

## Tricks & Treats

### For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

Our deepest sympathy to Mary Townhill on the loss of her husband Jim. "May perpetual light shine upon him."

There will be NO GAME Thursday NIGHT 3/16. No games also on 3/17 or 3/18 because of the West Columbia Sectional held at the Tricity Leisure Center. WE will have a game on Friday 3/3 and Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>. If I can't get to the Charleston tournament, I'll open a game for everyone else who doesn't go..

Congratulations Jr. Master Orene Carter. Club Masters Carol and Fred Clemenz.  
Regional Master Francis Kovach.

GNT Qualifying will be 10 AM Saturday March 25-Second session TBA. Bring a sandwich and we will provide drinks and dessert. No pairs game that day. We'll be done about 5:30-6:00

It's that time of year again!! We have a nominating committee to search out candidates for our club Board of Directors. Committee is Frances Lawton, Margaret Hill, Iona Hunter, Jan Ripley and Frazer McCrorey. Box at the front of the club for names of those you think would be good candidates.

Our birthday party with hostess Ellen Oliver was also the last of the STaC District 10 was sharing with us. The Moore's did rather well, having one member on the winning pair in each direction. However, the good doctor scores well enough in their round 12 showdown to take top honors.

N/S	District STaC (14 tables)	E/W	
1) Joyce Lauterbach/Alice Moore	199.00	1) Harold Moore/Ken Fasching	203.50
2) DaMaris Rorie/Henry Momand	181.00	2) Bob Woodham/Mike Charles	197.00
3) Pat Webb/Ellie Hack	178.50	3) Mary Townhill/Ginny Robertson	183.50
4) Betty Luther/Bill Potts	175.00	4) Carolyn and Lewis Cromer	180.50
5) Brian Lipscomb/Butch Maybin	169.50	5) Marjorie Edens/Lil Hopkins	172.00

"The riskiest strategy is trying to play safe. You have no upside and sooner or later they find a way to beat you." I was recently playing in a 10 ½ table game, 9 top, across from Bob Hampton. Very enjoyable game, but what struck me was the six boards that came up illustrating several points for the advancing player. We had four 300's and two 200's (52 ½ of a possible 54 match points) during the round. These were all on part score auctions. There is a school of thought that says you **cannot** let opponents play 1 NT or two of a suit. This is wrong. Take your best shot at moving them off of these spots but you need distribution to do it. Our first 300 came when we bid 1S-2S and balancing chair bid 3C. Bob bid 3S (top of the range and probably a sixth spade or a good 4 card side suit) Balancer's partner now bid 4C on his 9 count. This is what is referred to as punishing partner. (3S is down) Balancer has already bid your 9. A good rule for overcalls is still the one I heard shortly after starting to play duplicate in 1972 "Count partner for 7-8 points, 3 card support and bid what you can make." Another hand they bid 1D-1H-2H and I chipped in with 2S. Not a good hand and not a bid I'd make against some one who would defend, but they went for 3H without even thinking-also went for minus 200. I could go on but you get the idea. If you want to get in and steal their hands, you're going to get nailed sometimes, but it helps if you have some distribution and not just a 4-4-3-2 and a 'Don't let them play...' mantra. Say you're tired of the 'good' players, in your auctions, stealing your hands? Only one way to stop it-you have to be willing to both play defense and double. Sometimes you're also minus 670 or 380 but that's the cost of doing business. It's scary. I still remember the feeling I got when Joyce teed off on Jeff Meckstroth's 2S overcall of my mini-Roman 2D opening. Against some players, I bid game when I'm not sure about part scores. I know they will bail me out at the five level where I can double them. Don't be a big tuna just lunging to "take (or make!!) the push". Double-make them pay cash to play. If it gets expensive, they won't do that anymore. Good judgment here comes from experience-and experience comes from bad judgment. Learn Good Defense!!



The Board of the CBC discussed the ACBL and club policy concerning playing directors. ACBL policy discourages but does not prohibit playing directors unless at a special sanction games of two or more sections or a section of at least 17 tables. During this time of year, we have problems coming up with a non-playing director on Monday nights and many times Thursdays. The feeling of the current directors is that the game runs much better if they don't play, but the chance for them to play is so limited that they don't want to give up that either. Since it does not contravene ACBL regs, we will go with playing directors until we can come up with someone willing and able to be a non-playing director.

Welcome John and Jane Lester 782-0678. Irene Duheme Sherri Willenborg 794-0274 Ann Langtry 359-4719. All of these players are eligible to play the under 50 MP events.

