Special Olympics South Dakota

BOWLING

NORTHEAST AREA UNIFIED BOWLING

The Lanes ◇ BROOKINGS

OCTOBER 08, 2026

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

8:45a	Opening Ceremony
9:00am - 11:30am	Session 1 Bowling
11:30am - 2:00pm	Session 2 Bowling

Service animals ONLY
are allowed in
competition areas

Without VOLUNTEERS, we would not exist as an organization.

They are not paid, they are just generous. We ask you to be respectful, and most of all, please be kind.

If you feel an error has been made, seek out staff so we can problem solve.

Remember, there are only four roles during a game: spectator, competitor, official and coach. Everyone involved in athletics would be wise to choose only one of those roles at a time.

Thanks for all you do!

Randy Schmidt & The Lanes Bowl Staff

Coaches

Family Members

Volunteers

STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT
Nov 6 – 8, 2026

STATE UNIFIED TOURNAMENT
Nov 14 & 15, 2026

Bowling Rules - We Thought You Would Like To know

1. Bowlers must be on their lanes and ready to bowl by the first frame of the first game and each game thereafter. Bowlers not ready for the first frame of each game will be scratched from that game but may bowl the remaining games.

2. Bowlers missing from Doubles and Teams will receive a score of 180 per game for calculating awards/final results (this 180 would include the handicap and results in 90% of the qualifying score/handicap).

3. If a doubles bowler completes a minimum of 3 frames in any given game, they will receive the score achieved for that game. They will receive a 0 for any games not started. Assuming their partner completes all games, standard scoring rules will apply to them. These doubles teams are eligible for awards.

4. The third game will not be bowled if it has not begun at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled finish time (each session).

5. Tournament officials reserve the right to stop bowling as they see necessary to keep the tournament on schedule. Results will be determined by complete games only.

6. All bowlers will bowl three games during both area and state competitions, time permitting.

7. Bowlers will bowl ten frames, alternating lanes every frame. (ramp bowling does not alternate lanes)

- As is always the case, parents and spectators will not be permitted in the athlete seating area.

- The number next to each athlete's name is his/her handicap. This number is computed by subtracting the athlete's qualifying score from 200, then multiplying this score by the number of games to be bowled (three). The athlete's series is added to the handicap to figure his/her final score.

- Athletes bowling together on a set of lanes may not necessarily be competing against each other. There could be as many as three divisions bowling on a set of lanes.

SAVE THE DATE

UNITY CONFERENCE

IF YOU ARE A CURRENT SOSD COACH OR YOU DESIRE TO BE ONE, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU AT THE 2027 UNITY CONFERENCE!

June 11 & 12, 2027
Sioux Falls
Watch Newsworthy for more information

ROSTER

Brookings Area All Stars

309 Couser, Adam
222 Couser, Pat UP
456 Dahl, Kayleigh UP
315 Deiterman, Emily
468 Hayen, Riker
291 Ingalls, Scott UP
240 Ingalls, Tyler
258 Leitheiser, Claire UP
276 Maag, Drew
243 Sivas, Christopher UP
276 Vanderzee, Luke
303 VanDyke, Julie UP
471 Yonkers, Leia
189 Yonkers, Matthew UP

Clark Area

378 Bethke, Michael
306 Binger, Cayden
357 Claussen, Karla UP
0 Des Lauriers, Bryce UP
297 McGraw, Tate
312 McGraw, Taylor UP
273 Nelson, Mallory UP
162 Nordhus, Jessica UP
270 Sanderson, Gunner
339 Tarbox, Seth

Huron Heartland Hunters

267 Adams, Brent UP
165 Arbogast, Tori UP
150 Bobeldyke, Andrew
324 Bobeldyke, Joshua UP
321 Fawcett, Matt
375 Friesen, Samantha UP
438 Hall, Colton
183 Heffner, Dan UP
261 Heffner, Grady
294 Heffner, Kara UP
339 Johnson, Sammie
396 Kappler, Brady
294 Kremin, Andrew
129 Lewis, Max UP
75 Mastel, Jason UP
375 McNutt, Michael
147 Mu Yer, Lay
342 Pitman, Michelle UP
213 Runke, Tania UP
210 Schneider, Danny

