

# Midwest Monitor

FOURTH QUARTER - 2016





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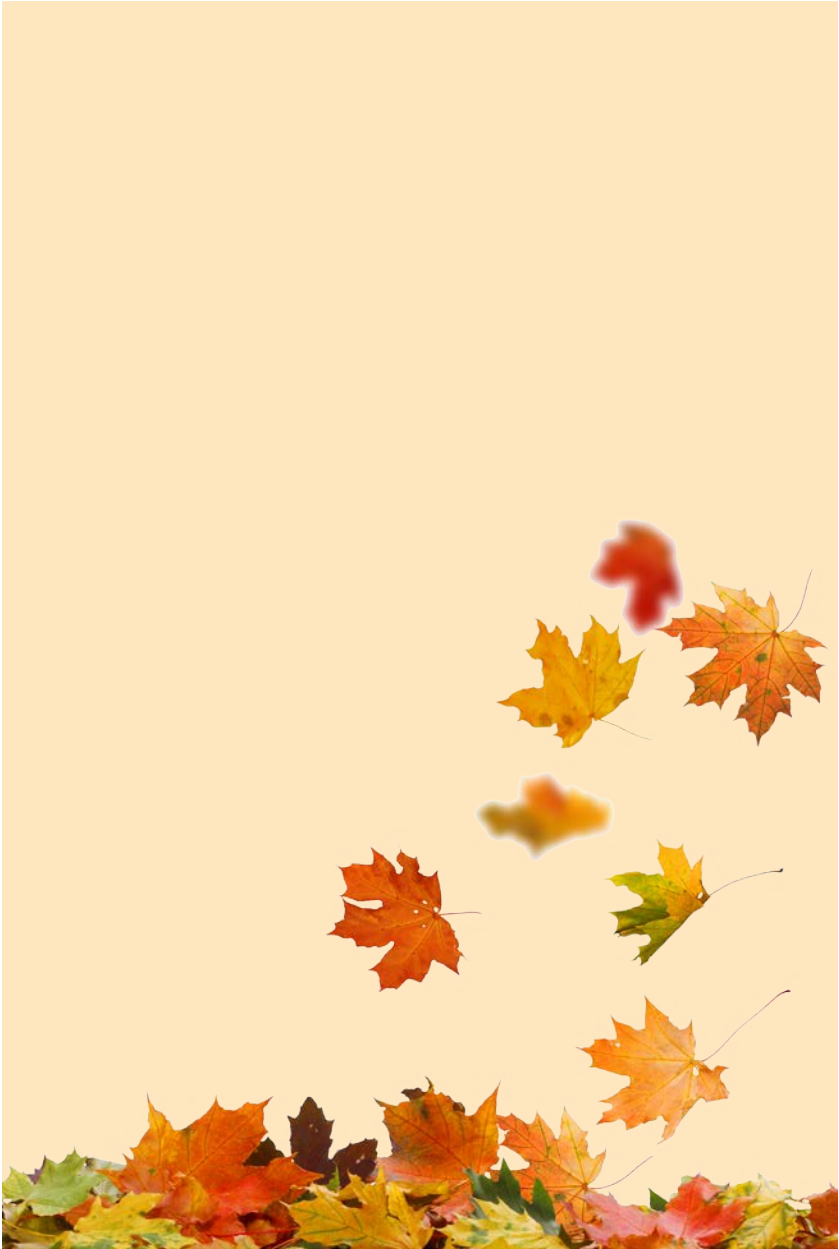
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# MONITOR DEADLINES

First Quarter - 2017	December 15, 2016
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First Quarter - 2018	December 15, 2017

# MONITOR CALENDAR



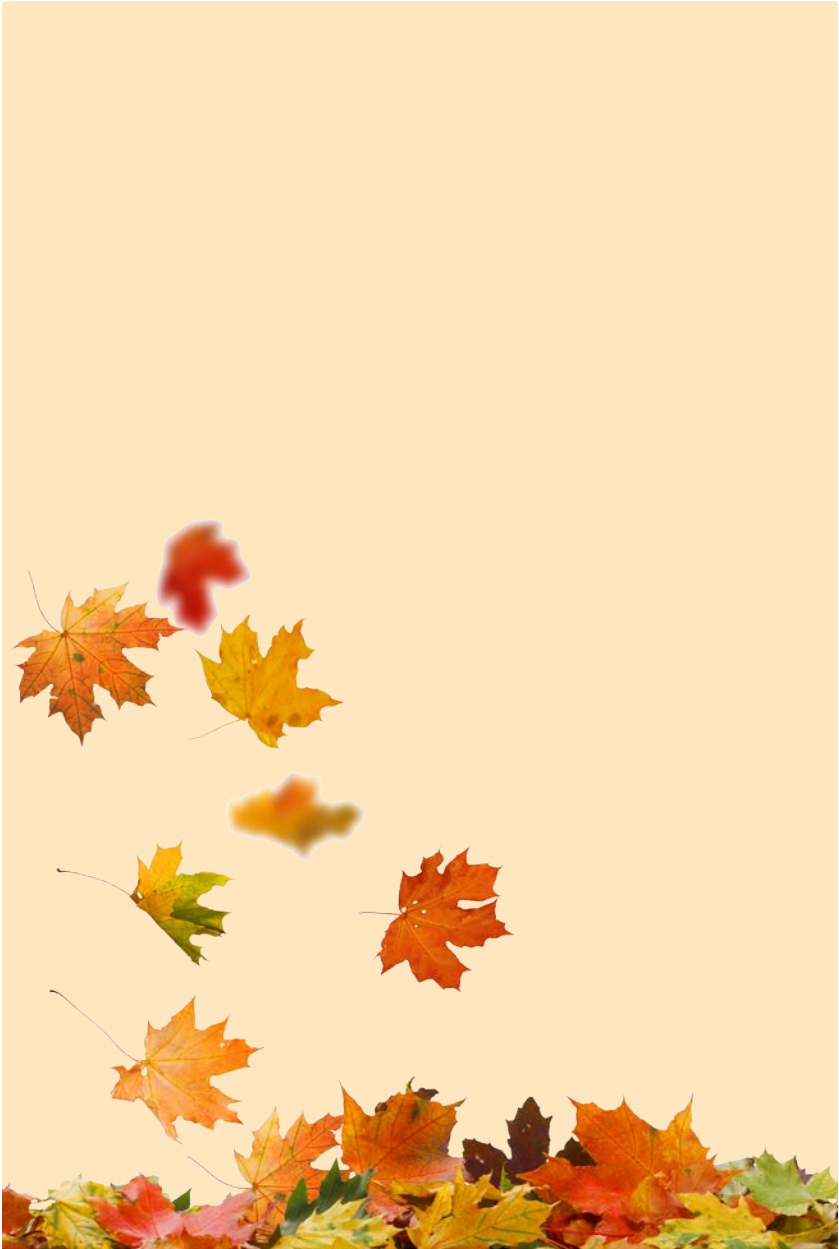
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				DAYTON		

# MONITOR

## CALENDAR

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			DAYTON NLM			

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				OWENSBORO		





**T**HE DC COMMITTEE, co-chaired by ACBL Board Member Margot Hennings and Susan Bowles and with a great team of local volunteers, put on a great NABC. The weather was brutal but the temp at the tables was fine. My Dad and several other family members live in the area so I'm familiar with and love DC and was pleased to be able to visit. The first Saturday performance of the Capitol Steps was a true highlight... those people are totally hysterical—political laughs for those of every stripe.

Congrats to all!

#### CHEATERS EXPELLED

Fulvio Fantoni and Claudio Nunes of Italy and Lotan Fischer and Ron Schwartz of Israel were all found guilty of collusive cheating and permanently expelled from the ACBL. Both pairs lost all their masterpoints. In addition, partners and teammates the expelled pairs are subject to mandatory forfeiture of all masterpoints, titles and status ranks earned during the four years preceding the finding of guilt while playing with them.

As many of you know, the actions of these two pairs have rocked the bridge world. First publically accused by Boye Brogeland on Bridgewinners, the pairs were subjected to a massive investigation by the ACBL as well as other international bridge organizations. Countless hours of viewing video records by volunteers and ACBL employees enabled the ACBL, as charging and prosecuting party, to bring to the Ethical Oversight Committee a massive case. ACBL President Ken Monzingo noted:

The results confirm that our members will never tolerate such behavior. The diligent EOC members gave many hours of their personal time, and ACBL management spent months compiling volumes of evidence, once again sending the message that our organization is serious in this matter. This is a refreshing new era of responsibility and accounting: ACBL will actively pursue and prosecute cheaters. It's a great new beginning, and I am confident that Management and the Board of Directors, with the help of these extraordinary volunteer members of the EOC, will continue to ensure the game of bridge is conducted on a level playing field, and that those who would connive to play otherwise will face the maximum penalties available.

These cases brought the ACBL the most national publicity it has had in decades—near simultaneous long articles in the New Yorker, Vanity Fair and Rolling Stone this Spring. Despite the bromide that there's no such thing as bad publicity and it WAS remarkable to see our game discussed at the national level, I hope these publications do follow-up stories to show how forcefully our League has dealt with the issue. Let's all be assured of a level playing field so that

we may play the game we love as it was meant to be played.

I note that the prosecution of these cases was led by our retiring League Counsel Peter Rank. Peter is retiring at the end of July after 14 years of extraordinary service to the ACBL. I urge you all to read Peter's story in the Daily Bulletin of July 28th. Thank you Peter!

<http://cdn.acbl.org/nabc/2016/02/bulletins/db7.pdf>

More about our NEW In-House Counsel below.

#### HARTMAN LANDS \$2M CONTRACT WITH BBO

Online bridge giant Bridge Base Online and the ACBL have contracted to take their partnership to new heights. In exchange for the BBO having the sole right to award ACBL Masterpoints in robot games for the next four years, they will pay us \$500K a year. That is in ADDITION to the sanction fees on those games that essentially equal a like amount. Other terms of the agreement include the two organizations expanding their cross-marketing to drive attendance to online and face-to-face games as well as conducting joint membership drives. Both parties agree that playing online does not supplant playing at clubs and tournaments but offers a stepping stone to face-to-face bridge and a means to stay connected to the game when there are no other alternatives. It's a good deal for both parties and \$2M in cash in our coffers. The Finance Committee at my suggestion agreed at this meeting to set a goal for our reserves of one-to-one with annual liquidation liabilities. (A VERY unlikely scenario assuming we go instantly out of business owing members prepaid dues). We are a couple of million short of this \$6M goal and, although we probably won't allocate all the new cash to one area, it is a BIG help. The budget meeting will be in Orlando and I'll keep you posted. For more info on the deal go to:

<http://www.acbl.org/bbo-and-acbl-extend-partnership/>

#### BOARD ACTIONS

##### 1 NT WITH SINGLETON

Effective August 1st, you and your partner may now have an agreement on natural 1NT openings as follows:

#### DEFINITIONS

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2. A notrump opening or overcall is natural if, by agreement, it contains no void, at most one singleton which must be the A, K or Q and no more than two doubletons. If the hand contains a singleton it may have no doubleton.

