

## Tricks & Treats

### For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

**The Birthday Party** was hosted by **Joyce Lauterbach**. She was just sorry she couldn't attend. Many thanks for the assistance of **Pat Webb**. Congrats to **Marjorie Edens** and **Velma Lamp**, our winners.

#### Birthday Charity game

1A) Marjorie Edens/Velma Lamp	91.46	2B) Tommy and Marlise Overby	85.40
2A) Bob and Pat Webb	90.10	6A) Ellie Hack/Fred Chisholm	84.78
3A) Ken Fasching/Brian Lipscomb	88.21	3B) Cathy and Thurmon Bruffy	83..83
1B) Bill Fogleman/Henry Momand	86.85	4B) Dot Cole/Marika Hallosy	79.98

**Mike Bitonti** would like to thank all those who gave contributions (\$605) to the **M.S. Foundation** either through contributions on his bike ride or through play in club charity games. A very worthwhile effort. Take a bow, folks. No government funding involvement and 87% goes into science.

**Spotlight event for November** is the ACBL wide Charity event on **Monday November 24**. **Game time is 7 PM**. The event will be **Open**. Hand records and analysis books will be available afterwards.

**Know what a bridge club is?** It's a group of people that get together and play bridge. Lately, some game times are proving unpopular with the players. We can't pay the overhead (coffee, supplies, director, power, phone etc.) with the current attendance. In the red every month. The Board is considering cutting from one to three games from the current schedule. There would be some allowance for limited point games. We provide services in demand so basically, if you want the game to play in, you have to play in the game. We want your input-next Board meeting is December 13 at 10:00 at the club.

**"Pro/Am" games** have been very well attended and people keep asking for them. The Board has asked that they be a regularly scheduled event on the **third Thursday night** of every month. A good chance for the club to mingle. You need to have one partner with less than 700 points to play this event. Both partners can be "under" and still play. First time is Thursday, November 20, 7:30 PM.

I was playing with a series of players who don't normally play Open games over the June/Oct. period. It seemed that our discussions of methods were almost always the same. The first times we played, partner didn't want to try anything new to them for fear they'd forget. On the second or third time we played, they were up for forcing NT, Weak jump shifts, maybe even Bergen raises or Roman Key card. Reverse two way Drury anyone? Once players of at least some experience were shown the utility of some conventions and treatments, they wanted a piece of the action. Here's what whoever taught you bridge first told you **"The auction is a conversation you and your partner have to tell each other what you hold."** Now about conversations: Consider Og the caveman and yourself. You both see a fire and have to call the fire department. He calls and says "Fire!" You call, give a location and say "Chemical fire", Grease", "Electrical", "Haz/mat" or any of many other descriptive phrases you can give the Fire department to be best prepared for what they will find when they get there. Now consider bridge hands. Obviously, in a conversation, the larger your vocabulary, the more enlightening your discussion will be. You may never be bridge's William Buckley or Sidney Harris, but get a leg up on the monosyllabic Og. Don't be afraid of conventions, they help you communicate. Conventions are also great tools to help a pair evaluate a hand. You blow one once in a while, true, especially when they are new to you. But how many matchpoints have you lost because you didn't have the tools available to get to the right spot?

**"I feel that I am still learning."** Commodore Waldemar Von Zedwitz at 81. The oldest winner of a North American 6 session national Championship.



The 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the North American Pairs held a Tri City was won by Jimmy Blackwell first in Flight "A". Second in Flight B was the duo of Joyce Lauterbach/Ken Fasching. Congratulations to these and all of our other qualifiers-go get 'em in Greenville!!

There will be no games at the club Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup>, the day before Thanksgiving.

"Look for a reason to bid, not an excuse to pass." Words from Ron Anderson another NE Iowa boy who went through the Cedar Falls DBC in the late 60's. He wrote the book on balancing after scoring a 268 in Open competition. One of the points he stressed on balancing was doing it holding zero, one or four of the opponents' suit. If opponents took the push to a higher level, they likely had trouble. If they didn't, you likely had only one loser in their suit for starters. If you hold 2 or 3 of the opponents' suit-watch out for the crack back double. Especially red, you're playing for top or bottom.

Luck is like the government. You can't get along without it, but you can't depend on it.