NESC

294 Aderhold, William UP
357 Ahrens, Adilynn UP
345 Avila, Kaiden UP
504 Banks, Zandria
300 Begeman, Bo UP
537 Bergman, Trevin
441 Bergstrom, Madisen
441 Bethke, Bruce
414 Boykin, Cali
498 Brandsrud, Jackson
324 Brink, Brandon
342 Brown, Aubree UP
537 Brown, Quentin
0 Caron, Evangeline
471 Carter, Dekota
405 Carter, Izziah
435 Coil, Mya
360 Cope, Peyton UP
567 Copple, Brooklynn
558 Copple, Kayden
405 Cordell, Braedon
375 Cordell, Keenan
432 Debban, Josslyn UP
405 Eckert, Maci
381 Eversgerd, Jase
333 Exey, Adalyn
477 Farthing, Zayne
441 Flegel, Gracie UP
420 Fredrickson, Hailey
312 Fredrickson, McKenzie UP
450 Fredrickson, Paige UP
465 Freese, Landyn
444 Freese, Taytum
231 Gaikowski, Cade UP
390 Gilbertson, Emma UP
342 Grantham, Wesley
510 Gratz, Ryker
315 Green, Ray
282 Haagensen, Layne UP
456 Haagensen, Sarah
345 Hagstrom, Chloe UP
360 Harmon, Kennedy UP
417 Harms, Leandra UP
450 Hauschildt, Remi
348 Hekrdle, Ty
309 Heltzel, Alex
555 Hemen, Olivia
507 Hinders, EmberJo
375 Homan, Gracie UP
351 Jacobsen, Lenora UP
0 Jacobsen, Lilly UP
525 Johnson, Emberley
450 Johnson, Serenity
342 Jongeling, GraceLynn UP
357 Kasdorf, Khloe
342 Kellen, Alaina UP
420 Keller, Barrett
324 Keszler, Kamden UP
465 King, Jasmine
435 Koppman, Landen
438 Kruger, Danielle UP
345 Kudrna, Cydni UP
249 Kudrna, Sophia
315 Larson, Gillda UP
372 Lease, Caedence UP
390 Leiseth, Caleb
375 Lerwick, Karsten UP
375 Litwin, Ben
360 Long, Kirsten UP
387 Mack, Phoenix
315 Mahe, Jose UP
390 Manley, Cooper UP
432 McKennan, Kaelynn UP
411 McMillan, Logan UP
255 Menzel, Tade UP
366 Miley, Katelyn UP
423 Moes, Izabella
0 Montaluo-Gonzalez, Flor
447 Muilenburg, Jeremiah
336 Olson, Miles UP
345 Peterreins, Camdyn UP
240 Pierce, Jackson
492 Pleas, Carl
441 Prohl, Shawn
375 Raasch, Gabrielle UP
426 Raml, Emma UP
582 Regino, Getzemani
372 Repp, Paisley
495 Riggins, Clara
444 Risty, Roland
351 Ruml, Ava UP
396 Rust, Karissa UP
303 Schlenker, Samantha UP
375 Schoepp, Braeden UP
345 Schooley, Bryn UP
0 Schulz, Alexis UP

345	Scotting, Alaina UP
384	Severson, Mason UP
339	Shea, Owen UP
357	Sheehan, Isaac
225	Smith, Jamie
534	Somero, Parker
207	Steen, Jakob UP
288	Swiden, Elyk UP
573	Symens, Grayson
402	Verschelde, Arianna
417	Vostad, Westin
477	Walker, Roni
471	Warren, Aiden UP
339	Wittrock, Dominic UP
306	Wookey, Kaden UP
471	Zazueta, Santiago

Redfield-SDDC Eagles

285	Battey, Ryan UP
330	Beardemphl, Taylor UP
390	Brekke, Matthew
381	Capehart, Thomas
339	Carr, Heather UP
225	Claymore, Joshua UP
390	Comes-Flying, Kermit
426	Comes-Flying, Waylon
270	Cross-Rothacker, Jessie UP
270	Farmen, Alex UP
330	Hardin, Torey UP
450	Hauf, Shawn
405	Kellogg, Everett
414	Lammon, Madison UP
375	Larson, Alison UP
390	Luce, Tammy UP
468	Malehorn, Laura
420	Nachtigall, Todd
324	Pfeiffer, Steven
330	Reinbold, Mason UP
333	Rodriguez, Elio
315	Rossow, Leah UP
411	Shangreaux, Royal
387	Stoops, Darius
318	Vrooman, Rich UP
432	Wohl, Jordan
396	Young, Mary
0	Zens, Jordan UP

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Schedule of Events 2026

October 8	NE Area Unified Doubles	Brookings
October 9	NE Area Singles	Aberdeen
October 9	BH Area Singles	Rapid City
October 10	BH Area Unified Doubles	Rapid City
October 10	SE Area Singles	Sioux Falls
October 11	SE Area Unified Doubles	Sioux Falls
November 6-8	Traditional Bowling	Aberdeen
November 14 & 15	Unified Bowling	Sioux Falls

Special Olympics South Dakota

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timely. important. interesting.

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Athletes, Coaches, Family Members, and anyone else with an interest in Special Olympics South Dakota, please sign-up to receive our weekly newsletter ***NEWSWORTHY.*** This is your most efficient way to stay up to date on SOSD news, events, and information.

Newsworthy is published every Tuesday afternoon via Constant Contact.

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Thank you for your service!

2026 SPECIAL OLYMPICS SOUTH DAKOTA OUTSTANDING AWARDS

Volunteers do everything there is to do for Special Olympics and more. You are fundraisers, cheerleaders, administrators, chauffeurs, chaperones, trainers, coaches, policymakers, trash collectors, referees, food servers, scorekeepers, and everything in between. You serve without salary, without recognition, honors or awards. Special Olympics would not exist without you - your dedication, your work, or your love.

