TRICKS AND TREATS

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

I'm sorry to have missed our Birthday party for September. Looks like quite a show. Congratulations to Sylvia and Bernetha.

N/S	6 1/2 tables Ch	arity E/W	
1) Bernetha Henry/Sylvi	a White 80.0	2) Jay Jacobs/Phil Mixson	79.88
3) Harold Moore/Butch	Maybin 75.0	4) Brent Holcomb/Rosa Shaw	71.50
5) Linda York/Ed Scheit	olich 70.0	,	

Congratulations!! Our newest Silver Life Master-Mike Bitonti!!

	Vins	VP	MP award
1) Bob and Pat Webb/Scott McPherson/Greg Garrison	3	52	1.94
2) Chris Webband Lee Webb/Wendy Leverett/Richard Smith	2	46	1.38
3) Mary Townhill/Scott Dunn/Bruce Kenner//Jack Self	2	41	1.30
4) Bel and Mary Ann Cross/Abduhl Ghaffar/Tom Balcerek	2	39	.98
Winners in the Sept. 12 '8 is enough game:			
1) Joyce Lauterbach/Zan Edmunds/Ed and Sheelagh Young	3	57	2.10
2) Bruce Kenner/Jack Self/Scott Dunn/Alice Moore	3	49	1.58
3) Chuck Kennedy/Pat Lauterbach/Bel and Mary Ann Cross	2	48	1.18
4) Marianne Murphy/Bill Charlwood/Jack Wilkinson/Harriet Blasetti	2	41	1.38

Winners of the September Individual: Mike Bitonti, Irma Murray, Mary Ann Cross, Kathy Kimmerling, Bel Cross, Joyce Lauterbach, Abduhl Ghaffar, Dot Jones. Next Individual is October 17-you don't need a partner-It's an Individual round robin-just come to play!!

The STaC games were a big success. Coming in October will be the **Jane Johnson Club Appreciation games.** These games carry a sanction that pays extra points to the people in the money. We have one of these games for every session we hold. (one on Monday night, one on Tuesday aft. Etc.) Don't miss these games!

A special ACBL-wide Instant match point game will be held at 7:00 Wednesday Oct 2. This game has all the possible scores already match-pointed; all we have to do is record the scores. You can see what you got as soon as the hand is played. Always a player favorite, part of the award for winning a section is one GOLD point.

We are still running a 0-200 section alongside the Open game on Wednesday afternoon at 12:30. This gives us Limited games at the following times: Monday Evening 0-200 at 7:30, Tuesday 0-1500 at 12:30 and 0-20(ish) at 7:00. Wednesday 0-200 at 12:30 and Supervised play at 6:30-9:00. Thursday 8 is enough teams on the first two Thursdays of the month and an Individual on the third Thursday at 7:00. Fridays are 0-1000 at 12:30.

There will be NO GAME at the club on Sept. 27 through 29. See you at Aiken Sectional!!!

Moving on up: Jr. Master Roger Amirol, Virginia Carrier, Mary Frame, Caroline Gimball, Sally McCardle. Club Master-Shelby King Sectional Master-Kay McBride

Defense is hard. This is your hand on opening lead; ♠ A-3 ♥ Q-4-2 ♦ 10-9-7 ♠ A-Q-9-6-5 The bidding: You West North East

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- P P 1♦
- P 1♥ P 1♠
- P 3♠ P 4♠ all Pass

Yes, yes, I know, you animals would have overcalled 2♣ over the 1♦ (me too). But see how easy you've made declarer's life by showing him where every single point is? So what's your lead? This analysis by 29 experts and the scoring by the puzzle editor;

Jeff Meckstroth: Heart deuce. Usually leader can eliminate at least one suit from consideration but not this time. Heart Queen could be a possibility, but could be *very* bad if declarer has stiff Ace or King.

Chris Willinken Diamond 9-three ways to win-It won't blow a trick, may set up a ruff for North, and may talk declarer into losing a trick if he has three card fit with dummy's AKxxx. **Bobby Wolfe** Spade Ace. I confess not remembering leading a trump Ace against a voluntarily bid game before, but other choices are not appealing.

Mike Lawrence Spade Ace. I hate this lead in general.

Richard Colker Club Ace. Followed by the Queen (to alert partner to return a trmp) Partner figures to have 2-4 points-best shot is clubs to score the King or two ruffs in partner's hand.

The scoring and how many experts went for each option:

2♥-100 (7) 9♦ 80 (2) There it is folks, world class players on defense. 4♥ 100 (1) 10♦ 70 (2) Still wonder why you have a hard time? I thought two 100 (3) 100 (4) Spade leads might cost some needed ruffs on dummy. 100 (9) (my choice) 100 (1)

The points Cup races run with the club year, from June 1 through May 31 the following year. Here is an update as of August 22 on the current standings:

Sol Lourie (Open) 1) Bob Webb (84.31) 2) Patrick Lauterbach (82.00) 3) Pat Webb 65.98 4) Joyce Lauterbach 65.45 5) Jay Shahani 61.86 6) Hap Neuffer 56.69 7) Jack Self 55.11 8) Alice Moore 48.55 9) Zan Edmunds 45.51 10) Brent Holcomb 43.39 Mary Townhill 40.14

Henry Mills (0-2000 MP)		Coleman Farrell Non-Life		Centurion Cup (0-	Centurion Cup (0-100)	
1) Jay Shahani	61.86	Leck Mason	33.18		21.17	
2) Jack Self	55.11	Greg Garrison	32.88	*	16.16	
3) Zan Edmunds	45.51	Bruce Kenner	24.59	Clarence Hopke	9.84	
4) Brent Holcomb		Roberta Case	24.58	Dot Jones	7.56	
5) Mary Townhill		Bel Cross	21.19	Olivia Smith	7.41	
6) James Chianelli		Sue Hopke	21.17	Shelby King	7.37	
7) Harriet Blasetti		Jim Willrodt	18.99	Margaret Barksdale	6.32	
8) Scott Dunn		Karen Faulkenberry	18.16	Burton Case	5.47	
9) Jack Wilkinson		Helen Young	16.16	Mary Kay Madden	5.45	
10) Bill Charlwood	34.77	Diana Ellis	15.33	Kay Stursburg	4.90	

"Only in America could the people paying 85% of income taxes be accused by the almost 50% who pay no income taxes of not paying their fair share."