The motion was brought to the Board by the Competitions and Conventions Committee. The Bridge Committee added the restriction that a singleton had could have no doubletons to avoid bizarre patterns like 8-2-2-1.

#### DISTRICT-WIDE VOTING

Prior to this Spring, the voting results by Unit in District-wide race shave always been made available to the BOD as well as the candidates. At the last meeting in Reno, Management, based on some complaints from some small Units that this essentially violated individual voters' right to a secret ballot, presented a motion to stop providing this information, which was passed. The Board of Governors, as is their right, sent the motion back to the BOD for reconsideration. This time, those who believe that the right of a candidate to see the results of the vote should take precedence won the day and the original practice was restored. Both sides had excellent points and Board Members were cautioned to treat this information confidentially. AND...the BOG was ecstatic that it got an action reversed---a rare event indeed!

#### MORE ACTION ON CHEATING

As part of our effort to deal more effectively with ethical violations, some changes were made to the Recorder Regulations, the most significant of which is guaranteeing Reporter confidentiality as described below. We anticipate that

this will greatly reduce the reluctance of players to make reports due to fears of harassment and pressure from others.

A. The Recorder must make his best effort to maintain the confidentiality of the Player Memos. Unless confidentiality is waived by the Reporter, the Recorder should maintain, as confidential, the identity of the Reporter, even if this precludes speaking with the Subject of the report. Such information may be revealed only when necessary to the investigation and in maintaining files and records. Violating the confidentiality of the process is a basis for removal from office. This responsibility is of the highest priority and must continue even after his duties have ended.

This privacy protection will not abrogate the Subject's right to cross-examination should the investigation produce charges at which the Reporter testifies. The Reporter may always decline to testify.

In addition, several changes were made to Appendix G of the Conditions of Contest dealing with screens in order to address issues raised by the recent cheating cases.

#### NEW MASTERPOINT LIMITS

In order to be consistent with the recent changes in masterpoint limits for the GNTs, the limits on the "undercards" at the Summer NABCs were changed to raise the Bruce LM Pairs and Mini-Spangold to 0-6K (from 5K) and the Young LM Pairs and "Micro"-Spangold to 0-2500K (from 1500K). Also, in order to make it possible for folks to play in both the 0-10K Pairs and the lower Spangolds, the starts of the 0-6K and 0-2500K Spangolds were moved to Tuesday. The length of the events will not change.

#### ELIGIBILITY FOR OVERALL KO AWARDS

Effective 1/1/17, for any given overall award, a player must play at least 50% of each of a KO (excluding 1st round) and 50% of the total boards played by the team. No contestant may play any match after it has become mathematically impossible for him to play at least 50% of the boards (excluding play-off boards) played by his team OR failed to play in at least half of each match other than the first.

#### OTHER ACTIONS

A \$5 Junior Membership is now available to all players under 26.

Motions from the BOG to allow High School Championships to count as Limited Sectionals or Regionals were defeated ONLY because THEY ARE ALREADY LEGAL. If you're interested in running one of these, please contact the Tournaments dept. at the ACBL and they'll be happy to get you set up.

The College Bowl C of C were tweaked to make participation easier and the prize money was spread to lower finishers based on private donations.

#### AMERICAN BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

ABA President Hank Irwin spoke to our Board about future cooperation between our organizations and his remarks were enthusiastically received. Nice to have an insider in our new Counsel! We also passed a motion waiving the non-member entry surcharge for ABA members until 1/1/18.

#### NEW IN-HOUSE COUNSEL

This Spring I served as the Board representative on the search committee for a new counsel. The demands of the job have changed so drastically, that both Management and the Board believed that on on-site full-time Counsel was needed to succeed Peter Rank's outside consulting role. I am thrilled to report that an extraordinary candidate has accepted the position. Linda Dunn is a "triple Crimson"—Harvard undergrad, MBA and Law degrees and a wealth of experience in both corporate and nonprofit law. She is a member of both the ACBL and the American Bridge Association and indeed has served as the Midwest Unit President of the ABA. Linda is excited to be able to combine her

love of bridge with her love of problem solving and the law. The ACBL is sure to meet her needs for both! I urge you to learn more about Linda in the Daily Bulletin of July 24th, available on ACBL Live.

OTHER NEWS  
MEMBERSHIP

I am pleased to report the membership total continues to rise. After the first six months, we stand at 168,742. This reflects an increase of 986 from this time last year. These positive numbers, well worth celebrating, have come about through the collective energies of all of our employees, volunteers, club managers, teachers and directors. Full membership statistics can be found at:

[Active Membership Statistics062016.pdf](#)

Face-to-face club table count is up 1.23% as compared to May 2015. Total table count through May 2016 is 1,357,569 of which 437,296 are from online games. The full report can be found at:

[Club Tbls Report 06-29-16.pdf](#)

2016 TOURNAMENTS

Average Regional table count per tournament was down 1.9% (1385.6 v.1411.9). Five fewer Regionals were held to date as compared to last year. This has resulted in total table count being down 9.2%.

Average Sectional table count was down 1% (159.8 v. 161.5).

Four fewer Sectionals were held to date as compared to last year. This has resulted in total table count being down 1.9%.

Average STaC table count is down 1% (1338.6 v. 1352).

Two additional STaC were held to date as compared to last year. This has resulted in total table count increasing by 4%.

Total tournament tables decreased by 3.5% (8,065 tables) with seven fewer tournaments being held.

[2016TC06.pdf](#)

FINANCE

In addition to the decision to set a specific goal for our reserve account, the Finance Committee spent a significant amount of time discussing our Investment Policy. We made a change several years ago to pull out of 100% CDs and put our funds in a managed account with a 75/25 fixed/equity split and that has done very well for us. The Committee now believes a shift to near 100% fixed would be more advisable. The full Board agreed with our recommendations on both these matters and Management will bring an implementation plan to Orlando. As to the operating budget we're doing very well. Total forecasted operating revenues are 0.7% better than budget and total forecasted operating expenses are 2.0% better than budget for a net forecasted increase in net assets \$477,899 better than budget. The Capital Budget forecast is also way down on the expense side, but we approved some increases largely to fund the construction of berms around our building (a good thing) for a net increase of approximately \$25K.

STRATEGIC PLAN

The Board continued, as it should, to spend significant time discussing strategic goals and progress on tactics thereunder. We now, thanks to Jay Whipple, have a nifty metrics analysis of these projects we can all visit to assess our progress. Go to:

<http://web2.acbl.org/documentLibrary/about/strategic2016.pdf>

<http://web2.acbl.org/documentLibrary/about/MetricsScorecard.pdf>

FUTURE OF BRIDGE EDUCATION

As many of you know, I served for six years as a trustee of the ACBL Educational Foundation. Although the trustees are a hard-working group of volunteers, they have simply never had the time or resources under the structure of the Foundation to do more than make smallish grants to the few members who apply for them. Now, the Boards of both the ACBL and the Ed Foundation (whose members are the ACBL Board), as well as Management, are launching an effort to reorganize the EF as a totally free-standing entity with a professional staff devoted to raising serious money for bridge education and eventually taking on those areas now in the ACBL budget devoted to education. The first step is reorganizing the EF through bylaw changes and EF President Barbara Heller promises action by Orlando. This is truly the right path and I am excited to see us start down it.

BOARD COMPOSITION

We received our first report of the Board Composition Committee, formed this year to address issues of Board functionality and costs. The "nine" are three members of the BOD, three of the BOG and three at large. They have also called in some consulting opinions (such as mine on nonprofit governance). The CO9 is looking at Board size, the interaction of the BOD and the BOG, how we select our members and many other issues. They brought some interesting proposals to the Board and have taken our feedback to refine them and address concerns. The Committee is doing a great job and spending significant amounts of volunteer time identifying and addressing our problems and, contrary to some expectations, the BOD is receptive. I will also be proposing motions to the Governance Committee in Orlando to deal with those problems, such as frequency of meetings, structure of Committees, etc., that can be dealt with independent of major restructuring. I hope the time is right to achieve some of the changes I have long advocated to our operations. ☁



HERE IS A hand from the final session of the Life Master pairs that was held last July in Washington D.C. Jerry was North and Julia Bomalaski was South.  
Julia was formerly from Jasper, Indiana, but now resides in central Florida.

♠ K Q 9 3  
♥ A 9 2  
♦ 9  
♣ A K Q 6 3

♠ 4 2  
♥ J  
♦ Q J T 7 5 4 2  
♣ J 9 4

♠ 8 5  
♥ K T 7 6 5 4  
♦ A K 8 3  
♣ 7

♠ A J T 7 6  
♥ Q 8 3  
♦ 6  
♣ T 8 5 2



West opened three Diamonds and all were vulnerable. North doubled "as who would not" to quote the late great Edgar Kaplan. East pushed the action to five Diamonds and now Julia was faced with a choice whether to double for takeout or bid five Spades. The safe bid would be to double. But there are two kinds of players, cautious and bold. Let me tell you nobody ever called Julia cautious. She bid five Spades and of course Jerry bid six.

Now the spotlight was on West. Now, I know you all would lead a Diamond (since you are blessed with hindsight). But poor West was dealt a singleton Heart and chose that obvious lead. Now Julia had to make it, if she wanted name in print that is.

