

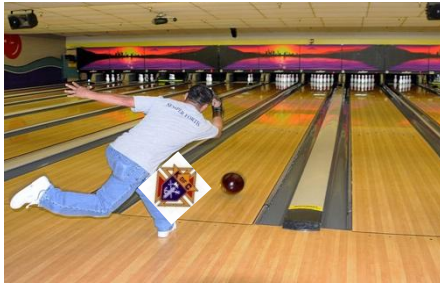


Welcome to the Knights of Columbus 77th Annual State Bowling Tournament

**March 16-17 & 23-24, 2024
Steelwood Lanes, Morgan City
Louisiana State Council, Host**



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Dear Brother Knight,

This fraternal year's state bowling tournament will be held in the southeastern part of our state as Steelwood Lanes in Morgan City will serve as host. Our State Deputy has decided to move the tournament back to the beginning of the calendar year and thus will take place over two consecutive weekends in **March 2024**. We hope you will join us on either the 16th-17th or 23rd-24th.

As in the past, the tournament will consist of the following events: 4-man team, singles, doubles and mixed doubles, **DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES IS March 9th**. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN THIS DATE!** Consistent with past tournaments, properly completed entries will be scheduled on a first-received, first-scheduled basis. Steelwood Lanes is a twenty-four (24) lane facility, thus, **PLEASE** mail or enter online **EARLY** to get the dates and times you want. Entries must be correct and **ALL** entry fees attached.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "LOUISIANA STATE COUNCIL"

All KC members and their female guests are eligible whether a league bowler or not. **PLEASE READ ALL** enclosed **RULES** and the **ENTRY FORM CAREFULLY**, especially Rule 3(b) for averages of non-bowlers. Again, this year, **NON-BOWLERS** who have a tournament average **WILL** be allowed to use that average as opposed to the customary 150 or 135 average. Please use the designated "NB" for non-bowlers where an average is requested, but unavailable. As a reminder, handicaps will be based on 90% of a 220 average. If you require additional entries, please let me know or visit www.louisianakc.org/forms.

Please check in at the tournament registration table at least 30 minutes prior to your event's start time. We can start early if everyone has checked in on time. Also, a **CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE PRESENTED** at check-in.

We look forward to another outstanding event with great competition. Again, I ask that you **PLEASE** send your entry in **EARLY!** We are looking forward to seeing everyone again. We'd love to see our numbers increase, so spread the word about our tournament. God Bless, stay safe and see you soon!!

Fraternally yours,

Marshall Miller

Tournament Director

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TOURNAMENT RULES

Rule 1. The tournament is open to all members in good standing of the Knights of Columbus of Louisiana and will be conducted under the rules of the United States Bowling Congress (USBC). Through USBC Moral Support Sanction, high score recognition is automatically extended to USBC members. Each entrant must verify KC membership by presenting a current KC Membership Card at registration.

Rule 2. A handicap based on **90%** of the difference between each bowler's average and the tournament scratch basis of **220** pins per game will be allowed in each event of the tournament. Handicaps shall be calculated for each bowler of a three-game scratch series. There is **NO** minimum average for this tournament.

Rule 3. (a) Entrant will use his highest USBC sanctioned league average based on a minimum of 21 games for the 2022-2023 season (book average). If a USBC sanctioned current 21-game average as of January 1, 2024 is 10 or more pins above a 2022-2023 season average (book), the current average **MUST** be used. Bowlers not having an acceptable average for the past season will use either their highest USBC sanctioned current average as of January 1, 2024, based on 21 games or more or their tournament average (if applicable) or 150 designated as the average for non-bowlers, whichever applies. **NO SUMMER LEAGUE AVERAGES ARE TO BE USED!** It shall be each **bowler's responsibility** to verify the accuracy of his average, whether originally submitted by the bowler, his team captain, or others. Failure to use the proper average or make a correction prior to or at the time of bowling shall disqualify all scores if the submitted average is lower than the actual average. If the submitted average is higher, prize winnings will be distributed on the basis of the higher submitted average. Notification of average corrections **MUST** be made to the Tournament Director **PRIOR TO COMPLETION** of the first game of a bowler's first series. To aid in the verification process, league bowlers **MUST** submit, with their entry or at registration, a printed average verification obtained from their league secretary that shows their average as January 1, 2024.

