

# MIDWEST MONITOR

OCTOBER 2007

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1-31 Jane Johnson Club Appreciation Games  
5-7 Barren River Sectional  
Lucas, KY  
5-7 Indianapolis Sectional  
Indianapolis, IN  
12-14 Owensboro Sectional  
Owensboro, KY  
19-21 Columbus Sectional  
Columbus, OH  
25-28 Cincinnati Sectional  
Cincinnati, OH

## NOVEMBER 2007

3 NAOP District 11 Finals  
Cincinnati, OH  
5-11 LOUISVILLE-LEXINGTON  
REGIONAL  
Louisville, KY  
22-2 NORTH AMERICAN BRIDGE  
CHAMPIONSHIPS  
San Francisco, CA  
26 ACBL-wide Charity Game  
30-2 Dayton Sectional  
Dayton, OH  
30-2 Northwest Indiana Sectional  
Hobart, IN

## JANUARY 2008

4-6 Columbus Sectional  
Columbus, OH  
11-13 Indianapolis Sectional  
Indianapolis, IN  
18-20 Lexington Sectional  
Lexington, KY  
21-27 Dayton District 11 STaC

## FEBRUARY 2008

2-3 Grand National Teams Final  
Cincinnati, OH  
9-10 Owensboro Sectional  
Owensboro, KY  
15-17 Louisville Sectional  
Louisville, KY  
22-24 Dayton Sectional  
Dayton, OH  
28-2 Huntington Sectional  
Huntington, WV

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# CENTRAL OHIO NEWS

Mark Bullimore, Reporting

## **Flying Buckeye Regional**

Thanks to everyone who attended the Flying Buckeye Regional, July 31-August 5, at the Hope Conference Center in Fairborn. Highlights included great bridge, great hospitality, and great lectures. Thanks go to all members of MVBA and COBA who made the event successful.

## **Sectional Tournaments in**

### **October and January**

The Columbus Fall and Winter Sectionals will be held at the Haimerl Center on October 19-21 and January 4-6, respectively. See the flyer in the July issue for the Fall Sectional and in this issue of the *Monitor* for the Winter Sectional.

## **COBA Summer Sectional Results**

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

Friday Afternoon Open Pairs, A: David Spitzer - Anita Torrence B/C: A Susan Pietrzak - Stuart Col. Friday Afternoon Future Master Pairs, D: Sharon Bardus - Alev Bueyuekkoekten E/F:

Bob Pennington - David Broek. Friday Evening Open Pairs, A: Walter Johnson - Shan Au B: Mae and J. Michael Hill C: Esther Feldman - Leonore Sonnenschein. Friday Evening Future Master Pairs, D: Donald Allen - Alberta Stevens.

Saturday Morning Open Pairs, A: Robert Sulgrove - Richard Rudolph B: John and Joanne Westinghouse C: Harry Wickstrom - James Caldwell. Saturday Open Pairs, A: Robert Sulgrove - Richard Rudolph B and C: Wilhelmina and Lajos Szabo. Saturday Future Master Pairs, D: Douglas Whaley - Lewis Rakocy. Saturday Handicapped KO Teams, A: Suman Agarwal - Jeremy and Jerome Williams - Ted Doron.

Sunday Bracketed Swiss Teams, A: Kenneth Eichenbaum - Harry Stratton - Walter Johnson - Shan Au B: Lee Caryer - Mae and J. Michael Hill - Kevin Cadmus C: Suman Agarwal - Jeremy and Jerome Williams - Ted Doron.

# NORTHERN INDIANA — UNIT 154

*Jim Pelletier, Reporting*

The Unit 154 annual meeting was held this year on Sunday morning, July 1, at the Kokomo Sectional. The meeting started at 9:30 a.m. just prior to the Swiss Team Game. The following is President Jim Davis's Annual Report.

## **President's Annual Report**

### **June 2006 thru May 2007**

Our Northern Indiana Unit 154, District 8 held four sectionals and one regional during the last fiscal year. Many thanks go to the chairmen of these tournaments, Dorothy Harrell at Kokomo, Jim Pelletier, Bob Carteaux, and Joe Shull at Fort Wayne, Raj Kohli at South Bend and Chuck Briggs at Portage. They and their volunteer staffs put in many hours of effort for your enjoyment. We would also like to thank all of our club managers and helpers for their work throughout the year.

The financial condition of our unit is sound, thanks primarily to the very successful annual Fort Wayne Fall Festival Regional. We have been able to subsidize some of our special games at the clubs, especially our STaC (Sectional Tournament at Clubs). We are continuing our North American Pair / Grand National Team promotion incentives. In addition to paying your entry fees for the District 8 Finals, the Unit will reimburse each qualifying Unit 154 member \$100 to help

defray travel costs.

