



Cheryl Newman

North Central Texas Hall of Fame

Cheryl Newman began bowling in El Paso, Texas as a YABA youth and was coached by her father. While her brother was an exceptionally good bowler, Cheryl could hold her own and was averaging in the 160's when she was a high school senior and won the Texas State Youth Singles Division I Championship.

Cheryl attended Murray State University in Murray, KY where there wasn't a bowling program but she taught bowling in the 12 lane bowling alley as a college elective. After graduating, she moved to Ohio and worked 2 years as a Juvenile Probation Officer but wanted to get back to Texas.

In 1980, Cheryl moved to Dallas and began a 29 year career as a Dallas County Juvenile Probation Officer. In 1983, Cheryl was bowling out of Bronco Bowl which was close to work until Showplace Euless opened. She bowled Travel League on Sunday, Full House on Tuesday night, and Lads and Lassies on Thursday night with her then boyfriend Frank. Cheryl and Frank later married and are thankful that bowling had brought them together. While Frank has thrown a few 300's, Cheryl's highest game is 278. Her highest series is 724 and the highest average she ever carried was 191.

The year Showplace opened, son Chad turned 5 and Cheryl began coaching youth for the first time. At the request of the Youth Director, Jeri Woodard, all her coaches were asked to get their Level I coaching certificate. A few years later, she became a Bronze level coach.

In 1989, Jim Welch asked Cheryl to take over the Full House league and to this day, she is still the secretary with 32 teams this year. In 1990, Cheryl was asked by Vicki Smith to start a new league called Matchpoint Mixed because there were 10 lanes not being used at that time. Today, she is still the secretary and the league floored 42 teams this year.

In 2005, the youth director, Phyllis Parrish had been ill and was unable to continue doing the work and Cheryl was asked to take over. She began building the youth leagues, conducting tournaments and chaperoning youth to Grand Prix, TX. State Youth Championships, Pepsi, USBC National Championships, Jr. Gold and many others. She also served in the Ft. Worth's Women's Association and was treasurer the last two years until the merge. She continued to be a Director in the Greater Ft. Worth USBC until it lost its charter.

In 2011 Cheryl was appointed to the TSUSBC youth committee and became a Youth State Director in 2012. That same year, she was appointed by Association Manager, Kay Smith to become the co-chair for the TX. State Youth Championship Tournament and the Director of the Texas State Pepsi Championship Tournament which she is still doing to this day. Locally, Cheryl is still a youth director at AMF Euless, Brunswick Watauga, and the NCTUSBC Youth Travel League Coordinator. She hopes to continue in these roles for many years to come as promoting youth bowling is a passion of hers as is her love for kids.