(b) Non-bowlers are welcome to enter and will be allowed to use an average of 150 and will be assigned a handicap on the basis of that average. If such

non-bowlers participated in any Louisiana State KC Tournament since 2005, they **will be allowed to use the calculated average on their scratch scores from any games bowled since 2005, regardless if that average is LOWER or HIGHER than 150.** Non-bowlers, when completing entry blanks, should enter "NB" where numerical average is called for. A non-bowler is defined as a tournament entrant who cannot provide an entering average under RULE 3(a) of this tournament.

(c) To Secure a high-score protection of the USBC, such non-bowlers can pay an unattached USBC membership sanction fee of \$25.00. Such protection is optional.

RULE 4. Entrants will be subject to a re-rating procedure for averages as stated by USBC Rule 319(e). Entrants who have qualified for a prize of \$600 or more in a tournament within the previous 12-month period, even though payment hasn't been made, **MUST REPORT** actual score, position and amount won for possible re-rating. Such a report must be submitted before the entrant bowls his/her first event. Failure to report such shall cause forfeiture of entry fees and prize winnings in this tournament. Re-rating of any entrant's average must be accomplished before his participation in the tournament.

RULE 5. Bowlers will be permitted to bowl more than once in the 4-man team and 2-man doubles events, when legally entered on the entry blank; however, a bowler may enter **ONLY ONCE** in the Singles event and **ONLY ONCE** with the same partner in the 2-man doubles event. In the 4-man team event, not more than two (2) bowlers on the same team can place more than **ONCE** in the prize list for position standing. In the 2-man doubles event, at least one member of the 2-man team must be participating in the 2-man event for the first time to be an eligible 2-man doubles event entry. When a bowler competes more than once, his **FIRST** appearance in each event shall count towards his **ALL-EVENTS** score. No re-entries will be allowed.

RULE 6. The receipt of any entry by the Tournament Director is accepted as correct until proven otherwise and the amount of money received shall regulate the number of participants, thereby allowing the team captain or his legal representative the privilege of substituting other bowlers to replace those on the entry blank who are unable, for sufficient reason, to attend the tournament at their scheduled time. The Tournament Director shall have supreme power as to the substitute offered by the captain; and if accepted, each substitute **MUST BOWL UNDER HIS OWN NAME** at the scheduled time in each event, during the tournament in which he is a substitute bowler. After a game is started, the substitute must complete the event.

RULE 7. Any bowler who does not appear when scheduled to bowl shall forfeit his entry unless the Tournament Director finds sufficient reason for postponing his event in question. In the 2-man doubles event, only one substitute will be allowed. One of the men entered and scheduled will be required to bowl, but the names of both members on the team must be given as entries; the word "PARTNER" will **NOT** be accepted. Entry blanks so completed will be returned and entry fee retained until a proper entry blank is received. If both entrants appear when scheduled, they shall bowl in the order listed on the entry blank.

RULE 8. No entry money will be refunded. As per USBC Rule 314..." after an entry has been received, and the dates assigned by tournament management are not refused before preparation of the schedule, the entry fee cannot be refunded". Entry fees are as follows: Prize Fee = \$5.00; Bowling Fee = \$12.00; and Tournament Expense = \$3.00 per entrant per event for a total of \$20.00 per entrant per event. The prize fee for All-Events (handicap) will be \$5.00 and is optional. Only those entrants paying the All-Events prize fee shall be eligible. The tournament will return 100% in prize fees in each event, which includes the cost of the awards in each event. The prize ratio will be at least one prize for each ten entries in each event and at least one prize for each fifteen entries for All-Events. Prize Fee awards will be posted in the bowling center on the opening day of the tournament. NOTE WELL...NO ENTRY IS VALID UNLESS ACCOMPANIED WITH ENTRY FEES!!!