She quickly realized the Jack of Hearts was likely to be singleton, and went up with the Ace. She next pulled trumps and played five rounds of Clubs to pitch her Diamond loser. Finally, she led up to her Queen of Hearts to make the slam. Boldly bid and very well played, Julia! This fine result helped Jerry and Julia to a top twenty finish in the Life Mater Pairs. ☁

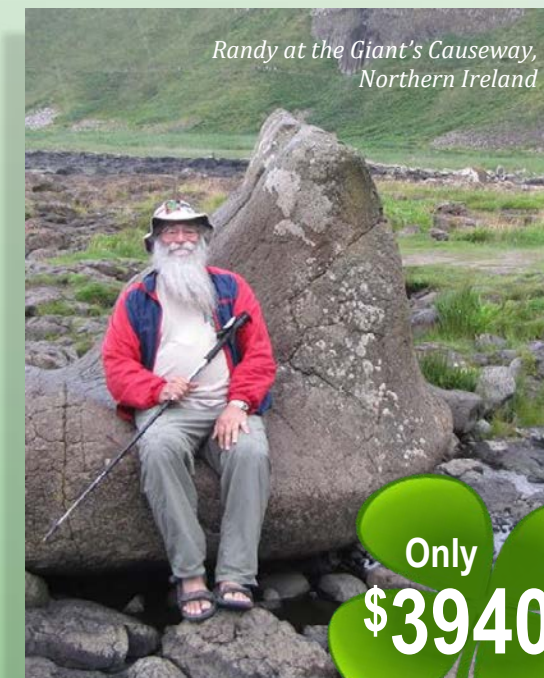




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Specify Group Code: **S11LLBA** by October 30, 2016



<b>Monday</b>			
Education Fund Stratified Pairs	1:00		
American Pharoah KO (Rd. 1 & 2)	1:00	7:00	
Stratified Swiss		7:00	
Stratified Side Game Series 1		7:00	
<b>Tuesday</b>			
Stratified Side Game Series 1	9:00	1:00	7:00
American Pharoah KO (Rd. 3 & 4)		1:00	7:00
Keeneland Bracketed KO (Rd. 1 & 2)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Swiss (single sessions)	9:00		7:00
<b>Wednesday</b>			
AM Compact KO 1 (4 people)	9:00		
(Continue Thursday morning)			
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Barbaro KO (Rd 1 & 2)		1:00	7:00
Keeneland KO (Rd. 3 & 4)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 2		1:00	7:00
IMP Pairs			7:00
<b>Thursday</b>			
AM Compact KO 1 (Cont.)	9:00		
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
Stratified Swiss	9:00		
Stratified Swiss (1500/3000/Open)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Swiss Teams (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Barbaro KO 2 (Rd. 3 & 4)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 2		1:00	7:00
Stratified Swiss			7:00
<b>Friday</b>			
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
AM Compact KO2 (4 people)	9:00		
(Continue Sat AM)			
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Churchill Downs KO (Rd 1 & 2)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 3		1:00	7:00
Stratified Swiss			7:00
<b>Saturday</b>			
Stratified Swiss	9:00		
Stratified Side Game Series AM	9:00		
AM Compact KO 2 (Cont'd)	9:00		
Churchill Downs Knockouts (Rd 3 & 4)		1:00	7:00
Stratified Side Game Series 3		1:00	7:00
Open Pairs (0/1500/3000+)		1:00	7:00
Ft. Knox Gold Rush Pairs (100/300/750)		1:00	7:00
Compact KO 3 (4 people)		1:00	7:00
Stratified B-A-M			7:00
<b>Sunday</b>			
Swiss AXYS stratified / BCD Bracketed	10:00 & TBA		
5000+, 3000-5000, 0-3000 / BCD 0-2000			
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**the upper MP limit of the event**  
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### 199er SCHEDULE

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**Monday thru Friday**

**1:00 PM and 7:00 PM**

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District 11 regulations for Regional Events

- KO events may be handicapped
- Open events w/o Gold Rush: C 0-750 B 750-2000 A 2000+
- Gold Rush/ABC Pairs and Gold Rush/ABC Swiss: GR: 0-100 100-300 300-750 & ABC Pairs: C 0-1500 B 1500-3000 A 3000+
- ACBL Mid-Chart allowed in top bracket of KO and Flight A events

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### MONDAY January 30th

Indy GOLD RUSH Charity Pairs (2 sessions)	1:30	7:00
Indy A/B/C Open Charity Pairs (2 sessions)	1:30	7:00
Circle City Bracketed KO Teams (1/2 of 4)	1:30	7:00
Single Session Stratified Charity Swiss		7:00

### TUESDAY January 31st

**Rise 'n Shine Side Series (1 of 5)	9:30	
Early Bird Bracketed KO Teams (1 of 4)	9:30	
299er Pairs	9:30	1:30
Capitol City Open Pairs (2 sessions)	1:30	7:00
Circle City Bracketed KO Teams (3/4 of 4)	1:30	7:00
Compact KO Teams (1/2)	1:30	7:00
Tuesday Single Session Stratified Swiss		7:00
After Dinner Side Series (1 of 3)		7:00
Newcomers 0-20 Pairs (FREE)		7:00

### WEDNESDAY February 1st

**Rise 'n Shine Side Series (2 of 5)	9:30	
Early Bird Bracketed KO Teams (2 of 4)	9:30	
Afternoon Side Series (1 of 4)		1:30
Hoosier GOLD RUSH Pairs (2 sessions)		1:30
Hoosier A/B/C Open Pairs (2 sessions)		1:30
Crossroads Bracketed KO Teams (1/2 of 4)		1:30
Wednesday Single Session Stratified Swiss		7:00
After Dinner Side Series (2 of 3)		7:00

### THURSDAY February 2nd

**Rise 'n Shine Side Series (3 of 5)	9:30	
Early Bird Bracketed KO Teams (3 of 4)	9:30	
Thurs/Fri Morning Compact KOs (1 of 2)	9:30	
Afternoon Side Series (2 of 4)		1:30
Mid-week GOLD RUSH		
Swiss Teams (2 sessions)		1:30
Mid-week ABC		
Swiss Teams (2 sessions)		1:30
Crossroads Bracketed KO Teams (3/4 of 4)		1:30
After Dinner Side Series (3 of 3)		7:00

### FRIDAY February 3rd

**Rise 'n Shine Side Series (4 of 5)	9:30	
Early Bird Bracketed KO Teams (4 of 4)	9:30	
Thurs/Fri Morning Compact KOs (2 of 2)	9:30	
Afternoon Side Series (3 of 4)		1:30
Open Pairs (2 sessions)		1:30
Weekend Bracketed KO Teams (1/2 of 4)		1:30
299er Pairs (Single sessions)		1:30
Friday Evening Stratified Swiss		7:00

### SATURDAY February 4th

**Rise 'n Shine Side Series (5 of 5)	9:30	
AM Single Session Swiss	9:30	
0-20 Pairs FREE	9:30	
199er Pairs	9:30	
Afternoon Side Series (4 of 4)		1:30
Weekend Bracketed KO Teams (3/4 of 4)		1:30
White River GOLD RUSH Pairs (2 sessions)		1:30
White River A/B/C Pairs (2 sessions)		1:30
Saturday Evening Stratified Swiss		7:00

### SUNDAY February 5th

Stratified Swiss (2 sessions)	9:30 (play through)
A 3000+, A/X 0-3000	
D 0-500, C 500-1000, B 1000-2000	

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LOUISVILLE BRIDGE CLUB welcomed Fall with their Autumn Swiss Team Sectional. Jean Donoho chaired this two-day event and Marianne Thomas was the partnership chair. As always, Jean worked with efficiency and with a committee, and the generosity of the membership, had a great spread of goodies for us to enjoy as well as a “do-it-yourself” sandwich bar for lunch.

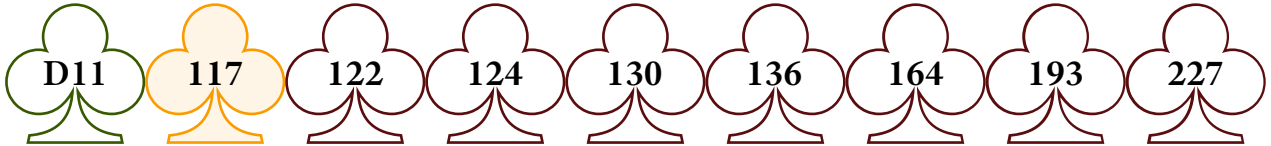
Saturday featured thirty-four teams in two sections, an open section and a 299er section. The same format was used Sunday with twenty-nine teams participating. We enjoyed players from downstate Kentucky, Lexington, Owensboro, Evansville and Henderson.

A	B	C	The Winners in the Saturday Open Swiss were:
1	1		William Toutant-Steven Blank, Louisville, KY; John Bowen-Frank Bowen, Charlestown, IN.
2			Susan Bullard-Harry Gordon, Lexington, KY; Dorsey Brown, Prospect, KY, Bruce Neikirk, Louisville, KY
3			Dennis Hesthaven-Jeanne James-Terry Maguire-Thomas Lepping, Louisville, KY
	2/3		John Van Cleve-Norman Smith-Shirley Mueller-Carolyn Carpenter, Louisville, KY
	2/3		Stuart Ray-Beth Englehart, Louisville, KY; Patsy Baker, Prospect, KY; Dorothy Witten, Charlestown, IN
		1	Ellen Thomas-Mary Jennings-Barbara Buttora-Carol Armstrong, Louisville, KY
		2	Phyllis Beamer-Gary Davenport-Bob Lehmann, Louisville, KY; Diane Dehill, Jeffersontown, KY
		3	Charles Fassler-Rex Swauger-Ronald Straub, Louisville, KY; David Toth, Prospect, KY

D	E	F	The Winners in the Saturday 299er Swiss were:
1	1		Jane Alexander, Anchorage, KY; Patty Williamson-Jeanne Blackburn-Betsy Chandler, Louisville, KY
2			Ross Fleming, Nicholasville, KY; Philip Wysong, Danville, KY; Norma Hampton-Barbara Slade, Lexington, KY
3	2		Candace Conway-Mary Gataky- Deann Kurtz-David Kurtz, Louisville, KY
4	3	1	Robin Baldock-John Monge-Shelly Sutton, Louisville, KY; Mary Givan, Crestwood, KY
A	B	C	The Winners in the Sunday Open Swiss were:
1			Dennis Hesthaven-Jeanne James, Louisville, KY; Susan Bullard-Harry Gordon, Lexington, KY
2			A. Beth Reid-Marsha Kyle, Louisville, KY; Dallas Moore, Trotwood, OH; Brian Ross, Charlestown, IN
3			Mike Marlin-Sandra Marlin, Versailles, KY; Terrell Holt-Sondra Holt, Lexington, KY
	1		Helen Walz, Madison, IN; Garry Dye-Matthew Just-Marilyn Riese, Louisville, KY
	2		Sandy Spears-Katherine Zimmerman-Sue LaSalle, Louisville, KY, Gail Slater, Sarasota, FL
	3		Margaret Robbins-Phyllis Costello-Madeline Pfeiffer-Jean Donoho, Louisville, KY
		1	Marianne Thomas, Charlestown, IN; Tom Kempf, Sellersburg, IN; Carlene Bottoriff, Jeffersonville, IN; Harriett Hughes, New Albany, IN
		2	Diane Dehli, Jeffersontown, KY; Bob Lehmann-Ann Zimmerman-Vivienne Moorin, Louisville, KY
D	E	F	The Winners in the Sunday 299er Swiss were:
1			Ross Fleming, Nicholasville, KY; Barbara Slade-Norma Hampton, Lexington, KY; Philip Wysong, Danville, KY
2	1		Mary Thorp-Joseph Thorp-Barbara McDermott- Freida Trower, Louisville, KY
3	2		Candace Conway-Mary Gataky-Deann Kurtz-David Kurtz, Louisville, KY

Thank you all for coming and making our event so successful.

I hope many of you in the District will come and play at our new facility. We pride ourselves on warmth and friendliness. I encourage you to read the “Letters to the Editor” in the October issue of the ACBL Bridge Bulletin. Many thanks to Linda Bez of Boynton Beach, FL, for her sweet letter entitled “My New Kentucky Home.” We loved having her at our club and look forward to having her back again soon. ♣



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## **Farewell to a Real Gentleman**

On October 10, 2016, one of the LBA's most popular players and a true gentleman, David Fleischaker, was killed in an automobile accident. His sudden unexpected departure left a huge hole in the hearts of all who knew him.

