



# CARA

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## Betancourt Honored with Directors' Award

During its banquet on October 30, the Capital Halloween Invitational Tournament (CHIT) bestowed its Directors' Award upon George Betancourt.



This award is given out annually to a person who has gone above and beyond to contribute to the success of the tournament. This year's directors, Jack Ellison, Carlton Roark and Bob Fontaine, said that the award was long overdue and that they could not have put together such a wonderful

tournament without Betancourt's help.

Betancourt has designed the logo for the past two CHIT tournaments and provided graphic design, publications and volunteer support for several years. He has bowled in several CARA leagues and is a current member of the Pride of Alexandria and Capital Area Match Point (CAMP) leagues. Congratulations George!

**For more CHIT coverage, see pages 3-4**

## WEBMASTER WANTED!

CARA is looking for a possible new Webmaster. This is a volunteer position. Duties would include updating the site with (but not limited to) new league information as it becomes available, posting information about events and infrequently updating text about CARA history, officers, award winners, Bylaws, etc.

Knowledge of:

- HTML: required
- Basic knowledge of Javascript and contact forms: preferred
- Flash or content management systems (i.e., creating areas where leagues could possibly update their own info, etc.): not needed, but major pluses
- Redesign experience a plus, but not necessary

For questions or for more information, please contact Rob Treadway at [webmaster@carabowling.org](mailto:webmaster@carabowling.org). Thank you in advance for volunteering to serve your organization.

**December 3**  
**CARA Trios Tournament**

Two shifts: 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
Cost: \$20 per person/\$60 per team  
Bowl America Shirley  
6450 Edsall Rd., Alexandria, VA  
CARA bowlers only • Use your highest league average as of 11/15/11 (9 games min.)  
Handicap: 90% of the difference between your average and 225  
Pre-register or direct questions to Gary at [garydeinken@aol.com](mailto:garydeinken@aol.com)

**January 14**  
**Skill Enhancement Clinic**

Two shifts: 1 and 3 p.m.  
Cost: \$20 per person  
Bowl America Shirley  
6450 Edsall Rd., Alexandria, VA  
CARA bowlers only  
Instructors provided by SportsPlus/Carmen  
Don Bowler's Choice Pro Shop  
Pre-register or direct questions to Steve at [sefrable@yahoo.com](mailto:sefrable@yahoo.com)

## LEAGUE SPOTLIGHTS

### METRO ROLLERS

The Metro Rollers Bowling League bowls Sundays at 5 p.m. at Bolling Air Force Base, Potomac Lanes Bowling Center, Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, Washington, DC. The bowling center is recently

renovated and allows for 30 lanes of bowling fun.

This year, Metro Rollers gained five new teams and has a total of 15 teams. The league is predominantly men, but it has one woman bowler and is looking to expand its diversity.

The league's season is 32 weeks in length with a two-week break to celebrate Christmas and New Year's Day since those holidays fall on Sunday this year. For questions about the league, please contact Antonio at [metrorollers1@gmail.com](mailto:metrorollers1@gmail.com).

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# League spotlights

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## CAMP

Capital Area Match Point (CAMP) bowls Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Bowl America, 140 S. Maple Ave., Falls Church, VA.

While CAMP is a friendly mixed league composed of 3-person teams, it is more challenging and competitive. CAMP is a match point format league, where in addition to teams bowling each other, each bowler bowls in direct competition with a bowler on the opposite team. For more information, contact Jeff at [CAMPBowling@gmail.com](mailto:CAMPBowling@gmail.com).



## DALE CITY TUESDAY PRIDE

Dale City Tuesday Pride bowls Tuesdays at 8 p.m. at AMF Dale City Lanes, 4304 Dale Boulevard. Dale City Tuesday Pride is a very social league composed of 2-person teams with a great mix of men and women. New or inexperienced bowlers are strongly encouraged. Dale City Pride bowls a four month fall league September through December. In January, they start a new, completely separate four-month winter league running through April. For more information, contact John at [dctp@comcast.net](mailto:dctp@comcast.net).

# Leagues Starting Completely New Seasons in January

A few CARA leagues have two completely different seasons each year of about 15 weeks in length, as compared to traditional leagues that are roughly 30-32 week seasons running September-May.

These leagues bowl September-December and January-April/May and pay out prize funds at the end of each session. If you're interested in joining one of these leagues, please contact the officer listed below.

## Saturday Morning Alternative Club King & Kweenpins (SMACK)

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m., AMF Alexandria Lanes  
Contact: Clyde, [smackbowling@gmail.com](mailto:smackbowling@gmail.com)

## Ten-Pin Pride

Mondays, 8 p.m., AMF Annandale Lanes  
Contact: Jim, [jimmyg52@aol.com](mailto:jimmyg52@aol.com)

## Dale City Tuesday Pride

Tuesdays, 7:45 p.m., AMF Dale City Lanes  
Contact: John, [dctp@comcast.net](mailto:dctp@comcast.net)

Visit [www.carabowling.org](http://www.carabowling.org) for more information



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# CHIT Celebrates Its 30th Anniversary

The 30th Anniversary Capital Halloween Invitational Tournament (CHIT) was held October 28-30. The host bowling center was AMF Annandale Lanes, while the host hotel was The Westin Alexandria. About 200 bowlers from around the region and the country participated in the tournament. Besides the usual Singles, Doubles and Team events, CHIT offered several optional events such as brackets, mega brackets, optional scratch, best 3-of-6, raffles and mega raffles. CARA would like to congratulate local bowlers who performed well during the tournament. Among the top finishers are:

## SINGLES

1. Brandon Hayes
5. Sean Kullavanaijaya
6. Barrett Cronkhite
7. Jeremy Glasser
8. Willie Stockes
9. Vincent Sacro
10. Scott Freda

## DOUBLES

1. Dan Stricker/Fero Williams
4. Richard Aronson/Kyle Mulhall
5. Dwayne Beverly/Brian Whiting
6. Bob Fontaine/David Henry
7. Joe Forti/Bill Roman
8. Greg Carroll/Jeremy Glasser
9. John Cottle/Brett Schwarz
- 10 (tie). Clyde Conklin/T.D. Harrel and Steve Merriett/Walt Reichenbach

## TEAM

1. Tamera Nelson/Renee Parker/De'Mone Grayson/John Hardy
2. CC Ford/Walt Reichenbach/Steve Merriett/Bryan Kundrath
3. A.J. McNear/Bill Caton/Reggie Norwood/Mike Dominguez
5. Barrett Cronkhite/Shannon Carlson/Dominic Geracia/Craig Skavarka
7. George Betancourt/Dan Stricker/Ed Hawkins/Fero Williams
9. Rob Treadway/Randy Lewis/Adam Boening/Jim Giordano
10. David Henry/Bob Fontaine/Alex Sangalan/T.J. Haslam

## ALL EVENTS

1. Vincent Sacro
2. Barrett Cronkhite
4. Kimberly Paul
5. Bryan Kundrath
7. Ben Gierra
8. Bill Roman
9. Brad Seibert
10. Kyle Mulhall



Carl Andreasen (left) and Mel Krist (right) take a break from bowling.



Brian McCollum and Joanne Kreiser report their scores for Mega Brackets.



Patrick Mason and CHIT Director of Operations Carlton Roark.



Mareena Nephew relaxes in between frames.



Bowlers milling about during the Friday night team shift at AMF Annandale Lanes.

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Lots of action in the registration checkin room.

Stephen Owens, SO Desserts, donated cupcakes that were available to bowlers during the singles/doubles shifts.

The accompanying haunted house display was raffled off at the awards banquet along with five dozen free cupcakes.



## Upcoming IGBO Tournaments

- HIT—Holiday Invitational Tournament  
Milwaukee, WI      November 24–27, 2011
- Chuzapalooza  
Tucson, AZ      January 13–15, 2012
- ACT—Alamo City Tournament  
San Antonio, TX      January 13–15, 2012
- FLIRT—Ft. Lauderdale Invitational Regional Tournament  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL      January 13–15, 2012
- WETT—Winter Express Trio Tournament  
Ann Arbor, MI      February 4, 2012
- Sweetheart Invitational  
New Haven, CT      February 10–13, 2012
- GAGME—Gasparilla Annual Games Mixed Event  
Tampa, FL      February 10–12, 2012
- TROT—Texas Roll-off Tournament  
Ft. Worth, TX      February 10–12, 2012

*For more tournaments, visit [www.igbo.org](http://www.igbo.org)*

## Upcoming CARA Events

### DECEMBER

- 3      CARA Trios Tournament  
Two shifts: 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.  
Bowl America Shirley
- 10      CARA Officers Holiday Social  
Time TBA • Nellie's Sports Bar
- 28      CARA Holiday Social Bowling Event

### JANUARY

- 14      CARA Skill Enhancement Clinic for  
Advanced Bowlers
- 21      CARA Meeting  
1:30 p.m. • Bowl America Shirley
- 28      CARA Doubles Tournament

### FEBRUARY

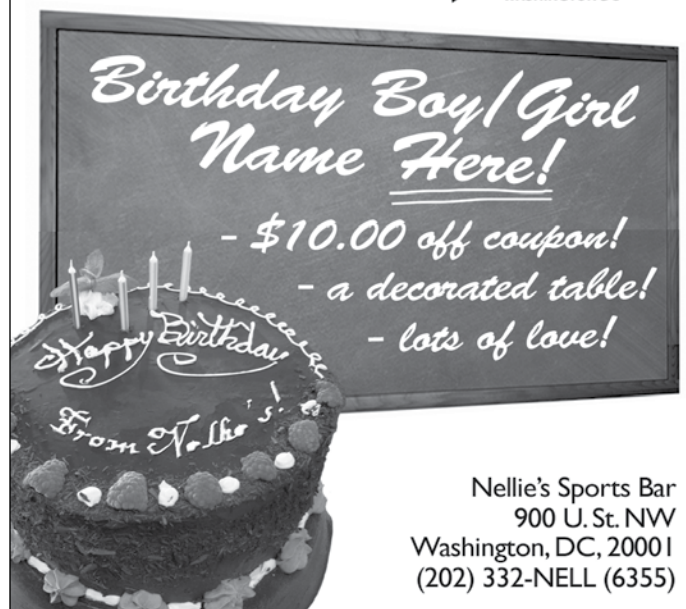
- 11      CARA Skill Enhancement Clinic
- 26      2nd CARA Roll-Off begins

### MARCH

- 10      2nd CARA Roll-Off ends
- 17      CARA Meeting  
1:30 p.m. • Bowl America Shirley

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