

## TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club

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

Thanks to **Harriet Blasetti** and **Jack Wilkinson** for bringing the cake for our birthday party. Choco with chocolate frosting and cherries-mmmm good!! November Party is Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup>.

N/S	Club Appreciation	Game 10	tables	E/W
1) Pat Webb/Brian Lipscomb	132.00			1) Rosa Shaw/Bill Fogleman 120.00
2) Luanne Edwards/Annie Hawkins	119.00			2) George Nichols/Mary Townhill 118.00
3/4) Lil Hopkins/Elle Hack	118.50			3) Cathy Steinacker/Elaine Wade 115.00
3/4) Henry and Anita Momand	118.50			4) Ellen Oliver/ZZan Edmunds 113.50

**You have all received a special mailing concerning the Open House** our club is having here at the Center November 12 from 5 to 9 PM. We would like everyone to bring a guest-sample the duplicate experience. The organizers on the Board would like to make a special appeal to the newer members of our group: You know people who play or would like to play that we don't know. We would be very happy if you would bring them out to meet us all. Copies of the Board minutes concerning this important event are included with this month's newsletter.

To end the month here's tips from Kantar. **49) Play the card you are known to hold from the lead and third hand's play.** Say the queen is led and dummy has x-x-x-x. You, the declarer have the K-J doubleton. When 3<sup>rd</sup> hand plays the ace, the king and jack are equals; however third hand knows you have the king from his partner's lead of the queen, but he doesn't know you have the jack. The opening leader also knows you have the king from his partner's play of the ace. Get rid of that King!! Remember. You are not costing yourself a trick when you make these plays because you have an equal to the card you are unloading in either your hand or in dummy. Say the jack is led, dummy has 9-x-x-x and you have Q-10 doubleton. When third hand plays the king, drop the queen. Why? The queen is the card both defenders **know** you hold. Third hand knows it from the lead of the jack and opening leader knows it from the play of the king. You might as well show them your hand if you don't play that queen!

**The ACBL is changing the rules:** We'll run down a few of the changes each month. On revokes: There is a return to the fairly simple one and two trick penalty (rectification) of the 1973 Laws. Generally, if the revoking player won the trick on which the revoke happened and the offending side won another *subsequent* trick, the non-offending side gets two tricks. If the revoking player does not win the revoke trick and the revoking side wins some subsequent trick, the non-offending side gets one trick. **However**, part C requires the director to restore equity on deals where the non-offending side would have won more tricks without the revoke, even after taking into account the one or two tricks awarded in accordance with Part A of the Law. (i.e. If a revoke leaves 4 winners stranded, it would be a four trick adjustment)

**A few things have been added to the Laws that were previously in the ethics and proprieties:** 1) A player may not ask a question (at the appropriate time) solely for partner's benefit. 2) If your partner asks a question at his turn to call or play, you may not ask a supplementary question until it is your turn. 3) Declarer's first turn to play is from dummy except when accepting an opening lead out of turn. **(Concerns asking about the bidding)**

**Spartenburg Sectional in November!** This is the next round of the North American Pairs. It will be at the **Raddison Hotel and Suites** near the intersection of I-26 and Business I-85. There will be a full Sectional held alongside the NAP-but the A and C NAP will be played Saturday at 1 and 7 PM. The B will be Sunday at 9:30 and TBA

**The Minutes** of the last Board meeting also contain items of interest on the old building, the vote whether to go or stay at CSC, Zero tolerance, Christmas party, GNT a by-law change and the new Bridgemates. Well worth the perusal. All regular Board meetings are open to all club members-the next one will be at the Columbia Senior Center, Monday November 3, at 5 PM.

**There is a brochure** insert with this month's Tricks and Treats that explains a little about the club-please share it with your non-member friends. We're including one, but we do have some more at the club if you want them. A very good job was done by the Coulters on this.

**Congratulations:** to those advancing in rank this month: Jr. Master-**Sheryl Rhoden** , Club Master- **Belford Cross**, Regional Master- **Jay Shahani**, NABC Master- **Roy McCrorey**.

**I'd like to make a pitch for the charity games** held from now till the end of the year; especially those on Thursday night. These are the games held for the benefit of a local charity picked by the Board after the first of the year. It's only a dollar extra, it's for a good cause and it's for the extra master points. So in this holiday season, make a point of being there for several good reasons. Better to be in a position to be able to give than to have to receive.

**Sheryl Rhoden** has volunteered to be partnership chairman **for the under 100 group**. Her phone is on your membership list. I'm looking forward to seeing you all Friday afternoons.

The center doesn't have just bridge. There's dancing, exercise, movies, all kinds of special interests-massage therapy by Marzi ([Marilynnknight@yahoo.com](mailto:Marilynnknight@yahoo.com) 376-5081 for appointment). Check at the front desk-or better, join the Center for \$20/year. Those quilts on display are also for sale.

**Let me see if I can phrase this positively:** The game times are listed on the calendar. You know what they are. Why are you late? OK-just erased a rant, backing up to try again: A few minutes early (10 OK with you?) buying your entry, talking with partner-it eases a lot of stress on both the director and partner in trying to get the game under way. I can work around someone at the doctor's office and may or may not make the start time for instance. Besides, we like seeing your smiling face early. **Also-after the game:** don't be in such a hurry to leave. I wouldn't mention this except of course, that some pairs are falling down in this area. **We need to police the tables.** Bring in and put away neatly your bidding boxes, table cards, drink trays, Bridge mates, pencils, and throw the trash in the bin.

Those of you getting T and T on line will be getting your brochure, Open House announcement in a mailing.

No suit combination problem for this month-we will resume next month in the on-line version.