

Tricks & Treats

For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

Our club anniversary party will be held on Thursday June 16th. Social hour at 6 PM. Dinner at 7:00 and bridge (free!!) will start about 8:00. Shortened game but at least 18-20 boards. Done at the regular time. Sign up sheets will be posted up front by directors' desk 6/1-everyone bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share with your friends. If our coordinator Sheelagh Young asks your help, please give it to her.

The Birthday Party for May was a Club Charity event hosted by the Board of directors. Great job done by committee folks. Bob and Pat Webb had a monster 69.91% to carry off first place. At this party we honored club members achieving significant milestones in the last year: new Life Masters, Mary Townhill and Bob Woodham, Bronze Life Masters, Jackie King, Kathy Bruffy and Francis Lawton, Silver Life Masters Joel Levy, Virginia Robertson and a bumper crop of Gold Life Masters, Bob Webb, Pat Webb, DaMaris Rorie, Patrick Lauterbach and Marjorie Edens.

N/S		Birthday Party Charity Game		E/W	
1)	Arnold Levinson/Brian Lipscomb	137.64	1)	Pat and Bob Webb	151.01
2)	Marika Hallosy/Genet Horning	129.63	2)	George Nichols/Lil Keisler	137.27
3)	Fred Cchisholm/Ellie Hack	128.81	3)	Ken Fasching/Marj Edens	122.56
4)	Marlise and Tommy Overby	106.84	4)	Mary and Rick Giles	120.19
5)	Joyce Lauterbach/Alice Moore	106.51	5)	Sylvia White/Frances Kovach	104.82

Great events for June: June 4-World-wide Instant Matchpoint event (otherwise known as Ecats)-if they send the materials. June 13-19 are District 7 STAC events-all games open. Stratification is 0-500, 500-1500 and Open. Entry fee is \$11/pair. (0-500 pairs on Wednesday night for \$8/pair) Games will be shuffle and play-no pre-duplicated computer hands. No Stac event-regular game for the club party Thursday night 6/16, no afternoon game on Thursday the 16th. NAP games start this month. We will hold one, last, Tuesday game on 6/14-the District STaC Game- Y'all come!!!

Encouraged by reports of 'C' flight players effectively using preempts, I'd like to say a few words on the subject. The purpose of a preempt is to either play the hand at that level or make the opponents guess at a high level where (or even if) they should be playing the hand. *The object is not to tell your partner "We are playing this hand no matter what."* Your partner may advance your preempt- **you should not**. Pick a level and stick with it. No "Well we're not vul." Or "We can't beat them so let's bid again." Good grief certainly not "I'm stronger than my original bid showed so I'll bid again." (What were you thinking when you chose the first bid?) I've even seen several bidders advance their own preempt twice. Their partners were usually dying a slow death wanting to defend with a 4 or even 5 card stack-or opponents were about to play a part score in the wrong suit or were stopping short of a cold game-or slam. This seems to be almost an exclusively male thing. Almost. Preempts should be offense only hands-don't confuse the defensive trick count for your partner-let them judge how far to take it. If opponents guess right, fine, you tried. Don't give them two or even three shots at it. You watch the next time you play against 'A' flight players-they pick the appropriate level-and quit. You want your preempts to work as well as theirs, you do the same. More on this from Spencer Hurd in the last Palmetto Preempts.

Well it's that time again! Dues are due 6/1/05-please help your club out by sending them in promptly.

CBC dues: \$15 for singles, \$28 for a couple

Name(s) _____

Street address _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Birth Month(s) _____

The difference between genius and stupidity is that genius has its limits.

Minutes of the annual club business meeting: President Moore called to order at 6:45. The nominating committee slate of candidates was approved by voice vote with no dissent **Alice Moore** president, **Jeff Thomas** and **Rosa Shaw** VP's, **Bob Webb** Treasurer, **Patrick Lauterbach** Secretary, **Sheelagh Young** and **Sig Friedman** Board members. **Dodi DeFiori** was appointed to fill out Rosa Shaw's board term. The date of the annual meeting was changed to the second Monday of May-no dissent. Meeting adjourned 7:55.

Congratulations to George Delay winner of the latest Individual game on 5/17. The 'A' flight players seemed to have a rough night. Only two in the top ten finishers.

