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**Salineville Lanes**

Rolling in 7th

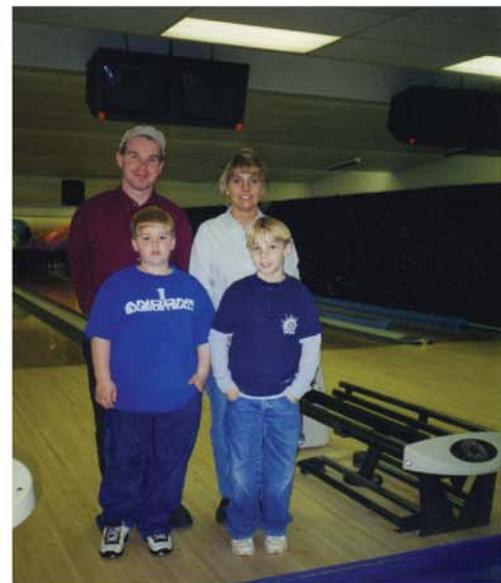
The structure was built in 1906 by Dan Houze. From the information given to me, it was once a skating rink, dance hall and a furniture store.

In the early 60's, Wade and Evelyn Ralston purchased the building and a bowling center was born. The center opened in 1963, known as Village Lanes and belonging to the East Liverpool Association. It joined the McCook Association in 1974. The Ralston's have a son, Gary, and a daughter, Cheryl Barkley, whom both are bowlers. Gary said he was finishing the installation of the heating system in the center on November 22, 1963 when President Kennedy was shot. Wade was very dedicated to the sport of bowling. He was one of the last to hand spray the lanes. They had a Sunday Mixed League, a Monday Women's League, a Tuesday Men's League, a Wednesday Women's League and a Thursday Men's League and on Friday nights there was open bowling.

In 1977 Ron and Ulla Giannone purchased the center from the Ralston's. Two sons, Rodney and Stefan made up the family. They named the center Salineville Lanes. The center had full leagues and they also had the Youth Program. They all worked at the center plus their grandmother, who was a very good cook. When the McCook Women held their tournaments there, we were welcomed with open arms, very friendly at hosting us, giving all the help we asked for.

A note from Rodney: "Mom and Dad was very well liked and devoted to the bowling alley. Stefan and I also helped work at the lanes, mostly me. By the age of 10, I was able to run the front counter and fix lanes for breakdowns."

One of Rodney's fond memories is when his dad made a bet with some Pros who came to the center and he and John Barry bowled against them and won.



Kevin and Becky

Josh and Nathan Melhorn

At one of the McCook Tournaments, Ron Giannone was in the hospital. Rodney was 11 years old at the time and he took care of all the break downs. If he didn't know how to fix something he would call his dad's room and his dad would tell him how to fix it over the phone. A lot of people still remember this. We also remember all the good food, especially the pies and lots of good wine we had at our tournaments.

In 1985, Scott and Jacki Ludwig bought the center and called it Ludwig Lanes. A son, Brent, and daughter, Chrissy, make up their family. All the family were bowlers and also helped at the center. Scott was the first proprietor to drill balls. They had a complete snack bar as well as a game room and juke box which was stocked for kids and adults. And at one time they had toning machines.

They also had full leagues and the Youth League. Some of the specials they held were Casino Night, Moonlight and Red Pin Bowling. In 1988 the Ludwig's charged \$1.15 per game for adult open bowling and \$1.00 for students. Shoe rental was 40 cents. The lanes' biggest attribute was a family atmosphere.

In 1995, the Ludwig's sold the establishment to John and Becky DeAngelo. They have two children, John Jr. and Beth. They enjoyed running the lanes and started a small cafe with table clothes and china. It didn't go too well because the bowlers were afraid of damaging the china. The DeAngelo's had leagues and Youth bowling.

Once again in 1999 the lanes had new proprietors, Kevin and Beck Melhorn. They have two sons, Nathan and Josh. They made a lot of improvements to the center. They changed the inside by moving the lockers to the back. They removed the score tables and added automatic scoring and then put in tables and chairs. They took out the counter that housed bowling shoes and

installed tables and chairs for spectators. They also remodeled the snack area and served really good food. They have hosted league bowling and tournaments for the ladies, men and youth.

Salineville Lanes were closed for the 2009-10 season due to structural damage. We all hope to see it open again.

The Men's Hall of Fame Member from Salineville Lanes is Ron Giannone and the Women's Hall of Fame Member is Hilda Boston, who was inducted in 2001 for the General Welfare and Progress for the Game of Bowling.

Some High games and Series at the lanes over the years are: For the men: 299 Games: Ron Giannone, Brian Carmen, Will Nester and Tom Richardson. Rodney Giannone had a 300 game and a 815 series. For the women: High games, Roselee (Bub) Wilson 279, Nicole Morrison 268, and Stehanie Jarrett 265. High Series, Carol Earich 687 series, Julie Witherow 669 series and Jean Culp 659 series. High average for women is Julie Witherow with a 171.

Other information about the center:

In 1980, Stefan Giannone, a Junior at Southern Local High School rolled a 300 game in the Youth Travel League. He had a 176 average.

Mike Miller rolled a 300 game in the Men's Tournament at Salineville.

In 1977, a young woman from the center entered the OWBA State Tournament with a 93 average. Her name is Linda Earich. She rolled a 541 actual and won the State Singles Handicap Tournament with a 766.

Dewey Beadle was the first secretary.

John Gerrin started bowling at the center in 1963 and bowled until it closed this season. Blanche Baker bowled 25 years with McCook and passed away at the age of 103. The Monday Nite League has donated to Toys for Tots for over 20 years.