This year, a very special event occurred in our Unit. Bob Carteaux, from Ft. Wayne, became Unit 154's and District 8's first Grand Life Master. He reached the 10,000 master point level at the summer NABC in Chicago. A well deserved special recognition reception was held for Bob at last year's Ft. Wayne regional.

Your current Board of Directors (7-18-07) are: President: Jim Davis, Vice-President: Jim Pelletier, Secretary-Treasurer: Dick Ellis, Past President: Bob Carteaux, Recording Secretary: Mary Lou Clegg and Area Representatives Joe Shull, Michael Clegg, Jo Ann Steigmeyer, Charles Schultz, Steve Watson, and Chuck Briggs. We thank Jody Castillo, Dale Shepherd, and Dorothy Harrell, who resigned their board positions, for their service.

This fiscal year (June 2007 thru May 2008), we are continuing our quarterly format of sectional tournaments in Kokomo, South Bend, Portage, and Fort Wayne and our ever popular regional tournament in Fort Wayne. Hope to see an active participation by our membership and surrounding bridge community. If you have any comments concerning our Unit 154, contact me at [jodavisuw@aol.com](mailto:jodavisuw@aol.com).

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Davis, Unit 154 President



# COLUMBUS WINTER SECTIONAL

January 4-6, 2008

Haimert Center, 1421 Morse Rd., Columbus, Ohio  
Exit 116 on I-71 (Morse Rd), East on Morse for 1/2 mile  
GREAT HOSPITALITY: Free coffee, sodas, and snacks

## Friday, January 4

1:30 PM

Open Pairs

(A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750)

Future Master Pairs

(D: 200-500, E: 100-200, F: 0-100)

7:00 PM

Flighted Open Pairs

(A1: 3000+, A2: 0-3000)

(B: 750-1500, C: 0-750)

Future Master Pairs

(D: 100-500, E: 50-100, F: 0-50)

## Saturday, January 5

9:00 AM

Bracketed Handicap KOs

(continues at 1:30 PM, and 7:00 PM)

Half-Price Pairs: only \$4 (A: 2000+, B: 500-2000, C: 0-500)

1:30 PM

Open Pairs

(A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750)

Future Master Pairs

(D: 100-500, E: 50-100, F: 0-50)

7:00 PM

Open Pairs

(A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750)

Future Master Pairs

(D: 200-500, E: 100-200, F: 0-100)

## Sunday, January 6

12:00 Noon

Bracketed Swiss Teams (play through)

Teams seeded into brackets based on team's average masterpoints

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# CENTRAL INDIANA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

## John Fosnaught, Reporting

There has been much discussion lately about free games played at the Indianapolis Bridge Center. I would like to present my three cents on this issue. In the interest of full disclosure, I will say up front that I play for free. However, my opinion has not changed since I started playing free last fall.

Free games come from a variety of sources. Some are marketing tools that are used to generate new business. Any businessman knows that you need to promote your business in whatever manner is available. Free games make sense when they generate more games down the road. I have told students in my classes that we are like the drug dealer on the corner. We'll give you a free game now, get you hooked, and then we'll charge you later. It works.

Members of the Newcomers Club know that occasionally a free game is declared for all who showed up that day. Table counts for the club are through the roof. Sometimes the game spills over into the Non-Life Master game in the back room. This is partly because everyone likes the president so much, but it's also partly due to an occasional free game day.

Directors play for free. Don't tell anybody but our directors' pay scale is pretty low. Free plays are a part of their compensation for directing the games. It costs less to provide free games for the directors than it would cost to pay them an increased salary. We have a great crew of directors and some new ones coming along that look very promising. Free games help us reward them for the good job they do without breaking the bank. It works out better financially for the Bridge Center and for the directors.

Teachers play for free. Teachers are the source of new blood in bridge. Without them there is no future for the game. If you ever taught a class, then you know how much time is spent preparing, teaching, and following up with students. Sometimes the classes have as few as four students. I've seen Sharon Austin and Cathy Lindholm teach classes with fewer than that. Allowing teachers to play free is a bargain for the service they provide to bridge.

The partnership chairmen play for free. I want to take this moment to thank people like Mary Blair, Elizabeth Jobe, Deanna Nesbit, and all the partnership chairmen that have gone before them for the work they do to help the Bridge Center and the players. This is a tough and often thankless job. They play free. God bless them.

When a game is cancelled due to an insufficient number of players, a free game is given to those who showed up. This is to encourage them to return the next week. Without this device a game could die. That wouldn't help the club or those that like to play in that game.

