

# THE DUMMY

## THE DELAWARE STATE BRIDGE ASSN., INC.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

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\$10,000 to 1

That is what the odds are to win the State Swiss Team Championship four years in a row. These odds are based on an average of 30 teams playing each year and everything else being equal. Of course everything else isn't equal, like ability, but this gives you an idea of the magnitude of the winning team's performance. It was DY-NO-MITE!

Andy, Frank and Lenny have been on this winning team for all four years and Mike for the last two. They certainly have lived up to the name of Whiz Kids.

An extra large field of 36 teams played two Thursday evenings at the Dupont Country Club and the winners were:

1. Andy Stayton, Frank Giovannozzi, Lenny Reed and Mike Eagan.
- 2/3 Ed Ramler, Ralph Poucher, Annabel Stone and Chris Hirsch.
- 2/3 Marty Horden, Assen Slavov, Alan lauder and Jim Patton.
4. Evelyn Levitt, Harold Levitt Dave Treadwell and Marvin Paulshock.
- 5/10 Shaun Hutchinson, Rick Roland, Carter Williams and John Elliott.
- 5/10 Jim Foley, Buck Buchanan, John Ondrejcin and Millie McConnell.
- 5/10 Earl Cummins, Rose Buckley, Ann Cullen and Armand DiGiacomo.
- 5/10 Bill Dumas, Elaine Dumas, Sally Orlando and Olive Welch.
- 5/10 Charles Rivers, Mike Yedinak, Ina Morse and Vince D'Anna.
- 5/10 Fat McGee, Don McGee, (and last but not least) Matt Lipstein and Lenny Kegelman (and that's exactly how they play)

With such a large field it is easy for a team game to bog down. Mel Welch deserves a lot of credit for directing such a smooth tournament. There was a minimum wait between matches.

### HORDEN AND SLAVOV WIN MEN'S PAIR (R)

It was a rerun from last year as Marty Horden and Assen Slavov successfully defended their Men's Pair Championship. Congratulations must also go to Bob Gregory and Sy Londoner for their outstanding game.

As usual the tournament was held at the University Club, and also as usual, they were the perfect host. Refreshments were served after each session. There was plenty to go around even though Leroy Irwin was caught eating his seventh sandwich.

In addition to winning, Assen was also chairman of the event. Our director, Orlin Norder, was given a pretty good workout, but was strong enough when the game was over to report the following winners:

1. Marty Horden and Assen Slavov
2. Bob Gregory and Sy Londoner
3. Andy Stayton and Frank Giovannozzi
4. Archie Sparks and Parke Woodworth

For some reason or other the Men's Pair has turned into a Philadelphia local. It starts late and at each station (round) it gets later and later. There is no reason why the men can't arrive on time and move when the call is made. How about it fellows, next year let's turn the local into a Metroliner.

### SWEET CHARITY

After the recent Charity Game that was held at Delcastle, Bernie Shames said, "Winning in Wilmington is as hard as pulling teeth." Since Bernie's a dentist, he should know - it ain't easy.

On January 23rd there were 23 tables of bridge that contributed \$151 to the American Cancer Society. Our director, Archie Sparks announced the winners to be:

1. Bernie Shames and Lenny Rosenbaum\*
2. Carolyn Sparks and Ralph Poucher
3. Helen Brown and Leroy Irwin

\* Sorry Lenny, I couldn't think of anything corny to say about radiologists.

### ACBL ANNUAL MEDALLION AWARDS

The ACBL has just announced the winners of the new Medallion Awards and the prizes will be presented in the near future. Those members who won in our Unit are: Category A, Shaun Hutchinson; Category B, Carter Williams; Category C, Kathie Guza; Category D, Carol Broomall; Category E, Mike Yedinak and Category F, Al Fischer. The beautiful Medallions will be awarded each year to members of our Unit. Anyone who is a Life Master before January 1 is not eligible for that year.

