TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club (Calendar On-line at www.columbia.bridge-club.org\)

Our Birthday party for October was hosted by Pat and Bob Webb. If you missed your tricks, there were plenty of treats to console yourself with. The Jane Johnson Appreciation game was still up for grabs on the last round.

N	I/S Club Apprec	<u>iation game</u>	12 tables E/W	E/W		
1)	Marj Edens/Margaret Hill	128.69	Jim Chianelli/Patrick Lauterbach	144.31		
2)	Bob and Pat Webb	127.90	Brian Lipscomb/Ellen Oliver	138.88		
3)	Lou Riddle/Dot Cole	124.46	Hap Neuffer/Alice Moore	125.88		
4)	Hamdi Karluk/Jackie Strong	120.33	Ed and Sheelagh Young	114.88		
5)	Harold Moore/Butch Maybin	119.50	Lil Hopkins/Harriet Blasetti	106.50		
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(Notice I got in on a good thing early? I believe Jim was the top point winner from CBC at the Columbia Regional with 39+)

The Columbia Regional October 18-24. Lots of success for CBC players. Leck Mason, Roy McCrorey and Zan Edmunds all made Life Master. Jim Chianelli as noted did well. Susan McFadden made Bronze Life Master. CBC players won many events at the tournament-complete results (they don't miss ANYBODY) available on a link at the club web page. Kudos to Elizabeth Beckwith and her band of chair-people (Alice, Carol and Eldon) on just an excellent production. Thanks to the volunteers who helped out our partnership and our hospitality chairs.

Congratulations/Moving Up Jr. Master-James Bass
Bronze Life Master-Phil Mixson Silver Life Master-Frances Lawton

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. **Get them in soonest please.** No Game on November 25 or 26-the Center is closed.

Charlotte NC Sectional-November 11-14. When you go-leave a few points for the locals.

A word about concentration: Joyce and I have found that 3 or 4 rounds into a game is too early to give up on a good place in the standings or even winning the event. Early results may not be promising, but everyone has the same problems and many will choose your solution (that didn't work well) or an even worse one. Results may match point better than you think. You never know when you'll get hot either-your good judgment starts to pay off or you run into a dispirited pair who throw match points your way -but you'll miss them if you're not prepared to grab them. The last boards and the first boards count the same. So stay in the game. Remind yourself, remind your partner-stay focused and give success a chance.

"I love to talk about nothing. It's the only thing I know anything about." Oscar Wlilde

The full text of the 10 best Goodwill "things to do" is available at the club web site-but let me give you the condensed version. Do things that make the other players feel better and don't hold up the game. Arrive on time and ready to play. Make your opening lead or table your dummy before writing in your private score. Enter the score on the Bridgemate or OK the score on Bridgemate before writing in your private score. Move promptly when the round is called-don't stay to gab. No free bridge lessons. These previous are Zero Tolerance violations. Another thing I think is a great idea-no drinks on a side chair or especially on the floor. Three things can happen-1) you finish the drink and throw away the cup-so far I don't believe this has ever happened-2) you leave the drink on the floor or chair and nothing happens-occassionally-3) somebody in the changing of rounds knocks the drink over or the director has to clean up after you when the game is over. These last two happen a lot. Drinks belong only in cup holders, please.

I noted the book sellers wares at the Regional. The books by Mike Lawrence (many time world and national champion) were the first to sell out. For those new to Duplicate, Mike is one of the best ever though he doesn't play much anymore. He still writes as well as ever-if you get a chance to pick up his "Play Swiss teams with Me", "Play Match Points with Me" or "How to read your Opponents Cards", by all means pick them up. They're very clear, very good reads.

Things to do at a Regional:

Play teams. The gold are available there in big bunches if you can win two KO's in a row or grab the overalls in a flighted Swiss. Also more people to take the blame for non-success. ©

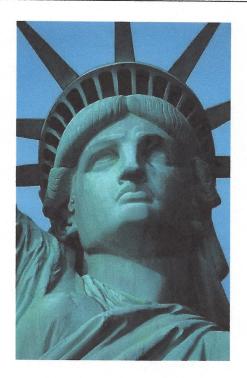
Check out the book-sellers-new conventions explained-old ones updated, serious books on defense or pieces of whimsy with the Abbott or the Menagerie-something for everyone.

Mix at hospitality suites or at the coffee/water cooler table. Find out how your friends are doing and offer congratulations or condolences as seems indicated. Listen to their story about a hand before offering your own.

Play pair games. With just you and your partner there are fewer places to go wrong. The Golds go all the way down the overalls and catch all of the section tops. A good payday if you score.

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 Fare	ll 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 Cros	s 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



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	7:00 Open Pairs	12:30 0-1500 pairs	12:30 Open harity Pairs (local)	12:30 Open Pairs 7:00 8 is enough teams (local charity)	12:30 0-100, 0-1000 PAIRS	12:30 Open Charity pairs (local) Birthday party!!
7	7:00 Charity Pairs	12:30 0-1500 pairs	12:30 Open Pairs	12:30 Open Charity pairs (local) 7:00 8 is enough teams	12:30 0-100, 0-1000 Charity Pairs (local)	12:30 Open Pairs
14	7:30 Open Pairs	16 12:30 0-1500 Club Champ	12:30 Open Club Champ	12:30 Open Pairs 7:00 Individual Club Champ	12:30 0-100, 0-1000 pairs	12:30 Open Pairs
21	7:00 Open Pairs	23 12:30 0-1500 Pairs	12:30 Open Pairs	No Game-Cent closed	No game-Cente closed	12:30 Open Club Champ
28	7:00 ACBL wide Charity game	30 12:30 0-1500 Charity Pairs	S M 9 4 10 11 17 12 24 25 31	Oet 20 VO T W T F S 1 2 5 6 7 8 9 12 13 14 15 16 19 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30		F 3 3 4 10 11 17 18 24 25 31