I first met David several years ago at a club game and was left with the best first impression I've ever had of a person, much less a bridge player. Here sits this truly affable guy, dressed straight out of GQ, with this big friendly smile. I immediately liked him and felt actually bad playing against him as I had no desire to beat him. Little did I know that behind that glowing personality was a fierce, competitive spirit. I cannot remember the results, but I do know I left wondering what just hit me. I looked back and there he was again greeting his new opponents in the same gregarious, lovable manner.

David recently married Pat Buckley approximately five weeks before his death and never had I seen two people so genuinely in love with each other. Those who know me are well aware that I do not believe conjugal bridge partnerships encourage a healthy relationship. Yet, over and over Pat and David proved me wrong. They never had a cross word for each other in both winning and losing times, and were most respectful of each other. They were the perfect example of how a husband/wife bridge relationship should work. They truly loved each other.

David was not only my friend; he was also an excellent role model on how a true gentleman acts both in life and at the bridge table. I, along with hundreds of others, miss him dearly and know that some parts of our life will never quite be the same. So, with tears in our eyes and love in our hearts, we say farewell dear David, and rest in peace assured we will never forget you.

**- Ralph Letizia**



# Louisville Winter Sectional

## *February 17 - 19, 2017*

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## LOUISVILLE WINTER SECTIONAL

### FEBRUARY 17-19, 2017

#### FRIDAY

Stratified Open Pairs (Single Sessions).....1:00pm and 7:00pm  
299er Pairs\* (Single Session).....1:00pm and 7:00pm

#### SATURDAY

Handicapped Knockouts (3 sessions).....9:00am, 1:00pm and 7:00pm  
Stratified Open Pairs (Single Sessions).....1:00pm and 7:00pm  
299er Pairs\* (Single Sessions).....1:00pm and 7:00pm  
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#### SUNDAY

Stratified Swiss Teams.....10:00am & TBD  
299er Swiss Teams.....10:00am & TBD

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# Louisville Summer Sectional

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## LOUISVILLE SUMMER SECTIONAL

### JUNE 23-25, 2017

#### FRIDAY

Stratified Open Pairs (Single Sessions).....1:00pm and 7:00pm  
299er Pairs\* (Single Session).....1:00pm and 7:00pm

#### SATURDAY

Handicapped Knockouts (3 sessions).....9:00am, 1:00pm and 7:00pm  
Stratified Open Pairs (Single Sessions).....1:00pm and 7:00pm  
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# UNIT 122

## Bob Jiobu

### CENTRAL OH

WE ARE PLEASED that attendance at our Sectional tournaments seems to be increasing. We do not know the exact reasons, but we like it nonetheless. Of course, we hope that the trend will remain upward and onward.

One game at our sectional that has proven to be very popular is “Basic Bridge.” It is a sanctioned tournament game offering silver points, but restricted to players with no more than 750 master points. Life Masters with fewer than 750 points can play, but they must partner with a non-life master. The game is usually restricted to about twenty boards, total.

The game is followed by an analysis of the hands played. We draw upon experts in the local area to present the analysis. Several players have generously contributed their expertise: Siraj Haji, Emmy Haji, Cheryl Schneider, Anita Torrance, Joyce Pen, Larry Jones, Derrick Stove, and more recently, Jim Bachelder.

The game fee includes all of the above, plus lunch, plus a discount coupon to play in the Sunday Swiss game. What a deal! (At least, we think it’s a deal.)

Bette Kington, an avid bridge player, passed on September 6, 2016, due to being accidentally struck by an automobile. She was ninety-three years old.

While we grieve, we also rejoice in her life with us. And what a life! She was a devoted mother, grandmother, great grandmother, aunt, great aunt, and friend to many.

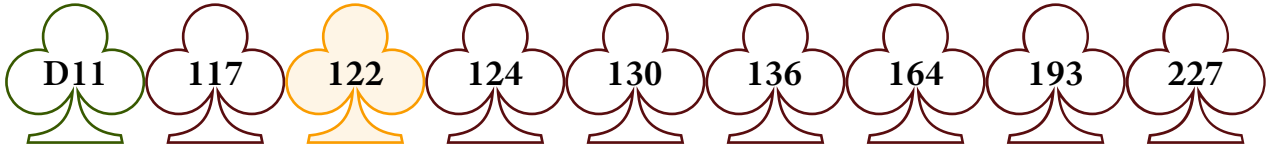
She was also an avid skier, poker player, golfer, bicyclist, bowler, square dancer, international traveler—and tough competitor at the bridge table.

Kevin Kington, her son and recently retired pediatrician, often played with her. Kevin’s son, Tim, sometimes joined them. Now that Kevin is retired, Kevin and Tim play together at club games and tournaments. (Unlike Bette, they play “Kington Precision”). Although Bette is gone, we will feel her presence through them for many years to come.

Speaking of young “old” people, not many of us get to celebrate a “Sweet Sixteen” party at the age of ninety-nine. But that is what Margaret Galbreath recently did.

Margaret is a long standing member of Columbus’s Franklin Bridge Club that plays Thursday evenings. The club has 120 members and might be the oldest private club in the United States (other clubs dispute that claim). The manager of the Franklin Club, Fred Bradshaw, keeps meticulous records awarding “Franklin Club” points to pairs that place in the top six each week. Who won this year? Margaret, of course!

She might not be sweet sixteen any longer, but when she was, she wasn’t the “mighty fine ninety-nine” that she is now. Congratulations Margaret! You inspire us all! (Contributed by Cheryl Schneider) ♣



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**July 07 - 09, 2017**



# UNIT 124 Tom Mess CINCINNATI

**S**UMMERTIME IN THE City is a perfect time to play bridge on those hot, humid days in the comforts of an air-conditioned building with friends and ever-changing hands. Just remember that in contract bridge, there are 53,644,737,765,488,792,839,237,440,000 different deals. For those who prefer rounding, there are over 53 octillion deals. An octillion is one followed by twenty-seven zeroes.

For further perspective, assuming that you played one hundred hands of bridge each day for seventy-five years, you would have played about 2.74 million hands of bridge. That means you still have well over fifty-three octillion deals you have not seen. No wonder we keep coming back to this game.

**Damiani Cup in Salsomaggiore Terme, Italy – August 3rd – 13th**  
Unit 124's own Isaac Stephani was part of the USA Youngster team that played in the 2016 World Youth Team Championships in Salsomaggiore Terme, Italy. Team USA made it to the quarterfinals, being defeated by the Italian Team, which eventually won the Youngster Championship and the Damiani Cup.

Thank you, Isaac, for representing the future of bridge.



- Milestones**  
We have a number of Unit 124 members reaching new milestones in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2016
- Ruby Life Master** – Bonnie Parker  
**Silver Life Master** – Sanford Franklin, Henry Jackson, and John Stoppiello  
**Bronze Life Master** – Nancy Dever, Joanne Earls, Martin Petersen, Robert S. Brown, Vernon Goetz, Lilam Stanley, Barton Jacobs, and Mary Latham  
**Life Master** – Norah Clark, Howard Simm, Patrick Lammers, and Betty Wills

**Summer Getaway Sectional – July 15-17**  
The Summer Getaway Sectional in Northern Kentucky was played July 15-17. A total of 210 tables were played with 226 players earning masterpoints. The top ten masterpoint winners for the Sectional were:

1)	26.22	Yauheni Siutsau, Loveland, OH
2)	26.22	William Higgins, Cincinnati, OH
3)	19.49	Amitabh Raturi, Cincinnati, OH
4)	17.05	Bob Fisk, Cincinnati, OH
5)	15.13	Mike Ma, Cincinnati, OH
6)	15.13	Dallas Moore, Trotwood, OH
7)	15.13	Brian Ross, Charlestown, IN
8)	13.45	Romeo Bodrogi-Podoaba, Taylor Mill, KY
9)	13.06	Donald Duritsch, Florence, KY
10)	11.47	Anton Habash, Oxford, OH

Thank you for the great hospitality. The homemade pies and cakes were delicious!

**It's NAP season again!**  
The **District 11 Finals on October 22-23** will be held at the Cincinnati Bridge Center (2860 Cooper Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45241). This permits players of all levels to compete against their peers and to represent District 11 at the 2017 National Finals, which will be held at the NABC Tournament March 9-19, 2017 in Kansas City, Missouri.

**Cincinnati Spooktacular Sectional**  
The Cincinnati Spooktacular Sectional will be held October 28-30 at the Cincinnati Bridge Center, 2860 Cooper Road, Cincinnati, OH 45241 (513-563-2218). Costumes are encouraged, but not required. **WARNING: Some the hands will be scary.**

**Mistaken Explanation or Mistaken Call at the Bridge Table – Law 75**  
One of the perplexing issues at the bridge table is when partners are on different wavelengths in their bidding. A mistake can arise because a player makes a bid in agreement with the partnership understanding (as detailed

in the partnership's convention card), but when asked for an explanation of the player's bid, the partner misinforms the opponents of the meaning of the bid.

There can also be a mistaken bid. This happens when a player makes a bid that is not consistent with the partnership agreement, but the opponents are properly informed of the partnership agreement.

It is critical to understand the difference between the mistaken explanation and the mistaken call for knowing what are the player's responsibilities as well as what are the potential remedies.

With a mistaken explanation, if a player realizes her/his own explanation was incorrect or incomplete before the auction period ends, the player must immediately call the Director. The Director will apply either Law 21 – a Call Based on Misinformation – or Law 40B(6) – an Adjusted Score in Partnership Misunderstandings.

If the partner realizes that there has been a mistaken explanation of their partnership understanding, the partner must wait for the first legal opportunity and then inform the opponents and the Director. The first legal opportunity if the partner is the declarer or dummy is after the final pass, but before the opening lead. If the partner is defending, the first legal opportunity is not until the end of the play. The Director has the option to award an adjusted score if the Director determines that the non-offending side was damaged by receiving the misinformation.

Law 75 treats mistaken bids differently. If the player's partner correctly describes the partnership agreement, but then the player realizes he/she has bid incorrectly, there is no infraction. The player who made the incorrect bid does have "unauthorized information," and must avoid taking any advantage from that unauthorized information. The player making the incorrect bid must not notify the Director, even "away from the table."

It's important to understand why there is no infraction of Law 75 when there is a mistaken bid. The opponents are entitled to an accurate statement of the partnership agreement. They are not entitled to an accurate description of their opponents' hands. Regardless of damage, the Director shall allow the result to stand. The Director is permitted to presume a mistaken explanation rather than a mistaken bid in the absence of evidence to the contrary. That evidence to the contrary would include inspection of the partners' convention cards.

Remember, when you have incorrectly bid, you are fooling both your opponents and your own partner. ☹️



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# UNIT 130 CENTRAL IN

## Frank Tharp

**T**HE INDIANAPOLIS CROSSROADS of America Regional has been scheduled for January 30 through February 5, 2017 at the Indianapolis Wyndham West Hotel. More details coming soon.

