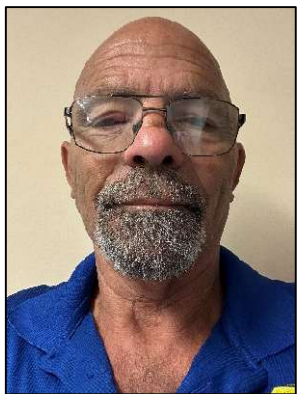


Brian “Chico” Legacy Meritorious Service



Brian Chico Legacy was born Oct. 22, 1961. Known simply as Chico, he was born into a family of bowlers. His father, mother and stepfather were all members of the then elite 200 club (1960s). The seeds to bowl were planted at an early age.

Chico started bowling at the age of 11 with his younger sister and brother at Kiamesha Lanes near Monticello, New York. After he had been bowling for two years the family moved to Maryland.

While bowling became a date night thing in high school, sports were a big part of his life. Playing baseball and football, keeping stats for basketball kept him involved in sports year-round. During his Junior and Senior years he was the starting center on the football team since he was the smallest guy on the team. That year, he made All Conference and Second Team All State so “Giving it your Best” was deeply instilled in him.

Chico joined the U.S. Air Force in 1980. He was sent to school in Denver, Co. It was there that Chico first became an ABC member. He was stationed in Fort Walton Beach, Florida for the following four years. While there, he bowled at FWB Bowl, played softball for the base team and softball two nights a week downtown. His love for sports was cemented.

Chico returned to the Eastern Shore of Maryland in 1987 and bowling became the thing to do after work. While bowling with his brother-in-law at Ocean Lanes and his spouse at Eastern Shore Lanes a large light was lit. He took a part-time job at ESL and became a certified youth coach in 1991. It was then that a spirit for giving back developed. While working in the bowling alley and coaching our youth for over 30 years at Cherokee (Southbound), Ocean and Eastern Shore Lanes, Chico developed a desire to give more.

Chico has held all league officer positions multiple times. He was elected to the Salisbury Bowling Association board of directors in 1989 and has remained on the Eastern Shore board since except for an absence of 3 years. At one point he held the office of association president.

When he became a delegate to the yearly meetings Chico was exposed to the State governing body. After the “Yellow and Blue” meetings (when WIBC and ABC merged) he was elected as a director to the newly formed Maryland State board of directors in 2009. He held that office until 2012 when he was elected to First Vice President, a position he still holds today. He has served on several committees from Budget, Jamboree and Policy and Procedure. Chico has taken the lead on setting up the State Jamboree the last 5 times it was hosted by the Eastern Shore Association.

On the lanes, Chico has had a few good years, winning high average in multiple leagues, winning several association tournaments as well as bowing the fourth and fifth ever 300 games in Eastern Shore Lanes history. Chico was elected to the Salisbury Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1997 for superior performance.

Chico continues to give back to the bowling community he loves. It is for these reasons that the Maryland State USBC Bowling Association welcomes Brian “Chico” Legacy into the Hall of Fame in the category of Meritorious Service.