

Rick Steelsmith
Wichita
KSBA Hall of Fame
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Rick is no stranger to the game of bowling. Here are a few of the accomplishments he has made in his short life. 1986 Bowlers Journal Amateur All American Team, 4-Time Collegiate 1st Team All-American, 1987 Collegiate Bowler of the Year, member of the Collegiate National Champion Team, 1987 ABC Bud Light Masters Champion, 1987 World FIQ in Helsinki, Finland participant (he won 2 Gold Medals, 1 Silver and 2 Bronze). He has also recorded the first ever game of 300 in FIQ history. As a member of the 1987 Tournament of Americans he won 2-1st place finishes, 1-2nd place finish and 1-3rd place finish. 1987 several Bowling Magazine titles: Bowlers Journal Amateur Bowler of the year, Bowling Digest Bowler of the Year, World Bowling Writers Bowler of the Year, Sullivan Award Nominee. At the 1988 ABC National Tournament in Jacksonville, Florida he placed 1st in the All Events, 2nd in Singles and he was a member of the Team All Events Champions. He was voted in as the 1998 PBA Rookie of the Year, and a member of Team Columbia and Vice Grip Staff.

His PBA titles include a 1991 PBA Touring Players/Seniors Doubles Champion, with Teata Semiz and a 1997 PBA National Championship Champion.

He received the Steve Nagy Sportsmanship award in 1997. In 1998 he was inducted into the NCAA Bowling Hall of Fame and the Greater Wichita Bowling Association's Hall of Fame.