

## Tricks & Treats

### For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

**We are looking** for party people. Hosts for the monthly Birthday parties can sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board by the back door. You pick the day, but we try for the first or second Saturday each month.

**The Birthday Party.** Great Valentine's decorations by **DaMaris Rorie**. Our hosts **Bea Nelson** and **Rosa Shaw** served up some very nice velvet cake to go with the sandwiches and German Chocolate cake. Twelve and a half tables contested the Jr. Fund game with a replacement movement due to late arrivals.

N/S	Birthday Party Junior Fund Game	E/W
1) Rosa Shaw/Bea Nelson		1) Hap Neuffer/Kevin Bathurst
2) Velma Lamp/Genet Horning		2) Brian Lipscomb/Ellen Oliver
3) Joyce Lauterbach/Marika Hallosy		3) Rick and Mary Giles
4) Cathy and Thurman Bruffey		4) Betty Caddell/Jean Mason

**The Birthday Party** on March 13<sup>th</sup> will also recognize the people who have made Life Master and Gold Life Master in the last Year. You have to make this one!!!

**Things to do in March:** It is club championship month-don't miss these! We have an **ACBL-wide game** on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>-The under 300 regulars get in at \$8/pair everyone else is \$12/pair. **Very last chance to qualify at the first level!!!** On the last Saturday, **March 27<sup>th</sup>**, is the **GNT** qualifying 2-session game starting at **10:00**. Bring a sandwich for a short lunch break and we'll be done about 6:00-6:30. **The 2<sup>nd</sup> round** of GNT competition is Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup> **here in Columbia!** All you new life Masters, this is your last shot a C flight-see you there. We will cant the tables 45 degrees and will handle 20 tables in comfort.

**Congratulations** to **Dodi DeFiori** the club's newest Life Master! Dodi got what she needed (and then some) at the Regional in Hilton Head.

**Our Newest NABC Master** is now **Mary Townhill** ( with a ton of Gold points from a Cleveland regional.) **Congratulations** to our newest Sectional Master **Shirley Ness**.

**The Over/Under (700 points)** game will be Thursday evening March 19. Get your partner now!! Looking for some feedback on this. The games are well attended and people seem to have a good time. I think they are great for mingling the club. It also gives some insight into how the most experienced players play and their philosophy of play to those across the table. (Some are better than others, folks) Some 'unders' are now saying to themselves "I can play with these guys". Well, that's what we want.

**Memories** are wonderful things, but sometimes I wish I could edit them. You want to play with and like the "Big guys"? I wish you could forget how a new treatment or convention didn't work or partner misunderstood or you forgot it-and got discouraged with it. I really wish you forget how some piece of bad bidding worked once and remember the times it backfired. (Yes, spectacularly off-shape doubles and jack fifth overcalls do work sometimes-but more often and certainly against better players, you're just handing them your wallet) The current biz buzz word is multi-tasking. If I want a tax deduction now, a great current return, income down the road and a charitable donation after I'm gone, I call Chuck Kennedy and he sets up an annuity that does all that with one chunk of money. Bidding should do the same. If I have massive trump support and few points with a stiff, there's a convention I can use. If I have an opener with 4441 we have bids for those hands. The idea of conventions and treatments is to make one bid do a lot of work in a short time instead of using a lot of bids. Every system has a way to describe your hand. Some hands are more easily described in one system than in another. It's up to you and your -partner to decide how to get the most useful info on the most hands across the table in the shortest amount of time-before those nasty opponents pre-empt it out of sight. Find a pair who plays well, see what they use and you give it a try.



Your Nominating Committee for this year: Frances Lawton, Lil Hopkins, Sybil Pratt, Jean Mason, Winkie Hancock and Joel Levy. If you have an idea or a volunteer, these are the people to see.

**Top Masterpoint** winners in Hilton Head from CBC include **Wayne Hollingsworth** (87.89 points), **Jimmy Blackwell** (38+) who won a II bracket K.O. and **Marika Hallosy** (26+) who won a Pairs and seemed to be scoring well every time I looked. **Sylvia White** also was on a Bracket IV winning KO team.

**There will be** no game at the club Thursday evening the 18<sup>th</sup>. The game will be a charity event at the Tri-City Leisure Center as the Kickoff for the **Tri-Cities Tournament**.

