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## Jones, Kulick, Baker Top Second US Bowler All-America Teams

GREENDALE, Wis. - Denny's Professional Bowlers Association Tour star Tommy Jones; history-maker Kelly Kulick, and dominant PBA Senior Tour star Tom Baker were the leading vote-getters on the 2006 US Bowler Men's, Women's and Senior's All-America teams.

The nation's five best men, women and seniors were selected by a nationwide panel of bowling writers for performances during calendar year 2006. Each will receive a unique crystal award from the United States Bowling Congress' official publication.

Jones, of Simpsonville, S.C., led the men's voting as the only three-time tour champion in 2006, including his first major in the U.S. Open. He made five television appearances and was runner-up in tour earnings with \$218,800.

Without a women's pro tour to showcase her talents, Kulick, of Union, N.J., made history as the first woman to earn the right to bowl full time against the best on the men's pro tour. She also became the second woman to win a PBA title when she captured the PBA King Pin Lanes East Region title in Rome, N.Y.

Baker, of King, N.C., was a force in his first year as a PBA Senior in 2005, and even more dominant as a sophomore in 2006. He swept both Senior major titles - the Senior U.S. Open and USBC Senior Masters, won a record-tying four titles in only nine events and led the Senior Tour in earnings and average. He also bowled full time as a PBA Tour exempt player, advancing to match play in 12 of 20 tournaments.

US Bowler's elite group of five male All-Americans also included Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla.; Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla.; Chris Barnes, Flower Mound, Texas, and Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y. Williams, who earned \$237,400, made the All-America team for an unprecedented 15th time.

Kulick's female teammates are QubicaAMF World Cup champion and U.S. Amateur champion Diandra Asbaty, Chicago; Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y.; USBC Queens winner Shannon Pluhowsky, Phoenix, Ariz., and USBC Open Championships Regular Singles champion Wendy Macpherson, Henderson, Nev.

Baker's senior teammates are David Ozio, Beaumont, Texas; Dale Eagle, Tavares, Fla.; Henry Gonzalez, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Johnny Petraglia, Manalapan, N.J.

The 2006 US Bowler All-America teams replace teams selected in previous years by Bowling Magazine, American Bowler and Woman Bowler.

### 2006 MEN'S ALL-AMERICA TEAM

Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C. - Won three PBA Tour titles in 2006 including the U.S. Open, had 12 top-16 finishes in 20 events and earned \$218,800.

Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla. - Won two PBA Tour titles including the Denny's PBA World Championship and the Japan Cup for a PBA-record 42nd career title. Had nine top-8 finishes and led with \$237,400 in earnings.

Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla. - Won two PBA Tour titles, and had 10 top-16 finishes in 21 tries. Earned \$148,850.

Chris Barnes, Flower Mound, Texas - Won the Dexter Tournament of Champions and \$186,000 plus an additional \$200,000 in the winner-take-all Motel 6 "Roll to Riches" special event. His 14 top-16 appearances led the tour.

Doug Kent, Newark, N.Y. - Won two PBA Tour titles including the USBC Masters and earned \$186,875.

### 2006 WOMEN'S ALL-AMERICA TEAM

Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J. - Her sixth-place finish in the PBA Tour Trials landed her an historic role as the first woman to bowl full time as a tour exempt player. She rolled a 300 game in the final round to clinch her spot, and two weeks later became the second woman to win a PBA regional title when she won the PBA East Region's King Pin Lanes Open in Rome, N.Y.

Diandra Asbaty, Chicago - The USBC Team USA member won the U.S. Women's Amateur Championship and the QubicaAMF World Cup. She also won the Malaysian Open.

Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y. - Had another solid year competing against the men, reaching the match play finals in PBA Tour events twice. She was runner-up in the USBC Queens, tied for 17th in the USBC Masters and topped a

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## Kim Terrell Added To BVL Bowling Ambassador Staff



Metropolitan Washington, D.C. — Kim Terrell, one of the nation's top female bowlers, has recently joined the Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL) family as a professional clinician. In this capacity, Terrell will conduct "Learn to Bowl/Learn to Bowl Better" clinics on the lanes for veterans recovering in VA Hospitals and Vet Centers throughout the country.

This program, part of BVL's activities for more than 30 years, has featured some of America's most beloved bowlers including Frank Clause, Don Russell, Earl Anthony, and Nelson "Bo" Burton, Jr., as well as current clinicians Helen Duval and Johnny Petraglia.

"We couldn't be happier that Kim has agreed to be part of the BVL mission to serve our nation's veterans," remarked BVL Board Chair Elaine Hagin. "Kim will be a wonderful addition to our clinician staff and a fabulous ambassador for our organization."

The 2001 Women's U.S. Open and 2002 Women's International Bowling Congress Queens champion has nine titles in her distinguished 16-year professional career. Terrell established herself in the bowling world as a collegiate bowler at San Jose State University, earning All-America honors twice. Following her collegiate success, the California native represented her country internationally for two seasons as a member of Team USA. Since 2004, Terrell has served as an assistant coach for Junior Team USA.

A three-time winner of the Robby Award, given to the Professional Women's Bowling Association player that best exemplifies the most positive image of women in professional bowling, both on the lanes and off. With the WIBC Queens title under her belt, Terrell went on to appear on national television a career-best nine times in 2002.

The BVL is located in Metropolitan Washington, D.C. and is guided by representatives of the United States Bowling Congress and the Bowling Proprietors Association of America. The organization provides a range of recreational and therapeutic programs and services for active duty troops as well as veterans being cared for in Veteran's Affairs Medical Centers, out-patient clinics, Readjustment Counseling Centers, and State Veterans homes nationwide. Since its inception during World War II, BVL has raised more than \$34 million to improve the lives of those who have served our country.

world-class field of men and women to win the Viernheim Open in Germany.

Shannon Pluhowsky, Phoenix, Ariz. - The USBC Team USA member won the USBC Queens after finishing second in the Team USA Trials.

Wendy Macpherson, Henderson, Nev. - Made history as the first woman to win a USBC Open Championships Regular Division title, rolling an 812 series with a 300 game to win Regular Singles in Corpus Christi, Texas.

### 2006 SENIOR ALL-AMERICA TEAM

Tom Baker, King, N.C. - Won a record-tying four PBA Senior Tour titles including both majors - the Senior U.S. Open and the USBC Senior Masters. He cashed in all nine PBA Senior Tour events, leading the Seniors in earnings (\$66,100) and average. Also earned \$41,580 as a PBA Tour exempt player.

David Ozio, Beaumont, Texas - Bowled in only four PBA Senior Tour events, but dominated the fledgling Generations Bowling Tour with two titles, \$57,500 in earnings and seven top-four finishes in eight events.

Dale Eagle, Tavares, Fla. - Had a solid season in both PBA and GBT competition, winning one GBT title and a combined total of \$56,100.

Henry Gonzalez, Colorado Springs - Won his second career PBA Senior Tour title and cashed in all nine events, reaching match play seven times.

Johnny Petraglia, Manalapan, N.J. - Had nine match play finals in 14 events between PBA Senior and GBT appearances.