I also think Lem King operated Salineville for a couple of years, but I'm not sure when.

I would like to thank everyone who helped me get information for my history of the 7 bowling centers. Hope it was as interesting for all of you as it was for me.

Vice-President Joan Enterline  
50th Year Historian



Jacki, Brent and Scott



John and Beck  
DeAngelo



Wade and Evelyn Ralston

## VILLAGE LANES BOWLING

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Salineville



Open 1 P.M. to 12 P.M.

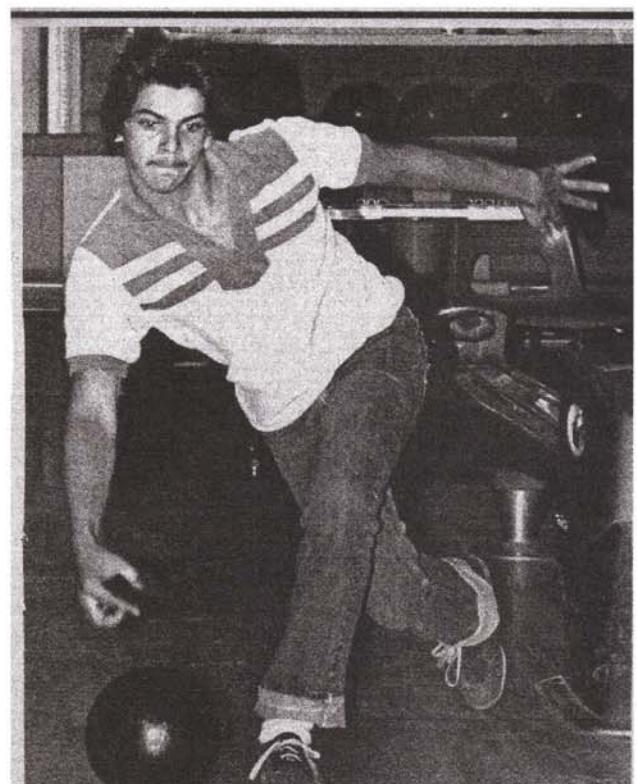
Fun for Everyone



Ulla and Ron Gianonne



SINGLES HANDICAP CHAMPION - 766  
Linda Earich - McCook Area WBA



Giannone rolls 300

Stefan Giannone, 40 W. Main St. in Salineville, realized a bowler's dream last weekend when he rolled a perfect 300 game at Atwood Lanes in Atwood Lake. Giannone, a junior at Southern Local High School, was bowling for the Salineville Lanes team in the Travelling League. Owner of a 176 average and a bowler for six years, Giannone rolled 184 and 166 games with his 300 for a 650 series.

(Journal Photo—Bill Snier)





Rich and Hilda Boston's Family  
4 Children, 5 Grandchildren and  
2 Great-Grandchildren  
All are bowlers!



## McCook Tournament

The 26th annual McCook Area Bowling Tournament will continue this weekend at Salineville Lanes. Shown cutting the ribbon to officially open the meet are (from left) Ron Giannone, owner of Salineville Lanes, Paul Jarvis, Salineville council pro-tem, and Harry Bowman, secretary of the McCook Area Women's Bowling Association. Over 100 teams from seven lanes are entered in the event.

## McCook Youth

The McCook Youth Program is still doing well. We have 231 sanctioned youth through USBC. Centers still participation are Carroll, Garson, Valie, Forest, Atwood and J-D Lanes. Keep up the good work.

## 5th Annual Adult-Youth Handicap Tournament

J-D Lanes, Cadiz  
February 28, 2010

### Division I

1st	John Film Jr - John Anderson	1451
2nd	Jacque Kennedy - Sean Kenedy	1346
3rd	Taryn Graham - Patti Poillucci	1321
4th	Sage Graham - Marcus Johnston	1314
5th	Cason McCauley - Jeff McCauley	1257
6th	Bryan Carrick - Holly Carrick	1252
7th	Harley Schandel - Marcus Johnston	1246

### Division II

1st	Lance Nape - Don Nape	1287
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Congratulations Winners!

## 6th Annual Adult - Youth Handicap Tournament

Atwood Lanes, Dellroy  
March 12 & 13, 2011

## Notice to All Secretaries:

If you would like to write a summary of what your leagues have accomplished this year to put into the 50th Banquet Program, please have it typed and given to your director by March 31 or for those who have internet, you may e-mail it directly to Patti at [peacebypeace@verizon.net](mailto:peacebypeace@verizon.net)

# Mark Your Calendars

March 19 - 21 McCook Team  
Carroll Lanes

March 27 & 28 McCook  
Doubles & Singles  
Atwood Lanes

March 31      Deadline for Paid  
McCook Banquet  
Reservations to your  
Directors

April 9th      McCook Spring Banquet  
Dellroy Community  
Center

May 2nd      McCook Seniors  
Carroll Lanes

After We

"Roll in the Gold"

at our Team and Singles & Doubles Events  
come join us at the:

McCook USBC WBA

2010 Spring Awards Banquet

Place: Dellroy Community Center

Date: April 9, 2010

Time: 7:00P.M.

Price: \$14.00

Menu

Swiss Steak

Baked Chicken

Buttered Parsley Potatoes

or

Mashed Potatoes

(Still undecided as to which potatoes will be served)

Green Beans

Dinner Rolls

For Dessert there will be an assortment of pie

Coffee & Punch

## Notice:

The Senior Tournament  
location has been changed  
to Carroll Lanes May  
2nd, 2010.