**0-50 Jr. Fund 1/27** 1) Dozier Shaw/Susan Pond 2) Orene Carter/Mary Vadhoplus 3) Terry & Elly Winter  
**0-50 STaC 2/3** 1) Lib Odom/Sam Robison 2) Ginny Chianelli/Ccarol Clemenz 3) E. Taylor/S. Willenborg

**0-50 Jr. Fund 2/17** 1) Pat Blume/Karen Hansell 2) Ginny Chianelli/Melinda Young 3) B Norris/M Norton

**Open Jr. Fund 2/9** 1) Everett Ness/Tom Balcerek 2) Pat Lauterbach/Jack Wilkinson

**Open Jr. Fund 2/15** 1) Frazer McCrorey/Karen Coulter 2) BJ Cornelia/Dot Cole

**0-750 Jr. Fund 1/27**

**0-1000 Jr. Fund 2/7**

**Jr. Fund Open 2/13**

1) Karen Coulter/Ann Phillips

1) Carolyn Cromer/Frances Potter

1) Ken Fasching/Pat Webb

2) Ed Scheiblich/Mary Townhill

2) Francis Kovach/Iona Hunter

2) J Memory/Sue Harrington

3) Bernetha Henry/Jan Ripley

3) Jean Mason/Leck Mason

3) George Nichols/J Lauterbach

**Open STaC 2/1**

**STaC Open 1/30**

**Open STaC 1/31**

1) Gwen Beckman/Ellie Hack

1) Mike Bitonti/Mirza Baig

1) Kathy Steinacker/Fran Lawton

2) Arnold Levinson/Hap Neuffer

2) George Nichols Mary Townhill

2) Karen Coulter/Jim Chianelli

3) Ken Fasching/Butch Maybin

3) Dodi DeFiori/Jeff Thomas

3) Alice Moore/Hap Neuffer

4) Leonard Bifano/Ann Phillips

4) Pat and Joyce Lauterbach

4) George Nichols/Jan Harrison

**Open STaC 2/2 Aft.**

**Open STaC 2/2 eve**

**0-750 STaC 2/4**

1) Ken Fasching/Marj Edens

1) Ken Fasching Everett Ness

1) Marsha Mitchell/Alvaree Hanley

2) Alice Moore/Hap Neuffer

2) Nate Fain/Margaret Hill

2) Jan Ripley/Bernetha Henry

3) Iona Hunter/Francis Kovach

3) Mary Townhill/Bernetha Henry

3) Brent Holcomb/Frances Lawton

4) Jim and Ginny Chianelli

4) John Memory/Sue Harrington

4) Carolyn Cromer/Frances Potter

**Jr. Fund 0-500 2/14**

**Jr Fund 0-750 2/17**

**Jr Fund Open 2/18**

1) Ginny & Jim Chianelli

1) Jim Chianelli/Leonard Bifano

1) Francis Kovach/DaMaris Rorie

2) Bernetha Henry/Jan Ripley

2) Ed Scheiblich/Mike Charles

2) Brian Lipscomb/Ken Fasching

3) Lib Odom/Sam Robison

3) Frances Lawton/Jan Harrison

3) Bernetha Henry/Jan Ripley

**Centurion Cup:** 1) Jan Ripley (30.09) 2) David Bykowski (18.99) 3) Ginny Chianelli (14.50) 4) Sue Harrington (13.39) 5) Sam Robison (9.58) 6) Lib Odom (9.56) 7) Margarita Morales (9.21) 8) Faye Levinson (8.07) 9) George DeLay (7.44) 10) Mary Jo Norton (7.16)

**Sol Lourie Open**

**Henry Mills 0-2000**

**Coleman Farrell 0-Lifemaster**

Ken Fasching 78.66

Alice Moore 63.59

Brent Holcomb 51.50

Brian Lipscomb 73.54

Butch Maybin 55.92

Bernetha Henry 49.91

Hap Neuffer 70.73

Brent Holcomb 51.50

Arnold Levinson 48.67

Ellie Hack 70.07

Bernetha Henry 49.91

Jack Wilkinson 38.99

Alice Moore 63.59

Arnold Levinson 48.67

Everett Ness 33.65

Pat Webb 59.11

Harold Moore 45.43

Jim Chianelli 32.47

Butch Maybin 55.92

Rosa Shaw 41.16

Jan Ripley 30.09

Bob Webb 53.23

Lil Hopkins 40.39

Sylvia White 28.64

Pat Lauterbach 53.03

Jack Wilkinson 38.99

Karen Coulter 28.54

Joyce Lauterbach 51.55

Jeff Thomas 37.05

Francis Kovach 26.13

"Wrinkles only go where the smiles have been." Jimmy Buffet *"Barefoot children in the rain"*



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