RULE 9. Entries MUST be postmarked by **March 9, 2024**. Please have your entry, with accompanying fees, to the Tournament Director postmarked by this deadline.

RULE 10. All bowlers MUST check-in at the tournament registration table no later than thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled time for the event they are bowling, whether it be team, singles/doubles or mixed doubles. All entrants MUST display a current Knights of Columbus membership card when checking in.

SPECIAL RULES FOR MIXED DOUBLES EVENT (USBC Moral Support Sanctions)

RULE A. This event will consist of competition among mixed doubles entries. A mixed doubles entry shall consist of one male Knights of Columbus member and one female entrant, bowling as partners. The female entrant MUST be the guest of the male Knights of Columbus member.

RULE B. Each male entered shall be subject to ALL RULES of the 77th Annual Louisiana State Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament. A male CANNOT use his mixed doubles score for All-Events competition. Each female entered in the mixed doubles event may enter ONLY ONCE, however a male entrant may enter more than once if bowling with his wife, mother and/or daughter(s). Female entrants shall be subject to all applicable rules of the 77th Annual Louisiana State Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament except where there is a conflict between them and these Special Rules for the Mixed Doubles Event, in which case the latter shall prevail.

RULE C. A handicap based on 90% of the difference between a female bowler's average and the tournament scratch basis score of 220 pins per game shall be allowed in this event of the tournament. Handicaps shall be calculated for each player for a three-game series. There is NO minimum average for this tournament.

RULE D. (1) A female entrant will use her highest USBC sanctioned league average based on a minimum of 21 games for the 2022-2023 season. If a USBC sanctioned current 21-game average as of January 1, 2024 is 10 or more pins above a 2022-2023 season average (book), the current average MUST be used. Female bowlers not having an acceptable average for the past season will use their current average as of January

1, 2024 or their tournament average (if applicable) or 135 designated as the average for non-bowlers, whichever applies. NO SUMMER LEAGUE AVERAGES ARE TO BE USED. It shall be each bowler's responsibility to verify the accuracy of her average. Failure to use the proper average or make a correction prior to or at the time of bowling, shall disqualify the score if the submitted average is lower than her actual average. If her submitted average is higher, prize winnings will be distributed on the basis of that higher submitted average. Notification of average correction MUST be made to the Tournament Director prior to completion of the first game of a series.

(2) Female participants who are non-bowlers are welcome to enter the tournament. A non-bowler is defined as a mixed-doubles female entrant who cannot provide an entering average under RULE D. (1) of this tournament. Such a non-bowler, when completing the entry form, should enter the letters "NB" where a numerical average is called for. If such non-bowlers participated in any Louisiana State Knights of Columbus tournament since 2005, they will be allowed to use the highest calculated average on their scratch score from any games bowled, regardless if that average is LOWER or HIGHER than 135.

(3) To secure high-score protection of the USBC, such non-bowlers can pay an unattached USBC membership sanction fee of \$25.00. Such protection, however, is optional.

RULE E. All female entrants will be subject to the re-rating procedure for averages as stated by the USBC Rule 319(e). In addition, female entrants who have qualified for a prize of \$600 or more in any event in a tournament within the previous 12-month period, even though payment has NOT been made, MUST REPORT actual score, position and amount won for possible re-rating. Such a report must be submitted before she bowls in the mixed-doubles event. Failure to report such shall cause forfeiture of entry fees and prize winnings in this tournament. The re-rating of any entrant must be accomplished before her participation in this tournament.

RULE F. Female entrants shall be subject to all rules and regulations of the USBC as applied to a tournament that has received Moral Support Sanction, in addition to all rules already outlined for this tournament.

RULE G. Entries MUST be postmarked by March 9, 2024. Your entry, with accompanying fees, to the Tournament Director, must be postmarked by this deadline.





