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Evansville, IN

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NORTHERN INDIANA — UNIT 154

Jim Pelletier, Reporting

The ACBL is successful because of the hard work of its many volunteers at national and local levels. One of these hard working volunteers is Dick Ellis of Kokomo, IN. He has served as secretary-treasurer of Unit 154 for over 20 years and has been a member of the District 8 board for almost that long. For many years Dick was the tournament chairman for the Kokomo Sectional. This was year after year the most successful sectional in the area with largest attendance. All due to the promotional ideas and hospitality Dick provided. This dedication to bridge and to the success of the ACBL seems to run in pairs. Dick's long time partner Jim Davis has been on the Unit 154 board for about as long as Dick and is currently in his second two year term as our unit president. Thank you both for all of your efforts.

Dick is also an outstanding bridge player. He needs just a few masterpoints to achieve the rank as a Diamond Life Master. During last year's Gatlinburg Regional, I had played in a KO event with Dick and one of his regular partners, Dean Robinson, from Indianapolis. This hand came up in the last round finals.

Vulernable: N-S
Dealer: South

Dean
North
♠ J 10 9 8
♥ A 9 5
♦ A K 4
♣ K 10 8

West
♠ 5 3
♥ 10 8
♦ Q 9 8
♣ A Q 7 6 4 2

East
♠ Q
♥ Q J 7 6 4
♦ 10 7 6 5 3
♣ J 5

Dick
South
♠ A K 7 6 4 2
♥ K 3 2
♦ J 8
♣ 9 3

South	*West*	*North*	*East*
1♠	2♣	3♣(1)	Pass
4♠	Pass	4 NT (2)	Pass
5♥(3)	Pass	6♠	All Pass

(1) Limit raise or better in spades
(2) RKC 1430
(3) Two key cards without the spade queen

West led the ten of hearts. Dick won this trick with the ace of hearts from dummy to retain the king of hearts for transportation to his hand. Dick's first task was to draw trumps. He led the jack of spades winning the trick with the ace from his hand and led the three of clubs. West won with the ace and returned his last heart. Dick won with the king in his hand and returned a small spade to dummy's ten. He played dummy's king of clubs, followed by the ace of diamonds. He led the nine of spades from dummy winning, which was followed by the eight of spades overtaken in his hand. He then played a fifth round of spades leaving this three card ending position:

Dean
♦ K 4
♣ 10

West
♦ Q 9
♣ Q

East
♥ J
♦ 10 7

Dick
♠ 2
♥ 2
♦ J

Dick then played the two of spades and both East and West were caught in a double squeeze. At our table the opponents were in a quiet four spades game making five for a plus 13 IMP swing and a KO victory for the Ellis team. With declarer play like this I am surprised that he wasn't a Diamond Life Master ten years ago.

DISTRICT 11 NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS WINNERS

The North American Pairs winners were:

Strat. A: 1. Doug Simson - Walter Johnson 2. Gregory Potts - Chalres Kopp 3. Bob Sulgrove - Bill Higgins.

Strat. B: 1. Rachna and Arun Gayol 2. Thomas and Leigh Anne Schmidt 3. Mark Bullimore - Sheng Hung Wang.

Strat. C: 1. Ryan Schultz - David Camillus 2. Adam Parrish - Trey Wright 3. A. J. Stephani - Vivek Choudhury.

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LOUISVILLE SECTIONAL

BEST WESTERN BROWNSBORO INN
4805 Brownsboro Road
Louisville, KY 40207
502-893-2551
(Ask for Bridge Rate)

FRIDAY

Stratified Pairs (Single Sessions).....1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
Strat A 1500+ Strat B 500-1500 Strat C 0-500
199er Stratified Pairs* (Single Sessions).....1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
Games will be stratified as warranted.
Novice Pairs* (0-20 MPs) (Single Session).....1:30 & 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Handicapped Knockouts
(3 sessions).....9 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Stratified Pairs (Single Sessions).....1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
Strat A 1500+ Strat B 500-1500 Strat C 0-500
199er Stratified Pairs* (Single Sessions).....1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
Games will be stratified as warranted.
Novice Pairs* (0-20 MPs) (Single Session).....1:30 & 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Bracketed Swiss Teams (Play Thru).....10:30 a.m.

(Stratified by average points of teammates)

Lunch Available on Sunday

*As Attendance Warrants

Free Coffee and Desserts All Day Friday and Saturday

FREE PARKING!!

