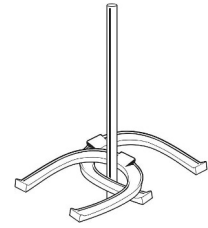


# ILSHPA COURT REPORTER

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## President's Pitch

Greetings of the season from Southern Illinois, I hope you are hunkered down and staying safe and warm during this early taste of winter. By the time you read this, it may be back in the 50s or even warmer. If you are looking for a good gift idea for the special someone, consider an early bird entry to the 2026 World Tournament and save a little money. Or, you can go Sally Brown's route and get them \$10s and \$20s (Peanuts reference).

Based on Executive Committee correspondences and suggestions during the State Meeting, we are looking to start a Promotions and Marketing Committee. Details are not worked out yet, but if you would like consideration to be part of the committee send me an email or other messages.

It is crazy to think that a couple weeks from now we will be in 2026. Please remember that you have to update your NHPA card prior to participate in any sanctioned leagues and tournaments starting in January. Directors, please do what you can to help get your participants get/stay up to date. While you are at it, see if you can get some new members or reinvigorate those that may not have participated much in years past. Remember, we are two years away from the World Tournament returning to Springfield.

One last piece of information. We are working on a new "official" logo for the ILSHPA. After design options are completed we will put the ideas out for a vote. I don't have exact details yet, so more to come.

I want to wish each and everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Dan

## Top 5 in the running for 2025 Player of the Year Award As of 11/30/2025

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Chris Judson     | 128 |
| Michael Cathcart | 95  |
| Bob Vandivier    | 73  |
| Kevin James      | 65  |
| Sam Mataya       | 64  |

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## **Tournament Results**

### **November**

#### **Turkeyfest Invitational**      **11/1/2025**

**29-25-064**      **TD: Dennis Greisbaum**

##### **Class A:**

|                       |     |        |
|-----------------------|-----|--------|
| Daniel Broeckling     | 5-1 | 53.06% |
| Lester Dumstorff      | 4-2 | 53.62% |
| Linda Clifton         | 4-2 | 48.44% |
| Kenneth Kiefer        | 4-2 | 43.87% |
| Mark Dulle            | 2-4 | 41.67% |
| Robert Donjon         | 2-4 | 35.04% |
| Allan Moallankamp Jr. | 0-6 | 39.03% |

#### **Friendsgiving Open**      **11/16/2025**

**29-25-069**      **TD: Tara Kinsella**

##### **Class A:**

|                 |     |        |
|-----------------|-----|--------|
| Kevin James     | 5-1 | 61.25% |
| Glen Briley     | 4-2 | 55.83% |
| Gary Wiederhold | 3-2 | 41.50% |
| Tara Kinsella   | 2-3 | 43.25% |
| Kevin Wilke     | 1-4 | 32.50% |
| Ann McNelly     | 1-4 | 37.00% |

##### **Class B:**

|                    |     |        |
|--------------------|-----|--------|
| Patricia Nelson    | 3-1 | 36.50% |
| Amanda Roustio     | 2-2 | 37.50% |
| Khamsing Vilaysack | 1-3 | 32.00% |
| Robert Descher     | 0-4 | 12.50% |

## **Upcoming Tournaments**

### **November**

No Open Tournaments are listed in Eshoes for January, February or March. All Tournaments listed are invitational only so we are not able to list them in the Court Reporter.

## Condolences

We send our condolences to the family of:

Nellie Fleming, 88, of Rochester, IL, passed away on October 21, 2025, at Carriage Crossing Senior Living Center in Rochester. Nellie enjoyed pitching horseshoes and pitched in Several Illinois State Tournament. She and her husband Ed enjoyed horseshoes so much they built the Palmer pitching palace and kept it going for several years. The tournaments they ran at the palace brought joy to many pitchers. Nellie will be missed in the horseshoe community.

**The ILSHPA Officers would like to wish everyone a**



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**Renewing Membership Online  
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Listed below are the basic steps to renewing your membership card online. This is the preferred method it saves ILSHPA time and money.

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Click on the E Shoe link  
Click in the Players search box  
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Click on your name  
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Exemption

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