Guido Simone's deep passion for bowling and his strong desire to serve the bowling community shaped a long and distinguished career in bowling administration. Elected to the Greater Springfield Bowling Association (GSBA) Board of Directors in 1965, Guido held numerous leadership positions over the years, earning recognition for his commitment to promoting the sport and improving the experience for bowlers of all ages.

## **Leadership in Junior Bowling**

Guido's contributions to junior bowling were particularly notable. He served as Program Director, Secretary, and eventually President of the Greater Springfield Junior Tenpin Bowling Association (JTPBA), where he helped nurture and develop young bowling talent. His dedication to youth bowling extended to the state level, where he also served as a delegate to the Massachusetts State JTPBA and was later elected President. In these roles, Guido's leadership provided opportunities for young bowlers to compete and grow in the sport, establishing a strong foundation for future generations.

# Service to the Massachusetts Tenpin Bowling Association (MSTPBA)

Guido's leadership extended beyond junior bowling, as he also played a significant role in the Massachusetts State Tenpin Bowling Association (MSTPBA). He served as a Director and President of the MSTPBA, advocating for the growth and well-being of bowling at the state level. His contributions helped shape policies and programs that benefited bowlers across Massachusetts, further cementing his legacy in the sport.

## Leadership in the Massachusetts Tri-County Bowling Association (MTCBA)

Guido held various key roles within the MTCBA, including Vice President, Director, and Secretary-Treasurer. His administrative skills and commitment to the association ensured that it continued to thrive and provide valuable opportunities for bowlers in the region. Guido's service was marked by his ability to lead with integrity and vision, ensuring that the MTCBA operated smoothly and effectively.

#### **Contributions to Bowling Media**

In addition to his leadership roles, Guido made significant contributions as the editor and writer for the "Tri-County Bowler" publication. His work in media helped keep bowlers informed about important events, tournaments, and news within the bowling community. Guido's writing not only promoted the sport but also highlighted the achievements of local bowlers, fostering a sense of pride and community within the MTCBA.

#### Conclusion

Guido Simone's long-standing service to the sport of bowling earned him the Meritorious Service Award in 1989. His leadership roles in the Greater Springfield JTPBA, Massachusetts

State JTPBA, and MTCBA, along with his contributions to bowling media, made him a vital figure in the regional and state bowling scenes. Guido's passion for the game and his dedication to serving the bowling community left a lasting legacy that continues to benefit bowlers of all ages.