No Smoking allowed in the playing area. Our smoking friends will be accommodated by frequent hospitality breaks.

Tournament Chairperson: Gail Slater 502-895-9477
email: gslater123@aol.com
Partnership Chairperson: Susan Cox 502-426-5578
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CENTRAL OHIO NEWS

Linda Rice, Reporting

MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to our new Masters: Silver Master - Mae Hill; Bronze Master - Linda Rice; Life Master - Carol Langshaw; NABC Master - Jane Huff; Regional Master: Donald Allen, Edward Krauss, Sandy Newman, Dace E. Sprecher, and Mabel E. Sturdivant; Sectional Master - Yvonne McNabb, Natalie Riede, and Joanne Troy.

SECTIONAL TOURNAMENTS IN JANUARY AND MARCH

The Columbus Winter Sectional will be held on January 4-6 at the Haimerl Center. See the flyer in the October issue of the *Monitor*. The Spring Sectional will be held March 19-21. See the flyer in this issue.

COBA FALL SECTIONAL RESULTS

Thanks to everyone who attended the Columbus Fall Sectional. Here are the winners:

Friday Afternoon Flighted Open Pairs: A/X: Shan Au - Walter Johnson; B/C: Martin Seltzer - Suman Agarwal. Friday Afternoon NLM Pairs: D/E: Catherine Konicsak - Bruce Venrick; F: Evelyn and A. Weiner. Friday Evening Open Pairs: A: Anita Torrence - Barth Royer; B: Sally Eggleston - Barbara Bates; C: Lynda Brown Walker - Bonnie Papini. Friday Evening NLM Pairs: A: Douglas Whaley - Lewis Rakocy; B: Robert Jiobu - Dean Congbalay; C: Dan and Ky Jaffe.

Saturday Morning Open Pairs: A/B: Karma Zoss - Nickie Leckrone; C: Daniel Radvansky - Alev Bueyuekkoekten. Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs: A: Charles Kopp - Gregory Potts; B: Mae and J. Michael Hill; C: Richard Loew - Howard Mitchell. Saturday Afternoon NLM Pairs: A: Lynda Brown Walker - Bonnie Papini; B: Joanne Troy - Yvonne McNabb; C: David and Natalie Riede. Saturday Evening Open Pairs: A: Ellen Royer - Daniel Radvansky; B/C: Donald and Rhoda Ruben. Saturday Evening NLM Pairs: D: Eunice Adamany - Michele Brosius; E: Charles Weis - Joan Eckhardt. Saturday Handicapped KO Teams, A: Kenneth Eichenbaum, Siraj Haji, Walter Johnson, Kenneth Rexford; B: Michael Neds, Donald Freeland, William Collis, Terrence Kessler.

Sunday Swiss Teams: A: Robert Brandow, Gene Benedict, Kenneth Eichenbaum, H. Eikleberry, Siraj Haji, Tom Justl. B: Thomas Hickey, Edith Heise, Chistiane Edmondson, Jackie White. C: Leslie Weichenthal, Nannette White, Catherine Linstedt, Shobha Tandon.

BLUEGRASS BRIDGE
Maudine, Sue, and Judy Make Life Master

Harry Gordon, Reporting

At the Caesars Regional in November three members of our unit achieved the status of Life Master. Congrats to Maudine Frisby, Sue Distler and Judy Wright. Sue and Judy reside in Georgetown and regularly attend the Monday and Thursday afternoon games in Lexington.

Maudine is the third retired faculty member of Lafayette High School, along with Atha Dickenson and myself to become life masters. We never had time to play at work, however we understand that Maudine's regular partner Bill Fine now has all of his Golds and is well on his way to joining the elite list.

Also scoring wins at Caesar's were Jill Ohlson and Matt Heuser; Mary Bell, Sheila Bello, Carole Fox, and Sue Leaf; and scoring the most points from our unit were Sue Bullard and her humble partner, winning a first and second in knockouts.

A great time was had by all! Thanks for their hard work to our tournament chair Sandra Holt and the many others who helped.

Leading so far in the Ace of Clubs standings are Ray and Kathy Linck. Final results in our next column; stay tuned!

Hope you enjoy the Lexington January Sectional and are making plans for the next one in May.

