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THE INVITATION TOURNAMENT

The 1957-58 tournament season was officially launched last week with the mailing of invitations to the DSBA banner event, The Invitation Tournament.

Elaine Downey, the tournament chairman, advised THE DUMMY that bids had been mailed to 66 pairs, headed by Helen and Will Brown, the defending champions. She asked us to remind all those who will play that the tournament will be held at a new location this year, the YMCA, at 9th and King Streets, on Thursday, September 12th and 19th, PROMPTLY at 7:45 PM. As usual, bridges elder statesman, Frank Grady, will direct.

PUZZLE CORNER

We have an interesting and original "double dummy" problem submitted by our peerless puzzler, Mr. Jack Ten Stiff. The important thing to remember about this type of problem is that not only the declarer, but both opponents can see all four hands, and you must assume perfect defense. We consider this problem to be so difficult that we will donate a double deck of cards to the first correct solution mailed to the DUMMY, Box 88, New Castle, Del. The contract is 6 NT by South, and the opening lead by West is the Queen of Hearts. Take it away, experts!

S-10 8 7	S-Q J 9	S-K 5 3 2
H-Q J 7 4	H-A 8 5	H-6 3 2
D-J 6	D-9 7 2	D-10 8 4 3
C-A 10 3 2	C-Q J 6 4	C-9 7
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H-K 10 9		
D-A K Q 5		
C-K 8 5		

CLIFFHANGER

At the recent middle Atlantic Regional Open Pairs Championship, Ed Worden and Archie Sparks had a section top. Several other Wilmington pairs did equally well, but what makes this win noteworthy is that the four Master Points so achieved give Ed a total of 299, or just one shy of Life Master. By the time you read this, Ed will probably have his well deserved gold card.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

There were a great many male heads hung in shame after the last tournament season when it was announced that the winner of the first annual competition for the Mary Bradley Grady trophy for Delaware Player of the Year was a lady (and neither little nor old) and that lady was Evelyn Levitt.

Evelyn has won many Delaware tournaments in past years and, altho she failed to win a single event last year, her record was consistently good, with seconds in the Invitation, Mixed Pairs and Open Teams, and a third in the Womens Pairs.

The top fifteen, whose standing was based on a complicated mathematical formula computed by a committee of PHDs headed by Dexter Pattison, are as follows: Evelyn Levitt 70.8, Harold Levitt 63.6, Kenneth Donovan 61.5, Marvin Paulshock 58.2, Gerry Berman 52.8, John Barnicle 50.1, Edward Gerard 47.4, W. E. McCordale 40.5, Arthur Brace 40.2, Leonard Lipstein 37.6, William Brown 36.6, Ralph Schreyer 35.7, Dexter Pattison and Theodore Berman 33.0, and Herman Levin 28.0.

Harold "Trickum" Levitt, who helped account for 75% of Evelyn's top score, reports that if he can just figure out a way to play in the Womens Pairs this year, he'll put an end to this female domination.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the DSBA will be held in the Starlight Room of the Hotel Rodney at 7:45 PM, Wednesday, October 2nd.

In addition to the election of a new Board of Directors, the membership will vote on the new bylaws. A set of the proposed changes will accompany this copy of The DUMMY, and all members are requested to study them carefully.

A duplicate game will follow the meeting and Evelyn Levitt and Dick Clarkson, who are in charge of arrangements, have promised us prizes and surprises.

Don't be a dummy, get out and vote!

PROPOSED STATE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The following have been nominated to the DSBA Board of Directors and their names will be submitted for approval at the Annual Meeting on October 2nd in the Starlight Room of the Hotel Rodney:

*Richard Clarkson	duPont Exp Station
William Downey	Hercules CC
Martha Duffey	duPont Exp Station
*Wilfred Dumas	duPont CC
*Edward Gerard	Acme BC
Patricia McGee	Independent
Dr. Henrik Magnus	Mapledale CC
*Marvin Paulshock	duPont CC
*Dexter Pattison	duPont Exp Station
*James Pickel	duPont EDEAA
Col. Richmond Skinner	Acme
Rosalie Kurfurst	Brandywine CC

In conformity with the new bylaws, and in the event they are approved by the membership, six members of the present Board, who are designated by an asterisk, have been re-nominated for one-year terms, and the other six nominees for two-year terms.

Two additional directors will be elected at the Annual Meeting.

OFFICERS

Marvin Paulshock, President
Edward Gerard, Vice-President
Mrs. Frank A. Pehrson, Secretary
Mrs. Harold M. Levitt, Treasurer

DIRECTORS

Dr. Charles M. Baneroff - University Club
Richard G. Clarkson - Wilmington Whist Club
Wilfred M. Dumas - duPont Country Club
Mrs. George B. Packer - Maple Dale Country Club
Dexter B. Pattison - duPont Country Club
James B. Pickel - duPont EDEAA
Mrs. Morton Salsbury - Brandywine Country Club
Archie G. Sparks, Jr. - duPont EDEAA
Mrs. P. Burke Weldon - Hercules Country Club
Edward C. Worden, II - duPont Experimental
Frank J. Grady (Advisor) - Acme Bridge Club

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE FOR 1957-1958 SEASON

*Invitation.....YMCA.....Sept 12 and 19
*Individual.....Brandywine.....Oct 10 and 17
*Womens Pairs.....unassigned....Nov 7 and 14
Kent County
Open Pairs.....Dover AFB.....unassigned
*Womens Pairs.....Whist Club.....Jan 16 and 23
*Open Teams.....duPont CC.....Feb 6 and 13
*Open Pairs.....unassigned....March 13 and 30
*Mixed Pairs.....Hercules CC.....Apr 10 and 17
New Castle
Open Pairs.....TMCA.....unassigned
*Diamond State
Open Pairs.....Hotel duPont.....May 17
Open Teams.....Hotel duPont.....May 18
Knock Out Teams.....Acme BC.....unassigned
Metropolitan
Teams.....Acme BC.....unassigned

*These dates have been confirmed by the sponsoring club. All others are subject to change

THE DUPONT COUNTRY CLUB PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE

The various bridge groups had a very successful year with attendance on the up-grade.

