

## **Kasey Sullivan**

### **Youth Star of Tomorrow**

### **Superior Performance**



Kasey Sullivan is the eighteen year old son of Jason Sullivan, and Jennifer Oster of Cumberland, Maryland. He is a 2016 graduate of Fort Hill High School. He has shown excellence not only on the lanes, but also throughout his academic career. He graduated high school with a 3.81 GPA and was a three time Cumberland Times News student athlete of the month. His performance in school and in bowling helped him achieve his dream of bowling collegiately and he is currently attending McKendree University in Lebanon, Illinois where he is a member of the national championship bowling team.

Kasey started bowling in his first league in 2004 at The Bowler in LaVale, MD. He was under the direction of Dr. Harold Winstanley and Mr. Richard Sites. Kasey has long accredited his success to the early help of his former coaches. After three years of leagues at The Bowler, Kasey added a league at White Oak Lanes in Cumberland, MD. He continued to bowl multiple leagues per week, even driving an hour each way to bowl in a youth league in Altoona PA.

Kasey has always been a competitor and has won numerous titles on the local, state and national level. One of the first events he won was in 2008 at the USBC Youth Open Championship in Indianapolis Indiana. He placed first in doubles with his partner and fellow lefty Tanner Smith.

Within Maryland, Kasey has won the 2010, 2011, 2013 and 2016 MD State Scratch Male All Events Title, and won the 2013 MD State 600 Tournament. He finished second in the 2013 MD State Pepsi Tournament as well as three 4th place finishes in 2014, 2015 and 2016. He has qualified for the MD State High Average Invitational since 2011 and place 4th in 2013 and 3rd in 2016. Kasey has been a consistent figure in the step ladder at many MD State Events, including a 2nd place scratch showing at the 2015 MD Tenpin Council Tournament.

Kasey not only competes in MD State Tournaments but he has attended the Jr Gold National Championships the past four years with his best showing this year in Indianapolis. He finished 152nd out of 1350 under 20 boy bowlers all across the United States. He also finished 3rd at the 2012 Teen Masters National Championship, competing in the under 14 division. He has also been a regular fixture on the PJBT (Pennsylvania Junior Bowlers Tour) the past several years often traveling two and half hours each way just to gain experience, improve his game and win scholarship money.

Kasey's greatest achievements on the lanes have been through his high school career. He was a four year starter for the Fort Hill High School bowling team which competed in the ACIBL (Allegany County Interscholastic Bowling League). He held the league high average all four years with a 208 average his freshman year, 217 his sophomore year (which broke the previous record of 215 which was held by 2009 MD Youth Star of Tomorrow and current PWBA member Amanda Greene), 233 his junior year and 225 his senior year. He was a four time All-Area and All-Star for the league. During his high school career his record was 69 wins and 1 loss, and he led the team to 4 ACIBL showcase wins. He had three 800 sets, including a 824 set his sophomore year that was also a new league record.

Kasey set a goal for himself his senior year, he wanted a 300. He had several sanctioned 300 but none for high school. He waited to the very last moment to do so and during the first game of his final high school showcase he got the 300! Not only that but he finished with another 800 set. He was the first person in the history of the ACIBL to bowl a perfect game during the showcase!

As much success that Kasey has had thanks to his talent and love for bowling, nothing compares to his character on and off the lanes. You will never meet someone so humble as him. He has never been one to boast about his scores or his accomplishments. He has always been a role model that many of the youth bowlers in our area look up to. Kasey is very honored and grateful to receive this award and it is one that he will always be most proud of.