COLUMBUS SPRING SECTIONAL

March 28-30, 2008

Haimerl Center, 1421 Morse Rd, Columbus, Ohio
Exit 116 on I-71 (Morse Rd), East on Morse for 0.8 miles.
GREAT HOSPITALITY: Free coffee, sodas, and snacks

Friday, March 28

1:30 PM

Open Pairs	(A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750)
Future Masters Pairs	(D: 200-500, E: 100-200, F: 0-100)

7:00 PM

Flighted Open Pairs	(A: 3000+, A2: 0-3000) (B: 750-1500, C: 0-750)
Future Masters Pairs	(D: 100-500, E: 50-100, F: 0-50)

Saturday, March 29 Free Pancake Breakfast (9:30-9:50 AM)

10:00 AM
Bracketed Compact KOs (continues at 2:30 PM)
Half Price Pairs: only $4 (A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750)

2:30 PM

Open Pairs	(A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750)
Future Masters Pairs	(D: 100-500, E: 50-100, F: 0-50)

7:30 PM

Open Pairs	(A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750)
Future Masters Pairs	(D: 200-500, E: 100-200, F: 0-100)

Sunday, March 30

12:00 Noon
Bracketed Swiss Teams (play through)
Teams seeded into brackets based on a team's average masterpoints

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NON SMOKING TOURNAMENT
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MIAMI VALLEY BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Bonnie Papini, Reporting

Hello! Welcome to a new year of bridge in the Miami Valley and all around the Midwest. After years of faithful reporting, Terry Parker has laid down his *Midwest Monitor* "pen" and passed the pleasurable duty of spreading the news of the MVBA to another hand. Everyone thanks him for his time and efforts on behalf of bridge.

New life masters from Miami Valley are: Barbara Leese, Norma McCann, Thomas Surd, Bruce Walker, Sue Walker, Kenneth White, and Patricia White. Congratulations on a significant achievement.

The Miami Valley Bridge Center also boasts three new directors. Janet Lee, Georgia Banziger, and Beverley Dana are now promoting good bridge on Tonawanda Trail. Thanks, ladies, and congratulations on your qualifications.

On January 7, the MVBA adds two new Monday evening games. Steve Forsythe, recently transferred to the unit from the Washington, D.C. area, directs an open, stratified game at 7 p.m. Also, beginning at the same time is a Home-Style game, aimed at social, rubber, and new bridge players. Pass the word! Bridge can grow.

Besides holiday and tournament plans, everyone at the club on Tonawanda Trail is interested in the new bridge center planned for occupancy in the middle of 2008. The drawings for the new building are posted at the center and ground should be broken by the time this newsletter arrives in the mail. The new center will be less than four miles from the present location, off David Road on Presidential Way in Kettering, with easy access from the interstate highways. One of the amenities of the new location will be a large parking area with good lighting and security. The new center will also be large enough for sectional tournaments and the annual Christmas party. (While many will have fond memories of the sectionals at the IUE hall on Woodman Drive, certainly no one will miss the HARD metal chairs.) So, the Dayton Sectional at the end of 2008 should be in the new location. The Dayton Sectional on February 22 to 24 will be at the "traditional" location (with hard chairs, remember your cushions). Hope to see lots of players for the farewell sectional tournament of the era before beginning of the history of the "new" bridge center.

Speaking of sectional, the penultimate tournament at the IUE wrapped up on December 2. Thanks to tournament chairperson Tom Coyle for a job well done. Thanks also to everyone who set up, provided refreshments, and labored afterwards. See all the results at MVBA.com.

Fall of 2007 was also a sad time for the MVBA family, suffering the passing of two members during this time, Glenn Cramer and Margaret DuBro. Also several members who were ill or hospitalized are: George Kirby, Norma McCann, Terry Parker, Rosie Sullivan, Sandy Milford, Natalie Barrar, Dottie Dixon, David Sullivan, Susan Googash, Toni Funk, Clee Rhodus, and Joe Weinrich. Happily several already have recovered and returned to the bridge tables after their illness or surgery. Welcome back!

Until next edition, good times and good cards to everyone.

MIDWEST MONITOR SUBSCRIPTION

Do you have a friend who has moved from the Midwest area who would like to hear news and activites of our players?

Fill out the form below and mail to
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DAYTON WINTER SECTIONAL

February 22-24, 2008

****** IUE Union Hall ******

1675 Woodman Drive

Dayton, Ohio

All ACBL players with 0-5 Points Play Free.

