

# NWBW ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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President Nancy Chapman gave greetings and a warm welcome to the 58th annual meeting in Orlando, Florida.

Following are items reported or acted on during the meeting:

- Storm Products was a sponsor again for the Awards Brunch. Please remember Storm Products when it is time to select your new bowling equipment.
- NWBW had to use more of its funds for exhibit room and meeting room space this year.
- Third Vice President Syleta Halbert was thanked for the many years of service to NWBW. Syleta resigned her office effective March 1, 2006.
- The Task Force report indicated that the process of preparing the proposed bylaws for a new organization that will merge NWBW and BWAA had taken up much of the leadership time during the season.
- Chris Beard reported on the interim NWBW meeting of the NWBW board in January. Eight board members and 11 Missouri NWBW members attended the plaque dedication of the Herta Kissel Memorial Brunswick Writer of the Year ceremony. The plaque is on display in the Frank Baker room located at the IBM/HOF.
- 2005/2006 membership reached 353 members. California continued to lead the states in membership with 57 and Texas followed with 42.
- The Charities raffle for the IBM/HOF collected over \$1,200 during the days of the convention. The theme for the 2006 convention will be music boxes to go along with the Music City theme.
- Two NWBW history books were on display during the days of convention.
- Kathy Watson reported that the following material is being posted on the website. Mail-a-Graphic information; Special Awards winners; Annual Meeting photo's; Legislative Updates effecting the proposed merger with BWAA. Feed back is welcome from all our members to help better the site.
- The Mail-a-Graphic tournament continues to be a fund raiser for NWBW. The top three states for entries were Arizona with 52; California, 27; and Wisconsin, 23.
- 55 voting members were present at the annual meeting.
- Incumbents reelected to the board of directors were: Chris Beard, Secretary; Second Vice President, Helen Lesh; Director #5, Lynn Angle; and Director #3, Kathy Watson.
- Diandra Asbaty, 2006 Team USA Member was guest speaker at the Awards Brunch. John Berglund, Executive Director of BPAA invited everyone to Bowl Expo.