The only issue I have with our free game policy is that we need to understand that free games do have a cost associated with them. When we decide that games are to be given free, we need to do this with the full recognition of that cost and a determination that the cost is worth it. In the cases of directors, teachers, partnership people, and marketing efforts, those issues have been discussed time and again by the Board of Directors and time and again the Board has decided that the policy is appropriate.

I was at a table once where all four of us were playing free. Someone commented that it was a profitable table. They were being sarcastic. I noted that my partner was teaching several classes, cooking lunch, cleaning up the kitchen, helping manage the center, and doing a myriad of other jobs; one of my opponents was teaching two classes; the other opponent was directing three games a week and helping other directors get their games ready; and I was teaching two classes and doing the record keeping, financial reporting, and tax preparation for the Bridge Center. All this for twenty-four dollars. Yes, I agree, that was a profitable table.

Perhaps the next time you notice that someone is playing for free, you might thank them for the work they do to keep the Center alive so that you and I can enjoy this great game of bridge.

Until next time, may your high card points rise to meet your bidding.

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*Indianapolis ad sent to you  
Attached file*

# MIAMI VALLEY BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Terry Parker, Reporting

Another joint Columbus/Dayton Regional has come and gone, with lots of fun and match points won by those who attended (plan on next year for more of the same!). Sadly, the last evening of the tournament, we lost a great friend, and a boon to the Dayton bridge scene, David Tsui. David was an accomplished bridge player (silver life master even though he had limited time available to play), a willing participant in bridge activities (director — especially of the Christmas party; author of The Valley Tally and the Regional Daily Bulletins; a mentor in the mentor/mentee games), a fun partner, and a great friend! We will remember him with fondness and great regret!

The winners of the regional can be found on the MVBA web site or at the ACBL web site — sorry for the inconvenience, but recent laser eye surgery prevents me from their inclusion. A couple of notable stories from the regional — Linda Puthoff related to me that she had experienced an unusual small IMP gain in one of her knockout matches. At her table, she had scored a difficult three notrump game, earning a score of 600 points. However, when her partners returned to the table, they were minus 550 for that board for a small gain of 50 points. What's unusual about that you ask? Well, her partners

were down 11 non-vulnerable UNDOUBLED tricks! Another notable feat at the regional occurred when relatively new players Ryan Schultz, David Camillus, and Jason Parker (yes, dad is a bit proud) won their second regional knockout (and a third in another) to complete their gold point requirements playing in just four regional events, and before they had 100 points each! Way to go guys! In another event, the Thursday Flighted Swiss Teams, MVBA's Vice-President, Georgia Banziger made Silver Life Master by placing second in Flight B. Her teammates were Gay Miller and Dave and Rosie Sullivan!

The MVBA sadly reports the passing of Dallas Moore's father, and bridge players Richard Rich and Kathy Buerkle. Among those recently ill are Thelma Berley, Bonnie Walker, Janet Huddleston, Sandy Low, Carolyn Sieber, Tony Funk, and Milly Warner. We all wish them speedy recovery!

As alluded to above, I am having some physical problems which will prevent me from continuing in a reporting capacity. I thank you all for your indulgence in my literary foibles and wish you all a great time at the table!



## CINCINNATI NEWS

John Burpee, Reporting

Following a record setting Spring Regional and two successful STaCs, the Cincinnati Bridge Association will be gunning for four-“wins”-in-a-row when it hosts its Fall Sectional, later this month. And there is much to suggest that “Octoberbest” could do just that!

According to Tournament co-chairs Diane Travis and Jane Burpee, the event will be four days (beginning Thursday, October 25) whereas earlier versions were three days.

The location has been changed to the recently remodeled Cincinnati Bridge Center (2860 Cooper Road, Cincinnati). Free overflow parking at a nearby lot will be available with a shuttle service provided. Check our website (Cincybridge.com) for details. Incidentally, “car-pooling” is a great idea.

Games will include daily events for Future Pairs. Sunday's play will feature a Stratified Swiss and a Single Session 199er Swiss and a free buffet.

To accommodate the four day event, the District 11 North American Pairs has been moved to Saturday, November 3, at the Bridge Center. It will be chaired by Barbara Levinson.

Onward and Upward: CBA's newest Life Masters are: David Britt, Everitt Kitchen and Thomas Rickling. Bronze: Timothy Martin, Adrienne Netherwood, Rick O'Connor, Thomas Platt, Jr., Sanderson Orr, and Rachele Rosenberg; Silver: Shirley Aloisio, Marian Charrier, Patti English, Kathy Gerend-Meinking, Harold Norris, and Harriet Spiegel. Gold: Karen Kendall. Well Done!