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| 1) George Delay | 4) Pat Lauterbach | 7) Mary Bostick | 10) Hap Neuffer |
| 2) Sylvia White | 5) John Mac Gregor | 8) Mirza Baig | 11) Butch Maybin |
| 3) John Wilkinson | 6) Carolyn Cromer | 9) Bob Hampton | 12) Sig Friedman |

Reminder: The Wednesday morning game starts at noon starting **June 1**. It will be known as the "Last Minute Club" as the official time listed with ACBL is 11:59 AM. The Tuesday night game is canceled and the Monday Night Game will be open. Those who must play on Tuesday-Bob Woodham tells me the Camden game at the Rec Center (their tournament site) on Tuesday 6:45 is a good choice.

A little bit on etiquette that I hope you all - repeat all - take to heart. Now that the over 1000 contingent is joining Monday night, be aware of why the under 1000 wanted the separation. As the former director on Monday and a player on Tuesday night, I can tell you the difference in the games. In the Under 1000 game there is no whining, screaming and a minimum of unasked lessons-I'm sure we would all want to keep it that way-so let's do it. There are some "A" players I refuse to play two behind in a Mitchell movement because after explaining at the top of their voices what should be done on each hand, my opponents the next round play like a pair of world champs. So--NO LESSONS!!!-(during the round) You aren't Michael Kinsley or Maureen Dowd-NO whining commentary!! These are your friends-especially across the table and you're supposed to be having fun. So act like it. See "The Hat Lady" articles in the ACBL Bulletin.

Congratulations to our newest Club Master **Janice Ripley**, new Regional Master **Bob Hampton**

<u>ACBL-wide charity Open 5/11</u>	<u>Club Champ 0-1000 5-9</u>	<u>Club Champ Open 5-5</u>
1) Hap Neuffer/Joyce Hampton	1) Francis Lawton/Jeff Thomas	1) Harold Moore/Bill Charlwood
2) Lil Hopkins/Alice Moore	2) Brent Holcomb/David Bykowski	2) Ken Fasching/Brian Lipscomb
3) Genet Horning/Roni Keisler	3) Frazer and Roy McCrory	3) Hap Neuffer/Alice Moore
<u>Club Champ 0-500 5/12</u>	<u>Unit Game 0-500 5/19</u>	<u>Club Champ 0-500 5/11</u>
1) Jan Harrison/Wayne Hackler	1) Shirley Ness/Bea Hordych	1) Jo Eiseman/Sallie Blackwdell
2) Elaine Wade/Jan Ripley	2) Jim and Jenny Chianelli	2-3) Jayne McGirt/Becky Blanchard
3) Sylvia White/Francis Kovach	3) Elaine Wade/Jam Ripley	2-3) George DeLay/Alan Sessoms

Centurion Cup Leaders 1-2)Jan Mandeville/Pat McNeely (31.14), 3) Sylvia White (28.46) 4) Francis Kovach (27.83) 5) Shirley Ness (27.51) 6) Leck Mason (25.60) 7) Joyce Hampton (24.00) 8) Wayne Hackler (22.37) 9) Ed Young (20.65) 10) David Bykowski (19.61) 11) Sheelagh Young (19.35)

<u>Sol Lourie (unlimited)</u>	<u>Henry Mills (0-2000)</u>	<u>Coleman Farrell (NL M)</u>
1) Hap Neuffer 107.41	1) Alice Moore 101.73	1) Brent Holcomb 64.86
2) Alice Moore 101.73	2) Ken Fasching 85.93	2) Frazer McCrory 41.00
3) Ellie Hack 88.16	3) Lillian Hopkins 68.78	3) Arnold Levinson 37.73
4) Ken Fasching 85.93	4) Brent Holcomb 64.86	4) Dodi DeFiori 36.66
5) Marjorie Edens 83.61	5) Rosa Shaw 58.10	5) Lou Riddle 36.57
6) Lillian Hopkins 68.67	6) Joyce Lauterbach 54.14	6) Bernetha Henry 35.00
7) Brent Holcomb 64.86	7) Genet Horning 51.05	7) Frances Lawton 33.63
8) Pat Webb 63.00	8) Marika Hallosy 48.60	8) Everett Ness 32.73
9) Pat Lauterbach 61.77	9) Ellen Oliver 44.98	9) Mandeville/McNeely 31.14
10) Rosa Shaw 58.10	10) Harold Moore 44.50	10) Elaine Wade 29.86

"Learn from the mistakes of others. You won't live long enough to make them all yourself." **A. Sheinwald**

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