CIBA welcomes Dan Groves as the new manager of the Bloomington Duplicate Bridge Club. We thank the former manager, Bill Jones, for ten years of loyal service.

In August, CIBA sponsored the first 299er Sectional in our area in many years. This highly successful event attracted 113 players from six states, and resulted in ninety-six tables of bridge being played. Over 185 master points were awarded. Those who received at least six points for the weekend were Maureen Clerkin, Ellen Simon, Terri Rowen and Joe Hibner from Indy, along with William Thompson and Linda Segebart of Champaign, IL. Thanks to everyone who participated by playing or volunteering.

The Indianapolis Fall Sectional will take place at the Northside Knights of Columbus, located on 71<sup>st</sup> Street, one block West of Keystone Avenue, from November 18-20. This annual "Player Appreciation" event has lots of hospitality and offers a \$3 off coupon to all CIBA members who play in the Sunday Swiss. (Pick up your coupon when you register.)

Sunday morning, prior to the beginning of the Swiss Team game, CIBA will conduct a short business meeting and announce the winners of the CIBA Board election. All CIBA members will receive a post card ballot by mail which they may return per the instructions on the post card. The ballot box will be open at the sectional until one hour before the start of the Swiss game on Sunday for anyone who wishes to cast a ballot in person. CIBA thanks the four members of the board who complete their three-year terms in December – Sheila Baker, Kendra Bridges, Maribeth Ransel and Jan Vernia. The following six members of the Unit have agreed to run for the upcoming three-year term, with four to be elected:

**DOUG AVERY:** I graduated from IUPUI in 1978 with a BS in Computer Technology. I then worked for Daniels Associates Inc. for thirty-four years. When asked about my interests, I tell them the two B's—bridge and bicycling. I started playing duplicate bridge in 1969, but, took a "sabbatical" from 1978 to 1994. I enjoy the competition and am always striving to improve my game. My wife, Martha, who is also known as Marty or Suzie (depending on the friend or family member) and I have been married for thirty-eight years. I have finished my volunteer position at the Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic where I developed a case management system to track information required for an annual government grant. I am now looking for a new opportunity to volunteer. With my IT background, I feel that I can assist in tracking and/or reporting any

member or club information. If I am elected, I would very much enjoy the opportunity to serve on the CIBA Board and give back to the game I love.

**SHEILA BAKER:** I graduated from both Purdue and Butler Universities in Speech Pathology and Special Education. I was employed by Lawrence Township Schools for thirty-three years and recently with Desert Sands United School District in Palm Springs, CA. While in Lawrence, I volunteered with Special Olympics on the local, state and national level. I am also an active member of Delta Kappa Gamma International Society for key female educators, and have served in many offices and positions for chapter, council and international events. About eight years ago I started playing duplicate bridge. I presently have 235 master points. In obtaining these points, I have enjoyed the lessons, instructors and players in the game. I am finishing my first term on the CIBA Board. During my tenure, I have served as Co-chair of Partnerships many times at Sectionals and Regionals. I have also helped with hospitality and many other jobs. It is my feeling that CIBA Board members have a responsibility to always foster the best bridge by example and effort. I have been proud to tell others at tournaments that I am from Indianapolis and work on partnerships as well as encouraging them to come to our tournaments. I believe in zero tolerance at the bridge table. I would like the opportunity to continue to serve on the Board.

**THOM BONDUS:** I work for Park 100 Foods as their CFO. My professional/volunteer activities include the Indiana Chamber of Commerce Board member and the Tax Executive Institute. I have played duplicate bridge for over twenty-five years and have accumulated 1550 points. Because I work, I seldom play in the morning and afternoon games. However, I do play in most of the tournaments in this area. I also have helped over ten people become life masters. I very much look forward to helping the CIBA Board run great tournaments in the future.

**MARIBETH RANSEL:** For more than twenty years, I worked in Social Services and Neuropsychology. The last twenty years of my professional career were spent in educational consulting and administration. I have served on numerous not-for-profit boards, primarily in the fields of education and health services. Like many, I started playing bridge in college but didn't begin duplicate until the mid-90s. I have now attained the status of ruby life master. Most importantly, bridge has given me a wide circle of cherished friends and many unique challenges. Coming from the field of Neuropsychology, I appreciate the manner in which this game gives players the opportunity to keep their brains active and well-tuned! I have completed three terms on the CIBA Board, and have served as President for four of those nine years. My loves (outside of playing) are chairing tournaments and special events such as educational programs. I have been chair or co-chair of at

least fifteen CIBA tournaments. For about seven years, I have served on the District 11 Board and am currently completing my second year as District Secretary.

**ELLEN SIMON:** Born and raised in Indianapolis, I eventually returned home to work with my mother in her fabric shop. After she was killed in a car accident shortly before my wedding, I became manager of the shop. I continued to run it until the late 70s. In 1973, I opened a yarn and craft store in Carmel. At the time, I had two stores, two babies and a husband who traveled on the road five days a week. Ahhhhhh, to be young again!! After I closed the store, I became a professional full time freelance calligrapher until 2013. I also started teaching calligraphy and still teach two times per week. I have been involved with the Calligraphy Guild of Indiana, Hadassah, the JCC, Beth El Zedeck Synagogue, Hebrew Academy of Indiana, Riley Hospital, Central Indiana Bicycle Association and the Cub Scouts. I have been playing bridge at IBC since January 2012. I like the fact that you are never as good as you can be; that it is always a challenge, albeit somewhat demoralizing at times! I have helped a little bit at a couple of tournaments. I feel that I am very responsible and a hard worker. If I take on a commitment, I make sure that I follow through with it. Having owned businesses for many years, I am good at managing budgets and dealing with people. I was President of the Indiana Calligraphy Guild for 3 years, program chairman for five years and newsletter editor for nineteen years. My sense of humor and ability to compromise are two of my strong points.

**JUDY SOSIN:** I was born and raised in Memphis, TN, and moved to IN in the mid-fifties. I attended Shortridge HS and Indiana University. My husband and I, retired Judge Ted Sosin, have been married for fifty-one years. We have two children and seven grandchildren, ranging in age from fifteen to four. My hobbies, in addition to bridge, are travel, reading and cooking. I am the retired Executive Director of the Jewish Community Center. Also, I am a former teacher with a Masters in Social Work. Currently, I am volunteering with the Interfaith Hospitality Network and as a tutor for the third grade reading program. In 2012, I started playing duplicate bridge. I have achieved the rank of Regional Master. The challenge of learning, the pleasure of meeting and befriending new people and the feeling of achievement (every now and then!!) are the things that I like about duplicate bridge. I served on the Indianapolis Bridge Center Board and was secretary in 2015-16. Also, I have co-chaired hospitality for the February Regional, helped to develop a "Learn and Play" program at IBC and chaired "A Day with Eric Rodwell" at the JCC. As a leisure time activity, I believe that bridge is beneficial on so many levels. It spurs the brain to learn and apply new knowledge and it exposes the player to new people that they might never have encountered. I would like to encourage new players to give it a try and also to assist with learning

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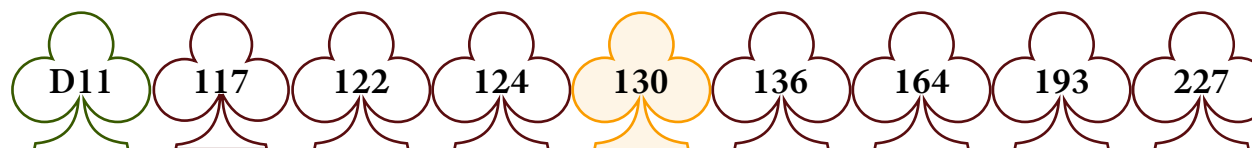
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opportunities and current programs.

**Indianapolis Bridge Center**

IBC is very happy to be 4th in the nation for raising funds for the Longest Day. Sharon and Charlene would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to reach this high level of support. Kendra Bridges and Jan Hammond were honored with a Gold Life Master party. Connie Latas was so happy to receive a toaster at her Life Master party so she could show her non bridge friends that she could trade her master points in for great merchandise. Of course she loved her mini gold flying pig. The ABA held its Fall Nationwide Tournament at IBC. It was the first one Indianapolis ABA has held in four years

**Muncie/Richmond Bridge Clubs – Ella Reff reporting**

In early August, more than fifty bridge players gathered at the home of Bob Delaney in Richmond for the annual Bob and Kathy Memorial game. The North-South winners in the North American Pairs event were Mary Klute and Paul Elstro (B and C); and Kenneth Woodman and Bob Delaney (A) with a 67% game. The winners for East-West were Sharon Smith and Beth Sendre (C) and Don and Paula Byrnett (A, B).

The Muncie club held its annual business meeting in late August after a pizza party. Membership statistics were shared as well as a financial report including charity giving by the group. All leaders remained in office for the ensuing year. Wylie McGlothlin and Eunice Bryant have now achieved the rank of Regional Master.

An impressive total of players from both clubs are on the leaderboards for the 2016 Mini-McKinney races. These points include all ACBL events. From Rookies to Silver Life Masters and beyond. In Unit 130, we see the names of these players: Don Scott, Lynn Hale, Beverly Salmon, Tom Charles, Harold McGrath, Charles McPeck, Clare Peckinpaugh, William Armstrong, and Kenneth Woodman. Those in the top ten for Unit 130 in the Ace of Clubs categories, where points at the local level only are totaled, are Rollin Benbow, Ken Woodman, William Armstrong, Darrel Peckinpaugh, Clare Peckinpaugh, Tom Charles, Harold McGrath, Mike Betigheimer, Charles McPeck, Lynn Hale, Beverly Salmon, and Don Scott.

**Terre Haute Bridge Club**

If the Terre Haute Bridge Club had to choose a theme song for the year, it might well be “Let the Good Times Roll.” The On-the-Banks-of-the-Wabash sectional tournament (Sept. 9-11) was a resounding success. The attendance was excellent with 93 participants from across District 11 earning Master Points during the competition. At the top of the list of Master Point winners were Terre Haute’s own Jim Gormong and Jane Gormong who each earned 12.16 MPs. The Sunday Open Teams competition drew seventeen teams, making it highest attendance in recent years!

This quarter also saw club member Michael Miedema reach a new goal. At summer 2016 NABC, Miedema partnered with Ted Bain of Houston, TX. The pair finished 12th in the first session of the Werner Open Pairs competition earning 1.78 platinum master points. Miedema and Bain also finished eighth overall in the StratiFlighted Daylight B/C Pairs earning 5.33 gold points. Congratulations to Mike on earning his first platinum points!

At the Saint Louis Regional Bridge Tournament held August 15-21 players from the Terre Haute Bridge Club achieved new ranks. Club members Judy Harris, Tana Holt, Diane Scott, and Sharon Winters teamed up to earn a tie for third place in the Wednesday/Thursday Knock Out Bracket Two team

competition. In total, their successful play at the tournament earned each team member nine master points. The newly earned points were sufficient for Holt and Scott to reach the cumulative life-time MP level required to become Silver Life Masters!