Marvin Paulshock and Richard Brande won the Club Championship. True champions these two! In spite of a 70% carryover they led all the way. George Hunt and John Delker were a very close second. Herman Hensel was their nemesis. The boys considered leaving Foreign Relations to join the Foreign Legion. On reconsideration they will just trump around a bit. Partial itinerary: Stay at Steyman's two Clubs or Drury's. Fish at Fishbein's. Cross the Fourth Book of Bridge at Sheinwald's to hunt at Blackwood's. For a big time (Top of the Mark) San Francisco, then ride Roth-Stone and transfer at Jacoby, Texas. (While there, please find out what's new). They will then attend the Garber Convention (take it easy boys - no doubles) May I suggest, too, avoid Sobel on your travels or it will mean "60 days" for sure. P. S. The boys tell me they still speak to Herman, but coldly! Guess what...they play Culbertson!

Lois Kilbourne and Sally Orlando saved the day for the women by winning third prize.

Thirty tables were in play. All teams playing in both sessions. Competition was keen, all remembered to be sociable. Consequently, we had a most successful tournament. Ruth Rankin and Earl Cummins were Chairmen. Frank Grady directed Earl Cummins, a most popular fellow, had them coming out to the Open Pair games. The master point games were well attended, however, we did miss seeing some of you. The next master point game, open to DSBA members, will be held Tuesday-October 15th at 7:45 PM. Mark your calendar now! We always have a good game at duPont and we enjoy having you at our games. For information, phone Earl at OL 5-9784 (home).

The men didn't give Frank Pehrson, Chairman, any difficulty. They played well and hard for the season prizes. The honors went to the following. First Half: 1 Dick Clarkson and Archie Sparks, 2 Bob Newell and Frank Pehrson, Herman Felton and Leo Zeitel. Second Half: 1 Wilfred Dumas and Mel Welch, 2 Russell Medford and Paul Moore, MIP George Hunt and John Delker. Full Season: 1 Gene Harkins and Ed Ramler, 2 Dexter Pattison and Ralph Schreyer, 3 Paul Bugauer and Frank McNichol. I invaded this man's land one evening. Sounded and looked more like a

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TALL TALES - CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

Ask Lemmie Lipstein to tell you the story of how he and his partner bid a grand slam in hearts at the Summer Nationals, and the first time hearts were mentioned was at the seven level!

DSBA INCORPORATES

The Delaware State Bridge Association filed a certificate of incorporation in the office of the Secretary of the State of Delaware on the 22nd of July, 1957. A certified copy has also been recorded with the Recorder of Deeds of New Castle County.

Our organization has been incorporated to take advantage of some of the benefits that can be gained by such a move; namely, the Association is now established as a legal entity and can enter into contracts; members are exempted from individual liability; the continual existence of the Association is assured regardless of deaths or changes in the membership; methods of organization, management, and finance are standardized. Thus, Bridge in Delaware is "coming of age."

Earlier this year, when the Board of Directors voted to incorporate, the assignment to provide the legal knowhow and handle all the knotty details was given to Bill Dumas. The DUMMY takes great pleasure in saluting "Dum" for a job well done.

THE DUPONT COUNTRY CLUB -- PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

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smoker than a bridge game. They were having a ball! Men, you don't know what you are missing! Get yourself a partner and enter the game next fall. A member may play with a non-member.

Need a partner? Contact Frank Peterson at home, OL 8-3373, or any of the above will be glad to help you.

The Associate Women are wondering...now that the men have had two years of practice, if they will ever give us a return match? Yes folks, the women defeated them two years ago.

The Women's Group had a most interesting and successful year. We went after new players via ATRFT. Over 100 women participated in our games and many of our new teams are fine players. A few have joined the DSBa and we hope to interest others. You will most likely meet them in the coming tournament season.

Speaking of tournaments, Carole Hughes walked off with the honors in our 7th annual Grace Fisher Individual. Helen Bartleson and Greta Hellburg tied for second place. Margaret Permes-lee just missed making it a three-way tie. It was a two session event and a very exciting one. Frank Gready directed in his usual fine manner. Carole and Greta joined our group this past fall and we are delighted to have these two new comers take the laurels. Helen Bartleson tied for first place with Evelyn Eskridge in this tournament several years ago. Both excellent players and two wonderful people.

Our season was divided into two halves this year. First Half: 1 Elaine Dumas and Olive Welch, 2 Lois Kilbourne and Sally Orlando. Second Half: 1 Evelyn Eskridge and Marguerite Mulliken, 2 Elizabeth Dehnborg and Helen Brown. Most Improved Pair: Virginia Cordrey and Eloise Rafferty. (The above proves the same players do not win all the time. An enormous impression held by many would be and new players).

Several matches were held with the Hercules Women with duPont emerging the victors. What has happened to the other clubs? We would like matches with Amie, Arden, Brandywine, and Wilmington CC. Interested? Contact our Chairman Barbara Herr at SL 8-2641. Come on gals, what the men can do, we can do better.

The Experimental Station game under the very capable leadership of Donald Acker really went to town this year. Average game 17 tables! Amazing, considering this game is limited to Station employees and their partners. They stress the social aspect and also good bridge. They meet on alternate Tuesdays at the Club. In all 13 games. The 14th session features a banquet followed by an Individual Tournament. This year's winner was Barbara Davison. What a gal this Barb! I doubt if there is anything she can't do, and performs exceedingly well in everything she undertakes. At present her favorite pastime is sailing.

Barb is the skipper of her own sailboat. Runner up was Stan McKelvey. Season Winners: 1 Mr and Mrs. T. Lees Bartleson, 2 Kenneth Greenan and Harlan Pease, 3 Barb Davison and Peg Dennison. Helen and Barty won double honors. Coming in first for the season and being the first to have their names engraved on a new travelling trophy put into play this year. William Haack will be the chairman next year assisted by Hubert Knipmeyer.

duPont sponsored the DSBa Open Team of Four Tournament again with Martha Dufey and Ralph Schreyer as chairman. They deserve much credit for a very fine tournament and turn out, 42 tables were in play. The winners of the Team of Four were: John Barnicle, Edward Gerard, Kenneth Donovan, and Marvin Paulshock. Runners up: Mr and Mrs. Harold Levitt, Arthur Brace, and Leonard Lipstein. Something new was added this year. In addition to the regular "Knock-outs", a second flight known as the Metropolitan Knock-Out Team of Four was put into existence

and received with much enthusiasm. I believe Martha and Ralph were the originators of this idea. If not, I stand corrected.

Next year, it would be nice to sell all DSBa members participating in this tournament. For the past 3 or 4 years I've ended up as an alternate. Next year, I hope to make the grade and get into the Knock-Outs. But right now, I am knocke-out!