Special Olympics South Dakota

Thank you, volunteers. You represent the highest values of the human spirit and we are grateful for your service!

Don Baker Award

This is the highest honor presented by Special Olympics South Dakota. It is given in honor of Don Baker who was a volunteer and official starter for Special Olympics events.

This award is given annually to an individual, organization, business, or agency that has given outstanding support to Special Olympics South Dakota.

NOMINEES:

- Vaughn & Peggy Heckel, Spearfish
- Kevin & Molly Johnson, Aberdeen

Darryl Nordquist
Sioux Falls

Spirit of a Champion Award

Presented to the Special Olympics South Dakota athlete who has demonstrated the true spirit, courage, sharing, and joy of Special Olympics.

Chris Keiser
Sioux Falls
Lancers

NOMINEES:

- Jordan Elsperger, Sioux Falls Lancers
- Josh Gilbert, Rapid City Storm
- Emily Groeneveld, Sioux Falls Wolfpack
- Chris Hilla, Sioux Falls Fireworks
- Katelynn James, Brandon Valley Lynx
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- Emma Person, Aberdeen Golden Eagles
- Issac Sheehan, NESC
- Trevor Tridle, Sturgis-Black Hills Special Services Coop
- Troy Wright, Rapid City Storm

"Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."
-Special Olympics athlete oath

2026 SPECIAL OLYMPICS SOUTH DAKOTA OUTSTANDING AWARDS

Lyle Farrand Award
Volunteer of the Year

This award is given in honor of Lyle Farrand of Sioux Falls. In 1968, Farrand was instrumental in starting Special Olympics South Dakota. This award is given to an individual who has had a positive impact on Special Olympics South Dakota.

Dennis Thompson
Mitchell

NOMINEES:
- Andra Kallhoff, Sioux Falls Fireworks
- Toni Sabrowski, Rapid City Flame

Unity Award

This award is presented to a Unified partner, individual, or entity that promotes inclusion for people with an intellectual disability. The nominee should actively promote acceptance and understanding for all.

Tim Hazlett
Sioux Falls Roosevelt

NOMINEES:
- Belle Fourche Schools
- Clayton & Chase Kepler, Rapid City Flame

DJ Mertens "Champion" Award

This award is given in honor of DJ Mertens who was instrumental in establishing and growing SOSD. This award is presented to a business, organization, or media outlet that has made a major contribution to Special Olympics South Dakota.

ORTHOPEDICS AND SPORTS MEDICINE
MONUMENT HEALTH

Black Hills Area

NOMINEES:
- First PREMIER Bank, Watertown
- Knights of Columbus, Mitchell

Family Award

This award is presented to a family who demonstrates unique and outstanding support of Special Olympics South Dakota.

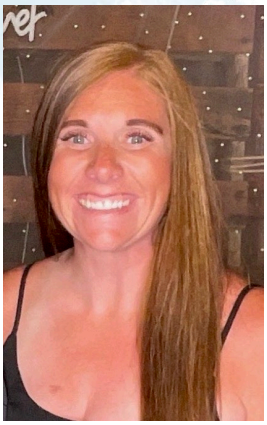
Jeff & Kerri Sheehan Family
Hayti

NOMINEES:
- Nate & Miranda Hilbrands, Brookings
- Dave & Deb Leatherman, Lead
- Justine Pelletier & Family, Spearfish
- Jeremiah & Leeann Weeldreyer, Newell

Ron Stewart Award
Coach of the Year

This award is given in honor of Ron Stewart of Rapid City who was a Special Olympics Coach for over 25 years. The recipient of this award has given their time to encourage Special Olympics athletes to achieve their fullest potential.

Abbey Trapp
Milbank



NOMINEES:
- Becky Egerstrom, Watertown
- Chris Geuke, Spearfish Schools
- Peggy Greiner, Milbank
- Amy Hildebrand, Sioux Falls Fireworks
- Mike Kocer, Sioux Falls Fireworks
- Jamie Reindl, Sioux Falls Lancers
- Kristin Strissel, Rapid City Flame

ATHLETE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

What is an Athlete Leadership Council?

We are a group of athletes who meet using a well-thought-out agenda to discuss Special Olympics topics important to us. We then make recommendations to program leadership. We have been organized and meeting since 2013. Three members of the ALC also serve on the SOSD Board of Directors.

Fellow athletes, if you have an idea or concern, talk to one of us… let's work together!

Meet your ALC members. We are here to serve YOU!

Zach Bevers
Brookings Area

Ashley Clark
Sioux Falls

Jamie Davey
Rapid City Flame

Trevor Hayes
Aberdeen Area HCE

Melissa Heckel
Spearfish Peaks

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Huron Heartland Hunters

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Sioux Falls Lancers

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