Other exciting results came from the 299er Sectional Tournament in Indianapolis on August 27 and 28. The tournament flyer challenges 299er attendees to “Take Home a Bucket of Silver.” Two players from the Terre Haute Bridge Club took advantage of the opportunity. Shafaat Dalal and Tom Siefert joined forces with Robin Smith of Fishers IN and Rosanne Taylor of Indianapolis to take first place overall in the Sunday Swiss Teams competition! They each earned 3.47 silver MPs for their accomplishment. ☁



The success of the Banks-of-the-Wabash Tournament resides heavily with tournament co-chairs Tana Holt (right) and Sharon Winters (second from right) and partnership chairperson Mary Lunsford (not pictured). Club-member generosity combined with yeomen service by volunteers (left to right) Maureen Bryant, Judy Harris, and Diane Scott, along with Holt and Winters, resulted in outstanding complimentary buffets on both Saturday and Sunday.

Shafaat Dalal (right) and Tom Siefert joined forces with Robin Smith of Fishers and Rosanne Taylor of Indianapolis to take first place overall in the Sunday Swiss Teams competition at the Silver Lining 299er Sectional Tournament in Indianapolis on August 27 and 28.



Diane Scott (left) and Tana Holt are Terre Haute Bridge Club’s newest Silver Life Masters! They reached their goal this August at the Saint Louis Regional Bridge Tournament playing with Judy Harris and Sharon Winters.





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## INDIANAPOLIS

### 2016 Fall CIBA Player Appreciation Sectional November 18, 19, 20 - Northside Knights of Columbus



#### FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 18

- ▶ Open Stratified Swiss 1:30 7:00  
2 Sessions
- ▶ Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 7:00
- ▶ 299ers Pairs 1:30 7:00
- ▶ 0-20 Pairs 1:30 7:00  
Pay \$6.00 for your first game, and your second game is free

#### SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 19

- ▶ YOUTH Pairs - 21 and under 9:00  
If numbers warrant - \$6.00/person
- ▶ Stratified Open Pairs 9:00  
"BEAT THE COMPUTER!"
- ▶ 299ers Pairs 9:00 1:30
- ▶ **CYNDY CRADICK** Bracketed KO Teams 9:00 1:30 7:00  
Sessions 1, 2 and 3 of 3

#### BOB WALLACE AFTERNOON AT THE SECTIONAL

- ▶ Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 7:00  
Single Sessions
- ▶ Open Stratified Swiss Teams 1:30 7:00  
Two Sessions

#### SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 20

- ▶ CIBA (Unit 130) Annual Meeting/Elections 10:45
- ▶ Bracketed Swiss Teams 11:00  
Play through. Teams will be seeded into brackets based on average MPs.  
Play only the teams in your bracket. Box lunches can be ordered  
all day Friday, or Saturday until 1:45 pm.

#### Tourney Strats

Open: A = 2000+ B = 750-2000 C = 0-750  
299ers: A = 100-300 B = 50-100 C = 0-50

- All events stratified by average MPs except when event has upper limit. In that case, all players must have fewer than the limit.
- KO Teams may be handicapped.
- Friday and Saturday Swiss events are stratified; Sunday Swiss is bracketed with teams playing only in their own brackets.

#### Special Player Appreciation Events

- Friday evening Snacks will be provided by the CIBA Board and friends.
- Saturday AM Coffee and doughnuts will be provided.
- Saturday AM "Beat the Computer Open Pairs"  
Outdo the computer on three successive boards and win a "Free Play" (one free play per player).
- Saturday PM After your evening meal, come back for desserts provided by the CIBA Board and friends.
- Sunday Swiss \$3 coupon for Sunday Swiss for all CIBA members (check at registration desk at any time to receive your coupon).
- Sunday Television coverage of Colts available without sound if game is broadcast.
- Each day Players 21 and under play for \$6 per session throughout the tournament!



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**Directions:** Northside Knights of Columbus 2100 E. 71st 317-253-3471  
From I-465 (on the northside), turn south on Keystone to 71st. Turn right on 71st and the facility will be on the right, just one-half block from your turn.

**Nearby hotels:** There are a number of motels of varying price ranges along the East 86th St. corridor. Google Indianapolis northeast motels for information.

**Table fees:** \$11 per person/per session; players under 21 years of age are \$6 per person/ per session.  
Add \$3 per person/per session if ACBL dues are unpaid or if you are a non-ACBL member.

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# UNIT 136 Sandy Forsythe MIAMI VALLEY

**W**HAT A GREAT summer we had in the Miami Valley! We started the ball rolling in June with another successful Longest Day event to support Alzheimer's research. Balloons and crepe paper added to the festive atmosphere as Miami Valley Bridge Center hosted more than ten hours of bridge, beginning with the 11 a.m. game, won by Janet Lee and Beth Grismer. In a special afternoon session, Janet finished first again, this time with partner Gary Hatten. Finally, Alok and Nancy Mohan won the evening non-Life Master game.

Many thanks are due to all who played on the Longest Day or in Alzheimer's charity games during ACBL Charity month in April; and especially to the players who filled the purple collection bucket with their generous donations. MVBC collected \$2500 in total, surpassing our goal of \$2000.

We have more to brag about: Unit players Joanne Coyle and Beth Grismer, the top scorers at MVBC in the ACBL-wide Charity game on April 14, were second in District 11 but eighth ACBL-wide! That's what a 70.41% game can get you.

This year's Mentor program was another huge success! More than 30 dedicated Life Masters shared their expertise with up-and-coming non-Life Masters throughout the summer. At the three Sunday Mentor-Mentee games, the students had a chance to test their new skills.

Ryan Schultz and Mike Dedek won the Mentor-Mentee kick-off game in June. At the Swiss team game in July, the husband-husband, wife-wife team of Ken Dixon, Jim Hudson, Janet Dixon and Polly Hudson was first. Joe Keim and Debi Martin won the final game in August. At fourteen, fifteen and thirteen tables, respectively, attendance at all three Mentor games was up from last year.

Joe Keim and Debi Martin were the overall winners of this year's Mentor series, based on their performance in all three Sunday games. Close behind them were Gary Hatten and Dottie Kemp in second place, and Jan Sheppe and Connie Wiest in third.

In August it was tournament time at the Bridge Center. Total attendance at the Dayton Summer Sectional, held August 5 – 7, was 178 tables, an increase of nine tables from last year. Joe Camillus kept things running smoothly as Tournament Chair, Marilyn O'Connor made the matches as Partnership Chair, and Donna Moore kept the munchies coming as Hospitality Chair. As usual, the complimentary lunch buffet during the Sunday Swiss was a hit with locals and out-of-towners alike.

Unit players scoring first-place finishes throughout the weekend were: Vickie Sebastian & Sudheer Pimputkar (Columbus); Carolyn Lauderback &

Debi Martin (NLM); Alan Stanley & Pat Moran; and Connie Wiest & Joe Camillus (NLM). The geographically diverse team of Dayton-area players Ryan Schultz, Craig Satersmoen and Dallas Moore, along with Bob Fisk (Cincinnati), Brian Ross (Indiana) and Siraj Haji (Columbus), finished first in the Sunday Swiss. Vickie Sebastian was the top masterpoint-scorer of the weekend.

It's Indian summer in Bellefontaine, with *two* more Bridge in the Barn Swiss team events yet to come (as of this writing), on September 25 and October 30. The extra game in October is just for players with less than one thousand masterpoints...though there may be some ghosts and goblins in attendance as well! Bridge in the Barn begins with hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixings at 12:30, followed by the game at 1:30, and finishes with homemade ice cream; all for just \$5 per person. To reserve your spot, email Jim Rash at [jrash308@yahoo.com](mailto:jrash308@yahoo.com) or call 321-960-4315.

Even in summer some rain must fall: our bridge family lost Bruce Walker in June and Frank Johnson in September. Our condolences go to their friends and family. ☹️

## Mentor-Mentee

### Winners

Joe Keim

and

Debi Martin



One of three  
Longest Day  
Games at the  
Miami Valley  
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Sandy Forsythe  
and  
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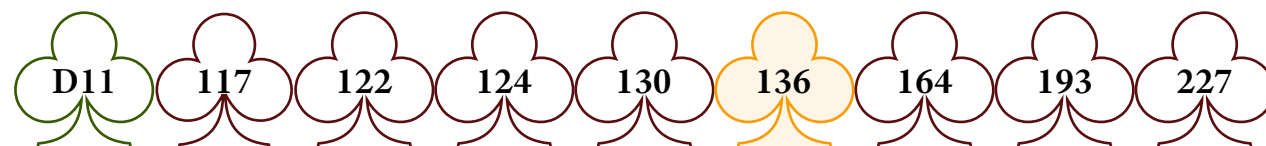
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# Dayton Winter Sectional

## December 02 - 04, 2016

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# Dayton Winter Sectional

**December 2 - 4, 2016**

Miami Valley Bridge Center  
4701 Presidential Way  
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### Friday, December 2, 2016

10:00 a.m. **Non-Life Master Pairs \* & Open Pairs**  
2:30 p.m. **Non-Life Master Pairs \* & Open Pairs**  
7:00 p.m. **Non-Life Master Pairs \* & Open Pairs**

### Saturday, December 3, 2016

10:00 a.m. **Non-Life Master Pairs \* & Open Pairs**  
2:30 p.m. **Non-Life Master Pairs \* & Open Pairs**

### Sunday, December 4, 2016

10:00 a.m. **Swiss Teams (Play through)**

Based on team's average masterpoint holding:

**Stratified :A: 2000+ B: 750-2000 C: 0-750**

**Dayton's famous Complimentary Buffet will be served during Swiss session**



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**All points earned will be SILVER! ACBL members with 0-5 MP will play free.**

**\$10 each session Per Player (\$3 additional for non, or unpaid, ACBL members)**

**Motel:** Holiday Inn Express, 5655 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, Oh, 45459; 937-424-5757. Off Exit 7, I-675, adjacent to Morris Furniture, West of the exit from I 675. Breakfast included. *Ask for SPECIAL RATE CODE: IL6XR Bridge Strategy.*

**Website:** [www.mvba.com](http://www.mvba.com)

\* Non-Life Master games are held as attendance warrants.

Strats are: NLM D = up to 500/NLM, E =50 – 200, F= 0- 50 (Open same as Swiss)



# UNIT 164 Nancy Colby BLUE GRASS

**Bridge's Enjoyment Brings Hope to Others:  
Alzheimer's Longest Day Fund Raiser**

On the longest day of the year, June 21<sup>st</sup>, ACBL clubs organize a day long fund raiser for Alzheimer's Association. Donna Loeffler leads the activities on this day at our club. The analogy to The Longest Day is that for those suffering from Alzheimer's disease, each day becomes one "long day." The Lexington Bridge Club has over the past three years raised \$10,000 to donate to the Alzheimer's Association's research to find a cure for this disease or a delay in its effects on the patients and their caretakers. The money is raised by offering a day of bridge for members and donating all money to the Association.