Directions: From Cincinnati, I-75 North, I-675 North, Route 35 West one mile, south on Woodman Drive 0.8 miles. From Columbus, I-70 West, I-675 South, Route 35 West one mile, south on Woodman Drive 0.8 miles. From Indianapolis, I-70 East, I-75 South, Route 35 East four miles, south on Woodman Drive 0.8 miles. From Toledo, I-75 South, Route 35 East four miles, south on Woodman Drive 0.8 miles.

***IUE Hall is on the right (West) side of Woodman Drive. ***

Host Hotel: Microtel Inn - 4500 Linden Avenue (937) 252-9700. Located 0.2 miles from Route 35 and Woodman Drive.

Call for GREAT BRIDGE RATES!

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 22

Compact Handicap Bracketed Knockouts
(Rds. 1 & 2) ..... 1:30 & 7:00 p.m.

Stratified Future Masters Pairs ..... 1:30 p.m.
A 200-300 B 50-200 C 0-50

Stratified Open Pairs ..... 1:30 p.m.
A 1500+ B 750-1500 C 0-750

Stratified Open Pairs ..... 7:00 p.m.
A 1000+ B 300-1000 C 0-300

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 23

Handicap Bracketed Knockouts
(Rds. 1, 2, & 3) ..... 9:00 a.m.,1:30 & 7:00 p.m.

Stratified Future Masters Pairs ..... 1:30 p.m.
A 200-300 B 50-200 C 0-50

Stratified Open Pairs ..... 1:30 p.m.
A 1500+ B 750-1500 C 0-750

Stratified Open Pairs ..... 7:00 p.m.
A 1000+ B 300-1000 C 0-300

SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 24

StratiFlighted Swiss Teams ..... 10:30 a.m.
A 1500+ A/X 0-1500 B 300-1000 C 100-300 D 0-100

A and A/X Play Together B, C and D Play Together
(Play Through — Lunches available at a nominal fee)

Tournament Chairs:
Jerry and Peggy Grogan, Wayne and Marilyn O'Connor
(937) 439-2517
(Tournament days (937) — phone off during play)
Partnerships: Gay Miller (937) 475-5876
(Please be at the Partner Desk 45 minutes before game time)
(No Smoking in playing area . . . Hospitality breaks)

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CINCINNATI NEWS

John Burpee, Reporting

It took an extra effort but the CBA pulled it off! The Fall Sectional, "Octoberbest" and the North American Pairs were run on successive weekends, as opposed to being piggy-backed as in the past. The results: two successes. Both events, held at the CBA's Bridge Center attracted overflow crowds which had the hard working volunteers scrambling for extra chairs, tables, and pizza (for the Sunday brunch).

Hats off to tournament co-chairs Jane Burpee and Diane Travis; hospitality chairs Mary Smith and June Cushman; facilities manager Everitt Kitchen; and transportation coordinator Frank Lichtenberger (ably assisted by volunteer limo drivers Herb Shapera and A. J. Stephani, who shuttled players to the Center).

Top Sectional winners were: Michael Purcell, Paul Pschesang, Adam Parrish, Vickie Sebastian, Robert Sulgrove, Frank Treiber III, Christine and Gene Owens, William Higgins, and Patrick Dutson.

The Flight winners at the District 11 NAP were: Flight A: 1. Douglas Simson - Walter Johnson, Columbus 2. Charles Kopp, Columbus - Gregory Potts, Portsmouth. Flight B: 1. Arun and Rachna Goyal, Cincinnati 2. Thomas and Leigh Anne Schmidt, Louisville. Flight C: 1. Ryan Schultz, Toledo - David Camillus, Dayton 2. Adam Parrish - Trey Wright, Cincinnati.

As a result of elections held during the Sectional Mary Clifton and Gayle Keaney were elected to the CBA Board. John Burpee, Patrick Dutson, and Potter Orr were reelected. Betty Hurst was appointed to fill a vacancy.

Onward and Upward: The CBA's newest Life Masters are: Donald Duritsch, Judith Gehr, Everitt Kitchen, Gloria Over, Elizabeth Platt, and Yauheni Siutsau. Adrienne Netherwood and Vila Sill are new Bronze Life Masters. New Silver Life Masters are: Shirley Aloisio, Herb Behr, Terry Briscoe, Jane Burpee, and Harriet Spiegel. Well Done!!

