

TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club

(The calendar is On-line at columbia.bridge-club.org.)

The April Birthday party was one of our charity games. The game directors and the Board thank you for supporting in particular these charity events. Next month will be all Grassroots games. Please support these games also. The 70.5% game was enough to win with-unlike the 72.38% game of the previous Monday night. **May Birthday Party is May 2.**

N/S	6 ½ tables Charity Pairs	E/W
1) Patrick and Joyce Lauterbach	95.18	2) Phil Mixson/Jay Jacobs 88.88
3) Fran Jenkins/Margaret Hill	81.2	4) Pat Webb/F. Robinson 81.21
5) Brent Holcomb/Kenyon Stevenson	72.23	5) Carolyn and Lewis Cromer 66.26

IT's that time of year!! Club dues of \$20/person are due now. See the game director.

WINNERS in the Individual event for April: **not available until May.**

All of the games in May will be "Grassroots" games-carry a special sanction that will pay off in extra master points-don't miss any of them!!

OK, you are here in the last round of an Open Swiss. You are playing the **Said** team, one of the two that finished ahead of you in the previous A/X teams event. However, today you are playing for winner gets 6th and loser 7th place. On the hands below, your partner lands you in 3NT quickly after you open 1NT:

Dummy

S- A-J-6
H- J-4-3
D- A-Q-4-3
C- Q-7

You

S- K-5-2
H- A-K-7-2
D- K-7-6-5
C- A-4-3

LHO leads the 2 of Diamonds to dummy's 3, RHO's 10 and you win the King. You see 8 tricks on top and several ways to make 9:

- 1: Four Diamond tricks or three Heart tricks if the suits break
- 2: two indirect finesses (low to the J of Hearts or Q of Clubs on the board)
- 3: Direct finesse to the Jack of Spades
- 4: With so many finesses possible, some kind of end play might be available.

So what do you do next? Looking over to the other table, you see Chuck Said sitting in your chair rather than Barb Heller so if it can be made, you better make it because Said surely will.

Give you a minute to think about it.

Forget it. You are already down. Suits don't break, finesses are all off and these defenders don't make mistakes. You made a mistake at trick one by not thinking about what the opponents' carding is telling you. If you don't know, you should ask before playing from Dummy at trick one. If you know their carding is standard and they make fourth best leads; you will let the 10 of Diamonds hold trick one. His partner has 4 Diamonds so that 10 is a singleton-whatever switch he makes gives you trick 9-he is end played on trick one. Don't be so eager to get into the play of the hand that you neglect to review all the information available from the bidding (or lack of it) and your opponents carding agreements. Make a plan to play before calling your first card from Dummy. (We lost the match close (8 IMPs) but on part score swings-not this board)

"North/South move your boards when the round is called. Pass played boards even if you haven't finished them all. **East/West get up** from the table even if your new table isn't open yet. Be fair to your fellow contestants! Habitual slow moves even by a minute or two will be subject to negative procedural adjustment." Director at the Gatlinburg Open Pairs Thursday afternoon.

Winners of the April 2nd 9 is enough team Game:

	Wins/Loss/Tie	Victory Pts.
1) Pat Webb/Mike Bitonti/Susan McFadden/Greg Garrison	2 - 2 - 0	52 (1.87)
2) Beronica Whisnant/Beth Campione/H. Moore/J. Wilkinson	3 - 1 - 0	49 (1.40)
3) Jack Self/Scott Dunn/K. Kimmerling/M. Frame	3 - 1 - 0	40 (.99)

Winners of the April 9th 8 is enough team game:

1) J Lauterbach/K. Fasching/K Kimmerling/Barbara Cathey	3 - 1 - 0	51 (1.98)
2) Al Kirkland/Mary Ann Murphy/J Wilkinson/B.Charlwood	4 - 0 - 0	50 (1.49)
3) J. Chinelli/A.Ghaffar/B. Cross/Patrick Lauterbach	2 - 2 - 0	43 (1.11)

On April 2nd I inadvertently replaced a "C" flight player with an "A" (9 is enough) and we still couldn't win more than two matches.

The Cup races run from June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2015. Only points won at the CBC are included in the race totals. Classification of players is point total as of June 1, 2014. Standings are as of April 20-5 plus weeks to go.

Centurion Cup (0-100 MP) 1) Dot Jones 72.32 2) Shelby King 49.30 3) Kathy Kimmerling 48.49 4) Janet Sheridan 46.31 5) Sallie McCardle 45.16 6) Beth McMaster 40.88d 7) Hillary McDonald 32.69 8) Burton Case 30.39 9) Beth Donelan 29.61 10) Karen Hansell 26.76

<u>Sol Lourie Unlimited</u>		<u>Henry Mills 0-2000</u>		<u>Coleman Farrell Non Life Master</u>	
1) Patrick Lauterbach	232.23	Jay Shahani	209.08	Dot Jones	72.32
2) Jay Shahani	209.08	Jack Self	158.98	Bel Cross	71.78
3) Joyce Lauterbach	197.74	Mary Townhill	156.63	Lauren Alexander	61.02
4) Hap Neuffer	191.29	Frances Lawton	111.61	Jerry Love	57.44
5) Pat Webb	186.90	Scott Dunn	95.66	Sue Hopke	54.86
6) Bob Webb	163.06	Tom Gabriel	95.35	Shelby King	49.30
7) Alice Moore	159.65	Jack Wilkinson	94.47	Kathy Kimmerling	48.49
8) Jack Self	158.98	Zan Edmunds	91.99	Janet Sheridan	46.31
9) Mary Townhill	156.63	Jim Chianlli	87.07	Sally McCardle	45.16
10) Brent Holcomb	121.88	Caolyn Cromer	85.89	Helen Young	44.15