# DAYTON WINTER SECTIONAL

**November 30 - December 2**

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

**1675 Woodman Drive**

**\*\*\*All ACBL players with 0-5 Points Play Free\*\*\***

## FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 30

Compact Handicap Bracketed Knockouts ..... 1:30 and 7:00 p.m.  
(Rounds 1 and 2)

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 - DECEMBER 1

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

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 - DECEMBER 2

Stratified Board-O-Match ..... 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.  
Double Session

A: Unlimited    B: 0-1499    C: 0-299

Tournament Chair: Tom Coyle 937-433-5986

Partnerships: Gay Miller 937-475-5876

(Please be at the Partnership Desk 45 minutes before game time.)

No smoking in the playing area. Hospitality breaks.

### 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!

## GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS

It's that time of year again when District 11 holds the competition to select our representatives for the ACBL Grand National Teams championship at the summer NABC in Las Vegas July, 2008. We will select teams for the Championship, Flight A, B, and C on February 2-3, 2008, at the Cincinnati Bridge Center. And, the winners of each flight will receive at least \$500 when they compete at the summer NABC.

All ACBL members who are members of one of the District 11 units are invited to compete. There is no club or unit qualifying. All team members must be paid-up members in good standing of District 11 and ACBL and meet the masterpoint flight eligibility requirements. Residency requirements have been amended please refer to appendix one of the ACBL GNT Conditions of Contest. Flight eligibility will be established by September 2007 ACBL's masterpoint cycle. This information will be produced on August 6, 2007, in Memphis. The four flights are:

Championship Flight — open to teams of 4-6 players, with no MP restriction.

Flight A — open to teams of 4-6 players, none of whom have 5000 MP or more.

Flight B — open to teams of 4-6 players, none

of whom have 2000 MP or more.

Flight C — open to teams of 4-6 players, none of whom are Life Masters or have more than 500 MP.

The ACBL masterpoint awards for each flight will be gold points for overalls in the Championship flight and in Flights A and B; and will be 25% gold and 75% red for overalls in Flight C. Match awards in all flights will be red points, and the awarding of points for overalls and matches will be based on a regional rating.

The ACBL GNT Conditions of Contest are a part of the district conditions, and the competition will be conducted according to ACBL rules, guidelines, conditions of contest, and "Conditions for Regional and Lower Rated Knockout Team Events Held at North American Bridge Championship" — unless otherwise noted in these conditions.

Team selection will be determined by a knockout (KO) format after a preliminary round robin (RR) or Swiss competition. The preliminary round will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2008, and the knockouts will be held on Sunday, February 3, 2008. When only two teams are entered in a flight, the competition be completed on Saturday. See the Grand National Team's ad for

## CONDITIONS OF CONTEST

The District 11 Board of Directors has approved these specific details for the district level competition for all competitions after January 1, 2008.

Each team must name a captain and list all team players before beginning play. This list must be given to the director. No team may augment its roster at any time after the contest has begun.

Team selection will be determined by a knockout (KO) format after a preliminary round robin (RR) or Swiss competition. Following are the specific playing conditions that apply to all four flights:

1. The ACBL Midchart will govern conventions in Championship Flight and Flight A. The General Convention Chart will apply to Flights B and C (since these are the charts assigned to the GNT national finals).

2. Each RR and Swiss match will be scored by IMPs and converted to Victory Points using the 20 Victory Point scale. In case of ties, the ACBL tie break regulations will be used. If ties still exists, one (or more) four board playoff rounds

will continue until a winner is determined, and will begin immediately following the verification of the tie.

3. After a RR or Swiss qualifier, the first place finisher may select either the third or fourth place finisher as their KO opponent.

4. There will be no imp carry over from a previous RR or Swiss match.

5. All KO matches will 30 boards unless otherwise noted in these conditions. In case of a tie in a 30 board KO match, one (or more) four board playoff rounds will continue until a winner is determined, and will begin immediately following the verification of the tie. In a 60 board KO, playoff rounds will consist of eight boards.

The detailed contest for each flight is determined by the number of teams entered in that contest, and is specified as follows:

1. With 2 teams are entered, a single 60 board match will be played.

2. With 3 teams are entered, a RR of 30 boards against each other team will be played. The two highest scoring teams will play a 30 board KO match.



# CABIN FEVER SECTIONAL Lexington, KY



## January 18-20, 2008

### FRIDAY

Stratified Open Pairs - 2 Single Session ..... 1:00 and 7:00 P.M.  
 199er Pairs\* ..... 1:00 and 7:00 P.M.

### SATURDAY

Bracketed Knockouts ..... 9:00 A.M., 1:00 and 7:00 P.M.  
 Stratified Open Pairs - Two Sessions ..... 1:00 and 7:00 P.M.  
 Single Session Participation Available  
 199er Pairs\* ..... 1:00 and 7:00 P.M.

