

TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club

(Calendar On-line at www.cbcbbridge.com)

Our sympathy goes to **Rosa Shaw** on the passing of her husband Guy. We were also grieved by the death of long time CBC member **Marlise Overby**. "Fear not for I have called your name. I know you and you are Mine."

The game Saturday April 12 will be our **birthday party**- it will be held at the Cypress St. location. Club Championship due to all the new members-come and bring a treat.

The Tricity "Spring Fling" Sectional will be on the first weekend of April 4-6. **Camden** on April 25-26. No CBC club games at the Senior Center on those Fridays or Saturdays.

Our March party (can you believe I missed it?) Thanks to Joyce who sent cake and **Alvaree Hanely** and **Sheelagh Young** on-site hostess. Congratulations to a new partnership, **Alice Moore** and **Bill Charwood** who were successful their first time out.

N/S	Charity Game 13 tables		E/W
1) Ken Fasching/Marj Edens	186.00	Bill Charwood/Alice Moore	191.00
2) Elaine Wade/Brent Holcomb	176.00	Luanne Edwards/Annie Hawkins	185.50
3) Henry Momand/DaMaris Rorie	168.50	Betsy Stanton/Sylvia White	177.00
4) Ed and Sheelaugh Young	165.00	Dot Cole/Sue Harrington	160.50
5) Ellie Hack/Fran Jenkins	163.50	Harold Moore/Butch Maybin	160.00

From Head director Mike Bitonti and all the other game directors: Slow play-all unplayed boards are "No Play" (game averages) both directions. **If you are the cause of slow play:** first offense-a warning, second offense ¼ board match point penalty. Third offense-full board match point penalty. **Habitual failure to finish/move by start of the new round is slow play whether you get all boards played or not.** It's not fair to the other players.

We continue with some more defensive help from **Eddie Kantar 39)** When signaling encouragement with equal spot cards, signal with the higher or highest equal. With A-9-8-7 signal with the 9 (which denies the ten). If you lazily signal with the 8, you are denying the 9. (Some partners actually watch stuff like that) **40) When giving partner a ruff, the card you lead is suit preference telling partner which suit to return after the ruff!** The return of a relatively high spot asks for the return of the higher ranking of the two remaining suits. The return of your lowest asks for the lower of the two suits.

It's that time again. **Dues are Due!!** You know you want to renew, you're going to renew, so do it now while you think about it instead of running up against the deadline. Single memberships are \$15 and couples are \$28. Attach the member info on the coupon below.

Name(s) _____ Home # _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Birth Month(s) _____ Web Address _____

In case you missed it.....for newer players who haven't heard it before. Some things drive some more experienced partners crazy. So...1) .sit back from the table. Note that if the table legs suddenly disappeared, most experienced players would have the table top hit on their knees. Don't clutch the cards so tightly they curve-hold them in a flat fan. If your cards are fanned-don't have your hands or elbows on or above the table. **If you are away from the table-don't have the cards fanned in your lap.** (this under the heading of making opponents use their whole heads, not just their eyes to beat you) 2) Bridge is a game of skill....and focus, concentration. Nothing is more important than the game, nothing outside the planes of the four edges of the table matters. Not grandkids, not outings, not health-Just the game. It's a social game, but once cards are drawn, it is no longer sociable. 3) Be ready to play. Come early and talk to partner. Don't bother with discussing exotic bids, but talk about what to do over opponents' interference. What do you lead from 4 small? What about the bidding and defensive tips you've read here? Talk to other players about problem hands, conventions.

Up the Ladder: Junior Master-Jay Shahani, Club Master-Dick Coulter Sectional Master-Cynthia Cone, Jim Fish, Regional Master-Carol Brooks NABC Master Ginny Chianelli, Sue Harrington, Francis Kovach, Lou Riddle

From Treasurer Pat Webb: Your CBC is on sound financial footing. We have just bought another CD (\$20,000). Through this fiscal year (starts 6/1/07) as of 2/29/08 we have a profit of \$14,705 compared with \$5,007 for the same period last year. The bulk of this profit (8,024) is attributable to the \$1 per player increase in entry fees implemented 6/1/07. Another factor which will eventually add to our increased profits is our savings by relocating to the Capital Senior Center. We have no more costs for janitor service or supplies, telephone service, and we have vastly reduced expenses for electricity and water service (total \$916/month saved). We are not faced with making expensive improvements to the Cypress St. location. We pay \$380 monthly to the Center plus \$10 for use of their phone. Work is being done on gaining eleemosynary status for CBC-which would make contributions tax deductible. We have had some nice contributions in memory of deceased members or their spouses. These are being accounted for separately from the club's operations. Knowing that such memorials are being set apart might make our members more amenable to giving money to CBC, particularly if such contributions are tax deductible.

Points won at CBC games-Trophy races June 1, 2007 to March 18, 2008

Centurion Cup- 1) Zan Edmunds (47.65) 2) Jim Willrodt (43.13) 3) Lib Odom (37.91) 4) Cynthia Cone (19.04) 5) Sam Robison (18.94) 6) Francis Robinson (16.82) 7) Faye Levinson (15.23) 8) Jay Shahani (14.11) 9) Melinda Young (13.02) 10) Belford Cross (10.19)

Sol Lourie Open		Henry Mills 0-2000		Coleman Farrell NLM	
1) Brian Lipscomb	125.25	Lil Hopkins	92.42	Jan Ripley	71.36
2) Pat Lauterbach	125.20	Brent Holcomb	79.44	Arnold Levinson	69.72
3) Ken Fasching	121.40	Jim Chianelli	73.11	Everett Ness	59.58
4) Bob Webb	99.03	Jan Ripley	71.36	Sue Harrington	55.89
5) Lil Hopkins	92.42	Arnold Levinson	69.72	Tom Gabriel	52.76
6) Hap Neuffer	92.22	Bernetha Henry	69.34	Karen Coulter	48.82
7) Alice Moore	88.98	Mary Townhil	68.86	Zan Edmunds	47.65
8) Joyce Lauterbach	88.93	Henry Momand	68.60	Susan McFadden	46.57
9) Ellie Hack	85.55	Everett Ness	59.58	John Wilkinson	44.12
10) Marj Edens	84.77	Harriet Blasetti	58.51	Leck Mason	42.82

April 2008

Columbia Bridge Club

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<input type="checkbox"/>		Leisure Center	
<input type="checkbox"/>		4/12 Birthday Party!!	
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