

## To Whom It May Concern:

We are seeking ball or merchandise donations for the 4th Annual Michael Markis Memorial Tournament. This tournament is held annually in memory of our dear friend, Michael Markis. Michael was an avid bowler, both competitively and professionally. His life was cut tragically short on April 13, 2021 at the age of 36 years old. Each year, we choose to remember Michael by hosting a bowling tournament in his name. Above all, Michael loved promoting the sport of bowling in the youth bowlers; therefore, all proceeds of this tournament will go to the Michael Markis Scholarship Fund for local junior bowlers.

Last year, this tournament brought in 228 bowlers representing 11 different states and Canada. Thanks to the donations from last year's sponsors, along with proceeds from a bowling ball raffle that boasted over 40 bowling balls, we were able to award our bowlers a substantial prize fund and add over \$2,500 into the scholarship fund.

This year, we are hoping to have a comparable sized ball raffle, but we humbly ask for your help in effort to accomplish this goal. In return, your business will have its logo displayed on a banner at Chackos Family Bowling Center in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania to be seen by participants, spectators, and viewers of our livestream video throughout the event, which will be taking place on December 7th & 8th, 2024.

Should you choose to donate to this event, options for item pick up or drop off include:

- Drop off at Chacko's Family Bowling Center
- Coordinating with one of our tournament directors for pick up
- Shipping to 105 Lake St Dalton PA 18414

Your contribution is greatly appreciated, and we are looking forward to making this year's tournament a success. If you have any questions, we can be reached at: <a href="mailto:info@markismemorial.com">info@markismemorial.com</a> or 570-290-5095 (Stephanie)

With Great Appreciation,
The Michael Markis Tournament Committee
Stephanie Sheridan, Eric Hodorowski, Sunny Weiland, Jack Kurent, and JJ Sonday