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**ANDRE GONZALES WINS BACK TO BACK MDUSBC MASTERS
AND CLAIMS \$1,500 FIRST PRIZE AT WOODHAVEN BOWL A RAMA**

Defending champion Andre Gonzales of Shelby Twp. became a back to back winner in his second appearance at the 61st Annual Metro Detroit USBC Masters Championship by defeating Allan Rice of Phenix, AL for a second time 480-431. In claiming the title, Gonzales took home the first prize of \$1,500 which includes \$300 from event supporter, Turbo 2-N-1 Grips. An additional \$100 will be sent to him for wearing the Turbo logo throughout the tournament. Rice settled for the second-place check of \$750.

Gonzales needed his defending champion automatic ninth seed to reach match play rounds as his six game total of 1075 in the qualifying rounds were not enough for him to move forward. In match play, he defeated Rice the first time 448-401, Ed Burbo of Belleville 504-316 and Jeff Austreng of Waterford 441-316 to advance to the final match round. Still in the Winners Bracket, Gonzales lost to Rice in their second match 418-400. In the final winner take all match, Gonzales beat Rice for the second time. Over the two-day tournament, Gonzales averaged 210.72 for 18 games.

Rice qualified first with a six game total of 1,432. In match play, he lost the original match with Gonzales to fall into the loser's bracket. In the loser's bracket he beat Justin Jeffery of Lincoln Park 452-327, Burbo 418-311, Jonathon Dean of Casco 536-301 and Austreng 528-396 to reach the final matches with Gonzales. He averaged 230.59 for 22 games of competition.

Austreng, the 2005, 2007 & 2021 champion, qualified with 1134. In match play, he defeated John Kelley of Clinton Twp. 428-408, Frank Snodgrass of Auburn Hills 439-393 and Dean 437-369 before losing to Gonzales 441-316. In the loser's bracket he suffered his second defeat and elimination to Rice. He averaged 201.19 for 16 games and settled at third place for \$600.

Fourth place finisher, Dean, qualified third with 1,280. He remained in the winner's bracket by defeating Lonnie Jones of Tampa, FL 415-360 before losing to Austreng 437-369. In the loser's bracket, he defeated Jones for a second time 410-340 before losing to Rice. He averaged 198.21 for 14 games and settled for fourth place for \$500.

Burbo qualified fourth with 1229 and took home \$450 for his fifth place finish. Jones finished sixth for \$450. John Robertson of Waterford seventh for \$400 and Jeffery eighth for \$400.

The MDUSBC Masters Tournament is a USBC certified event operated by the Metro Detroit USBC, the largest local association of the United States Bowling Congress which serves over 32,000 adult and youth bowlers in the Metropolitan Detroit market.

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**2023 METRO DETROIT USBC ASSOCIATION
MASTERS TOURNAMENT AT WOODHAVEN BOWL A RAMA**

<u>PL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>	<u>WINNINGS</u>
1	Andre Gonzales	Shelby Twp.	210.72	\$ 1,500
2	Allan Rice	Phenix, AL	230.59	\$ 750
3	Jeffrey Austreng	Waterford	201.19	\$ 600
4	Jonathon Dean	Casco	198.21	\$ 500
5	Ed Burbo	Belleville	193.00	\$ 450
6	Lonnie Jones	Tampa, FL	189.94	\$ 450
7	John Robertson	Waterford	193.00	\$ 400
8	Justin Jeffery	Lincoln Park	182.79	\$ 400
9	Frank Snodgrass	Auburn Hills	198.10	\$ 350
10	Carleton Chambers	Detroit	187.50	\$ 350
11	John Kelley	Clinton Twp.	202.00	\$ 350
12	Devin Osborn	Farmington Hills	192.50	\$ 350

NON-CASHING SENIORS (50- AND OVER)

14.	Gerald Sikora	Ecorse	1110	\$170
21.	Fleming Cook Jr.	Woodhaven	1052	\$170

Note: 100% of entry fees collected returned as prize money