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Indiana's Top High School Bowlers Compete in State Finals

Anderson, Indiana – The Indiana High School Bowling Program State Finals were held Saturday at Cooper's Sport Bowl in Anderson. The state finalists were determined by competition at the 2 Semi-State competitions in Richmond and South Bend last Saturday, February 13. A total of 8 boys' and 8 girls' teams plus the top 18 individual boys and 18 girls qualified for the finals.

The eight teams (boys & girls) bowled two regular games, followed by five Baker games in the qualifying round. The 18 individuals (boys & girls) bowled three regular games in their qualifying round. The top 4 teams and individuals then advanced to stepladder to determine the state champions.

Michigan City boys and Elkhart Memorial girls won the team titles. Marty Porter, South Ripley and Katie Wezel, Lafayette Jefferson, won the individual titles. Michigan City and Marty Porter led from start to finish. City rolled an 1124 first game and finished at the #1 seed with a score of 3203. Porter started with a 256 and led qualifying with 704. City defeated Rochester 470 (256+214) to 397 (214+183). Porter defeated Luke Jeffers, Bloomington South, 212-143. Memorial was in seventh place after the first game but rallied to finish as the #1 seed with 2737. They defeated Huntington North 391 (169+222) – 396 (219+177). Wezel was in third after the 1st game with 201. She moved into 2nd with a 205 and on into the top spot with a 208. She defeated Nykki Stone, Evansville Harrison, in the final match, 187-183.

The Indiana High School Bowling program is sponsored by the Indiana Bowling Centers Association, Inc. and bowling centers throughout Indiana. During the 2008-2009 season, 106 bowling centers throughout 24 conferences sponsored 193 schools for a total of 349 boys and girls teams.

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