

Tricks & Treats

For Members of the Columbia Bridge Club

The Saturday, May 13 Birthday party will be a club effort. Everyone bring some finger food you like. We'll see what kind of May flowers party we get. (GNT 3rd round May 6 at Morganton)

The annual business meeting and election of officers will be 6:45 Monday May 8th. Nominated: President: **Bernetha Henry**, VP's **Connie Moody** and **Sallie Blackwell**, Treasurer: **Pat Webb** and Secretary: **Pat Lauterbach**. New Board members: **Jim Chianelli** and **Karen Coulter**. To celebrate, we will have an upgraded Club Championship game that night. We qualified for this special game by signing up new members-we want everyone-especially those new members - to come play in that game. The game will be stratified and the entry \$4 per player.

We will have an ACBL-wide International Fund game on Thursday afternoon May 11. **This will be an OPEN game.** Hand records and pre-duplicated boards. Should be fun-test your skill. Entries \$13/pair for those over 500 masterpoints and \$8/pair if **both partners** are under 500. Stratified game.

Our birthday party April 1 had Ken and Brian doing no foolin' around. Even losing the penultimate round to Joyce and Alice couldn't stop a fine 64.4%. Also a great day thanks to all the people who brought food.

N/S	Unit Game	E/W
1) Joyce Lauterbach/Alice Moore	128.84	1) Ken Fasching/Brian Lipscomb 139.10
2) Katie Langston/Jackie King	125.19	2) Frazer McCrorey/Ginny Robertson 118.75
3) Margaret Hill/Henry Momand	122.87	3) Irma Murray/Carolyn Floyd 114.15
4) Marlise and Tommy Overby	122.62	4) Brent Holcomb/Sylvia White 105.47

There will be an Over/Under game on Monday May 15. At least one of each pair must be under 750 points. It's OK if both are under. See or call **Sheelagh Young 865-9462** for partners.

Stepping up: Jr. Master **Cynthia Cone**, Zan Fort, Ann Langtry, Club Master **Tom Gabriel**, Sue Harrington, Susan McFadden, Barbara Norris, Dozier Shaw, Melinda Young, Sectional Master: **Ginny Chianelli**, Regional Master: **Leck Mason**. Congratulations to all of you!!

Our Newest Life Master: **Sylvia White**.

New Bronze Life Master: **Bernetha Henry**.

There are annual dues due each year by June 1. Here's a coupon below-send them in now, while you're thinking of them or give to the director or drop in the envelope pinned on the bulletin board. Still just \$15 for singles and \$28 for couples. You get three free plays (your month's Birthday party Saturday, Anniversary Party, Christmas Party) plus the parties of course and the T & T each month. Also, non-members pay a dollar more to play. **We want to get player lists out soon and right- so do it today.**

Name(s) _____

Street address _____ Zip _____

Phone number(s) _____ Birth Month(s) _____

Bob Webb and I need your up-to-date information to keep the phone and mailing lists accurate.

"The real test of a bridge player isn't staying out of trouble, but in escaping once he's in." Alfred Sheinwold

Back when I was just starting duplicate play, I read an American captain's advice to his Bermuda Bowl team as it prepared for the Italian Blue Team: "Let them bid their system and we'll bid our cards." The Blue team won 10 or maybe 13 World Championships while the Americans won... hmmm-zero? Over the last month I have run into a rash of partners (6 partners in 7 sessions) who over the auctions: Me (1 minor) Opp. 1 Heart or- Me 1 Club Opp. (1 Red suit) or- Me (1 Minor) Opp. Double have bid 1 Spade on the following spade holdings: 10 xxxx, KQxx, Axxx, KJxx, Qxxx, JTxx and 9xxx. The first two holdings are marginal, the rest run from unacceptable to ridiculous. Some local bridge icon once told players to do this and nothing can sway them from it. Bad advice. You have an opportunity here. This is not just interference, but a way to clarify your holding for your partner quickly. You have a negative double. There is 1 NT, and there is Pass and Redouble available if you have only 4 card suits. You are now in a very real sense an over caller. If you don't do this, the re-valuation of not just your hand but your partner's hand becomes just impossible. A bid of a suit at the one level (over interference) is 5 (or more) cards. What's the matter? You afraid you won't declare enough?!?!? Why not get to better contracts? You give your partner more information this way. The more he has, the better decisions he will make. Even experts give bad advice: Baseball's Ted Williams once told hitters that he always took the first pitch. Big league pitchers should have sent him pay checks for the next 40 years.