## KNOCK-OUT RESULTS OF GRAND NATIONAL QUALIFYING TEAMS

TREADWELL, Levitt, Asber, Raskin, Gardner, Brady	TREADWELL +107	TREADWELL
DENNY, Denny, Welsh, Cohen, Smith, Moszynski		
SLATCHER, Slatcher, Slatcher, Slatcher		
CUMMINS, Buckley, Sanders, Byrne	CUMMINS +51	+27
SLAVOV, Horden, Giovannozzi, Stayton, Fagan	SLAVOV +78	
SCHNEIDER, Bidgood, Clodius, Bricker		SLAVOV
ADAMS, Schaube, Barnes, Kinnikin	D'ANNA +30	+68
D'ANNA, Morse, Krauss, Falgout, Korth		
STEFFEN, Steffen, Hart, Fidler	STEFFEN +28	STEFFEN
HUTCHINSON, Roland, LaBarge, LaBarge		
SPARKS, Sparks, Ramler, Poucher	SPARKS +38	+16
ORLANDO, Welch, Welch, Moyer		
McGEE, McGee, Levitt, Kegelman	BOWER +12	
BOWER, Dougherty, Byers, Brannen		CROWE
RALPH, Flook, Londoner, Gregory	CROWE +27	+53
CROWE, Smith, duPont, Hirsty		

Many thanks to Cal Moyer, Chairman; Tom Kramer, Director; and Archie Sparks, Coordinator. They all contributed in making this a real class event.

The DUMMY has just received word that Orlin Norder is ill. I am sure the entire membership wishes him a speedy recovery. Let's all send cards to his home - 2106 Coventry Drive, Holiday Hills, Wilmington, DE 19803

## OPEN DUPLICATE GAMES

Monday - DSEA Unit Game - 7:45 at the Talleyville Fire Hall on Route 202. Swiss Team on first Monday of every month, Pre-Reg. Not required.

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Tuesday - Dover, 8:00 p.m. Henry B. duPont College Center - Wesley College.

Wednesday - Newark - 7:45 p.m. Unitarian Church, 420 Willa Road.

Friday - Jewish Community Center - 12 Noon.

Saturday - Jewish Community Center - Swiss Team, 2nd, Sat. - Pre-Registration required. Regular duplicate 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.

## SOUTHERN DELAWARE

Monday - Carousel Hotel at 10:30 a.m. After June 1st, 8:15 p.m.

Wednesday - Carousel Hotel at 8:15 p.m.

Friday - Rehoboth Country Club, 1 p.m.

\*For information contact Richard Green, P.O. Box 672, Bethany Beach, Delaware

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

March 25 and April 1 - New Castle - Masters & Non-Masters - Talleyville

May 6 and 13 - Women's Pair - Talleyville

May 21, 22, 23 - Blue Hen Sectional - Lions Club

June, July and August - Summer Round Robin - Members' homes

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## SPRING IS BUSTING OUT ALL OVER

And that goes for the New Castle Tournament. The 26 tables in the Master section and the 18 tables in the Non-Master section made this one of the best attended tournaments in recent years. Mary and Bert Mahla, who co-chaired the event did an outstanding job. We hope that they will continue to be active in our organization.

Assen Slavov and Marty Horden again proved that they are one of our top partnerships. Previously this year they had won the Men's Pair and tied for second in the team game.

I have to say a word about my two buddies who came in second. I was prepared to cut them up to bits if they had won - but they lost the whole thing by one tiny point. I don't mind their losing but now I can't use all my funnies...

Syl Hirsty directed and announced all the winners to be:

### Masters

1. Assen Slavov and Marty Horden
2. Matt Kegelman and Leonard Lipstein
- 3/4. Dave Treadwell and Marvin Paulshock
- 3/4. Dexter Pattison and Ed. Worden
5. Andy Stayton and Frank Giovannozzi

### Non-Masters

1. Alan Launder and Jim Patton
2. Shaun Hutchinson and Rick Rowland
3. Stuart Schenk and George Tucks
4. Mary and Bert Mahla

## IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR AGAIN

To form your team for the Summer Round Robin. No one seems to know how Jay Ralph will be able to improve the event over last year but he promised the DUMMY he will try.

If you played last year, and 141 members did, you will remember how much fun we had, how nice it was playing in different homes, how interesting it was to have a league in Dover, Sally Orlando's coconut cake and how the "good guys" finally won.

To those of you who have never played in the Summer Round Robin, this is your chance to play in a most delightful bridge tournament. Novice players will have a chance to play all evening against the best teams in the DSBA. You may not win but you will find it extremely enjoyable and it will prepare you for other duplicates and tournaments.

Form your team now, 4, 5 or 6 players and phone your entry to Jay Ralph 774-3286 (work) or 654-7317 (home).

## OM ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVERYONE IS IRISH

That's what it said under the green bagel. This was an appropriate door prize for a Charity Game on St. Patrick's Day held at the Jewish Community Center.

It was another successful game held by the DSBA which seems to be running on all of its 16 cylinders. There were 30 tables in the regular game and 7 tables in the novice game. We hope to see the novice players in more of our regular scheduled games.