### SUNDAY

Stratified Swiss - Two Sessions ..... 10:00 A.M.  
 Buffet Lunch included in Sunday Swiss Team fee

\*As attendance warrants

Refreshments After 1:00 P.M. Session Saturday

Open Sessions: A - 1250+ B - 500-1250 C - 0-499  
 199er Sessions: A - 100-200 B 50-100 C 0-50

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 2143 North Broadway  
 Lexington, KY 40505  
 859-299-1261  
 (Ask for Bridge Rate)  
 I-75 / I-64 Exit 113

Turn left at end of exit ramp - North or Southbound  
 Ramada is about 200 yards up on your left.

For Further Information Contact:  
 Andy Anderson 859-266-1216  
 arthur.anderson@insightbb.com  
 Rich Newtz 859-273-1923

3. With 4 teams are entered, a RR of 20 boards against each other team will be played. The two highest scoring teams will play a 30 board KO match.

4. With 5 teams are entered, a RR of 15 boards against each other team will be played. The four highest scoring teams will qualify for the KOs.

5. With 6 teams are entered, a RR of 12 boards against each other team will be played. The four highest scoring teams will qualify for the KOs.

6. With 7 teams are entered, a RR of 10 boards against each other team will be played. The four highest scoring teams will qualify for the KOs.

8. When 8 or more teams are entered, a 2-

session Swiss of six 10 board matches is held to qualify the four highest teams for the KOs.

Questions about the conditions of contest may be directed to the District 11 GNT Coordinator, Betty Mattison at 502-339-0361. Any suggestion for future changes to these conditions should be provided to the District 11 GNT Coordinator in writing for consideration by the District 11 Board of Directors.

## Locals Encounter Celebrities at the Nashville Nationals BRIDGE IN THE BLUEGRASS Harry Gordon, Reporting

“That man looked like Bill Gates,” said Peggy Saunier.

“It was,” replied Janie Judy.

And so, Kelley Butler, Glenda Hart, Janie and Peggy got to play against one of the world’s richest men, and successfully, as they tied this team that was to go on to win the Swiss event.

Peggy recalled that he said only that his contract was unbeatable on any lead, when she asked a question to that effect. She could not tell if he had bodyguards, but there were a few onlookers not playing bridge.

When Sue and I arrived on Thursday, even riding an elevator in the parking garage, the other passenger asked if it were true that Gates had been in town.

Entering the Mixed Board-a-Match, a friendly looking old guy sat down and proceeded to lead the eight of hearts into my KQx on dummy opposite J9xx in my hand. The king was taken by ace and when I regained the lead, to protect against a 4-2 split, I hooked the nine from J9 in my hand. He then produced the 10 and I went down one in a cold contract as hearts were 3-3. As he got up, he patted me on the shoulder saying, “Sorry, I

pulled the wrong card!”

“Sue, did you hear that? Everything happens to me!”

“Did you know who that was?”

“No, who?”

“Zia!!!”

He had lead eight from 10-8-3, a brilliant deceptive ploy.

Bridge is a sport like no other, where you can play against the very best.

Congrats to Terrell and Sondra Holt, Ray and Kathy Linck, Jill Ohlson and Matt Heuser, and Mike and Sandra Marlin on having very successful Nationals and winning bracketed knockouts.

And thanks to Ann McCullough, Georgia Ringo, Susan Sherrod, and Lorraine Gibbs for running a second successful Bridge Camp for teens. There were eleven graduates, GREAT JOB!!!

We are missing Mike Kanotz at our club games and wish him a speedy recovery.

Hope you had a great time at Pine Mountain and are on course to win lots of points and money at Caesar’s.

**LOUISVILLE -  
LEXINGTON  
REGIONAL  
NOVEMBER 5-11, 2007**  
See July *Midwest Monitor*

**ACBL / ABA**  
Annease Comer, Reporting

Energies and activities in this area seen to be low. I still strongly suggest hosting combined activities and above all CONTINUE to have combined events which you have been involved with over the years.

# APPALACHIAN UNIT 227

## Candy Galyean, Reporting

July was a busy month for the members of our unit. Byron Hill and Dora Grubb attended the Mid Atlantic Regionals in Bethesda, MD July 2-8. They teamed up with Jim and son, David Olson. On July 9 and 11 Easy Aces Bridge Club participated in the District 11 STaC game. At the Monday Open Pairs, Ann Pollitt and Hal Mathie were 10th in A, Jo Ann Guthrie and Bud Dixon were third in B and second in C, and George Carr and Carolyn Martin were sixth in C. The Wednesday STaC results included Bud Dixon and Bob Singleton second in A and first in B, with the Bakers (Gary and Jeanette) fourth in C. Sara and Bill Sentman attended the Nationals in Nashville in July. Bill is a new member of the National Board of Governors for ACBL. Congratulations, Bill! Congratulations as well to new Life Members Clara Marcum and Alice Jones from the Huntington Duplicate Bridge Association. They earned their final gold points at the Dayton Regional. All the fun wasn't confined to the bridge table for the Huntington club. Harry Messinger, 75, went SKYDIVING for the first time on July 4! He and nine other friends sailed safely down from 14,000 ft. . . . and plan to do it again next year!

