

Casual Play Marketing

October 24, 2017





I maybe step inside a bowling alley once every year or two, if that. But whenever I do, I always think, "Wow, this is so much fun. I ought to do it more often." Then I leave, get caught up in life, and never think about it again.

Unfortunately, I'm the same way with The Other White Meat: Whenever I order carnitas at a restaurant or fix a pork roast on Sunday, I always think, "Wow, this is great. I should have pork more often." But then I forget and go back to the same old meals I always make. My cooking's in a rut. Make that a gutter. I think it's time to go bowling again.

TheOtherWhiteMeat.com/PorkAnd



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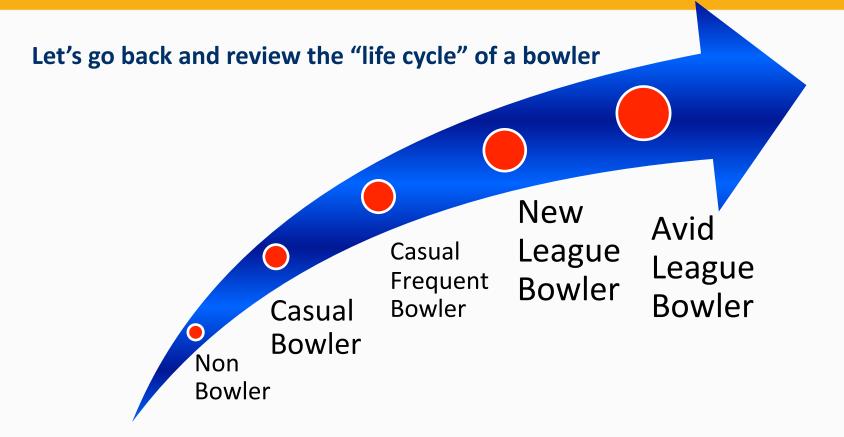
### Agenda

- Creating casual trial
- Database collection & management
- Sample program





# Creating Casual Trial





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- Remember the progressive operator needs two shifts of business a night. In most locations that will be one shift of league and one shift of casual
- Couponing Free Versus Paid do we devalue our product by giving it away?
- A FREE Game given to the right person for use at the right time to generate trial is a solid marketing strategy



To locate participating centers, visit

www.gobowling.com or www.bowl.com



game of bowling and has no cash redemption value. Limit one ree game of bowling per person, per coupon, per day. Valid daily through 4/15/09 to 8/31/10 between and 6:00pm (holidays excluded) at partic

No age restrictions apply. Offer good in the 50 U.S. states and D.C., its territories and military addresses only. Void where taxed, prohibited or otherwise restricted.





## Creating Casual Trial



A four week "learn to bowl" program designed to introduce NEW adults 18+ to bowling or reactivate bowlers who have not bowled in several years.

**Bowl Better In 4 Weeks** 





### Week 5







### Database Management





### Daypart Special





### Overview

- How has casual bowling changed?
- Different than league decline and harder to measure
- Decline in open traffic offset by increases in price and F&B
  - Daypart Changes
  - Demographics Jessica Perkins
  - Walk-in traffic
  - How often does your center fill up without bookings or league? At the full price rate?



### Reserved Business

#### Reserved Business

- Will make or break you during non-peak season
- Almost never hurts you even during peak times or peak season, especially if you get a deposit
- Reserved business has a higher check average than walk in business
- Are we doing all we can to build reserved business?
- When does your center take reservations?



### Reserved Business

- Reserved Business Examples
  - Corporate Parties
  - Birthday Parties
  - Daycare Groups
  - Youth Sports Teams
  - Family Reunions
  - Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts
  - Special Olympics
  - Fundraisers
  - Tournaments
  - Leagues
- Book almost everything you can. It's Sunday at 2:15 PM and we have nothing booked for today. How many lanes do I have going right now?



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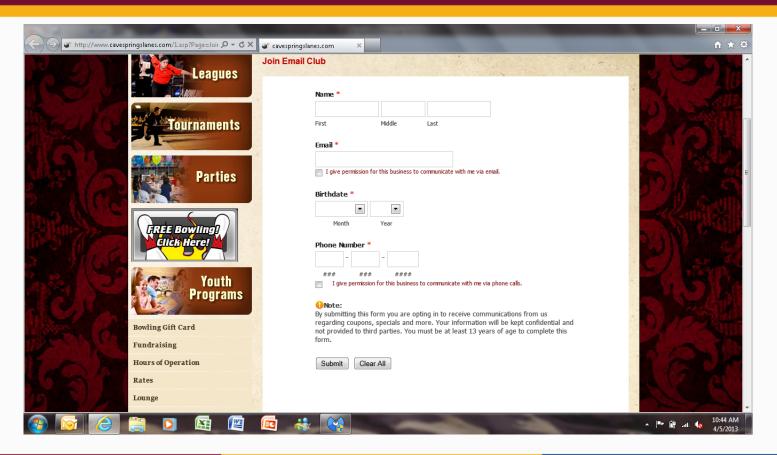
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### Data Collection Form





### Database Management

- Join and follow other e-mail & SMS programs to learn best practices on enrollment, frequency, offers & creative
  - Brunswick, AMF, Main Event, Dave & Busters
- EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT READY TO COMMUNICATE, START COLLECTING DATA NOW!