All bridge players finding pleasure in the company of others and knowing that they are raising money to help Alzheimer's patients and their families, enjoy the company of their loved ones and make The Longest Day a Worthwhile Day.



▲ Donna Loeffler (standing on left) and her Saturday morning supervised game for players with less than five MPS ▲



◀ Walt Brewer with  
Grandson Andrew



◀ Beverly Sparrow with  
Granddaughter Eva

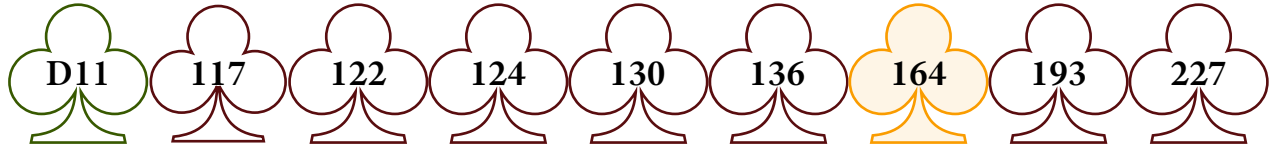
**Bridge Camp Makes Learning Fun**  
Bridge Camp brought smiles to students, teachers, volunteers, parents and grandparents this summer as we introduced our youngsters, ages eight to nineteen, to the game's challenges and satisfactions. The camp met from June 13<sup>th</sup> to June 23<sup>rd</sup> at our comfortable club facility. Ellen Hume, camp director, delivered handouts about the free instruction to libraries and schools throughout Lexington in May and encouraged members to sign up to provide food and assist the students as they put the lessons into practice each night. Instructors concentrated

**Bridge Education, Encourages New Memberships**  
The Lexington Bridge Club offers a Bridge Plus game on Saturday mornings from ten to twelve at the club to introduce new players and/or long time social bridge players to duplicate bridge. These games are for those with fewer than five MPs. An ACBL certified teacher directs the game and is permitted to answer questions and give helpful assistance during the game when requested.

Also when there is a minimum of three tables, players can begin to earn MPs. Many players who now enjoy duplicate bridge in the regular open games initially took classes followed by the Bridge Plus games with director Donna Loeffler. Jackie Merkel also directs a teaching game for new players and those still taking classes with 0-20 MPs on Monday nights. Her supervision helps players put new knowledge into practice. Jackie also organizes a monthly game where mentees with less than one hundred MPs play with mentors. New partnerships emerge from these games as well as competitions such as 8 is Enough and Swiss Teams.

After introductory lessons, club members welcome these new bridge players into their games making them feel "at home." The directors introduce them so players know they are new and still may lack experience. Experienced players offer advice on ACBL procedures and regulations when needed, something new bridge players need to know to advance and compete in tournaments avoiding confusion or penalties. Everyone wants duplicate bridge to continue expanding through education and enjoyment.

Several new basic and advanced classes will begin this fall. Also, member-guest games are scheduled. Our learning never ends.....



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<b>Lexington Sectional</b> January 20 - 22, 2017
<b>Lexington Sectional</b> May 19 - 21, 2017



► Norma Greeley at the NLM Mid-Summer Sectional

Chair of Hospitality and Refreshments ►

►► Jack Hume (L), Ellen Hume (C), Phillip Wysong (R)

at the NLM Mid-Summer Sectional Tournament.

Ellen also organized the Summer Bridge Camp ►►

on teaching bidding, playing the hand, and a bit of defense. The ACBL provided take-home bridge books to help students keep up with their new skills, and the club gave each a new deck of cards.

A competition on the last camp night scored a fun-filled finish for the hard work of both students and instructors. Students also feasted each night on free, some homemade, refreshments provided by club members. Our special thanks to instructors Georgia Ringo, Morgan Schreffler, and Chuck Dean and to the many volunteers.

The Bluegrass Bridge Association Unit 164 and the Bridge Club of Lexington which began the program in 2003 at the Eagle Creek Branch Library will continue to introduce our enjoyable, challenging game to the next generation to enjoy with friends and/or to compete in club and ACBL tournaments.

#### Year #5 . . . Comes Alive

The Lexington Bridge Club celebrated its fifth anniversary hosting the Bluegrass District 164's annual 2016 Lexington NLM Mid-Summer Sectional Tournament on the July 30-31st weekend. Steady tournament growth has continued, attracting 146 competitors (12% growth), and filling 106 tables (10% growth) this year. In 2015, LBC hosted 130 competitors and 96.5 tables. Players, totaling 121, earned a total of 217.74 points.

Besides enjoying a tournament well planned and smoothly ran by chair Andra Gyor, players feasted both days on delicious snacks, beverages, and lunch. Members provided homemade sandwiches and sweets on Saturday and participants enjoyed a catered lunch on Sunday. Norma Greeley, hospitality chair, coordinated the weekend food preparation, serving, and both pre-and post-cleanup committees.

Andra, after coordinating two smooth days that needed months of planning, ended the weekend with many smiles and thank you's for workers and guests. Members enjoyed our guests from Louisville, New Orleans, Tennessee, West Virginia, Indiana, Cincinnati, Florida, and Missouri. Judy Hess assisted players needing partners, a much appreciated task.

The top point winners for the weekend - partners Evansville IN - Melba Patberg and Jane Perkins. Afternoon MPs top winners were Ross Fleming, Nicholasville KY - Norma Hampton, Lexington KY; Saturday morning top winners were Melba Patberg - Jane Perkins, Evansville IN; Sunday Swiss Teams' first place winners were Albert Venosa - Janet Venosa, Cincinnati OH and Nancy Cameron - Janet Hansen, Loveland OH.

"Coordinators and their assistants Terrell, Sondra, Dave, Jean, Judy, Jackie, Tom, Kathy, Norma, Xana, Ted, Pat, and Sandy—I could not have done it without you," said Andra. "The word is definitely out. Our bridge club hosts the finest NLM tournament anywhere! Members go above and beyond their duties welcoming everyone. The hospitality and food we serve are fantastic! And our team of workers makes this club sparkle for our two-day tournament."

A fabulous finish for Unit 164's "Alive #5 Mid-summer NLM." ☁



◀ Andra Gyor (L) and Jackie Merkel (R) at the NLM Mid-Summer Sectional Tournament. Andra was the Chair of the NLM tournament. Jackie is a Club Director and organizes the mentor-mentee and the Monday night less than 20MP games ▶





# Cabin Fever Sectional

## January 20 - 22, 2017

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## CABIN FEVER SECTIONAL

JANUARY 20-22, 2017 LEXINGTON, KY

### FRIDAY

Stratified Open Pairs—two single sessions ----- 1:00 and 7:00 PM  
299er Pairs\* ----- 1:00 and 7:00 PM

### SATURDAY

Bracketed Knockouts\*\* ----- 9:00, 1:00 and 7:00 PM  
Stratified Open Pairs—two single sessions ----- 1:00 and 7:00 PM  
299er Pairs\* ----- 1:00 and 7:00 PM

\*As Attendance Warrants - \*\*May be handicapped

### SUNDAY

Stratified Swiss Teams—two sessions----- 10:00 AM  
299'er Swiss Teams\*-----two sessions----- 10:00 AM

\*All Swiss Teams Based on Team Average

\*Box lunch between sessions included in team fee

**NOTE:** On Friday or Saturday, players with 0-50 MPs can buy one game and get a second game for free (limit one per player per tournament).

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# UNIT 193 DISTRICT 11

## Pat Probst

The Evansville, IN, and Tri-State community watched the Summer Olympics with much anticipation as our hometown girl, Lilly King, competed in several swimming events. We were not disappointed. Lilly won two gold medals—one for the one hundred breaststroke and another for the 4x100 medley relay! Even though there were winners and losers, the spirit of camaraderie and friendship was evident throughout the games. Similar to our bridge games—sometimes we win and sometimes we lose, but the laughter and good times we share make for golden moments to remember.

### SPECIAL GUEST AT EDBC

The EDBC was honored to have as a guest the District 11 Director, Beth Reid. Ms. Reid joined us on August 27 for a luncheon of pizza, homemade salads and a beautifully decorated cake. Following the luncheon Beth partnered with Brian Ross for an open NAP game. Beth then met with the Unit 193 Board members and shared her goals regarding the future of bridge. She focused on three major topics: technology, education and development of tournament director training. She assured us that the latest technology is constantly being developed for ACBL. She expressed that the future and growth of bridge lies in the “retiring boomers.” Thus, there will be a refocus on bringing more learning opportunities to this group. Thank you, Beth, for visiting our Club.

District Director Beth Reid & Unit 193 President Billie Kathleen Brown ►

**UNIQUE CHRISTMAS GIFT:** As you sit at the bridge table at the Evansville Duplicate Bridge Club (EDBC) with Woodie Walker, you would not suspect this unassuming lady has served in the highest level of the professional tennis world. Woodie has spent more than four decades in the tennis world serving in the capacity of supervisor for umpires and linesmen at the U.S. Tennis Association events around the country and abroad, including working with the Davis Cup, the U.S. Open, the French Open and Wimbledon.

With such an awesome career, what exactly do you give your mother (Woodie) for Christmas? After considerable thought, her children came up with the perfect gift—a Tennis Tournament bearing her name! On June 29-31, 2016, the inaugural “Woodie” City Championship took place at Wesselman Park Tennis Center in Evansville, IN. The Tournament will have age group divisions for juniors and open divisions for adults as well as “U.S. Open Divisions” for juniors designed for non-tournament level competition. The inclusive nature of the Tournament is what makes it so special for Woodie.

Since her “semi-retirement,” Woodie has become actively involved with EDBC. In addition to being a regular player, she also volunteers her time to purchase supplies for our Club.

We are all very proud of Woodie’s accomplishments in the world of tennis. Through the thoughtful Christmas gift from her children, her legacy will live on in her home town through the “Woodie” City Championship. We are also happy to have Woodie as a member of our bridge family

Woodie Walker – a true tennis legend ►

**CONGRATULATIONS!** to four deserving members of the EDBC. We are pleased to announce that Jef Franklin has reached the level of *Life Master*. Congratulations, Jef, on a job well done.

Bev Nikolajewski has recently become a *Silver Life Master*. This was a goal Bev set for herself at the beginning of 2016. Her New Year’s resolution now completed, she has begun her next quest for gold! Congratulations, Bev.

It is not just the Olympians who won gold – EDBC boasts two new *Gold Life Masters*, Bill Lea and Billie Kathleen Brown. We are ready to celebrate Bill and Billie Kathleen’s achievement with fellow members, family and



guests at a grand party hosted by EDBC on September 24. Congratulations to Bill and Billie (Katie) for this outstanding honor.

All of us at EDBC are very proud of the time and effort the four of you spent to achieve your dreams!

### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Every autumn the school bells ring for the beginning of new classes. EDBC is no exception. Two learning opportunities are being offered this fall. Easybridge!1 is back with the first lesson held on Tuesday, September 13, under the expert tutelage of Jan Tucker. Jan is known not only for her teaching ability, but also for her reservoir of great jokes! Jan makes learning bridge easy and fun.