APPALACHIAN UNIT 227

Candy Galyean, Reporting

Wednesday evening, September 19, we participated in the Instant Matchpoint game. Winners were (North/South) Olivia and Bob Singleton, with Byron Hill and Dora Grubb in second and John Mairs and Lyle Sattes in third. East/West winners were Kathy D'Antoni and Jim Sorrent. Second place went to Mary Boyd and Dee Hull, followed by Jerri Smith and Bess Stahl in third. Congratulations to all.

Our unit had quite a contingent at the third annual Louisville-Lexington Regional, November 5-11. The Charleston crew won Monday night, but got knocked out on Tuesday. At the Tuesday afternoon Side Game Mary Carden and Lois Kaufman were second in A and first in B. Bess Haley and Mary Jo Brick came in fourth in A. Then at the Tuesday Evening Side game Bess Haley and Mary Jo Brick placed fourth in A. At the Wednesday Morning Side Game Betty Raney and Joline Osborn were fifth in A and fourth in B. Then in the Open Pairs they were fourth in B. For the First Side Series Mary Jo Brick and Bess Haley were tied for sixth/seventh with 109.48%! At the Tuesday Open Pairs Second Session Betty Raney and Joline Osborn were second in B and Clara Marcum and Sara Ann Hawkins came in second in C.

All in all we did very well, and are proud of all who participated!

We are looking forward to all our Holiday Bridge celebrations and hope everyone has a very good holiday.

ABA / ACBL REPORT

Annease Comer, Reporting

New American Bridge Association (ABA) Administration: President, Leola Rucker; Vice President, Janice Van Buren; Secretary, Anita Troy; Treasurer, George Saunders; and National ABA/ACBL Chairperson, Al Freeman.

ABA Spring National Tournament: Monday, March 24 - Saturday, March 29, 2008; Cleveland, Ohio, at the Crowne Plaza Cleveland City Centre, 777 St. Clair Avenue. First time in several years when the dates do not overlap the dates of the Gatlinburg tournament, which will probably positive affect both tournaments.

Cincinnati is planning a joint event between the ACBL (Cincinnati Bridge Association) and the ABA (Queen City Bridge Club) during 2008. Join events are always encourage.

District 11 GNT Finals

Flights: Championship (5000 +),
A (0-5000), B (0-2000), and
C (non-life master with fewer than 500 points)

February 2-3, 2008

WIN $500

minimum per flight per team

The winning team must attend the finals to be reimbursed.

Cincinnati Bridge Center, Cooper Business Center,
2860 Cooper Road, Cincinnati, Ohio —513-563-2218

I-71 to Pfeiffer Rd., west 3 mi. to Reading Rd., south 1 mi. to Cooper. Turn left. 2nd driveway on left **OR** I-75 to Exit 14 (Rt. 126 - Glendale-Milford Rd.), east 1 mi. to Reading Rd., south 1 mi. to Cooper. Turn left. 2nd driveway on left.
Parking and Entrance at back of building.

Saturday, February 2 - 1:00 P.M. and TBA
Sunday, February 3 - 10:00 A.M. and TBA

District Chairman, Betty Mattison 502-339-0361

Owensboro Sweetheart Swiss Sectional
February 9-10, 2008

Eliz. Mundy Senior Citizens Center, 1650 W. 2nd St., Owensboro KY

Saturday 1 pm - Swiss Teams; 2nd session TBA
Sunday 10 am - Swiss Teams
(Playthrough: hors d'oeuvres)

Non-smoking with frequent hospitality breaks

Strata: 0-500, 500-1500, and 1500+
If 8 or more 0-199er teams sign up, there will be a separate team event for these players on Saturday and Sunday.

Entry Fees: $64 team. Additional $l.00 for Non ACBL members

Partnerships: Carol Krehbiel, 270/926-8979
Hotels: Executive Inn, 800/626-1936; Holiday Inn, 800/465-4239; Sleep Inn, 800/691-6200; Hampton Inn, 800-426-7866

DERBYTOWN HAPPENINGS

Gail Slater, Reporting

Louisville is proud to announce that our outgoing president, Beth Reid, is the newly elected District 11 Director on the National Board of the ACBL. The entire area will benefit from her hard work.

Time for congratulations: At Silver Life Master, we have Lee Thomas, at Bronze Life Masters we have Bob Ezell and Barbara Hulsmeyer, and at Life Master we have Bob Johnson, Perry Moore, Shirley Mueller, Frank Nelson, Gail Slater, and Barbara and Ron Tommasini.

