" in "accommodate."

3. Putting an apostrophe in the possessive "its." ("It's" is the abbreviation for "it is.")

4. Forgetting to take the "e" out when "disaster" becomes "disastrous."

5. Writing "ie" when you mean "e.g.," or "eg" when you mean "i.e.": i.e.= *id est*= that is; e.g.= *exempli gratia* = for example.

6. Placing a semicolon (;) where you intend a colon (:): If you wish the reader to pause briefly for breath, or to collect his thoughts; or if you wish to separate a word or a phrase or a clause from what comes before and comes after; then do what I have done in the first line of the present passage: use commas. If, on the other hand, a succession of commas would be confusing, or you wish to warn the reader that the sentence is about to change direction, then use a semicolon, again as in the above passage. If, finally, you wish to alert the reader to something you are about to communicate, do so this way: put in a colon. There are other uses for the colon, as you will see from time to time in the following comments, but "Now hear this:" is the most important one. There are other occasions when the most appropriate punctuation is a dash or a pair of dashes, but often this is an idiosyncratic matter, and not for legislation.

7. Making use of colloquialisms, especially inappropriate abbreviations: Notice the "won't" in the last line of the previous paragraph: I am being informal, conversational. In a formal essay, such linguistic ease **may** be out of place: it depends upon the tone you adopt. Consistency here is as important as it is everywhere else in your essay. Thus, no informal abbreviations where they do not fit, please. (But I'm not asking you to write like a stuffed shirt: far from it!)

8. Failing to respect a deadline: Hand in your essay on the due date, or let there be a note from your mother or spouse or grieving friend that you are dead. No excuses, explanations or pleas for mercy will be entertained.

9. Neglecting to proofread: Since you **do** have a deadline to respect, you must budget your time carefully. Submitting a sloppy essay is a mark of disrespect in all directions: for yourself, your upbringing ("Hey, was you raised in a barn?"), your school, your teacher - indeed, for society itself. I can't ask you to write half a dozen drafts of your essay (I don't do it myself, though I should); but you can do at least two, and then read over your final draft and correct any mistakes you catch.

BWAA Hall Members Listed in Museum

Jerry Baltz, International Bowling Hall of Fame & Museum Executive Director, reports that the BWAA Hall of Fame members are presented in the Hometown Heroics exhibit in the St. Louis Museum.

the links to the committee reports in the column on the right side.

Within the next couple of weeks the Museum staff will be doing its monthly update of the Hometown website file, and so then BWAA will be available there.

BWAA Member Roster in Your E-Mail

BWAA Executive Director Steve James has e-mailed the membership roster with pertinent information to all members with computer access.

To preserve the document, place it in a file in your computer. For easy access, print out the material.

Printed copies were mailed to those without e-mail access.

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