Voila Tout
(That's all)

SAYS ME
By BRIDGET

Many of you have heard me speak (not from a platform) of the lack of sociability at the bridge games around town. I didn't realize the sound waves would carry all the way to ACHL headquarters. Glad the top brass realizes the situation and are acting accordingly. At times, I too have lacked the social grace of acknowledged my opponents. If I may repeat myself and the Bulletin, always identify yourself, use any name that comes to mind. When the time permits, say something, anything....particularly when your opponents are new to you. Do make them feel welcome. If we follow the above, the games will be larger than ever. Any of you ever stop to think why our games and tournaments have fallen off?

I loved Freddy Carpenter's letter in the Bulletin. I'm with you ole boy! I've had it, too. What's your problem? There's no problem! Let's team up fellow. Apparently, we are the "problem children", the "duplicate delinquents." Anyone care to join our group? No psychiatrists or psychologists please! We will do our own psyching. I disagree with Fred on one point. I'll take those free lessons. I need them, that is why I have problems! Any offers?

It has been said, "opportunity knocks but once." Since I was requested to write about anything here comes a subject for discussion and suggestion. State Tournament Committees. Many on committees, I am sure, have worked conscientiously with Frank Gready to put on a good tournament. However, from what I can gather, it has been left up to Frank to get the players out. I feel this is very unfair to him. I have received notices of tournaments, and lo and behold, I spot my name. I yell, "hey pa, I'm on the committee." He asks, "for what?" I say, "look my names in print." He asks, "who put you on the committee?" Now, right then and there he has me stumped. I don't know! Comes the night of the tournament, I have to feed him, do dishes, and pretty up to be on my way. Then he pops another at me. "What did I do on the committee?" I answer, "Why nothing, guess it's honorary." He says he's never heard tell of such a thing. Only honorary committees he's heard of is charities and pallbearers. And you know, I believe he's right. And now you know why I am slow getting there. He's asking them there questions and then when I get there, I'm puzzling! all the time...now who did put my name there and why...instead of concentrating on the game. See, I do have problems!

Seriously though, I have appreciated being on various committees. However, I must admit I did not feel I was a part of the tournament any more so than any other contestant. I would much prefer to take an active part and really try to help make it a success in one capacity or another. Those polled feel as I do...the pleasures of a successful event are very rewarding. Let's give Frank a helping hand and get the players out.

Some bridge players see red when they spot a ♠ carry-over. Personally, I don't concur completely. The only carry-over I abhor is a hang-over. With a ♠ carry-over you have a chance, but with a hang-over you've had it!

POETS CORNER

Duplicate bridge is quite a game
And no one plays it quite the same,
You're always striving for that extra trick
And if you succeed you get a kick.

One is cold but you're trying for two...
In that case there's only one thing to do,

TRICK 'EM
You're in three no trump and feeling sad,
Spades are four opposite four and that is bad.
You think of the traveler and you're ready
to cry,

How you'd love to punch "you know who" in
the eye.

Your opponents are confident and smiling too,
So, there is only one thing for you to do,

TRICK 'EM

You get fancy and underlean an ace
And look at the dummy, get red in the face.
The singleton king sitting in the dummy
Is making you a little sick in the tummy.
You're determined to get back a trick or two
So, there is only one thing for you to do.

TRICK 'EM

You overbid when you should pass,
The dummy goes down and you wanta take gas.
But now you're in a terrible spot.
The little 'Ole ladies should give you a top.
You play real fast so they have no cue
And you know what you have to do,

TRICK 'EM

You know bridge is an easy game
You can play it wild or play it tame.
I love to pass with a handfull of stuff
And rather go down with an under-triff
Because one thing I know is very true
The thing I love best to do
Is.....

TRICK 'EM!!

BRIDGE CLASSES AT FARMHURST

Since March, the DSBa has been sponsoring bridge teaching at the Delaware State Hospital at Farmhurst, under the leadership of Dexter Pettison. Bridge teachers have been Byron Folin, Edward Flook, Betty Pattison, Frank and Helen Peterson, Marvin Paulshock, Kenneth Donovan, and Evelyn Levitt.

The bridge classes are held on Friday evenings from 7 to 9 PM and Dexter would be delighted to hear from anyone who would like to help. No prior bridge teaching experience is necessary, because each volunteer works with just one table of four players and there are no formal lectures.

Everyone who has helped so far has reported that teaching bridge to the patients is a rewarding experience because they enjoy playing bridge and they appreciate the efforts in their behalf.

Bridge teaching is one part of a greatly expanded volunteer program at the Delaware State Hospital. Last year 1500 volunteers gave 8000 hours of service.

If you have been looking for an opportunity to perform a worthwhile community service that utilizes your talents, this is your chance. The DSBa is proud of Dexter and his volunteer staff, but he can use many more helpers. It doesn't matter if you are an LM or a beginner, or if you can only give one night a year, Dexter can use you to good advantage.

DUMM CONTRIBUTORS WANTED

There is plenty of bridge news to be had, but your editor can do only so much by himself.

"Bridget" and "Trick 'em" are regular contributors, and without Jimmy Mayhew, we'd never go to press, but, in order to have more issues and bigger and better ones, we need news, anecdotes, stories, double dummy problems, poems, editorials, bridge lessons, complaints, suggestions, and helping hands.

We don't care if you never progressed beyond Basic English, just drop a line to The DUMM, Box 88, New Castle, Del.

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Wilmington, Delaware

The entire bridge world was amazed and shocked to learn of the death of our beloved Frank Grady. Although Frank has been sick for many years, he always managed to pull through and we all just took it for granted he would always be with us. After all - how could we ever get along without Frank?

Now that he is gone, we all look back with nostalgia, and each of us through his own personal experiences feels the loss. Here was a man full of kindness, a fine sense of humor, champion of "the little feller", teacher, director and

MARY GRADY FUND

Immediately following Frank's death, a great many people contacted various Board members with offers of money and assistance, and were virtually unanimous in stating their desire to see the DSBA take prompt steps to offer funds and assistance to Mary Grady and her family. Discussions were held with Frank's executor and with close friends of Frank's to determine what form this assistance should take.

It was decided to establish a fund, and to the extent the fund was able, to provide for medical care and treatment of Mary Grady. The fund's trustees will be headed by Dr. Charles M. Bancroft and include Mrs. R. E. Kilbourne, Dr. Donald C. McGee, and Frank A. Pehrson.