Jim McFoley was chairman, Orlin McMorder directed, Pat McGee handled entries, Archie McSparks put up tables and Matt McKegelman had a 72% game. The results were:

1. Matt Kegelman and Harold Levitt
2. Lucky Vavanellos and Fred Gillespie
3. Rusty Krauss and Barry Falgout

### Novice Section

#### North - South

1. B.M. Pullem and W.E. Osberg
2. Dan and Loretta Zlatkin
3. Lucille Belfer and Marilyn Blachut

#### East - West

1. Rose Bried and J.J. Cucinotta
2. Mary Lockart and Mary Jane Johnson
3. Dottie and Richard Harrison

We would like to thank the Jewish Community Center for donating the auditorium. The DSBA is proud to send \$357 to the Arthritis Foundation which is the ACBL's charity for 1976.

## WHOOPS! MY SLIP IS SHOWING

It seems as if the DUMMY made an error in the last issue when reporting the results of the Grand National.

I reported that the Slavov Team defeated the Schneider team by 78 imps and that the Steffen team defeated the Hutchinson team by 28 imps. The winners were reported correctly but their opponents were reported incorrectly. To put the record straight - the Slavov team defeated the Hutchinson team by 78 imps and the Steffen team defeated the Schneider team by 28 imps.

After all, if you didn't make boo-boos like this once in awhile, people might forget you're the DUMMY.

## BELOW THE CANAL

A few years ago Dover was fortunate to gain a new resident who not only is a good duplicate bridge player but a real promoter of the game itself. This young woman is Betty Ramage.

For over a year and a half, Betty has successfully run a novice game in conjunction with DOOMS Bridge Club. Attendance at the novice game has averaged between four and six tables.

To further promote the game, Betty teaches bridge twice a week at Delaware Community & Technical College. She has about twenty students in each class. According to Betty, five or six students out of each class become regular members of Dover's bridge clubs. Who could ask for a better "ambassador" for duplicate bridge?

In February, Kent County Bridge Club held a charity game for the Arthritis Foundation and the winners were Peg Mooney and Audrey Barnes. On March 17th they sponsored the Spring Nationwide Charity Game. Overall winners were Kathy Cuza and Mike Yedinak.

Don't forget to make your reservation for the Leonard A. Covell Memorial Tournament, May 8th at the DAFB Officers club.

Editor's Note: Reservations are necessary because the Tournament Committee must know in advance how many dinners to order. Phone Audrey Barnes (1-674-4693) or Jean Thompson (1-674-2163). It will be a two session tournament on Saturday, May 8th and will begin at 1:30 p.m. Dinner and the entry fee will be \$10 per player. It will be held at the Officers' Club of the Dover Air Force Base. You enter from Route 113 just south of Dover. Turn right one block after main entrance.

## PEEK-A-BOO, I SEE YOU

All of us at one time or another have played this baby game. But the game the DUMMY wants to bring to the attention of its readers is not a baby game but something much more serious.

As you know the DSBA has undertaken, in conjunction with the Lions Club, to collect used eyeglasses for the needy. Our chairwoman, Mildred Irwin, has requested all glasses be turned in as soon as possible. You may give them to a director at the Monday night game or bring them with you to our Sectional which will be held at the Lions Club on May 21, 22 and 23rd. The drive will be concluded at this time.

Peek-a-boo, I see you may be a baby game - but by collecting a huge quantity of used eyeglasses we can turn it into a worthwhile adult project.

## ESTELLE LINER, LIFE MASTER

It couldn't happen to a nicer gal. Of course, I'm slightly prejudiced. Modestly, I must state I had a small part in helping Estelle reach the lofty plateau of Life Master along with the myriad of partners she had.

How does one start out to become a Life Master? Well, in Estelle's case, it's having her beg to go to the movies instead of that first duplicate game. After that momentous night, it didn't take Estelle long to become a dyed-in-the-wool duplicate bridge addict.

"Getting to know you" is Estelle's theme song. The friendships developed along the way with opponents as well as partners became almost as important as winning master points.

Playing duplicate bridge, anywhere, is not only a great game but it is also a great social event. For example, it wouldn't take any great urging to get Estelle to tell about the wonderful time we had at a Regional Tournament in Bermuda along with Mel and Olive Welch, Leroy and Mildred Irwin and Ginny and Jim Cordrey.

Yes, duplicate bridge is a fun game, especially when we share it together.

Bernard Liner

## PLAYER-OF-THE-YEAR

Recently a group of gamblers were barred from the Black Jack tables in Las Vegas. It seems as some of these "sharpies" could memorize all the cards that had been played, figure out what cards were left, calculate the odds and bet accordingly. They were so good at this system that even though the dealer was using three or four decks at a time, they could still get the "edge" by 1½%.