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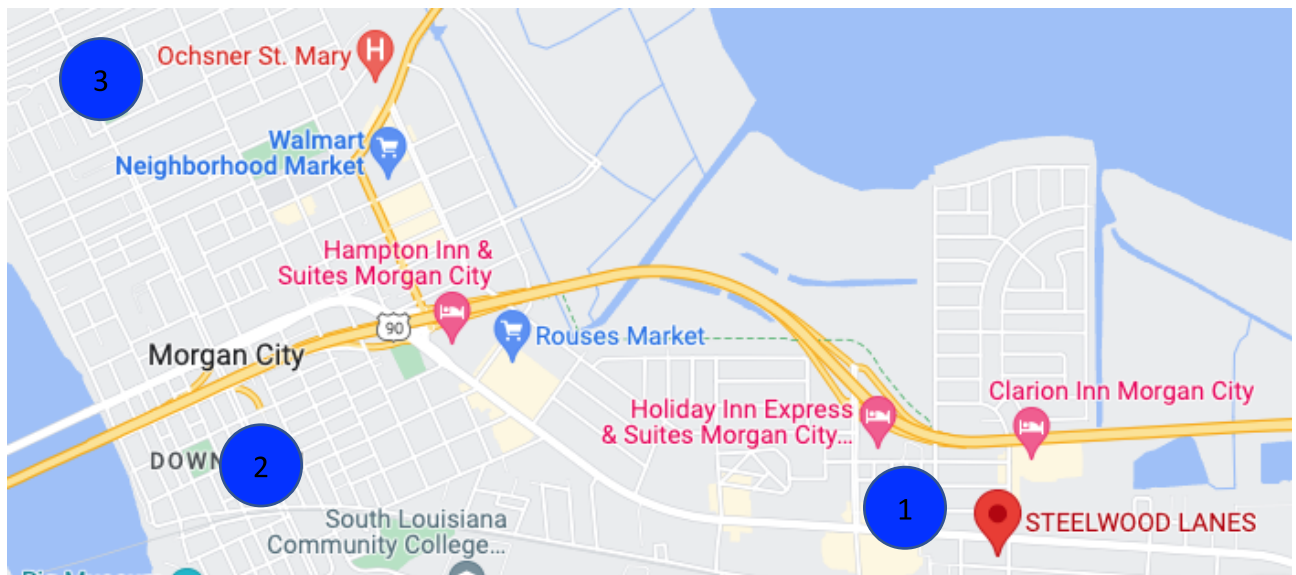
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Area Map



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Steelwood Lanes 7722 LA-182 Morgan City, LA. 70380

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Sacred Heart Catholic Church 415 Union Street Morgan City, LA 70380
Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

3

Holy Cross Catholic Church 2100 Cedar Street Morgan City, LA 70380
Saturday 5:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM



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Office Use Only
Entry Number _____
Date Received _____
Amount _____

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY: March 9, 2024

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

TEAM NAME: _____ TEAM CAPTAIN: _____
 KC Council #: _____ Captain's Address: _____
 League & Bowling Center Name(s): _____ Captain's City, State, Zip: _____
 Captain's Email Address: _____ Phone #'s: _____ (home) _____ (cell) _____

To KC Tournament Chairman: As captain of this team, I hereby enter the team and its members in the events indicated. We agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the tournament and of the U.S.B.C.

IF A BOWLER IS BOWLING IN MORE THAN ONE EVENT ON THIS ENTRY, KC MEMBERSHIP # & U.S.B.C. # ARE REQUIRED ONLY ONCE!!

NON-BOWLERS -- IF ENTRANT DOES NOT HAVE AN AVERAGE, PLEASE ENTER NB FOR BOWLERS BOOK AVERAGE

TEAM EVENT

The first 4 bowlers are the lineup and CANNOT be changed once submitted. Please print bowlers' names in the order they will bowl.