A large number of individual contributions have been turned over to the trustees, plus substantial contributions from the du Pont Country Club men and women's games, Hercules Country Club, du Pont Experimental Station and Wilmington Whist Club. A series of three games were held at the Acme Bridge Club, with donation furnished by the DSBA and proceeds given to the fund. Over \$700.00 was realized from the Open Pairs Championship, and on April 2nd the Wilmington Bridge League donated all entry fees from its annual tournament.

A detailed report of the fund's operations will be given at the annual meeting of the DSBA in October.

GOLD AND SILVER

Those of us at the Mixed Pair Tournament were both happy and proud to witness the awarding to Jim Mayhart of his Gold Card signaling him as a Life Master. Jim really deserved this honor. Harold Levitt and Dexter Pattison have received their Silver Cards designating them as Advanced Senior Masters.

FRANK GRADY

directly responsible for the fine quality and friendly bridge play in Delaware. Frank used to say "If you can win at the Acme, you can win anywhere." During the years he was proven right on countless occasions.

A few years ago at a large sectional in Atlantic City, Olive Peterson spoke from the platform to the entire tournament to say: "Let's play bridge today like Frank Grady teaches it in Delaware - let's play like ladies and gentlemen." This, of course, is only one of the things Frank tried to teach us.

SPRING NATIONALS

The Spring Nationals, March 15-22, 1958, in Atlantic City were attended by about 70 Wilmingtonians in spite of the blizzard. Of the 43 teams in all that entered the Commercial Teams event, 5 were from du Pont and 1 from Hercules. The Hercules team of Bill Downey, Jim Mayhart, Don Boynton, Wayne Kneisley and Burke Weiland tied for second. The du Pont teams of Frank McNichol, Jim Pickel, Harry Horowitz and Ed Flook, of Bill Dumas, Frank Pehrson, Gene Harkins and Ed Hamler, and of Ed Worden, Archie Sparks, Dexter Pattison and Ralph Schreyer ended up in a three-way tie for 8/9/10. The other du Pont teams comprised Frank Nichols, Bill Greenwell, Wilcox Brown and Bob Gregory, and Don Bady, Len Brooks, Ralph Delaplane and O. P. Lovett.

In the Women's Pair event Dot Leshem and Lillian Seichik had a 1st and a 2d in section and qualified 2d for the final round. Dot also had a 3d in section in the Mixed Pair for a total of 10 points. Evelyn Patrick and Alma Oster got themselves a 3d in section for 1.75 points, and Elaine Dumas and Olive Welch pulled down a top and 4th in section for 7 red points. Evelyn Levitt, playing with Gladys Major (Atlantic City), had a 3d and a 4th for 3.75 points.

Harold Levitt and Seymour Cohen roped in a 1st and a 3d in section in the Men's Pairs. Seymour also had a 3d in section in the Open Pairs game, picking up 7.35 points. Harold, playing with Evelyn in the Mixed Pair, had a section 3d; another section 3d in a side game netted him 8.75 points. Lenny Lipstein and Ed Gerard had a 4th and a 5th in section as well as a 3d in a side game for a total of 3.5 points. Col. Skinner topped a 2d and a 3d in section by winning one match in the Vanderbilt and picking up a 1st, a 2d, and a 3d in side

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In the past each of us, at one time or another, had a "bone to pick with Frank, and possibly in jest we may even have called him a stubborn Irishman. But, stubborn or not, our Frank was always true to his convictions and honest to a fault. His prime interest was to promote bridge for the beginner and intermediate player, not to cater to the so-called expert.

In the years to come, let's not forget what Frank has taught us. By doing this we are, in effect, paying homage to our friend Frank Grady.

DIAMOND STATE SECTIONAL

All members are reminded to keep open May 17th and 18th to play in our sectional tournament at the duPont Hotel.

A very attractive flyer has already been mailed to experts, dogmeat life masters and just plain fanatics like you and me, ranging from New York to Washington. Those who played in the recent Spring Nationals got a preview of this flyer.

Our Vice-President in Charge of Promotion, Trickem Levitt, has vowed that this tournament will break all local records and this will be your opportunity to match wits with the cream of bridgeedom.

Last year, one of our local pairs nosed out Ivar Stakegold, who merely tore the Spring Nationals to shreds by winning the Vanderbilt Cup Teams, the Open Pairs, and finishing third in the Mens Pairs.

Frank McNichol will serve as Tournament Chairman, and we have requested ACBL Headquarters to send us the popular Jerry Machlin to fill the very important post of Tournament Director.

ROUND ROBIN TEAMS

The ACBL has suggested that our unit sponsor one or more leagues for local competition in round robin open team of four matches. The DSBA Board believe that this would be a pleasant activity during the summer months, promote acquaintance among our membership, and give valuable experience in team of four play.

Fractional master points will be given to all members of the winning team in each match.

Ralph Schreyer has been appointed chairman of this activity and as soon as the conditions of play have been determined, an explanatory letter and entry blank will be sent to all members.

IN THE CHIPS

It seems only right and proper to enumerate those of us who by a fortuitous combination of pluck, luck, and just plain good bridge playing landed in the winners column in the various 1957-1958 tournaments not otherwise expounded upon in this sheets. They include:

Invitation Tournament - 31 Tables

1. Dexter B. Pattison and Ralph C. Schreyer
2. Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Levitt
3. Col. and Mrs. Richmond H. Skinner
4. D. H. Campbell and Ralph I. Poucher
5. Kenneth S. Donovan and Marvin Paulshock
6. J. M. Devins and Kenneth N. Meyer

Individual Tournament - 28 Tables

1. Ralph I. Poucher
2. Mrs. R. A. Kilbourne
3. Mrs. J. M. Schneider
4. Leonard L. Lipstein
5. J. Frank Nichols
6. Mrs. Raymond F. Buckley

Men's Pair - 30 Tables

1. Harry Horwitz and James B. Pickel
2. Donald E. Boynton and Harold M. Spurlin
3. J. Wayne Kneisley and P. Burke Welldon
4. Kenneth N. Meyer and Frank A. Petrson
- 5 & 6 Tie Ralph C. Schreyer and Edward C. Worden, 2nd

5 & 6 Tie Kenneth S. Donovan and Marvin Paulshock

Open Team-of-Four - 46 Tables

1. Mrs. Robert W. Hill, Mrs. J. M. Schneider, Mrs. Edith B. Taylor and Mrs. Henry A. Wise, Jr.
2. W. Edward Flook, J. Robert Gregory, Frank J. McNichol and Paul E. Thomas
3. Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Levitt, Arthur A. Brace, Leonard L. Lipstein
- 4-5 Tie Mr. and Mrs. William F. Downey, Dr. and Mrs. Donald H. McGee
- 4-5 Tie Marvin Paulshock, Kenneth S. Donovan, John F. Barnicle, and Edward Gerard, Jr.
6. Donald E. Boynton, J. Wayne Kneisley, James A. Mayhart, Harold M. Spurlin.