Also offered is a class called “Lessons with Bobby.” Silver Life Master, Bobby Tapp, is teaching lessons on that important topic called Hand Evaluation. Bobby is an accredited ACBL teacher and a member of the American Bridge Teachers’ Assoc. Many members are taking advantage of this educational opportunity held at the Club on Monday mornings. Attendees are anxious to learn as well as enjoy the extra perk of coffee and doughnuts that Bobby provides.

### ISENIOR

iSenior consists of a group of high school volunteers who bring their knowledge of technology to senior citizens who need assistance in using all the “gadgets” in our life today. An iSenior training session was held the morning of August 6 at EDBC. Thirteen enthusiastic members

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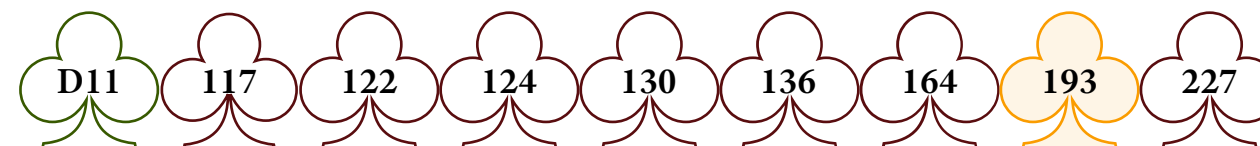
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attended and were helped to better understand the workings of their iphone, ipad and tablet. Questions abounded, but none stumped the capable three high school volunteers who worked one-on-one with the members. Landon Eisenhut, the founder of iSenior was accompanied by fellow volunteers Sophie Treski and Keegan Leek. Landon got the idea of going to nursing homes and senior centers to provide assistance in using iphones after helping his grandpa become more proficient with his. One of the volunteers, Sophie Treski, is the great granddaughter of EDBC member Billie Floyd. Billie is responsible for bringing the group to our Club. Because of their enthusiastic reception and interest shown, the group is planning to return to EDBC in the near future to continue enlightening those of us who are technically challenged!

▼ Billie Floyd with great granddaughter, Sophie Treski ▼



► Landon Eisenhut assisting Sallie Wade with her tablet ►

THE LONGEST DAY

Once again The Longest Day held June 23 at EDBC was quite successful due to the efforts of chairpersons, Lon and Jeanne Bell. The day began at sunrise and ended well past sunset. Food, fun and bridge were featured the entire day! Bev Nikolajewski, publicity chairperson, arranged for the local CBS TV station to come for an interview which aired during the evening newscast. More importantly the donations from members amounted to \$4,566. The money was given to the Alzheimer's Association to help fight this devastating disease. Thanks to all who participated.

► The Longest Day chairpersons, Lon & Jeanne Bell ►

POCKET CITY SECTIONAL

The EDBC, under the chairmanship of Patti Lodato and Nancy Erwin and their many volunteers, welcomed bridge players from far and near at the July 15-17 Pocket City Sectional. There were both Open Pairs and 299er sections available. On Friday there were 11.5 tables in the 299er section and 20.5 tables in the Open Pairs. The Open Pairs on Friday evening netted 15.5 tables. Saturday afternoon brought 8.5 tables in the 299er section and sixteen tables in the Open

Pairs. Sunday Swiss Teams had twenty-three tables participating for a total of 130 tables for the three days. Great tutorials were presented by four of our local members. Barb Ahlers of EDBC spoke on Upgrading Your Game by Quantity and Quality bidding. LeRoy Breimeier from the Vincennes Club spoke on cue bids. Jason Liao from the Madisonville Club shared his knowledge on Losing Trick Count and Doris Mills from the Owensboro Club gave a presentation on Michael's and The Unusual Two No Trump conventions.



A special feature of past EDBC tournaments is the famous Friday cake night. This year the tradition continued as EDBC members showed off their baking skills by bringing a delicious array of homemade cakes for all to enjoy! This proved a very sweet way to end a taxing day at the bridge table!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

September 8 was a happy and beautiful day at EDBC as we celebrated the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday of our member, Peggy Kincaid. Peggy's daughter, Jane Perkins, hosted a lovely luncheon at the Club in her honor. Prior to the cutting of the beautiful birthday cake, Jane (also an EDBC member) paid a touching tribute to her mother and thanked everyone for making this day special for her. When asked how long she had been playing bridge, Peggy replied that she couldn't remember a time when she didn't play! A great answer from a truly beautiful lady!

▼ Jane Perkins and Peggy Kincaid ▼



NEWS FROM THE OWENSBORO DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB:

**Winners: District 11 Summer STaC Games winners were as follows:**

On August 8 at Owensboro DBC's Monday evening STaC game, novices Mary Ann Shelton and Jean Morris won first in the District's 0-300 Game scoring 58.75% and 1.43 masterpoints. In Owensboro's Wednesday afternoon District Open Pairs game on August 10, Sherry Lambert and Bob Bastin, Sr. won first scoring 67.70% and 9.58 masterpoints.

**Unit 193 Games winners were as follows:** At Owensboro's Unit Game with 19 Tables on July 23, in the 0-300 game, Karen Hardesty and Marilyn Mills won first with 60.42% and 1.18 masterpoints. In the Open Pairs game, LeRoy Breimeier and Jason Liao won first with 67.09% and 4.08 masterpoints.



Owensboro winners at **Jasper’s Unit Game** on August 20 were as follows: In the 0-300 game, Julia Mesplay and David Lilly won first with 67.46% and .92 masterpoints. In the Open pairs game, Don Hayes and Vicki Helms won first North/South with 55.36% and 2.30 masterpoints.

**Fall Tournament:** Owensboro’s October 7-9 Sectional Tournament is right around the corner. Exhibit Hall 1 on the first floor of the Owensboro Convention Center will be the site. Persons who prefer to enter the hall at the back may be dropped off and enter through a service door that will be unlocked until the games begin. The flyer for the tournament is posted at the ACBL tournament website, available via ACBL Tournament Blast as well as at local clubs. **Novice games, 0-100, will be featured at all pairs games Friday and Saturday.**

**Bereavement:** A long- time member of the Owensboro Club, Janet Robinson, passed away on August 9. In recent years she was unable to play in the club’s 3-1/2 hour games, but continued to share her knowledge and expertise with newer players during shorter games in her home. She is remembered especially for always being kind, helpful and inviting to all new players during her active years.

**NEWS FROM THE HENDERSON DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB:**  
**Winners:** In the STaC game August 10, Gloria Bridges and Connie Gustafson tied for 6<sup>th</sup> overall in the District 11 Wednesday night game. They were 1<sup>st</sup> in Flight A N/S at the club game. 1<sup>st</sup> in Flight B N/S were Jane Kempin and Jane Staton. 1<sup>st</sup> E/W in Flights A & B were Madison Sewell and Dale Hill. 1<sup>st</sup> in Flight C E/W were Donna and Jef Chapman. The Club Championship winners for August 31 were Katie Brown and Lon Bell in Flight A, Barbara Ahlers and Gloria Bridges in Flight B and Pat Probst and Nancy Erwin in Flight C. The Club continues to do well at the Evansville location. The attendance is slowly increasing thanks to some newer players who are attending.

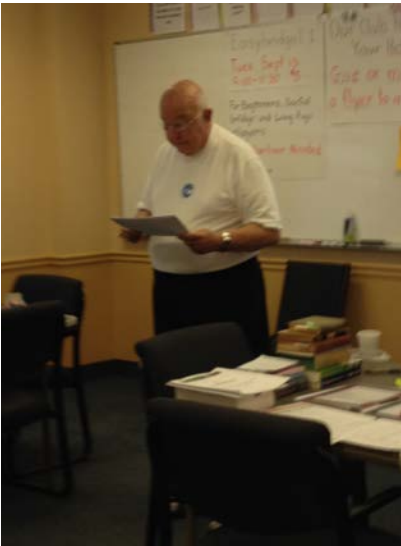
**IMPORTANT DATE:** The Henderson Club would like to invite everyone to their Christmas party on **December 14**. Mark your calendar and tell your bridge friends to reserve the date for an evening of fun.

**JASPER NEWS:** The Jasper Duplicate Bridge Club hosted the Unit Championship game on August 20, 2016. Participants indulged in delicious appetizers, sandwiches and decadent desserts prepared by the Jasper Club members. No one left hungry! Everyone enjoyed the fun and fellowship. The winners are as follows:  
**Owensboro Winners:** In the 0-300 Game, Julie Mesplay and David Lilly won first with 67.46% and .92 master points. In the Open pairs game, Don Hayes and Vicki Helms won first North/South with 55.36% and 2.30 master points.  
**Henderson Winners:** In the Open Pairs Game, Susie and Dale Hill were fourth overall .08% and 1.72 master points.  
**Jasper Winners:** In the Open Games Carol Ollinger and Judy MCarty were firstE/W with a55.95% and 3.06 master points, Cynthia Kluemper & Dee Cassidy placed 2<sup>nd</sup> E/W with 52.38% and 1.72 master points. Brenda Kremp & Mirth Hahn placed 3<sup>rd</sup> N/S with 51.9% and .97masterpoints. In the 0-300 game, Richard Smith and Nancy Prechtel placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with 61.90% and .69 master points. Third place winners were Betty Verkamp and Lisa Weinzapfel with 56.35% and .52 master points.  
**Evansville Winners:** John Lawler and Patti Lodato placed 3<sup>rd</sup> E/W with 51.19% and .62 master points.

OUTSTANDING GAMES:

70% Games:

7/04	LeRoy Breimeier & Jason Liao	73.79%
7/05	Betsy B. Sterns & Mary J. Russell	71.00%
7/12	Mary Hurt & Bud Farmer	73.96%
7/13	LeRoy Breimeier & John Fullenwider	71.25%
7/13	Bill Alexander & Judy McCarty	72.50%
7/30	Bernie Kay & Pete Lambert	73.81%
8/31	Carol Olinger & Jane Witte	72.40%



▲ Bobby Tapp teaching “Hand Evaluation” at EDBC ▲





# Sweetheart Swiss Sectional

## February 11 & 12, 2017

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## SWEETHEART SWISS TOURNAMENT

### OWENSBORO SWEETHEART SWISS TEACH SECTIONAL S172016

## FEBRUARY 11 AND 12, 2017



### EVENTS

### CST

#### Saturday, February 11, 2017

Swiss Teams ..... 10:30 A.M.  
(Playthrough: Lunch available on site)

#### Sunday, February 12, 2017

Swiss Teams ..... 10:30 A.M.  
(Playthrough: Lunch available on site)

#### All Sessions Stratified\*

C ..... 0-500  
B ..... 500-2000  
A ..... 2000+

\* Team Average  
Victory Points: 20 Point Scale

**Bracketed from bottom up**  
**Depending on attendance**



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**Sunday, Feb 12<sup>th</sup> Swiss Teams – 2 Sessions . . . \$96.00**

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