

## TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club

(On-line at [www.cbcbridge.com](http://www.cbcbridge.com))

After the New Year, we play the first week at the downtown club. On Monday January 7, we move our games over to the senior center. Note the Wednesday game time at the CSC.

**GNT Qualifying-Saturday Jan. 26 at the Sr. Center**-two sessions-first session is 10 AM. Bring a sandwich for the short break-2<sup>nd</sup> session time TBA.

**Our Christmas party** at Wildwood was ably organized and had a lot of volunteer help. Fred Clemenz trucked over the tables-Mike Bitonti handled 27 tables in 3 sections of bridge. Karen Coulter and Connie Moody delivered up a great meal. Tom Gabriel and Susan McFadden on decorating. We can't forget Dick Coulter and Roy McCrory behind the bar. **Lou Riddle and Betsy Stanton** made a valiant effort that fell just short of victory in the open.

N/S	Club Championship 20 tables	E/W	
1) Lou Riddle/Betsy Stanton	195.50	1) Pat and Joyce Lauterbach	199.50
2) Arnold and Faye Levinson	172.00	2) Ed Scheiblich/Linda York	192.00
3) Ed and Sheelagh Young	171.50	3) Roni Kiesler/Butch Maybin	190.50
4) Archie Hardy/Joel Levy	168.50	4) Carol and Fred Clemenz	183.00
5) Bob and Pat Webb	168.00	5) Ken Fasching/Sue Harrington	168.50

**The birthday party for Belle Fields** was the last game of STaC week at CBC and a fun party. We were pushing the fire code with 16 tables in play. Brian Lipscomb/Ken Fasching and Lee and Chris Webb were the section winners. Belle was presented with 5 free plays at the club, a pin and a card holder for her bridge hands. She just got her license renewed to age 100-so all she needs is partners to use those free plays. Many happy returns Belle!

Our December party was hosted by **Harriet Blasetti and Brian Lipscomb**. Brian's pie was a big hit at the treats' table and he partner **Ken Fasching** were big hits at the bridge table.

N/S	12 1/2 tables Club Championship	E/W	
1) Ken Fasching/Brian Lipscomb	188.52	1) Chris and Lee Webb	178.77
2) Harriet Blasetti/Jack Wilkinson	174.93	2) DaMaris Rorie/Mary Townhill	177.09
3) Patrick Lauterbach/Mike Bitonti	171.52	3) Irma Murray/Madalyn Dybvik	170.64
4) Roni Kiesler/Ellie Hack	170.04	4) Lou Riddle/Dot Cole	169.30

**Up the Ladder:** Jr. Master **Belford Cross**, Sectional Master **Melinda Young**, Zan Edmunds, NABC Master **Tom Gabriel**

**Congratulations** to new Bronze Life Masters: **Jim Chianelli** and **Sandy Gies!**

**Congratulations** to our newest Gold Life Master: **Ken Fasching!!!**

**Our STaC event from the 10<sup>th</sup> through the 16<sup>th</sup>:** Of the over 4000 players over District 7 that played in the STaC events, **Ken Fasching** and **Brian Lipscomb** finished 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in points won over the course of the week. They won one event and came close on two others. **Ellie Hack** and **Joel Levy** finished second in one event with a 71.39% game.

**"God bless you and send you a Happy New Year!!"**

Player	2007 (Thru Dec cycle) Points	Unit 160 (Mini-McKenny)
Tom Gabriel	112.37	(6 <sup>th</sup> in 50-100)
Carol Clemenz	156.29	(9 <sup>th</sup> 100-200)
Karen Coulter	112.71	(6 <sup>th</sup> 200-300)
Jim Chianelli	137.53	(9 <sup>th</sup> 300-500)
Brent Holcomb	192.71	(7 <sup>th</sup> 500-1000)
Joyce Hampton	1046.81	(1 <sup>st</sup> 1000-2500) (2 <sup>nd</sup> Nationally)
Robert Hampton	564.13	(4 <sup>th</sup> 1000-2500)
Lukasz Lebioda	598.55	(1 <sup>st</sup> 2500-5000)
Patrick Lauterbach	286.83	(9 <sup>th</sup> 2500-5000)
Hap Neuffer	163.01	(3 <sup>rd</sup> 5000-7500)
Wayne Hollingsworth	446.39	(2 <sup>nd</sup> 7500-10,000)

We continue with some more defensive help from **Eddie Kantar**. **33) When there is a short suit in dummy and declarer draws all of dummy's trumps, the inference is that declarer doesn't have any losers in that suit to ruff. Translation: It is safe to discard that suit.** **34) When discarding, keep length parity with dummy.** If dummy has four cards in a suit A-K-Q-8) and you have four cards (9-4-3-2), one of which (the 9) could conceivably be a trick, be careful discarding from that suit. Be Very Careful. DON'T. **Sometimes it seems like players forget what game they are playing.** A few weeks ago I found myself in a 3-3 Diamond fit at the three level. I made the contract on 5 ruffs and four top tricks. However there was a 5-4 side suit fit in Hearts where we make at least four on the lie of the cards. Opponents were sniping at each other for the rest of the round over whose fault it was a trump never got lead to set the contract. They completely missed the point that making or not, they had a top and the acrimony probably cost them on subsequent boards. I almost did the same thing a week later when I let a 3NT contract make on a hand where they should make 5 Spades. We all know people who refuse to compete in territory where their contracts will be going down-also players who won't let you play a part score or even a game in a competitive auction. We can push the first set around and double the second set until they remember: **it's not if you play the contract-or even make the contract-it's how you compare (matchpoint).**

#### **Club Trophy races June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008 (as of Nov. 16)**

**Centurion Cup-** 1) Jim Willrodt (30.19) 2) Zan Edmunds (29.74) 3) Lib Odom (29.24)  
4) Francis Robinson (11.43) 5) Faye Levinson (10.92) 6) Sam Robison (10.76)  
7) Cynthia Cone(9.82) 8) Dozier Shaw (9.30) 9) Belford Cross (7.71) 10) Naomi Freedman (6.64)

<b>Sol Lourie Open</b>		<b>Henry Mills 0-2000</b>		<b>Coleman Farrell NLM</b>	
1) Pat Lauterbach	91.66	Lil Hopkins	62.69	Jan Ripley	50.86
2) Ken Fasching	88.63	Brent Holcomb	57.63	Everett Ness	43.77
3) Bob Webb	85.72	Jim Chianelli	55.52	Tom Gabriel	43.35
4) Brian Lipscomb	81.56	Mary Townhill	55.08	Sue Harrington	41.98
5) Joyce Lauterbach	73.02	Bernetha Henry	53.25	Arnold Levinson	41.02
6) Lil Hopkins	71.18	Janice Ripley	50.86	Susan McFadden	35.66
7) Hap Neuffer	62.92	Henry Momand	49.05	Jim Willrodt	30.19
8) Pat Webb	61.72	Chris Webb	44.67	Zan Edmunds	29.14
9) Alice Moore	57.69	Everett Ness	43.77	Lib Odom	29.24
10) Brent Holcomb	57.63	Tom Gabriel	43.35	Karen Coulter	29.20



January 2008

*Columbia Bridge Club*

Done	Priority	Description	Due Date
<input type="checkbox"/>		1/1 NO GAME	
<input type="checkbox"/>		1/5 Birthday Party	
<input type="checkbox"/>		1st Game Colo Sr. Center 1/7	
<input type="checkbox"/>		1/11-1/13 NO Games-Batesburg	
<input type="checkbox"/>		1/26 2-session GNT 10 AM	
<input type="checkbox"/>		1/28 5 PM Board Meeting	

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