#### Congratulations to these winners

Charity Game 0-500 1/29		Jr. Fund 0-1000 2/2	Jr. Fund Open 2/4
1) Jim Chianelli/Henrietta Cashwell	1-2) Victor Li/Chris Webb	1) Ellie Hack/Joel Levy	
2) Sylvia White/Alvaree Hanley	1-2) Bea Hordych/Tootsie Holland	2) Jean Mason/Joan O'Steen	
3) Elaine Wade/Cathy Steinaker	3) W Hancock/Marianne Murphy	3) Bill Fogleman/Bea Nelson	
4) Francis Kovach/Brent Holcomb	4) Frazer and Roy McCrory	4) Marika Hallosy/Velma Lamp	
Jr. Fund 0-500 2/5		Jr. Fund Open 2/7	Jr. Fund Open 2/10
1) Mary Briner/Mary Hayden	1) Ellie Hack/Butch Maybin	1) Butch Maybin/Pat Webb	
2) Shirley Ness/Jane Temple	2) Jean Mason/Lil Hopkins	2) Joyce Lauterbach	
3) Kenneth Metz/Francis Kovach	3) Ed Sheiblich/Linda York	3) Jan Manfdeville/John MacGregor	
4) Patricia Roach/Mary Trzeciecki	4) Arnold Levinson/Hap Neuffer	4) Everett Ness/Mary Townhill	
Jr. Fund 0-500 2/12		Jr. Fund Open 2/12	Jr. Fund 0-1000 2/15
1) Ed and Sheelagh Young	1) Margaret Hill/Velma Lamp	1) Jeff Thomas/Chris Webb	
1) Bruce and Tootsie Holland	2) Brian Lipscomb/Ken Fasching	2) Greg Mackey/Bernetha Henry	
2) Francis Kovach/Brent Holcomb	3) George Nichols/Mary Townhill	3) Bill Fogleman/Mary Townhill	
3) Melissa Day/Lou Riddle	4) Hap Neuffer/Alice Moore	4) David Bykowski/B. Holcomb	
Jr Fund 0-1000 2/16		Jr. Fund 0-1000 2/17	Jr. Fund 0-500 2/19
1) Jeff Thomas/Chris Webb	1) Betty Hudson/Mary Smith	1) Frances Lawton/Sibyl Pratt	
2) Greg Mackey/Bernetha Henry	2) Ellen Oliver/Bea Nelson	2) Renee Bergeron/Etta Cashwell	
3) Bill Fogleman/Mary Townhill	3) Bob Pierce/Henrietta Morris	3) Brent Holcomb/Francis Kovach	
4) Ddavid Bykowski/Brent Holcomb	4) Lech Mason/Ginny Robertson	4) Mary Briner/Mary Hayden	

The **Centurion Cup** will be awarded to the player winning the most points who started the 2003 to 2004 year with under 100MPs. The leaders: 1) Francis Kovach (29.19), 2) Elaine Wade (21.25), 3) Mary Hayden (14.26), 4) Lech Mason (13.81) 5), Jim Chianelli (12.20), 6) Wayne Hackler (11.36) 7) James Hutchinson (8.46) , 8) Sylvia White (8.37), 9) Jan Mandeville (7.46), 10) Mary Riley (7.40)

**All the points races** have tightened up. Ken, Hap and Ellie swapping paint at the top of the Open with Pat Webb and Bea Nelson opening some room on the second five. Brent is gaining on Everett in the Coleman Farrell and Elaine Wade is giving Francis Kovach a run for the Centurion. Who will win the last big game?

Sol Lourie Open		Henry Mills 0-2000		Coleman Farrell NLM	
1) Ken Fasching	73.45	1) Ken Fasching	73.45	1) Everett Ness	47.87
2) Hap Neuffer	72.75	2) Bea Nelson	52.90	2) Brent Holcomb	46.24
3) Ellie Hack	70.96	3) Bill Fogleman	47.91	3) Bernetha Henry	35.73
4) Bea Nelson	52.90	4) Everett Ness	47.87	4) Lou Riddle	34.27
5) Pat Webb	52.02	5) Rosa Shaw	46.77	5) Francis Kovach	29.19
6) Patrick Lauterbach	48.73	6) Brent Holcomb	46.24	6) Bea Hordych	28.51
7) Bill Fogleman	47.91	7) Joyce Lauterbach	45.63	7) Dorothy DeFiori	26.41
8) Everett Ness	47.87	8) Alice Moore	43.42	8) Mary Townhill	26.12
9) Rosa Shaw	46.77	9) Lillian Hopkins	43.22	9) Jean Mason	25.38
10) Brent Holcomb	46.24	10) Butch Maybin	40.86	10) Henrietta Cashwell	24.11

**The person who knows how will always have a job. The person who knows why will be his boss.**

# March 2004

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 7:00 0-1000 Pairs	2 Noon 0-1000 Pairs 7:00 Open Pairs	3 10:00 Open Pairs 7:00 0-500 Pairs	4 12:30 Charity-ACBL 7:00 Open Pairs	5 Charleston Sectional Tournament	6 1 PM Open Pairs
7	8 7:00 0-1000 Pairs	9 12:00 0-1000 Pairs 7:00 Open Club Championship	10 10:00 Open Club Championship 7:00 0-500 Pairs	11 12:30 0-500 Pairs Local Charity 7:00 Open Club Championship	12	13 1:00 Open Charity Birthday Party <i>LIFE MASTERS RECOGNITION</i>
14	15 7:00 0-1000 Club Championship	16 Noon 0-1000 Pairs 7:00 Open Pairs	17 10:00 Unit Game Open Pairs 7:00 0-500 Club Championship	18 12:30 0-500 Jr Fund <i>See you at Tri- Cities Tournament!!</i>	19	20 NO GAME TRI-CITY Sectional
21	22 7:00 0-1000 Pairs	23 Noon- 0-1000 Club Championship 7:00 Open Pairs	24 10:00 Open Pairs 7:00 ACBL-wide Open Game	25 12:30-0-500 Club Championship 7:00 Open Pairs	26	27 10:00 Teams Only GNT 2-session Qualifying event
28	29 7:00 0-1000 Pairs	30 Noon 0-1000 Pairs 7:00 Open Pairs	31 10:00 Open Pairs 7:00 0-500 Pairs			

February						
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LAST CHANCE GNT CLUB QUALIFYING 10 AM 3/27-2 SESSIONS BRING A SANDWICH