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THANK YOU HAROLD

Through the good offices of Harold Levitt, the Levitt Jewelry Co. has made available to the DSBDA its addressograph machine. Henceforth, all announcements, flyers, notices, postcards, and issues of The Dummy, including this one, of interest to our membership, will be made thru use of this machine. The Board has purchased addressograph plates for all members, and these plates are available for use without charge, by all member units.

WILMINGTON BRIDGE LEAGUE NOTES

The annual League banquet and pair tournament was held at the du Pont Country Club on April 2nd. An entry fee was collected from each player and turned over to the Mary Grady Fund.

To promote sociability and better acquaintance among the various teams, partners were paired by drawing names out of a hat. This created some unusual partnerships and some novel bridge, with first honors going to J. F. Nichols and H. Erisman. Harold Levitt and Bruce Becker were the runners-up.

A meeting of League officers and team captains was held during the banquet to elect new officers. Election results: Sam Mitchell, President; Bill Dumas, Vice-President; Frank Petrson, Secretary-Treasurer. An effort will be made to expand the League to eight teams. Among the teams to be considered will be one from the du Pont Explosives Dept.

Final standings for the 1957-1958 round robin matches:

	Won	Lost
Acme Bridge Club	5	0
Whist Club	3	2
Hercules Mens Club	3	2
duPont Engineers	2	3
duPont Country Club	2	3
Atlas-Globe Club	0	5

One question on everyone's lips was, "what will become of the Acme Team, now that the Acme Bridge Club is no more?" The following report was submitted:

An emergency meeting of the defunct and dispossessed Acme bridge team was held at Gemel's restaurant and Delicatessen, 13 East 7th St. on March 15th. The meeting was called to order at 11:36 a.m. in the large booth in the rear of the first floor.

The meeting began in the usual manner with everyone busy writing hands on napkins. These were of course all double dummy hands made the preceding night. Unsolicited comments were received from bridge players on the way upstairs.

It was at this point that the presiding officer called for the important piece of business to be decided, namely, a new name for the Acme Bridge Team:

The following names were suggested:

1. THE ROCKETTES - This name was suggested by our beloved capt. Edward Gerard
2. THE DU PONT CAFETERIA BRIDGE AND TENNIS CLUB - This name was suggested by Lenny Lipstein our heartiest eater.
3. COL. SKINNER'S BRIDGE AND RAQUET CLUB - This name was suggested anonymously by Eve Skinner.

After much discussion, the voting took place and it was decided that the new name will be THE ACME MEMORIAL BRIDGE AND CRICKET CLUB. At this time everyone left their 10¢ tip, and the meeting was adjourned as peace and harmony reigned among the TEAMMATES

SHE DID IT AGAIN!

In the race for the Mary Bradley Grady trophy, which is awarded to the player with the best record in Delaware tournaments, Evelyn Levitt took it with 1372 points! She won the tournament last year in a close race, and this year she built up her big lead by winning first in the Open Pairs and first in the Womens Pairs, second in the Invitation Tournament, third in the Team of Four and third in the Kent County Open Pairs.

Just to keep it all in the family, hubby, Harold, came in second with 1032 points. Other finalists and points are:

3. Mr. Ralph C. Schreyer 658
4. Mr. Dexter B. Pattison 628
5. Mrs. J. W. Schneider 572
- 6/7/8 tie (Mrs. Robert W. Hill 460 (Mrs. Henry A. Wise Jr. 460 (Mrs. Edith B. Taylor 460
9. Mr. P. Burke Welldon 450
10. Mr. Kenneth S. Donovan 423
11. Mrs. R. E. Kilbourne 407
12. Mr. Ralph I. Poucher 373
13. Mrs. P. Burke Welldon 330
14. Mr. James B. Pickel 320
15. Mr. Edward C. Worden, 2nd 315

The Mary Bradley Grady trophy is awarded annually to the player with the best record in the following tournaments during the tournament year from Sept. 1 to June 30th. Individual, Invitation, Mens Pairs, Womens Pairs, Open Pairs, Kent County Open Pairs, Mixed Pairs, Open Team of Four. Scoring is done on the basis of ten times the number of tables for first place. For second place the factor is six, for third place the factor is four, for fourth place the factor is three, for fifth place the factor is two, and for sixth place the factor is one.

KNOCKOUT AND METROPOLITAN TEAMS

SCHEDULE

The first three rounds of the Knockout Team of Four will be held at the YWCA on April 24th, May 1st and 8th.

Rounds one and two of the Metropolitan Teams will be played at the YWCA, May 1st and 8th.

The final round of both events will be played at the duPont Hotel May 12th, concurrent with the weekly open pair game.

Well behaved kibitzers are invited to watch.

SPRING NATIONALS

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games for 8-9 points. Dave Treadwell acquired a 2d and a 3d in section, as well as a 4th in section in the Open Pairs for 3 points. Assen Slovo and Jerzy Zawiza had a section 3d for 1.5 points, while Ken Donovan and Marvin Paulshock followed a section 2d with a section 2d and top in the final game of Open Pairs for 10.5 points.

Other plus values chalked up included: Dan and Pat McGee (3d in section in a side game); "Doc" Bancroft (with Bill Downey, 2d overall in side game for 4.5 points) and wife Helen (with "Widge" Well-don, 3d in section in a side game); Veronica and Gene Synovatka (1st-2d tie and 3d in side games); Rosalie Sapp and Gene Harkins (section 3d in Mixed Pair and 2d and 3d in side games); Gerry and Ted Berman (a 4th and a 5th in section in side games); Al Fahnke and Earl Cummins (3d in Open Pair game for 2 points); Warren and Ronny Baxter (section top and 4th in side game for 2.25 points); Mildred (2 points for a 3d in section in Women's Pair) and Leroy Irwin (1.5 for section 2d in Charity game); Bill Foley (section top and 2d in side games for 3 points); Bill Downey (2d over-all in side game and section 3d and 5th in Open Pairs (with Ray Tombs of N.Y.) for 15 red points); Lois Kilbourne and Parke Woodward (2.5 points for section ratings in Open Pairs); Eddie Gerard and Seymour Cohen (4.5 points in Open Pairs).

