

## TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club  
(Calendar On-line at [www.columbia.bridge-club.org](http://www.columbia.bridge-club.org))

**Our Birthday party for January** was hosted by **Ed Scheiblich** and **Linda York**. Great cake and hot apple cider. Felt like Homer Simpson..."Mmmmm, Cider!" **We had 62** members for the meeting and 68 for bridge. Our gracious hosts **did** help themselves to the lion's share of the master points with a 60+% game.

N/S	Charity Game 17 tables	E/W	
1) Linda York/Ed Scheiblich	188.32	Ellie Hack/Fran Jenkins	182.87
2) Barbara Cathey/Leigh Hursh	179.65	Sue Harrington/Jay Shahani	175.65
3) Anita and Henry Momand	176.23	Chris and Lee Webb	173.83
4) Pat and Joyce Lauterbach	175.96	Ken Fasching/Ginny Robertson	172.79
5) Gwen Beckman/Jack Wilkinson	172.72	Bob and Pat Webb	171.55
6) Luanne Edwards/Annie Hawkins	164.74	Jay Jacobs/Phil Mixson	169.92

**Are you a party person?** New signup sheet for bringing the cake for the Birthday parties in 2011 is posted on the club bulletin board. February Birthday party will be Feb 12.

**There was a special membership meeting** of the CBC January 8<sup>th</sup> before the Birthday party game. Decisions made by the membership: Qualifications for voting membership will remain unchanged. Negotiations for purchase of the property on Trenholm Road will go forward.

### A message from our Treasurer:

Now that your Board has the go-ahead for purchasing acreage on Trenholm Road Extension in Columbia's northeast area, please consider making a contribution to the SC Bridge Foundation. Since SCBF is a 501(c)(3) organization, your contributions are tax-deductible, and they will be used to build CBC's next "Home". Why not remember this charity when making memorials or honorary gifts?

Congratulations/Moving Up: **Gwen Beckman** has now surpassed the 2000 point milestone.

Life Master-**Hamdi Karluk**

Bronze Life Master- **Zan Edmunds**

**Time to have your Teams together for the GNT.** Our first event is Saturday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>. Starting time is 10:00. We're usually done with the play between 5:30 and 6:00. Bring a sandwich-we take a short lunch break-and the club will have chips, dessert and soft drinks. We will have a second two session event on Saturday Feb 25<sup>th</sup>. Same format. Contact Dode DeFiori when you have your team set. She will be trying to round up partners and pairs and needs to know who is not available. So far for the 5<sup>th</sup> we have a dozen set and 5 probables. This could be the year we hit 20 for our first qualifier. I'll be directing and would appreciate it if you would purchase your entry early-they go on sale at 9:30. (cautionary tale-Batesburg Swiss-last 3 teams buying (3-way match) were Neuffer/Moore, Hawkes/Mclaughlin and a B aggregation that was a pretty good team-but lost both ends-entering round 3 at 0-2) Be Early!!

**"It has long been my observation that people of accomplishment do not sit back and let things happen to them. They go out and happen to things."** That bit of wisdom from Leonardo Da Vinci. He would have made a good bridge player with that attitude. It's long been said that bridge is a bidder's game. Everyone from Grant Baze to Jerry Helms will tell you "Look for a reason to bid, not a reason to pass." So you're one point or one suit card shy? Go for it! After the (Open) game, go over your card: where were your bad boards? Bet they were where you missed the game or slam. Or were they on defense? Are you defending when you should be declaring? Or are you not (penalty) doubling enough? You'll know you have arrived when you start getting -800's and minus 730's. You have to expect a few of those. When they get to be a real drag on your game, then it might (just might) be time to contemplate another adage: "How did the little fish get to be a big fish? By keeping his mouth shut at the right time." Anon. That Anon knows his stuff too. I guess it's a stage all 'B' players have to go through. I had 4 B partners and of course played against many B pairs in the past week. What I kept hearing (It just hurts to the bone when I do) "I had to bid one more because I didn't have any defense." OK-so minus a zillion later, how much worse could it be if you let them play? If you push them from 4 to 5 or from 2 to 3, you've done your job. Those maneuvers themselves are not without risk, **especially when red.** As a two-time national champion I used to play with on occasional Saturday afternoons used to tell me as I went through that phase: "It's a partnership game-not all the defense is in your hand-and whatever you do, don't turn an average minus into a zero." If you push-push once immediately at the level you're willing to go to (that's good). If you give a good player two chances to make the right decision, you lose. (I find it insulting when people give me two chances, but don't get me wrong-I take the match points offered as payment for it with a red card and, of course, a smile.)

**These Master point totals as of Dec. 15 (all games at CBC)**

**Sol Lourie Open** 1) Pat Lauterbach 113.38 2) Bob Webb 106.58 3) Jay Shahani 104.79  
4) Hap Neuffer 87.55 5) Alice Moore 81.23 6) Ellie Hack 79.95 7) Zan Edmunds 75.72  
8) Ken Fasching 71.41 9) Marianne Murphy 68.57 10) Pat Webb 64.99

<b>Henry Mills 0-2000</b>		<b>Coleman Farrell )-Life Master</b>		<b>Centurion Cup 0-100</b>	
1) Jay Shahani	114.79	Zan Edmunds	75.72	Roberta Case	21.13
2) Zan Edmunds	75.72	Arnold Levinson	64.21	Sheryl Rhoden	19.10
3) Marianne Murphy	68.57	Francis Robinson	41.00	Blake Field	17.89
4) Arnold Levinson	64.21	Everett Ness	35.88	Bibs Hurt	16.01
5) Jim Chianelli	61.83	Carolyn Swartout	29.44	Jim BASS	15.57
6) Tom Gabriel	57.67	Melinda Young	28.35	Julie Field	14.14
7) Harriet Blasetti	56.64	Leck Mason	27.02	Marcia Fletcher	13.69
8) Carolyn Cromer	55.04	Jim Willrodt	25.09	Jerry Love	13.52
9) Bill Charlwood	52.92	Missy Day	24.27	Irene Fields	12.64
10) Abduhl Ghaffar	48.29	John Davren	22.22	Mike McKenzie	10.31

**"The best things in life are free-until the government finds out and starts taxing them."**



February 2011

*Columbia Bridge Club*

Done	Priority	Description	Due Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	2/5 10AM Open GNT 2 sessions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	2/12 12:30 B-day Party!! Jr. Fund	
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<input type="checkbox"/>		2/17 7:00 Individual Jr. Fund	
<input type="checkbox"/>		2/24 7:00 no game	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	2/26 10:00 Open GNT 2 sessions	
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