The Regional at Caesar's was a big success, thanks especially to Pat London, Hannah Davis, Verna Goldberg, Ellen Kozlove, Shirley Mueller, and Beth Reid. Our biggest winners there were Jim Washer, Dennis Hesthaven, Ralph Letizia, Mauri Malka, Perry Moore, Jeanne James, Susan Cox, Helen Walz, Garry Dye, Tony Lipka, and Vangie Smith. All were in the top 50 of 750 players scoring points. Those in the next 50 were Kit Overpeck, Bob Ezell, Jane Naiser, Paul Coulter, Cheryl Ambach, Tinker Zimmerman, Gail Slater, Dorsey Brown, Cary Golde, Verna Goldberg, Scott Cox, and Jackie Yockey.

Several of our 299'er won events: Cheryl Overy - Marla Zimmerman, Patsy Baker -Patricia Harwood, Joanne Traver - Mary Thorp, Lois Louis - Barbara Ferguson, Ann Abbott -Betty Hardin, Mary Ott - Marian Nyquist, Patsy Baker - Patricia Harwood, and Carolyn Carpenter-Stephan Kouzomis and Art and Diane Huber.

The LBC also had many players finishing in the top 30 at the Barren River tournament. Dennis Hesthaven and Jeanne James headed the list followed by: Vangie Smith, Kit Overpeck, Verna Goldberg, Ellen Kozlove, Perry Moore, Gail Slater, Susan Christian, Jane Naiser, Ted Flach, Keith Wilson, Gary Peterson, George and Dorothy Borrman, Rex and Marilyn Swauger, and our outgoing president, Beth Reid.

We are looking forward to a new year led by incoming president Jean Donaho.

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY — BE NICE!

To establish an atmosphere which promotes the enjoyment of bridge as both a competitive and special game, the ACBL has adopted a policy of courteous behavior. The ACBL stands for American Bridge League and Always Courteous Behavior League. For tournaments to be fun, cooperation from all (players, organizers, officials, staff, volunteers) is necessary. Please report conduct that is unacceptable while keeping in mind we must be tolerant of other people in general and bridge players in particular. Also, conduct that is especially outstanding or refreshment should be reported also.

COMMENDABLE	UNACCEPTABLE
Being a good "host" or "guest" at the table.	Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, profanity, threats or violence.
Greeting others in a friendly manner.	Negative comments concerning opponents' or partner's play or bidding.
Praising the bidding and/or play of an opponent.	Gloating over good results. Constant and gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table. Loud and disruptive arguing with a tournament director.
Having two clearly completed convention cards readily available to the opponents. (This is a regulation not a nicety.)	Constant and gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table. Loud and disruptive arguing with a tournament director.

If you experience someone exhibiting discourteous behavior or being other than civil, please call a tournament director immediately. If you feel that there was a very serious breech of discipline, in

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CENTRAL INDIANA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

John Fosnaught, Reporting

The essence of what the game of bridge is all about came succinctly to mind in Monday's seven table game at the Terre Haute Bridge Center. Mary Alice Spahr and her partner, Phyllis Peters, were first overall. Spahr had just celebrated her ninety-fifth birthday at a bash hosted by her daughter, Lucy, at the Holiday Inn. Needless to say, all of Spahr's opponents were younger than her. It would be hard to find another milieu where a nonagenarian could prevail against such a field. Happy Birthday, Mary Alice!

Our 299ers are an important segment of the Terre Haute Bridge Center enrollment. They number forty two and each had fewer than three hundred masterpoints on the first day of the year. Joan Chervenko is maintaining her lead over Carolyn Steinbaugh and Jim Jennings. Barbara Phelan heads the rest of the top twenty-five: Charles Bryan, Sr., Maggie Oyer, Mona Sternfeld, Charles Parks, Sharon Mason, Bill Scott, Linda Easton, Arlene Luchsinger, Elizabeth Scott, Connie Shattuck, David Fee, Mark Minar, Susan McCarthy. Rick Kleinheksel, Dan Scott, Marty Cornelius, John Barnes, Gretchen Weston, Patty Cottom, Alice Goodyear, Marge Kintz, and Marjorie Raley.