Name	Council #	BOOK AVG.	All Events (optional)	AVAILABLE TEAM SQUADS	TEAM FEE	CHECK Squad #
KC Membership #	USBC #					
1			\$5 Y or N	Squad 1 4:00 PM Sat, March 16, 2024	\$80	
2			\$5 Y or N	Squad 2 1:00 PM Sun, March 17, 2024		
3			\$5 Y or N	Squad 3 4:00 PM Sat, March 23, 2024		
4			\$5 Y or N	Squad 4 1:00 PM Sun, March 24, 2024		
SUB:			\$	TEAM TOTAL \$80		
SUB:			All Events Total			

DOUBLES EVENT

Print Name of Doubles Partners -- Do Not Use "PARTNER"

Name	Council #	BOOK AVG.	FEE	Write Squad #	AVAILABLE DOUBLES SQUADS
KC Membership #	USBC #				
1A			\$40		Squad 1 9:00 AM Sat, March 16, 2024
1B					Squad 2 8:30 AM Sun, March 17, 2024
2A			\$40		Squad 3 9:00 AM Sat, March 23, 2024
2B					Squad 4 8:30 AM Sun, March 24, 2024
3A			\$40		
3B					
DOUBLES TOTAL			\$		

*** SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR SINGLES AND MIXED DOUBLES ENTRY FORM(S) ***

SQUAD PREFERENCES WILL BE HONORED IF POSSIBLE!! If not, next available shift for that event will be used.

SINGLES EVENT

The first 4 bowlers are the lineup. Please print bowlers' names in the order they will bowl. Use same order if bowling both DOUBLES and SINGLES.

	Name	Council #	BOOK	FEE	Write Squad #	AVAILABLE SINGLES SQUADS
	KC Membership #	USBC #	AVG.			
1				\$20		Squad 1 9:00 AM Sat, March 16, 2024
2				\$20		Squad 2 8:30 AM Sun, March 17, 2024
3				\$20		Squad 3 9:00 AM Sat, March 23, 2024
4				\$20		Squad 4 8:30 AM Sun, March 24, 2024
5				\$20		
6				\$20		
				SINGLES TOTAL	\$	

MIXED DOUBLES

Print Names of each Doubles Partner -- DO NOT use "PARTNER"

NOTE --> A BOWLER CANNOT BOWL IN TWO EVENTS ON THE SAME SQ. (ex. Team Sq 2 or 4 & MD Sq 2 or 4)

	Name	Council #	BOOK	FEE	Write Squad #	AVAILABLE MIXED DOUBLES SQUADS
	KC Membership #	USBC #	AVG.			
1M				\$40		Squad 1 1:30 PM Sat., March 16, 2024
1F						Squad 2 1:00 PM Sun., March 17, 2024
2M				\$40		Squad 3 1:30 PM Sat., March 23, 2024
2F						Squad 4 1:00 PM Sun., March 24, 2024
3M				\$40		
3F						
4M				\$40		
4F						
5M				\$40		
5F						
6M				\$40		
6F						
				MIXED DOUBLES TOTAL	\$	

Event Location:
Steelwood Lanes
7722 LA-182
Morgan City, LA 70380
985-300-5505
This is a SMOKE FREE facility!



Entry Fee Per Event:	
Prize Money:	\$5.00
Bowling Fee:	\$12.00
Tourn. Exp.	\$3.00
Total per Person per Event	\$20.00
All Events Fee (Optional)	\$5.00
PRIZE RATIO: At least 1 : 10	
ALL EVENTS: At least 1 : 15	

From Above:	
TEAM TOTAL	\$ _____
DOUBLES TOTAL	\$ _____
SINGLES TOTAL	\$ _____
MX DBLS TOTAL	\$ _____
ALL EVENTS TOTAL	\$ _____
ENTRY TOTAL	\$ _____

Make all checks payable to:
LOUISIANA STATE COUNCIL

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116 Carmen Street
Lafayette, LA 70507-4802

337-277-4680 cell / text
email addresses:
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CURRENT KC MEMBERSHIP CARD
MUST BE PRESENTED AT CHECK-IN