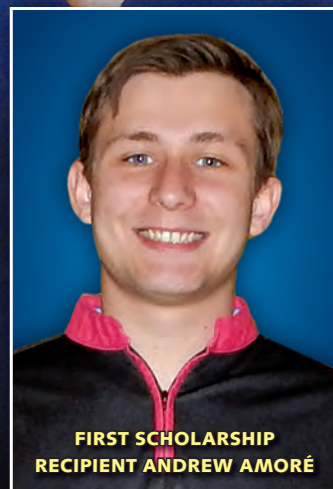


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BPAA Special Projects Award winners Daroll and Dee Frewing sponsor a life-changing initiative.



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Son of Ohio Proprietor Earns \$25K Scholarship

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You have to love the son of two Ohio proprietors, selected for the inaugural Daroll and Dolores Frewing College Scholarship.

By Bob Johnson

When Ron Amoré realized he was standing face to face with Daroll Frewing, there was one of those awkward pandemic-imposed moments. Under normal circumstances, there might have been a hug involved, or at the very least a hearty handshake.

Instead, all Amoré could do was look at Frewing and say, with no lack of emotion in his voice, "Thank you... thank you."

In a non-pandemic world, Daroll and Dee Frewing would have been meeting Ron and Diane Amoré, along with their youngest son, Andrew, during International Bowl Expo. They probably would have gone out for a nice meal the night before Andrew was called to the Expo stage to receive the inaugural Daroll and Dolores Frewing College Scholarship, valued at \$25,000.

The Expo's cancellation left those types of presentations in limbo. But thanks to a serendipitous set of circumstances — the Amorés were visiting Las Vegas and the Frewings were at their home in Boulder City, 23 miles away — BCM was able to arrange a meeting between the two couples. For the



Modest, polite and grateful, Andrew Amoré was named the first recipient of the \$25,000 Daroll and Dolores Frewing College Scholarship.



From the left: Amoré's parents, Ron and Diane, had an opportunity to meet Dee and Daroll Frewing during a visit to Las Vegas.

Amorés, it was a complete surprise.

Over lunch at a local Italian restaurant, the Frewings learned that the Amorés own two small centers in Ohio, including LeElla Lanes in the community of Washington Court

House, where Andrew Amoré spent most of his time when he wasn't at home, in school, or working at the Fayette County Fairgrounds, which is within walking distance of the family's center.

Andrew had a 3.9 grade point average (on a 4-point scale) at Miami Trace High School, where he was part of the football, track, wrestling and bowling teams. His community service resume includes raising funds for the Bowlers to Veterans Link and working with Special Olympics Bowling. He also has been actively involved with the Good Hope Lions

CONGRATULATIONS

ANDREW AMORÉ

**FIRST RECIPIENT OF THE
DAROLL & DOLORES FREWING SCHOLARSHIP.**



Andrew Amoré with his parents, Ron and Diane, and his new bowling coaches, Doug Smith (left) and David Jones (right).

Daroll Frewing, Co-Founder and CEO of US Bowling Corporation, along with his wife Dolores, have played an integral role in the bowling manufacturing and installation business since 1959. The Frewings have built amazing relationships with many proprietors in the bowling industry and now with that success want to give back by supporting the children of bowling proprietors to further their education. Daroll and Dolores are hoping this scholarship will enable selected students to move ahead with their college education and achieve the same success that Daroll and Dolores have been so blessed with. The Daroll & Dolores Frewing College Scholarship Fund is presented by the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, awarding an annual scholarship to a child or grandchild of a BPAA member.

Frewings Put the 'Special' in Special Projects Award

"BETTER, GREATER or otherwise different from what is usual." That is the Oxford Dictionary's definition of "special," and it makes crystal clear why Daroll and Dolores Frewing were selected by the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America for its 2020 Special Projects Award.

It doesn't get much more special than launching a perpetual scholarship for the bowling family, valued at \$25,000 annually and seeded with a \$250,000 donation. The launch of the scholarship was announced at last year's International Bowl Expo, and the initial recipient was to have been honored at this year's Bowl Expo in Denver. Hey, it was a good plan.

But even though the Expo had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the scholarship committee, consisting of members of the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame Board and a member of the Frewing family, did its work and selected a recipient from a selection of stellar applicants.