Charleston hosted the Mid-Summer Sectional from August 10-12. Friday Afternoon, Fungau and Tom Srnak placed first in A, B, and C with Bill Sentman and Bess Hailey second in A and Mary Jo Brick and Candy Galyean third in A and second in B and C. Friday evening Robert Allen and Bill Sentman were first in A and Raymond Franks II and Robert Tweel were second in A and first in B. Saturday afternoon placed Dora

Grubb and Byron Hill first in A, with Toni Gilpin and Marsha Platnick second. Bennie Shields and Robert Allen were first in B with the high-flying Harry Messinger and his partner David Hutton second in B. John Cochrane and William Wild were first in C and Pat Holcomb and Diana Allen placed second in C. Saturday evening Dora Grubb and Byron Hill continued their winning streak placing first in A, with Tom Gilpin and Marsha Platnick second. Raymond Franks II and Robert Tweel were first in B followed by Harry Messinger and David Hutton second. Sunday morning IMP Pairs saw Dora Grubb and Byron Hill winning first in A again, and Tom Gilpin and Marsha Planick second. First in B went to Frank and Lillian Hubbard and Ed Lewis and Bennie Shields were second in B. In the C category, Lois Kaufman and Barbara Jones won first, with Mary Jo Brick and Candy Galyean coming in second. The Sunday afternoon Bracketed Pairs were tied between Lois Kaufman, David Stern, James and Ellen Olson AND Dora Grubb, Byron Hill, Maria O'Dell and Jeanine McNeer! Congratulations to all who won, played and enjoyed. It was a fun tournament and thanks to all who made it so wonderful.

There is some sad news to report from Huntington. The passing of J. P. Childers will be a loss to both the club and the community.

A hearty thanks is due to Bess Haley, who has been the *Midwest Monitor* reporter for our unit long enough to want to turn it over! We all appreciate her diligent work. I will be trying to follow her example as a reporter, since I will never be able to match her at the bridge table.

**BARREN RIVER  
SECTIONAL  
OCTOBER 5-7**

**INDIANAPOLIS  
SECTIONAL  
OCTOBER 5-7**

**WESTERN KENTUCKY  
SECTIONAL  
OCTOBER 12-14**

**COLUMBUS  
SECTIONAL  
OCTOBER 19-21**

See July *Midwest Monitor*

# DERBYTOWN HAPPENINGS

Gail Slater, Reporting

At the Nationals in Nashville, the biggest Louisville winners were Dennis Hesthaven, Jeanne James, Helen Walz, Scott and Susan Cox, Garry Dye, Pat London, Mike Sloan, and Jim Washer. Several LBC members from down state also finished well: Deborah Gregory, Patricia Humphress, Pat Abell, Marge Handley, Judith Bishop, Henry Blakeman, David Toth, and Charlene Daniels. Others also scoring well include Jean Donoho, Marty Weinberg, Frank Nelson, Ken Gustafson, Gary Peterson, Norman Smith, Barbara Hulsmeyer, Ron and Barbara Tommasini, Perry Moore, Susan Christian, Shirley Mueller, Beth Reid, Hannah Davis, Ralph Letizia, and Beve Smith. Special recognition is due to those winning an event. Knockouts were won by four teams: 1) Helen Walz and Garry Dye's team, 2) Frank Nelson, Norman Smith, Barbara Hulsmeyer, and Ken Gustafson; 3) Dennis Hesthaven, Jeanne James, Scott and Susan Cox; 4) Shirley Mueller, Hannah Davis, Ron and Barbara Tommasini. Consolation KO winners were Dennis, Jeanne, and the Coxes; and Pat London, Marsha Kyle, and Beth Reid team. 299er pairs victors were Ellen Thomas and Mary Jennings, and James Hill and Ann Thompson.

August saw the 299er Tournament and the Mentor-Mentee Game, run by Hannah Davis

and her committee. The top three winners for the 299er tournament were Tinker Zimmerman, Bill Toutant, and Rex Swauger.

Louisville has many people moving up. At the top of the list is Verna Goldberg who has surpassed 2500 points to become a GOLD LIFE MASTER and Karen Overpeck as a SILVER LIFE MASTER. We claim two new BRONZE MASTERS, Betsy Blakeman and Philip Jarboe and five new LIFE MASTERS, Ted Flach, Perry Moore, Shirley Mueller, Ron and Barbara Tommasini.