Many folks in the local area have been enjoying fun bridge on Monday evenings at 6:30 to 8:30. Most are rubber or party bridge players and a few are novices. Among those in attendance the past several months are Connie Fowler, Sunny Cohen, Nina Alexander, Ann Malloy, Sandee Frey, Phyllis Lambert, Jane and Jerry Mills, Louise Hrabak, Shirley Haggard, Judy Stoffel, Mickey Leslie, Rae Ann Pruett, Maria Scherle, Jerry and Paula Hochstetler. Sharon Austin gives a mini lesson to start and is available to help players with bidding problems that may arise.

WINNERS SEPTEMBER 17-22

Continent-wide Instant Matchpoint game; North-South, first and first overall, Janet Horton and Milt Van Reed; second, Sharon Winters and Don Reuland. East-West, first, Henjin Chi and Richard Easton; second, Carolyn Steinbaugh and Charles Parks.

Thursday morning Future Masters — first, Linda Easton and Carolyn Steinbaugh; second, Barbara Ganly and Barbara Phelan; third, Jim Jennings and Bill Scott.

Monday — North-South, first, Tana Holt and Sharon Austin; second, Laura Bright and Janet Horton; third, Noreen Bryant and Diane Scott. East-West, first, Sharon Strassler and Don Lucas; second, Pat Koger and Fred Ervin; third, Joan Chervenko and Tom Roberts.

Tuesday — first, Sue May and Jane Gormong; second, Jim Gormong and Janet Horton; third, Richard Easton and Joanna Hebermehl.

Wednesday — first, Gloria Trader and Sue May; second, Laura Bright and Fred Ervin; third, Pat Price and Pat Koger.

Saturday — first, Nancy Hanley and Phyllis Peters; second, Sharon Strassler and Janet Horton; third, Joanna Hebermehl and Milt Van Reed.

Games are played in the Bridge Center at 303 South 14th Street. Any bridge player is invited. Bring your own partner or call us at (812) 232-1230 and we will get you one.

ZERO TOLERANCE

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addition to the resolution by the tournament director at the table, please discuss the problem directly with the Director-in-Charge of the tournament.

Should it become necessary to call a tournament director, you may simply state: "This play is interfering with my enjoyment of the game."

Courteous behavior creates an atmosphere which tends to encourage others to be courteous. It is contagious. Starting each round with a pleasant greeting facilitates a pleasant bridge experience and atmosphere.

BE NICE!

N.W. KENTUCKY & S. INDIANA NEWS

Marvin Lawson, Reporting

Owensboro had a very successful tournament in October. The hospitality was enjoyed. The food prepared by Frances and Joe's Catering Service for Sunday was outstanding.

On Friday afternoon, Strat A, John Groben - Richard Roiseman; Strat. B, Margaret Smith - Donna Fullenwider; Strat. C, Barbara and Ronald Tommasini; Friday evening, Strat. A, Elaine Said - Arthur Lowen; Strat. B, Linda and Richard Edds; Strat. C, Barbara and Ronald Tommasini.

Saturday afternoon: Strat. A, B, and C, Steven Early and Larry Higdon. Saturday evening, Strat. A, Janet Neel Fleenor and Harley McCabe; Strat. B, Margaret Smith and Donna Fullenwider; Strat. C, Julie Schuler and Randy McWilliams.

Swiss Team, Strat. A, Elaine Said, Richard Roiseman, Pete Lambert, and Art Lowen; Strat. B, Gail Snowden, David Alexander, Marcie Harding, and Tom Bell. Congratulations to the winners and a special thanks to all of you who attended.

October 29, Club Championship, A, Carol Krehbiel and Dick Logsdon; B and C, Pat and Gary Satterwhite. Friday Game, November 2, Club Championship, Strat. A, Della Worobetz and Don Hayes; Strat. B, Joe Lewis and Joe McAelvy; Strat. C, Pat and Gary Satterwhite.

At the Henderson DBC, October 11, Club Appreciation, Strat. A, George Baumgardner amd Richard Cornett, Strat. B, Lois Gibson and Karen Nunn. October 17, Club Appreciation, John Fullenwider and Pete Lambert; Strat. B, Karen Nunn and Louise Oglesby; Strat. C, Bev Nikolajewski and Billie Brown. October 25, Club Appreciation North/South, Strat. A, Fred Kent and John Groben; Strat. B, Kaye Wedding and Julie Waggner. East/West; Strat. A, Pete Lambert and John Fullenwider; Strat. B and C, Gail Snowden and David Alexander.