DSBA TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

The DSBA Board of Directors has selected Lt. Col. Richmond H. Skinner as its permanent tournament chairman.

In this capacity, Col. Skinner will direct all tournaments sponsored by the DSBA, including state championships and the weekly game at the Du Pont Hotel. He will be available to direct club games and state championships sponsored by our member units, if they so desire.

Col. Skinner, a life master, has a long and distinguished bridge career, lacking just a few points of joining the very select group having 1,000 points or more. He is a former president of the American Contract Bridge League and was founder and twice president of the Middle Atlantic Conference, which served as a model for our own Keystone Conference.

We feel very fortunate in having secured the services of this outstanding bridge statesman.

SLOWPOKERY

Duplicate bridge is an exercise of the mind requiring intense concentration, observation, and judgment. Some people require more time than others to make full use of these faculties. Slow but sure is their motto. There are some who wish to explore all lines of play and every mathematical possibility before coming to a decision. Their prolonged huddles may occasionally irritate us, but we should keep this in mind. So long as they have a bonafide problem, or sincerely believe that they are confronted with a problem, they are entitled to their huddles. Of course, there are practical limits to the quantity and duration of the huddles, but so long as they meet the test of sincerity, we should be tolerant.

It is quite another story with slow players who are also time wasters. When a new round is called, they are either still playing the previous round, or they are out in the bar guzzling a drink, or over in a corner telling a story, or giving their partner a detailed bridge lesson concerning boards already played. When the first board of a round has been played, and they are already ten minutes behind the field, they find it necessary to psychoanalyze the traveller and speculate and theorize as to how every preceding pair bid and played the board, and how they should have played and bid the hand themselves. Our good friend, Frank Grady, used to say, over and over, "play the second board once, before you play the first board twice."

To those of you who read this and find your conscience twingeing, we urge you to mend your ways. Unwitting, or not, you are being discourteous to your fellow players.

DSBA BOARD

The drivers holding the reins of your organization over this difficult period, and who are slaving to keep things running smoothly are:

Edward Gerard (President), Frank Pehrson (Vice-President), Martha Duffey (Secretary), Patricia McGee (Treasurer), Richard Clarkson, Earl Cummins, Wilfred Dumas, Dexter Pattison, James Pickel, Marvin Paulshock, William Downey, Rosalie Kurfi, Henrik Magnus, John Siverts. After his appointment as Tournament Director, Lt. Col. Richmond H. Skinner resigned from the board as an active member, remaining only in an advisory capacity.

OPEN PAIRS BENEFIT FOR MARY GRADY FUND

Harold and Evelyn Levitt put together two monstrous rounds to win the Open Pairs Championship over a field of 106 pairs at the YMCA. The runners-up, and no strangers to the winners circle, were Dexter Pattison and Ralph Schreyer.

Other top scorers were: (tie for 3 and 4) T. E. Raftery and W. H. Dempsey, K. S. Donovan and E. C. Worden, 2d; (5) Mrs. Reba Sapowith and Mrs. Jacob Rosenblatt; (6) Marvin Paulshock and John F. Barnicle.

A one-session event, called the Wilmington Pairs, was won by Mr. A. Z. Conner and Mr. D. E. Grant.

This was the first state championship to be run since the death of Frank Grady and your Board decided to make it a fund-raising event and give the proceeds to the Mary Grady Fund.

A feature of the game was the raffling of a beautiful silver chafing dish donated by two good friends of Frank's, and the delighted winner was Mrs. Frank McLigue.

Your Board thanks everyone for making this event go off so well, with especial thanks to Ruth Rankin, and to Dot Dolan for donating her services as tournament director.

MIXED PAIRS

The Delaware State Mixed Pair Tournament was held April 10 and 17 at the Hercules Country Club. There were eleven tables in each of the three sections. After the tumult and the shouting died, the following warriors emerged victorious:

1. Mr. and Mrs. P. Burke Welldon
2. Mrs. Harry Sapowith and Mr. Assen Slavov
3. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Levitt
4. Mrs. Edward G. West and Mr. Edward Worden
5. Mr. and Mrs. William Downey
6. Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Dumas
7. Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilcox Brown
8. Mr. and Mrs. J. Wayne Kreisley
9. Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Berman
10. Mrs. Archie Rankin and Mr. Earl Cummins

Sally Orlando did a bang-up job pairing up mix-ems" and "match-ems," many of whom met just before the first session. Let's hope most of them stayed friends thereafter.

Love and bridge have little in common. In bridge you never finesse when executing a squeeze. In love finesse is invaluable . . .

"SPUTNIK"
(ANNUAL MEETINGS)

Russia claims a "first" again. Hai Hai But, we D.S.B.A. members know better. Ours was launched at the annual meeting in 1956 and another at the past meeting. At our annual meetings we, too, go around in circles. If this continues our organization will disintegrate. In fact, it has already. Not even a quorum present!!

We all must bear in mind that the D.S.B.A. is a young organization. The Board of Directors and officers have done an outstanding job each year. Particularly the first Board, Ed. Worden, Dex. Pattison, Ed. Gerard, Marv. Paulshock, John Barnicle and others. They worked very diligently and devoted much time and energy in organizing D.S.B.A. In addition, they put over most successfully our first Sectional Tournament. At our 1956 meeting they should have received a standing ovation, but nary a "Thank you!" was forthcoming from the membership.

I approve 100% of these launchings. Every member should have the privilege of bringing up any matter that he or she may desire to have discussed. We meet only once a year. Surely the membership can attend this one meeting and show enough interest in the organization so that matters may be discussed intelligently (without unduly lengthy debating) before votes are cast.

LET'S ALL PLEDGE:

When I receive the D.S.B.A. greeting I promise to attend the meeting
I'll listen, speak, and quote
Then very carefully cast a vote
Work done - I'll stay for cards
Concentrate on leads and discards
Hope I win!

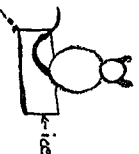
DSBA SPONSORS OPEN GAME AT
HOTEL

To replace the discontinued open pair game at the Acme Bridge Club, the DSBA has inaugurated a regular Monday night game at the Du Pont Hotel, directed by Col. Skinner.

The first and third Mondays of each month will be master point games, and the fourth Monday a winners game.

In line with its policy to encourage duplicate play, your Board has voted to refund entry fees to one dollar per person for each game, regardless of rating. Non-members of the DSBA will be charged a dollar and a quarter.

The comfortable surroundings and services made available by the Hotel have been very popular with the players and weekly attendance is increasing.