The LBC is concentrating on educating new players and is rapidly expanding its members. Pat London's Monday night lesson and play along with the directors' active lesson and a strong effort to reach out to the eight to 18 year olds by Frank Nelson, Kit Overpeck, and Vangie Smith is reaping rewards. We now have new Junior Masters: Michael Goodaker, Sherry Keyes, Omer Thompson, Eugene Froelicher, Mary Korfhage, Patricia Lewis, Janice Rhea, and Jeanne Schiemann; new Club Masters: Anne Hornek, Mary Korfhage, Jean Miller, Ann Abbott, Carol Jansing, Mary Ott, and Bill Toutant; and Sectional Masters: Frank Amrine, Elizabeth Rosenberg and Betty Hardin. The LBC is growing!!

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Marvin Lawson, Reporting

The Evansville Tournament was a roaring success: More door prizes . . . more lavish hospitality . . . more Intermediate/Newcomer participants than ever before. We are deeply grateful to chairman Barb Ahlers and the many volunteers who helped her put it together. Unfortunately attendance was way down, especially from out-of-towners. We suspect this is because it came at the end of the 4th of July weekend and just before the Nashville Nationals. Gordon Schlundt wasn't disappointed — he managed to win over 10 silver points! Congratulations to him and all the other winners. Jane Gaunt has agreed to chair the event next year. Please let her know you're willing to help. Compliments have been pouring in on the renovated game room! The chair rails are wonderful improvement and the smart two-color paint job is very attractive. Moving the coat rack near to storage room will eliminate the

crowding in the row of tables by the windows. Remember to give a huge thank you to Cy Long for his hard work.

We've got lots of FREE lessons lined up this fall. Lunch and Learn with Ray Andersen will resume on September 5. Bring a sack lunch to eat at noon as you take in the lesson; 299er game starts at 1 p.m. On Monday nights, it's Dessert with an Expert. Members will take turns bringing in dessert to eat at 6:30 p.m., while they listen to Duane Morrow or Phil Fassett present a lesson; 299er game follows at 7 p.m. Supervised Play, which was highly successful last May and June, will again be offered. Mentors will guide non-life masters through bidding and play of the hand at every session; you must register to participate. These events will take place on third Saturdays:

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# **Win a Trip to Spring Nationals 2008 in Detroit, Michigan**

**March 6-16**

Strats: A 2000+ B Life Master-2000 C Non-Life Master-500

## **Play in the District Finals at Cincinnati Bridge Club**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3  
12:00 Noon and TBA**

*Top 3 finishers in each strata receives:*

*First place in each flight: \$700 per person*

*Second place in each flight: \$300 per person*

*Third place in each flight: \$100 per person from District 11*

# **District 11 GNT Flights: Championship, A, B, & C Finals**

**February 2-3, 2008**

*All Flights Will Play*

*All Day Saturday*

**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 mile 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

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September 15, October 20, and November 17 at 1 to 3 p.m. Check the EDBC newsletter for details.

Congratulations to our new member of the 70% Club. George Baumgardner paired up with Pete Lambert on August 1 at the Henderson DBC and they put together a 72% game! At a special game at the Henderson DBC, Bonnie Lawson and Pete Lambert were first in A with a 70% game; Dale Hill and Marvin Lawson were first in B; August 8, NAOP: A and B, Willie Alley and John Fullenwider; C, Lois Gibson and Mary Martha Curry. August 2, NAOP: A, Pete Lambert and George Baumgardner; B, Bebe Curry and Lois Gibson. August 8, NAOP: A and B, Willie Alley and John Fullenwider.

August 8, Charity Game, A, Patricia Gibson and Marvin Lawson; B, Lois Gibson and Bebe Curry; August 3, NAOP: A and B, Patricia Gibson and Marvin Lawson. August 14, Charity game, A and B, Lon Bell and Marvin Lawson.

It is with much sadness that we need to report the passing of "Pat" Cecilia Edwards. She had been a constant regular and managed the bridge club at one time. We will miss her.

The Owensboro Bridge Club reports that their Club Championship on Friday, May 4, was won by Louise Hobbs and JoAnn Witt, A; Becky Walker and Dick Logsdon, B; Sterling Johnson and Marge Schauburger. At their Club Championship, Friday, August 17, A, Nancy Clark and Joe Lewis; B and C, Pat and Gary Satterwhite.

We are saddened by the death of Mary Williams O'Bryan who passed away on May 20.

At the Owensboro DBC, July 30, Carol

Krehbiel and John Fullenwider was first overall; Rita Jo Holtzman and Doris Mills were first in B and C.

