

WELCOME FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear NDYA Coach,

Welcome to the family! We are so glad to have you on board. You join a long list of volunteers who have worked tirelessly to keep duckpins alive for future generations of youth bowlers.

The NDYA was founded in 1973, in partnership with the National Duckpin Proprietor's Association and the National Duckpin Bowling Congress. Since that time our program has seen many changes, but one thing remains the same almost 50 years later – our coaches and youth bowlers are the best, on and off the lanes.

As a coach, you accept the responsibilities of a teacher, mentor, and cheerleader. You may also need to speak with bowlers and parents to curb unacceptable behaviors. You will teach bowling and its skills, but also character development, sportsmanship, teamwork, honesty, integrity, and pride in personal accomplishment. Youth learn more from what we do than from what we say, so it is imperative that you lead by example at all times.

All of the tools and resources you need are in this manual and on the NDYA Website (www.ndya.org). All NDYA forms are downloadable from the site.

The NDYA Board of Directors is especially grateful for your dedication to our program. We are comprised of representatives appointed by the Duckpin Bowling Proprietor's Association and the National Duckpin Bowling Congress, and we love duckpin bowling as much as you do. We meet monthly via teleconference and hold our annual meetings in October of each year, but we are here for you all year long. You are a critical part of our team, and your ideas and feedback are important to us.

Reach us via phone at 401-391-2561, via email at NDYAbowling@gmail.com, or through the NDYA website (www.NDYA.org).

Yours in duckpin bowling,

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