Check out our CBC online at the web site established by **Ed Young**. It has the game results listed by board number. See why you got a 7 for minus 50 or a 1 for plus 650. Tune in at www.cbcbridge.com

We have a collection of coats, hats, umbrellas and convention card holders. If you think you have lost one of these items, check our lost and found area.

0-50 Charity 3/10 1) Ann Langtry/Norma Pickard, Dozier Shaw/Jim Willrodt, Patti Roach/Max Field

0-50 Charity 3/31 1) Tom Gabriel/S. McFadden, Lib Odom/Sam Robinson, Judy Holliday/Ginny Chianelli

Club Champ Open 3/15

- 1) Cathy Steinacker/Frances Lawton
- 2) Arnold Levinson/Brian Lipscomb
- 3) Marj Edens/Alice Moore

Charity 0-750 3/10

- 1) Jayne McGirt/Becky Blanchard
- 2) Ellen and Irving Kuperman
- 3) Jan Ripley/Carol Swartout

Open Unit Game 3/23

- 1) E Hack/B Hollingsworth
- 2) J Wilkinson/B Maybin
- 3) Dot Cole/Margaret Hill

Club Champ Open 3/30

- 1) Ken Fasching/Brian Lipscomb
- 2) Margaret Hill/Marj Edens
- 3) Bernetha Henry/Sylvia White

Charity 0-750 3/31

- 1) Frazer McCrorey/Henry Momand
- 2) Frances Lawton/Mike Charles
- 3) Irma Murray/Madalyn Dybvik

Club Champ Open 4/3

- 1) Lil Hopkins/DaMaris Rorie
- 2) K Fasching/Marj Edens
- 3) Dot Cole/Connie Moody

ACBL-wide Charity 4/5

- 1) Ken Fasching/Sue Harrington
- 2) Pat Lauterbach/Ellie Hack
- 3) Roni Keisler/Butch Maybin

Centurion Cup: 1) Jan Ripley (37.50) 2) Sue Harrington (24.72) 3) David Bykowski (20.50) 4) Ginny Cchianelli (20.25) 5) Jane Temple (16.61) 6) Sam Robison (12.70) 7) Lib Odom (11.37) 8) Mary Jo Norton (11.20) 9) Tom Gabriel (10.01) 10) Margarita Morales (9.97)

Sol Lourie Open

Ken Fasching	105.83
Brian Lipscomb	93.00
Ellie Hack	89.73
Hap Neuffer	85.76
Alice Moore	83.96
Pat Webb	69.54
Butch Maybin	63.12
Joyce Lauterbach	62.71
Pat Lauterbach	62.43
Marjorie Edens	62.03

Henry Mills 0-2000

Alice Moore	83.96
Butch Maybin	63.12
Arnold Levinson	61.85
Brent Holcomb	61.71
Bernetha Henry	61.05
Harold Moore	49.32
Frances Lawton	48.92
Lil Hopkins	47.30
Jack Wilkinson	45.94
Rosa Shaw	45.78

Coleman Farrell 0-Lifemaster

Arnold Levinson	61.85
Brent Holcomb	61.71
Bernetha Henry	61.05
Jack Wilkinson	45.94
Jim Chianelli	42.37
Jan Ripley	37.50
Sylvia White	36.59
Frazer McCrorey	34.78
Karen Coulter	32.50
Francis Kovach	30.22

"One gets used to abuse. It's the waiting for it that is so trying." Rueful Rabbit

May 2006

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 7 PM Open Pairs	2 Noon 0-1000	3 11:59 Open Pairs	4 12:30 0-500 Charity Pairs 7:00 Open Club Champion	5 12:30 0-750 and 0-50	6 12 PM Open Pairs
7 8 6:45 CBC Annual Meeting 7:00 Club Champ Upgraded		9 Noon 0-1000 Club Champ	10 11:59 Open	11 12:30 OPEN GAME Inv'l FUND Game 7 PM Open Pairs	12 12:30 0-750 and 0-50 Club Champ	13 1 PM Open Club Champ Birthday Party
14 15 7 PM Over/Under (750 MP's)		16 noon 0-1000	17 11:59 Open Club Champion	18 12:30 0-500 7 PM Open Pair	19 12:30 0-750 and 0-50 Unit Game	20 1 PM Open Pairs
21 22 7 PM Open Pair		23 Noon 0-1000	24 11:59 Open Pair	25 12:30 0-500 Charity 7 PM Open Pairs	26 12:30 0-750 and 0-50	27 1 PM Open Pair
28 29 7 PM Open Pair		30 noon-0-1000	31 11:59 Open Pair			

April

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June

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Check your scores at www.CBCbridge.com