The Madisonville DBC reports that one of their regular pairs has been hogging the show lately!! Don Hayes and John Fullenwider sitting N/S won the NAOP in both July and August. They also won the Tuesday Club Championship. Then along came Richard Cornett and Richard Dickeson who won both the June and July NAP sitting E/W. The other winners in the June NAP were Liz Ivey and Tiberiu. Richard Cornett and Ron Sievers won E/W at the Club Championship. At the Nationals in Nashville, Judy Ashmore picked up enough gold to get her Life Master.

Congratulations! Claude Williams was a top winner at Nashville for the Madisonville Club. Others who did very well was Debbie Gregory, Joy Sisk, Lou and Bobby Tapp, Janet and Ron Sievers, Jane Pauze, Charlotte and Charlene Williams, and Richard Cornett.

The Tuesday Bridge Club made a smooth transition when it moved from the National Guard Armory to the Madisonville Golf and Country Club. The game starts every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

Laverna VanTuyle suffered a heart attack at one of our games in July but is reported to be recovering nicely. Go Laverna!

We are happy to report that Bonnie is still going strong battling her cancer problem. Hang in there, Love, Love!

## MIDWEST MONITOR SUBSCRIPTION

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

Fill out the form below and mail to  
MIDWESTMONITOR  
Betty Mattison  
8127 Lake Avenue, Louisville, KY 40222

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

My check is enclosed

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

# Northwest Indiana Sectional



November 30, December 1 & 2

American Legion Post 54  
208 S. Linda  
Hobart, Indiana

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Stratified Open Pairs  
Single Sessions

1:00 PM      7:00 PM

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

Stratified Open Pairs  
Single Sessions

1:00 PM      7:00 PM

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

Open Stratified Swiss Teams (Play-thru)

10:00 AM

Stratified Open Pairs  
and Swiss Teams

A = 1250+ B = 500-1250 C = 0-500

Tournament Chairman  
Chuck Briggs  
(219) 947-1140

Partnerships  
Chuck Briggs  
(219) 947-1140

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

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

Recommended Hotel  
Comfort Inn  
2300 Willow Creek Road  
Portage, IN 46342  
For reservations  
(219) 763-7177  
Bridge Rate \$59.95 + tax

## Driving Instructions to American Legion Hall

From I-90 Toll Road  
Exit 21 onto I-80/94 West  
Go approx. 1 mile - exit 15A Ripley Street (Highway 51)  
Go approx. 3 miles south through 3 stop lights (Central Ave., Old Route 6, and Rand Street)  
Turn right at next light (Still Route 51 - Cleveland Ave.)  
Go approx 3 blocks turn left on Indiana (You are still on Route 51)  
Turn right (west) onto Lillian  
Go straight (leave Rt. 51) 3 short blocks where road ends and turns left onto Linda  
The American Legion Hall is 1 block south on right side

From I-94  
Exit 15 south onto Ripley (Highway 51)  
Follow directions above

From Route 30  
Take in 51 north through downtown Hobart to Linda Street. Turn left. The hall is one block on left.



*Double Your Fun*

**TWO GREAT EVENTS—SAME LOCATION!**

The Cincinnati Bridge Association Invites you to its

**“Octoberbest” Fall Sectional**

October 25, 26, 27 & 28

and

**THE DISTRICT 11 NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FINALS**

November 3

at

The Cincinnati Bridge Center, 2860 Cooper Road, Cincinnati  
(513) 563-2218 — [www.cincybridge.com](http://www.cincybridge.com)

**“Octoberbest” 2007**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25**

Stratified Future Pairs 1 & 7 p.m. (stratified as warranted)

Open Pairs 1 p.m. (C-0-500, B-0-2000, A- 2000+)

Stratified Swiss 7 p.m. (5x5)

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26**

Stratified Pairs 1 & 7 p.m.

Stratified Future Pairs 1 & 7 p.m. (s.a.w.)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27**

Bracketed Compact Knockout 10 a.m. (1-2), 3 p.m. (3-4)

Stratified Pairs 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Stratified Future Pairs 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. (s.a.w.)

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28**

Stratified Swiss (7x6) 10:30 a.m. Free Buffet

Single Session 199er Swiss (play through). Free Buffet

Tournament Chair: Diane Travis & Jane Burpee (513) 677-8240

Partnerships: Lorna Davis (513) 777-1760

**DISTRICT 11 NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS FINALS**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

12:00 Noon & TBA

Tournament Chair: Barbara Levinson (513) 530-0953

**DIRECTIONS**

I-75 N/S to I-275 East (or I-71 N/S to I-275 West). Exit # 46. South on  
Route 42 (Reading Road) 4 miles. Left on Cooper to 2860.