November 7, Club Appreciation, Strat. A, Willie Alley and Marvin Lawson; Strat. B, Gail Snowden and David Alexander. October 31, Club Championship, Strat. A, B, and C, Gail Snowden and David Alexander. November 7, Club Championship, Strat. A, Willie Alley, Marvin Lawson, and Gail Snowden, David Alexander, Lon Bell, and George Baumgardner all tied for first. November 13, North/South, ACBL Charity, Strat. A and B, Lois Gibson and Karen Nunn; East/West, Strat. A and B, Susie Hill and Della Worobetz. November 20, Charity Club Championship, Strat. A, Sue Donaldson and Richard Cornett with a 70% game; Strat. B, Gail Snowden and David Alexander.

Evansville is proud to claim 33 new ACBL members through November of this year, about a 15 percent increase. That surely is a record! We're crediting all the extra educational opportunities and mentoring sessions. Questionnaires were distributed and the choices were tabulated. As a result, Evansville will add two new games to its weekly schedule: a 99er game on Tuesday afternoons at 1 p.m. and an open game on Fridays at 1 p.m. Time to line up your new partnerships now!

Evansville sent five tables of players to the Instant Matchpoint Game in Henderson, where they walked away with all the gold points. 1A was Ellen Essig and Dave Kahane; 1B was Jan Tucker and Dean Wilson; 1C was Katie Brown and Sheila Corbett.

The October Potluck/Social was a Club Appreciation Game. Winners were: A, Sallie Wade and Jackie Strieter; B, Carolyn Stephens and Sandy Altheide; C, Mary Ferley and Bruni Baker.

Our premier gourmet chef, Linda Sue Cates, baked and donated a turkey for the Thanksgiving Potluck Social/Swiss Teams event on November 10. Everyone went home full, but some got plenty of masterpoints besides. Winners in A and B were Peggy Dunkel, Judy Donahue with Bev Nikolajewski and Bruni Baker; in C it was Jack Davis, Ellen Essig, Bill Skidmore, and Jim McCool.

Madisonville: In September, we celebrated with Tibi Ungureanu's achievement to Life Master status. Tibi and his wife were strong supporters of our club, but have since relocated to Ohio.

The Thursday night club held their Club Championship that month and was won by Beverly Matthews and Doris Thomas (E/W) with a whopping 68.37% game. Tibi and his partner, Patricia Gibson, won N/S.

Then in a regular game in October, Richard Cornett and Russ Davis scored a big 71.17% game. The Club Appreciation game was won by Chella and S. Periyananagam sitting N/S, and Patricia Gibson and Richard Cornett E/W. The Tuesday Club Club Appreciation game was won by Debbie Gregory and Marvin Lawson sitting

Ft. Wayne Sectional

March 28-30, 2008

Ft. Wayne Bridge Center
1930 Bluffton Rd.
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, March 28

Stratified Open Pairs
Single Sessions
1:00 PM 7:30 PM
*Limited (199/99/49/ 0-20 & 0-5 MP's) Pairs
Single Sessions
1:00 PM 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, March 29

FREE — Continental Breakfast at 8:45 AM!

Bracketed Knockout Teams
(Random Draw)
9:00 AM 1:00 PM 7:30 PM
Stratified Open Pairs
Single Sessions
1:00 PM 7:30 PM
*Limited (199/99/49/ 0-20 & 0-5 MP's) Pairs
Single Sessions
1:00 PM 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, March 30

Open Stratified Swiss Teams (Play-thru)
10:00 AM

Stratified Pairs: A = 1500+, B = 500-1500, C = 0-500
Swiss Teams based on team average masterpoints

*Stratification possible

Intermediate/Novices

Partners Guaranteed for all 0-200 MP and under events if requested one hour before game time.

Tournament Chairman Joe Shull
(260) 749-1531

Partnerships
Bob Carteaux
(260) 436-6510

The ACBL Zero Tolerance policy for bad behavior will be in effect.

SMOKING POLICY:
This is a NON-SMOKING tournament with frequent breaks.

Hotel Information:

Pine Haven Motel
4905 Bluffton Rd.
(260) 747-7502
3 minutes from playing site

Best Way Inn Motel
5718 Bluffton Rd.
(260) 747-4950
5 minutes from playing site

Extended Stay of America
8309 W. Jefferson Blvd.
(260) 432-1916
15 minutes from playing site

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