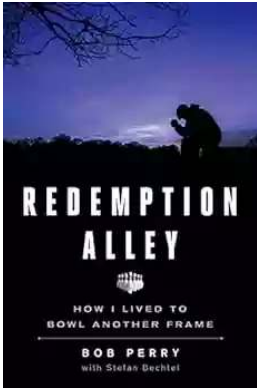


How I Lived To Bowl Another Frame



Have you ever had those moments in life where it felt like everything was falling apart? The weight of the world on your shoulders, uncertainty creeping in, and despair knocking at your door? I certainly have. But amidst those challenging times, one unexpected activity helped me find solace and rediscover myself - bowling.

Let me take you on a journey of resilience and triumph. This is how I defied the odds, overcame adversity, and lived to bowl another frame.



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Discovering the Calling

It all started on a rainy Sunday afternoon. Feeling lost and helpless, I was searching for an escape from my troubled mind. As I flicked through channels on my TV, I stumbled upon a bowling tournament. The vibrant energy emanating from the alley captured my attention, and in that moment, I knew I had found my calling.

The next day, I found myself standing apprehensively at the entrance of my local bowling alley. The smell of freshly waxed lanes, the sound of pins crashing, and the sight of bowlers in action intrigued me. I rented a pair of bowling shoes, chose a colorful ball, and awaited my turn to start this newfound journey.

The Roller Coaster of Emotions

Little did I know that bowling would become much more than a mere pastime. It became a vessel for my emotions, allowing me to channel my frustrations, fears, and hopes into each throw of the ball. With every strike, I felt a sense of accomplishment and excitement that temporarily washed away the complexities of life.

Of course, it wasn't all smooth sailing. Bowling, like life, has its fair share of ups and downs. The initial euphoria of landing a strike soon turned to frustration when my shots went awry. Days of endless gutter balls and missed spares tested my patience and resilience. But I refused to let these setbacks define me.

The Power of a Supportive Community

In my darkest moments at the alley, I discovered the true power of a supportive community. Fellow bowlers shared their knowledge, tips, and tricks to help me improve my game. They provided a shoulder to lean on when my confidence wavered, and celebrated my victories with genuine enthusiasm.

Bowling leagues became my second family, a network of unwavering support in a seemingly uncaring world. We shared laughter, competitive spirit, and a genuine passion for the sport. Through their encouragement, I found the strength to persevere and continue my journey, frame after frame.

Overcoming Adversity

Bowling taught me valuable lessons in resilience and perseverance. Every gutter ball and every missed spare served as a reminder that failure is merely an opportunity for growth. Instead of seeing these moments as setbacks, I embraced them as learning experiences.

Gradually, my technique improved, and my scores climbed higher. The newfound confidence on the lanes began to transcend into other areas of my life. I found myself approaching challenges with a renewed vigor, knowing that setbacks are merely temporary roadblocks on the path to success.

Bowling Beyond the Lanes

The impact of bowling was not limited to the alley. It extended into my relationships, my professional life, and my overall well-being. The discipline and focus required to excel at bowling translated into increased productivity and efficiency in my work.

Furthermore, the friendships forged in the bowling community provided a support system that carried me through the tough times and celebrated the victories alongside me. Bowling had become more than a sport; it had become a cornerstone of my personal growth.

Embracing the Journey

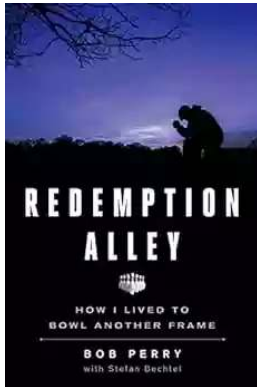
As I reflect on my bowling journey, I am reminded of the power of perseverance, community, and personal growth. Bowling has not only provided me with an escape from the troubles of life, but it has also taught me invaluable life lessons.

Much like in bowling, life is a series of frames - some strikes, some spares, and some gutters. But it is not the number of strikes that define us; it is the way we respond to the gutters. It is about embracing failures and celebrating successes. It is about recognizing that we have the power to live through adversity and emerge stronger on the other side.

So next time life throws you a curveball, consider picking up a bowling ball. Just like me, you might discover that bowling is not simply a game, but a

transformative journey that can help you live to bowl another frame.

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After hitting rock bottom through addiction, bowling legend Bob Perry learned that religion is for people who don't want to go to hell. Spirituality is for people who have already been there. Perry tells his heart-wrenching, inspiring story of bowling for the mob and drug and alcohol addiction in his new book, Redemption Alley.

Perry, considered by many to be one of the most naturally-talented bowlers in the history of the sport, had potential to become one of the best even at the young age of 12. Unfortunately, he grew up in 1970's Paterson, New Jersey, where everyone knew someone who was "connected"—with the mob, that is. Instead of training for championships, Perry began doing odd jobs for wiseguys and hustling hundreds of thousands of dollars in after-house "action bowling" for John Gotti, who later became the boss of the Gambino crime family.

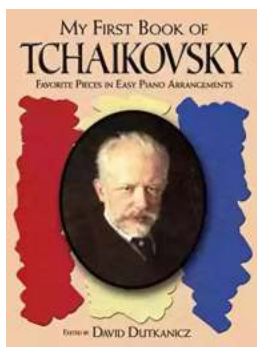
Perry's connections with organized crime eventually landed him in federal prison, but not before he became addicted to crack cocaine, alcohol, and painkillers and was homeless on the streets of New York. Ultimately, Perry washed up on the shores of St. Christopher's Inn, a shelter run by Franciscan monks. It was there that he had six fateful encounters with an angelic messenger who no one else could see—a monk whose message was so powerful that Bob Perry has now been sober for 22 years.

In Redemption Alley, Perry not only shares his remarkable story of bowling success, his dangerous association with hoodlums and gangsters, and his recovery from addiction, but also his inspiring, decades-long spiritual quest, and his sober journey back into the bowling world.



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