#### Congratulations to these winners

<u>Club Charity 0-500 10/2</u>		<u>Appreciation 0-1000 10-7</u>		<u>Charity Game Open 10/8</u>	
1)	Laverne Quint/Mary Trzeciecki	1)	Bea Nelson/Grace Bishop	1)	Lil Smith/Dot Cole
2)	Melissa Day/Lou Riddle	2)	Carolyn Cromer/Rosa Shaw	2)	Everett Ness/Rosa Shaw
3)	Bernetha Henry/Mary Townhill	3)	Everett and Shirley Ness	3)	Joan O'Steen/ Jean Mason
<u>Appreciation 0-300 10/8</u>		<u>Jr. Fund 0-500 10/9</u>		<u>Appreciation Open 10/14</u>	
1)	Beth Pyles/Lou Riddle	1)	Bea Hordych/Dode DeFiori	1)	Everett Ness/Joyce Lauterbach
2)	Sallie Blackwell/Jo Eisenman	2)	Mary Briner/Henrietta Cashwell	2)	Arnold Levinson/Hap Neuffer
3)	Jim Hutchinson/Bykowski	3)	Bernetha Henry/Mary Townhill	3)	Dode DeFiori/Margaret Hill
<u>Appreciation Open 10/14</u>		<u>Appreciation 0-500 10/16</u>		<u>Appreciation 0-1000 10/20</u>	
1)	Everett Ness/Joyce Lauterbach	1)	Brent Holcomb/Francis Kovach	1)	Frances Lawton/Jeff Thomas
2)	Arnold Levinson/Hap Neuffer	2)	Henrietta Cashwell/Chianelli	2)	Marianne Murphy/Winkie Hancock
3)	Dode DeFiori/Margaret Hill	3)	Bernetha Henry/Bill Fogleman	3)	Rosa Shaw/Mary Trzeceiski
4)	Rose Watson/Betty Caddell	4)	Mary Briner/Mary Hayden	4)	Carolyn and Lewis Cromer
<u>Appreciation Open 10/20</u>		<u>Charity 0-500 10-21</u>		<u>Appreciation Open 10-25</u>	
1)	Hap Neuffer/Ellen Oliver	1)	Bernetha Henry/Lou Riddle	1)	Joyce Lauterbach/Ellie Hack
2)	Velma Lamp/Marjorie Edens	2)	Mary Hayden/Mary Briner	2)	Bea Nelson/Rosa Shaw
3)	Joel Levy/Ellie Hack	3)	Grace Bishop/Bill Fogleman	3)	Alice Moore/Emily O'Boyle
4)	Penny Wheeler/LaVerne Dugan	4)	Bea Hordych/Dode DeFiori	4)	Mary Briner/Belle Ffields
<u>Sol Lourie Open</u>		<u>Henry Mills 0-2000</u>		<u>Coleman Farrell NLM</u>	
1)	Ellie Hack 32.51	1)	Everett Ness 32.16	1)	Everett Ness 32.16
2)	Hap Neuffer 32.33	2)	Ken Fasching 29.99	2)	Brent Holcomb 22.33
3)	Everett Ness 32.16	3)	Bill Fogleman 28.64	3)	Dorothy DeFiori 19.72
4)	Ken Fasching 29.99	4)	Bea Nelson 26.99	4)	Lou Riddle 16.91
5)	Bill Fogleman 28.64	5)	Rosa Shaw 24.63	5)	Bea Hordych 16.61
6)	Pat Lauterbach 27.93	6)	Joyce Lauterbach 22.68	6)	Mary Townhill 16.51
7)	Pat Webb 27.07	7)	Brent Holcomb 22.33	7)	Bernetha Henry 15.47
8)	Bea Nelson 26.29	8)	Alice Moore 21.16	8)	Shirley Ness 14.47
9)	Rosa Shaw 24.63	9)	Marika Hallosy 20.67	9)	Arnold Levinson 14.14
10)	Marjorie Edens 23.15	10)	Dorothy DeFiori 19.72	10)	Francis Kovach 13.32

"Advice even from the wise to the wise is a dangerous gift and all courses may run ill." Elrond Halfelven to Gandolf the Grey in "The Lord of the Rings"



# November 2003

Columbia Bridge Club 771-4988

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 0-1000 Pairs 7 PM	4 Noon 0-500 Club Championship Open Pairs 7:30	5 10 AM Open Unit Pairs 7 PM 0-300 Pairs	6 0-500 Jr. Fund Game 12:30 7:30 Club Championship Open Pairs	7	8 Open Pairs 1 PM
9	10 0-1000 Pairs	11 Noon 0-500 Pairs 7:30 Open Pairs Club Championship	12 10 AM Open Pairs 7 PM Club Charity 0-300 Pairs	13 12:30 0-500 Pairs Club Championship 7:30 Open Pairs	14	15 Birthday Party Club Championship Open Pairs 1 PM
16	17 0-1000 Pairs 7 PM	18 Noon 0-500 Pairs 7:30 Open Pairs	19 10 AM Open Club Championship 7PM 0-300 Pairs	20 0-500 12:30 Charity Game 7:30 Pro Am	21	22 1 PM Open Pairs
23	24 ACBL wide Charity 7PM Open Pairs Hand analysis	25 Noon 0-500 Pairs 7:30 Open Pairs	26 NO Games today	27 NO Games Today Happy Thanksgiving	28	29 1 PM Open Pairs
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October						
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