"The Frewings have been tremendous supporters of the Hall of Fame for many years, and we're thrilled to help with the scholarship," says IBM/HOF President and Chairman Mike Aulby. "We appreciate the continued generosity of the Frewings. This scholarship will greatly benefit members of the BPAA family for many years."

Explains Daroll Frewing: "Dee and I were looking for a way to give back to the industry that has been so good to us and our family. We thought a great way would be to provide an ongoing scholarship to members of the bowling family — children or grandchildren of bowling center owners. And we wanted it to be meaningful. After doing some research, we learned that it takes about \$25,000 to pay for a year of schooling at most state colleges."

Frewing's own time in college ended after a year and a half "because our family didn't have enough money for tuition." Taught carpentry skills by his father, he accepted an offer to join Brunswick as a bowling center installer, and almost immediately was put in charge of a crew because there were so many installation jobs underway. Frewing says a typical installation took between six and eight weeks, and he was involved with hundreds through the years before eventually going out on his own. He has spent the last 25 years operating US Bowling Corporation with his son, David.

While still in school, Frewing had thought about going into medicine, but says he has been told by countless doctors that they envy his career choice.



Dee and Daroll Frewing pose next to a prized saguaro cactus at their home in Boulder City, Nev. Their proximity to Las Vegas made it possible for them to meet the parents of their inaugural \$25,000 scholarship recipient, despite Bowl Expo being cancelled.

"They've told me that they just go from room to room, and it's rare to encounter a type of case that they haven't seen many times before," Frewing explains. "Thanks to bowling, we've been able to see some of the most beautiful places in the world. Thinking about that is what inspired us to develop the scholarship."

Although he wasn't able to complete his own college education, Frewing says he understands the value of a degree, especially today. "It wasn't necessarily true when I caught on with Brunswick," he says, "but today it will open doors for you."

That's what the Frewings want to do with their scholarship: open doors, and change lives.

"When we were developing the idea for the program and I mentioned how much the scholarship would be worth, a number of people asked me why we didn't just go with five \$5,000 awards and make five families happy," says Frewing. "But \$5,000 doesn't go very far in college today. We wanted this scholarship to make a real difference in someone's life."

Most would agree that vision fits the definition of "special."

— Bob Johnson

Club and is a 10-year member of 4-H, raising pigs and, appropriately enough for a bowler, turkeys.

In fact, Andrew's work with 4-H — serving on the Fayette County Junior Fair Board, running the 4-H livestock shows and other activities at the fair — has prevented him from bowling in the USBC Junior Gold Championships and chasing additional scholarship opportunities.

"When he makes a commitment, he sticks to it," says Andrew's dad. "It has never been an issue. He would have liked to bowl, but he values keeping his word more."

If that sounds at least a tad unusual for a member of a generation that sometimes seems obsessed with sharing every aspect of their lives on social media, well, perhaps Andrew Amoré is unusual. He's also modest, polite and focused.

He now is a freshman at Muskingum University in New Concord, Ohio, where he will be a member of the bowling team while majoring in business management.

"I can take that into law school or any business. It's a really useful degree," Andrew says.

Bowling Head Coach Doug Smith says Andrew is "exactly what we look for — a student-athlete, and in that order. A good student tends to be a good communicator, and that's important in a team sport."



Amoré signed his letter of intent for Muskingum University, and then posed with Head Bowling Coach Doug Smith (left) and David Jones.

David Jones, who oversees the men's bowling team at Muskingum, says of their new recruit: "He seems to be very team oriented, and that's important. If you have too many individuals, it hurts the team. He's very talented and knowledgeable, and will be an asset to the team."

Andrew served on the Ohio State USBC Board for a year and on the state's USBC Youth Committee for three years, following in the service-focused footsteps of his father, who has served bowling at the local and state levels, and became a member of the BPAA Board of Directors on Aug. 1, representing Ohio.

"It's important to give back to organizations that have been good to you," Andrew says.

He notes that listening to newly in-

ducted state hall of famers talk about their "bowling family" has made that family something he wants to be around for his entire life.

In an essay that accompanied his scholarship application, Andrew wrote: "In order to be able to properly give back to bowling, I need to attend college to grow and enrich my mind so one day I can share my knowledge. I see this scholarship as an investment in the future of the bowling family, as it will help pay to educate the future leaders of USBC, of which I aspire to be one day."

The USBC leaders of today may not have had the opportunity to see and meet Andrew Amoré in person at Bowl Expo 2020, but chances are they'll be hearing from him in the years to come.