IN THE CHIPS

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Kent County Open Pairs - 20 Tables

1. Mrs. R. E. Kilbourne and Parke Woodward
2. Mrs. Archie H. Rankin and Mrs. Jacob Rosenblatt
3. Mrs. Harold M. Levitt and Edward Gerard
4. Mrs. Martha M. Duffey and Mrs. Edward J. West, Jr.
5. James A. Mayhart and James B. Pickel

Women's Pair - 26 Tables

1. Mrs. Evelyn Levitt and Mrs. Geraldine Berman
2. Mrs. William E. Hallett and Miss Margaret C. Hartnett
- 3-4 Mrs. W. C. Hunt and Mrs. R. N. Mullikin
- 3-4 Mrs. C. Harold Herr and Mrs. Frank A. Pehrson

BRIDGE SUPPLIES

The DSBA has purchased a full set of aluminum boards complete with new Kem cards, as well as three sets of table cards, and movement cards for various type Howell games.

All of these supplies are available, without charge, to all member units, and may be obtained by calling Col. Skinner.

We have a committee at work standardizing travellers, private scores, and recap sheets. It is contemplated that these will be purchased in wholesale lots and made available to our member units at cost.

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BRANDYWINE CC HOST TO INDIVIDUAL

As this issue of THE DUMMY goes to press, the tenth annual Delaware State Individual is being held at the Brandywine Country Club on two consecutive Thursday evenings, October 30 and November 6, 1958. Ralph Poucher is the defending champion.

Mr. Eugene F. Harkins is chairman for this event, and Col. Richmond Skinner is director.

The two session event will feature cumulative match point scoring with complete carry-over. This event has been sanctioned as a local tournament by the ACBL, and they will award master points based on the number of tables in play.

The Joseph M. Barsky Memorial Trophy will be placed in the custody of the club represented by the winner until it is next placed in competition. Prizes will be awarded to the three top finishers and the committee also hopes to award section prizes.

Leaders at the half-way mark are:

1. William Langlois 140
2. Leonard Lipstein 138
3. Frank Pehrson 137
4. T. E. Gier 136.5
5. Sally Orlando 135.5
- 6,7,8. (Helen Pehrson) 133.5
- (Ed Gerard)

HOTEL RODNEY GAME

Those of you who have not yet played in the Monday night game at the Hotel Rodney are missing an inexpensive evening of fun.

These games are sponsored by the DSBA, under the capable direction of Col. Skinner, and the entry fee is only \$1.00 for members and \$1.25 for guests.

The first and third Mondays of each month are Master Point games, and the fourth Monday is a Winners Game.

We generally have two sections in play - starting time 7:45 P.M. There is ample free parking within a block of the Hotel, and there is almost always someone who can give you a lift going or coming.

In one of the first actions taken by our new President, Bill Downey, the Board has set up a "Partner Service" roster which means that any person lacking a partner can come to the game with the assurance that he will be able to play. We don't guarantee that you will always get a Life Master as your blind date, but you are guaranteed a partner.

Additionally, to show the Boards appreciation for the fine support this game has received, each Monday night all entries will be placed in a hat and one entry will be drawn. The pair whose names are drawn will play FREE on some following night.

PUBLICITY FOR OUT-OF-TOWN EVENTS

In order to insure adequate newspaper coverage of out-of-town tournaments, Col. Richard Skinner will serve as bridge news coordinator. If you play in such an event and finish high, or see that some other localite has done credit to one association, telephone Dick at Olympia 6-4870 and give him all the details. He will see that they are put in the local papers.

CHARITY SECTIONAL SET FOR NOVEMBER 13

ARTHRITIS AND RHEUMATISM FOUNDATION
TO BENEFIT FROM GAME AT DU PONT CC.

One of the most important functions of the ACBL is the adoption of an annual charity. Last year the recipient was the American Cancer Society and over \$100,000 was raised. Each unit has the option of returning 75% of the funds to local charity office. The DSBA contributed \$300 last year and we would naturally like to do even better this year.

The Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation is the 1958-59 charity. All of you are familiar with the crippling and painful effects of these diseases and the need for intensive research. Even if you can not attend, the purchase of a ticket will be gratefully received. All donations are tax deductible.

Hugh Knipmeyer is the chairman of the game at the Du Pont Country Club, Thursday evening, November 13, 8:00 P.M. He has gathered an able staff and these members will be calling on you soon. This tournament will have sectional rating and the winners stand to gain quite a few master points. Col. Richard Skinner has donated his services as director and the playing space will be provided gratis by the Du Pont Country Club.

Tickets are \$1.50 per person and may be purchased at the door or in advance. Partners will be furnished if so desired.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 1958-1959

Tournament	Place	Dates
Individual	Brandywine CC	10/30 & 11/6
Charity Pairs	Du Pont CC	11/13
Kent County Pairs	Dover Hotel	12/5 & 12/6
Women's Pairs	YWCA	1/8 & 1/22
Men's Pairs	Whist Club	1/15 & 1/29
Open Team-of-Four	Du Pont CC	2/5 & 2/12
Open Pairs	YWCA	Undetermined
Mixed Pairs	Hercules CC	4/9 & 4/16
Knock-out Teams & Metropolitan Teams	YWCA	Undetermined
Diamond State Sectional	Hotel Du Pont	6/27 & 6/28
Round Robin Teams	At private homes	July, Aug., & Sept.
Delaware Valley Sectional	Hotel Du Pont	8/14, 8/15, 8/16

SUMMER TEAM-OF-FOUR ROUND ROBIN HUGE SUCCESS

One of the most pleasant and successful innovations of the past bridge year was the Summer Team-of-Four Round Robin tournament. It became quite apparent that having the matches in the players' homes, the informal atmosphere and extreme friendliness helped to make the games so enjoyable. Under these conditions bridge players got to know other bridge players as people....

Most of the credit for this successful new venture goes to Ralph Schreyer who organized the two leagues, took care of all details and ran the whole business like a veteran Commissioner.

Sixteen teams were divided into two leagues - the American and the National. Each team played every other team in their league and when all the smoke had cleared the standings were as follows:

AMERICAN	W	L	NATIONAL	W	L
Lipstein	6	1	Pehrson	6	1
Ramler	6	1	Leshem	5	2
Duffley	4	3	Gerard	5	2
Orlando	4	3	Flook	4	3
Burgauer	3	4	Bostwick	3	4
Rosenblatt	3	4	Chalken	3	4
Knipmeyer	2	5	Dumas	2	5
Downey	0	7	Packer	0	7

Since there was a tie in the American League between the Ramler and Lipstein teams a playoff was necessary. This match was won by the Lipstein team by the narrow margin of 590 points. But if anyone thought that this playoff game was close they hadn't seen anything yet.