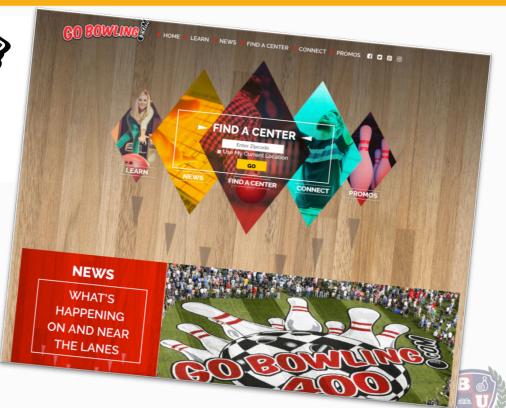




# www.GoBowling.com







# Who Doesn't Love Coupons?



\$.99 BOWLING \$24.99
2 Hours of Bowling
FREE Shoe Rental
FREE Pitcher of Pepsi

#### Thank You For Spreading The Word About **Go Bowling.com**

Enjoy One Free Family Funtastic Value Package For Up To 6 People

2 Hours of Bowling
FREE Shoe Rental
FREE Pitcher of



International Bowling Campus 621 Six Flags Drive Arlington, TX 76011 800-343-1329

\$40.00 VALUE

### WE PUT THE FUN IN FUNDRAISER!

HOW MUCH DO YOU WANT TO RAISE? \$250...\$500...\$1,000...

WHY BOWLING??? BECAUSE IT IS FUN & EVERYONE CAN DO IT!

HOW HARD IS IT?

### IT'S EASIER THAN BOWLING A STRIKE!

ENCOURAGE STUDENTS, TEACHERS, FAMILIES, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS & STRANGERS TO GO BOWLING ON YOUR WEEKEND!

**50% GOES TO YOUR ORGANIZATION** 



#### **HOW IT WORKS!**

AFFORDABLE FAMILY FUN!

- CAN WE DO A FUNDRAISER AT BUFFALOE LANES?
- YES, if you are one of the following: School, PTA, PTSA,
- School Group/Club, Church, Charity Organization, Athletic Team and/or any not for profit organization.

Check Us Out on the web: www.BuffaloeLanes.com







- 1. Schedule Your Fundraiser
  - -A weekend (Sat. & Sun.) between April 1st & November 1st.
- Decide how much you want to raise.
   -Example: 50 people spending \$20 on bowling (average cost) will raise your organization

#### \$500!

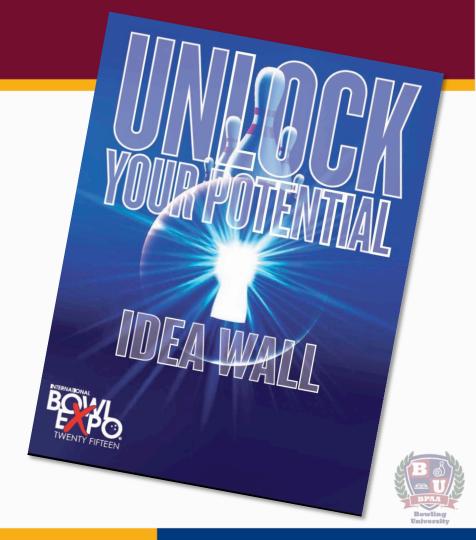
- 3. We print half-page flyers for you to hand out.
  - Distribute them to your students, friends, families and/or neighbors.
- **4.** Remind everyone to bring in their flyer & bowl at the Buffaloe Lanes location of your fundraiser.
- 5. We collect the flyers & pair them with the receipts.

50% OF THE BOWLING RECEIPT TOTAL IS YOURS!

#### HERE IS HOW TO GET THE BALL ROLLING...

Contact the closest Buffaloe Lanes location and we will gladly meet with you to discuss how we can help your group and/or organization raise as much as possible. As an added bonus we will work with you on ways to promote your fundraiser to as many people as possible. Visit us on the web at www.BuffaloeLanes.com for the location nearest you!









\$5.00 Per Person • Includes Shoe Rental Bring your cameras, it will be a great photo opp!!!



# Holiday Ball Club





## Halloween Party











### Ideas?

- Be creative...
- Things people have in common
- What's in?
  - Xbox or PS4 League
  - Emogi Ball League
  - NFL Ball Leagues



# May Events at the Bowling Center & Pinspotter Cafe

### **Weekly Lunch Bowling Special**

Monday-Friday • 11am-1pm

Cost: \$1.00 per game and .50 shoe rental.

#### Шаску Wing Special

Wednesdays: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 • 11am-sold out

 Choose from BBQ, Honey BBQ, or Sweet Chill wings for only .50 each!

#### Scotch Mixed Doubles Tournament Friday: May 5 • 6:30pm

\$10 per person, shoe rental \$1.50

Includes 6 games of competition bowling

 Call ahead to be added to the list, or sign up on the night of the event

#### Dollar Bowling Nights

Fridays: May 5, 12, 19, 26 • 6pm-10pm

Cost: \$1 per game!

"Snack Bar Hot Wing Special" - 24 breaded wings for \$20!

 NOTE: Dollar bowling is open to US ID/ration card holders only. Non-ID card holders will be charged full price for bowling: \$3.25 per

### Sunday League Bowling Special

Sundays: May 7, 14, 21, 28 • 1pm-4pm

Adults: \$2.00 per game, and shoe rental \$1

 Must show current USBC (United States Bowling Congress) membership card to be eligible to bowl.

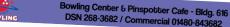
#### League Bowler Special

Thursdays: May 11 & 18 • 5pm-9:30pm

- The best time to practice and fine-tune your game!
- Adults: \$2.00 per game, and shoe rental \$1
- Must show current USBC (United States Bowling Congress) membership card to be eligible to bowl.

#### Mother's Day Bowling Special Sunday: May 14 • 1pm-9pm

All moms bowl for just \$1 per game, and shoe rental is free!









May 1

May 29

CLOSED

(Bank Holiday)

(Memorial Day)

11am-5pm



# **Thank You!**



**LEARNING SO EFFECTIVE** 

Bowling University

### YOU'LL NEED CROWD CONTROL.

