## **Gus Bondi's Hall of Fame Presentation**

It is my pleasure to present Gus Bondi for induction into the Central District Hall of Fame.

Gus began playing in his park in 1999 and while driving past the Winter Haven courts seeing activity, he stopped and soon was a member there. There he received "tutoring" from Austin McDonald, Leon Brouseau and Jerry Pointer, which led to him making the Reiny in 2002 and pro in 2003. In 2004 his "tutoring" continued by Pete Rinehardt and Jerry Stannard, enabling him to win his first State tournament with Jerry and the Central District Pro Masters in 2006.

Gus always gives 100 percent to every shot as he also did working at Winter Haven, being its President and Vice-President from 2002-2005. Also, he was Treasurer, Vice-President and President of the International Shuffleboard Association from 2003-2008 and Vice-President of the National Shuffleboard Association from 2009-2011 and will be President in 2011, where his goal is to get youth involved in Shuffleboard.

Gus has shuffled in Australia, Brazil, Canada, England, Germany, New Zealand and will play in Russia this summer. He has also shuffled in Arizona, California, Ohio, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire and North Carolina, where he won a National Doubles Championship.

As you can see Gus is a "well rounded" player and contributor to Shuffleboard.

Submitted by Jerry Stannard - March 2011