The World Series was the best of three 36 board matches between the Pehrson team composed of Helen and Frank Pehrson, Caroline and Archie Sparks, Helen and Willie Brown, and the Lipstein team which included Lenny Lipstein, Arthur Brace, Dave Treadwell and Evelyn and Harold Levitt.

All of these players have been playing bridge for many years but never had they experienced such close exciting matches. The Pehrson team won the first match by 240 and then the Lipstein team won the second by 310 and the third and deciding match by 210 points. All together these two teams played 108 boards and all that separated the two teams after three long nights of play was a scant 280 points.

Wow!

One thing for sure, in the years to come these eleven players will never face each other across the bridge table without the utmost respect for their ability and sportsmanship.

With all the fun and favorable comment, next week should see many more teams participating and the World Series in all probability will be held in Yankee Stadium.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

All DSBA memberships expired October 1st. Send your renewal to Mrs. Patricia McGee or any board member. Your dollar buys a membership in the DSBA, the American Contract Bridge League, brings you the ACBL Bulletin, the Directory of Member Clubs, entitles you to play in all ACBL sanctioned tournaments, and brings you the Dummy. In addition to this bargain, you will be helping to promote Bridge in Delaware.

11TH ANNUAL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Dexter Pattison and Ralph Schreyer made a determined bid in defense of their championship when they coupled a final session 65% game with a first session section top to produce a total of 380 points. However, George Zawisza and John Siverts, taking liberties with the old proverb, "Two heads are better than one," proved, three heads are better than two when they enlisted the services of Roy Brill as a substitute for John to post a 66% game in the final session and shade the defenders by three points.

Flight "B" honors were shared by Mr. & Mrs. Harold Levitt and Mrs. Sydnie Nathan in partnership with Mrs. Leslie Stone.

Other leading scorers in flight "A" included:

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| 3 - Mrs. Bernard Isaacson - | |
| Mrs. Perry Topkis | 365.5 |
| 4 - Arthur Brace - | |
| David Threadwell | 360 |
| 5 - Mrs. Harry Sapowith - | |
| Assen Slavov | 358 |
| 6 - Rudolph Niederhausen - | |
| Thurman Aier | 357.5 |

The purpose of the Invitational Tournament is two-fold: first to stimulate participation in DSEA sponsored tournaments and bridge activities in general and second to extend a special recognition to those who have played well in these events. To accomplish this end almost all major tournaments with the exception of club games have been placed on the roster as qualifying events.

For those who have never played in the Invitational or failed to qualify for this past tournament, the remaining schedule offers ample opportunity for next year.

ATLAS TO JOIN DSEA

The welcome mat is out for a soon-to-be member of the DSEA. Arrangements are currently being made to obtain a franchise for the Atlas Club. Special thanks are due to Frank Lyndall who has spearheaded bridge activity there and aroused considerable interest in our activities.

DSBA NOW GROWN UP

In his report to the membership at the Annual Meeting, President Ed Gerard stated his belief that the DSBA had passed thru a period of adolescence and was now fully grown up.

Referring to the death of Frank Grady, he said that this posed a number of serious problems which had to be solved in a hurry and that the DSBA had met every challenge.

In other reports, Secretary Martha Duffey and Treasurer Pat McGee stated that we had reached an all time high of 571 members and that we were in a sound financial condition.

The meeting moved along at a brisk pace and the slate of Olive Welch, Gene Harkins, Hugh Knipmeyer, Frank McNichol, Burke Welldon, and Parke Woodworth was elected to two year terms on the Board of Directors with scarcely a dissenting vote. Ed Ramler was likewise elected to a two year term by nomination at the meeting.

A by-law amendment was announced which would permit a retiring president to serve an additional term of one year as a member of the Board, at his discretion.

Evelyn Levitt was awarded the Player of the Year trophy for the second consecutive year and President Gerard expressed his hope that the male players would do something this year to bring this humiliating situation to an end.

Thru the courtesy of "Tommy" Harris of ACBL headquarters, a local rated tournament was held following the meeting, and the winners were Dave Threadwell and..... you guessed it.....Evelyn Levitt.

LEST WE FORGET

With the passage of time let us not forget our deceased friend and director, Frank Grady. As our local bridge world continues to grow and our bridge activities expand by leaps and bounds, let us always remember that it was Frank who started it all and it was Frank that put us on such a firm foundation. The fine caliber of Delaware bridge is only matched by the friendliness and good sportsmanship at the table. Let us keep it that way - that's the way Frank would have it....

NEW BOARD TAKES OFFICE

The new Board of Directors of the DSBA held their first meeting on October 4 at the Du Pont Country Club. The first order of business was to select a new slate of officers and the following were unanimously elected.

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| President | - William F. Downey |
| Vice President | - Parke Woodworth |
| Secretary | - Mrs. Olive Welch |
| Treasurer | - Mrs. Patricia McGee |

The other Board members are:

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|-----------------------|
| Mrs. Martha Duffey |
| Edward Gerard |
| Eugene Harkins |
| Hugh Knipmeyer |
| Mrs. Rosalie Kurfirst |
| Dr. Henrik Magnus |
| Frank McNichol |
| Frank Pehrson |
| Edward Ramler |
| John Siverts |
| P. Burke Welldon |

All of these people are your representatives to administer and promote bridge in Delaware. If you have any problems or suggestions, they will be only too glad to consider them thoroughly. We are confident the coming year will be the most interesting and successful yet.

DELAWARE TO HOLD TWO SECTIONALS THIS YEAR

This will be a very busy year coming up for duplicate "bugs." Our own Diamond State Sectional will be held at the Hotel du Pont on June 27 and 28. On a rotating basis the DSBA will sponsor the Delaware Valley Sectional at the same site on August 14-16. This event will also include men's, women's, and mixed pair events. So plan your vacations accordingly and beat the heat in the air conditioned Gold Ballroom and Du Barry Room.

The artistic and financial success of these two tournaments is very vital to our long range plans. If all goes well, we will be awarded a regional in 1960 and Delaware will really be on the bridge map.

Dave Threadwell has already accepted the Chairmanship of the Diamond State. This is a big job and he will need a lot of help. If you have any brilliant ideas or would care to volunteer your services, get in touch with Dave.