

TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club
(Calendar On-line at www.cbcbridge.com)

Our Birthday party for September was hosted by **Joyce Lauterbach**. The auto-dealer delivered an interesting set of boards-I was wishing I could have played. It was a great game and the Gamecocks won while we played-a good day all around!!

N/S	International Fund Game 11 tables		E/W
1) Annie Hawkins/Luanne Edwards	121.50	Ellen Oliver/Brian Lipscomb	144.00
2) Gwen Beckman/Joyce Lauterbach	116.00	Jim Knowles/Tuele/Sue H.	134.00
3) Marj Edens/Lil Hopkins	116.00	Alice Moore/Hap Neuffer	124.00
4) Ellie Hack/Fran Jenkins	111.50	Blake and Julie Field	113.00
5) Irma Murray/Madalyn Dybvik	107.50	Dan Casey/Sylvia White	111.00

(Note that Jim K. and Sue Harrington violated the limit on partnership combined name length)
Our October Birthday party will be Oct. 9-the second Saturday of the month.

The **Columbia Regional** coming October 18-24. We'll have Stratified Open Pairs and KO teams for Gold points. There will be Board a match Swiss, two session Open Swiss, Non Life Master Swiss teams and 0-299 pairs. Something for everybody every session. Our chairs **Elizabeth Beckwith** and **Carol Clemenz** are working hard on this-and may ask your help-please do. Flyers available at the club-line up your partners now! Partnerships handled by Karen Hansell 803-699-9340 khansell@sc.rr.com or Eldon Clayman 828-439-1283 brdgbums@hci.net It should be great-a lot of tournament experience on staff. Location will be the Radisson at exit 63 off highway 20.

Thursday September 16 in the annual **Instant Match Point** game, Hamdi Karluk scored his first Gold Point with wife Jackie Strong. Those of you who missed it, missed a really great collection of hands and analysis books by Larry Cohen.

N/S	Instant Match Point Game		E/W
1) Hamdi Karluk/Jackie Strong	1577	1) Pat Lauterbach/Chuck Kennedy	1622
2) Joyce Lauterbach/Bob Webb	1554	2) Bernetha Henry/Sylvia White	1507
3) Carol and Fred Clemenz	1540	3) Belford and Mary Ann Cross	1377

Congratulations/Moving Up Club Master-Leigh Hursh, Jerry Love, Mike McKenzie
Sectional Master- Roberta Case, Cathy Chiles, Bibs Hurt, Barbara Orr, Regional Master-
Belford and Mary Ann Cross

New Bronze Life Master-**Elaine Wade**

New Silver Life Master-**Bernetha Henry**

Henry has asked Frances Lawton and Karen Coulter to collect annual dues for the Capital Senior Center. They need to be turned in together so our club gets the recognition needed for our rent negotiations. Please give your \$25 check to either Frances, Karen or the game director-dues forms are available at the directors' table at every game.

No Game on Saturday October 2. The game Friday Oct. 1 will be at 9:30

The address for the new website is: www.columbia.bridge-club.org/ if you've had trouble getting on using that address, go to the present sight **cbcbridge.com**, go to the bottom of the page and click "NEW Web Site". Once you get there, put it on your favorites bar or bookmark it.

October is the Jane Johnson Club Appreciation Month from the ACBL. These are special sanction games-so don't miss them. There will be an extra special deal on the two '8 is enough' team games. They will award 5% of the master points won as Gold. The game is stratified-so we need 3 B or C teams. 'A' players- will you get a couple B or C friends out and give the Non-LM's a boost? Even if you're not first over all, the strata awards are very nice-and in October, 5% Gold. The Individual 7:00 Thursday 28th pays Charity awards.

"You want some shade. So when's the best time to plant a tree? 20 years ago. Given you haven't done that, when's the next best time? Right now." T. Boone Pickens in a CNBC interview on energy, investment and the future. But he could have been talking about improving any aspect of life-how about your bidding system? It always amazes me when I hear anyone say "Oh, I just couldn't add any conventions; I'd just mess it up and get a zero." Well how are you scoring now? You wonder why you get beat? It's because you aren't willing to work on your game-those who do will come out ahead every time. Why resent them for doing so-they put in the effort. As far as screwing up a new convention, Alan Sontag and his partner blew the inferences on a "Leaping Michaels" (see last month's T and T) in the finals of the Spingold. That's a world class pair. Everyone does it-the difference is, once you have it down, you'll be playing better-you'll enjoy your game more as your results improve. Just don't expect the system or conventions to do the heavy lifting for you-they are tools for evaluation for you and your partner. It opens up your game-the implications of a convention not being used in a given situation are as important as the information delivered when it is used.

Sol Lourie Open 1) Patrick Lauterbach (63.61) 2) Bob Webb 55.23 3) Jay Shahani 53.83 4) Ellie Hack (46.65) 5) Alice Moore 42.91 6) Hap Neuffer (42.78) 7) Arnold Levinson (41.11) 8) Marianne Murphy 39.98 9) Tom Gabriel (37.97) 10) Harriet Blasetti 36.55 Zan Edmunds 36.38

Henry Mills 0-2000 MP's		Coleman Farell Non LM		Centurion Cup 0-100	
1) Jay Shahani	53.83	Arnold Levinson	41.11	Blake Field	13.28
2) Arnold Levinson	41.11	Zan Edmunds	36.38	Sheryl Rhodan	8.01
3) Marianne Murphy	39.98	Francis Robinson	23.76	Mary Ann Cross	9.70
4) Thomas Gabriel	37.97	Everett Ness	21.19	Julie Field	9.53
5) Harriet Blasetti	36.55	Carolyn Swartout	18.29	Irene Fields	8.20
6) Zan Edmunds	36.38	Melissa Day	17.61	Roberta Case	8.06
7) Jim Chianelli	36.29	Melinda Young	16.74	Cassie Jackson	7.95
8) Abduhl Ghaffar	36.10	Jim Willrodt	14.18	Belford Cross	7.68
9) Bill Charlwood	30.57	Blake Field	13.28	Marcia Fletcher	7.67
10) Frances Lawton	30.43	Hamdi Karluk	13.13	Jerry Love	7.07

If you've moved or haven't voted in a while, Oct 2 is your last day to register. Everyone is entitled to their opinion, but if you don't vote, no one cares what yours is.