Our statistician, Howard Cohen, who can also calculate odds and formulate standings with lightning accuracy and using the same system, announces the following:

1/2	Martin Horden	23
1/2	Assen Slavov	23
3/4	Frank Giovannozzi	15
3/4	Andy Stayton	15
5/6	Mike Eagan	10
5/6	Lenny Reed	10
7/8	Alan Launder	9
7/8	Jim Patton	9
9/10	Matthew Kegelman	8
9/10	Lenny Lipstein	8
11/12	Marvin Paulshock	7
11/12	Dave Treadwell	7
13/16	Chris Hirsch	6
13/16	Ralph Poucher	6
13/16	Ed Ramler	6
13/16	Annabel Stone	6
17/18	Bob Gregory	5
17/18	Sy Londoner	5
19/22	Evelyn Levitt	3
19/22	Harold Levitt	3
19/22	Shaun Hutchinson	3
19/22	Rick Roland	3

SATURDAY WILL BE A BIG DAY  
AT THE BLUE HEN

Jerry Machlin will hold a seminar on Saturday morning, May 22nd, 11 a.m. at Wilmington Manor Lions Club. This will be for directors and all interested players on "The alert procedure, when to call the director, protests and appeals."

Jerry is a National Director of the ACBL and is extremely knowledgeable on this subject. Listening to him, is an opportunity you can't afford to miss. The time will be well spent even if you only remember one of his funny stories.

Plan to stick around after the Saturday night game. The "DSBA Players" are putting together a post game show that will be hard to believe and impossible to forget.

Last year's Blue Hen was something quite special. Five of the six events were won by local players! The defending champions are:

Women's Pair  
Vicki Byrne and Margaret Embury

Men's Pair  
Archie Sparks and Parke Woodworth

Mixed Pair  
Pat McGee and Don McGee

Open Pair  
Joseph Livezey and Bruce Silverstein

Consolation  
Elizabeth Dahlenburg and Laura Handloff

Swiss Team  
Andy Stayton, Frank Giovannozzi, Ina Morse, Lenny Reed and Mike Fagan.

## PLEASE BID A LITTLE LOUDER

We have several players in our unit who do not hear very well. Their partners, therefore, must bid and talk in a loud voice. When this occurs, let's be a little tolerant. If necessary, call the director but do not be rude to the players. Come to think of it, your Editor seems to be missing quite a few bids lately...

## CHARITY GAME - APRIL 29TH

A district-wide Charity Game will be held on Thursday evening, April 29th at Talleyville. This is to inform all the novice players who played and enjoyed themselves so much last month - be sure to come and play again as we will once more have a separate novice section.

The overall winners will receive free entries to any two session Regional Tournament held in District Four. The charity is The Arthritis Foundation and the entry fee will be \$3 per player.

## THAT KATHIE CAN REALLY TALK

And that goes for the rest of her committee as well.

Everyone knows that money doesn't grow on trees and consistent success doesn't happen by chance. When you see the huge turnouts we are getting at our State Tournaments and Charity games you can be sure that a number of people are working very hard. Some of our unsung heroes are Kathie O'Brien and her Telephone Committee. They are Lee West, Sonia Zack, Karen Cohen, Liz Downes, Shaun Hutchinson, Kay Graf, Leona Schneider and Phyllis Carrel.

Congratulations and keep up the good work.

## LET THE SUN SHINE IN

One of our members and one of our former members have been ill. We could spread a little sunshine by sending a note or a card to:

Mrs. Ralph S. Graft  
Box 493 Route 2  
Yorklyn Road  
Hockessin, Delaware 19707

James Cordrey  
40 Willowbrook Drive  
Parkersburg, West Virginia 26101

Whenever you hear of one of our members being under the weather, please notify your Editor and it will be reported in the next issue of the DUMMY.

## REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER ROUND ROBIN

PLEASE ENTER THE FOLLOWING TEAM.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
CAPTAIN

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Enclosed you will find \$10 entry fee.

☐ My team will pay later.

Mail to Jay Ralph, 123 Dickinson Lane, Wilmington, Delaware 19807

## BLUE HEN SECTIONAL - LIONS CLUB - DUPONT HIGHWAY

Friday, May 21, 1976

WOMEN'S PAIRS (One Session).....1:30 P.M.  
MEN'S PAIRS (One Session).....1:30 P.M.  
MIXED PAIRS (One Session).....8:00 P.M.

Saturday, May 22, 1976

OPEN PAIRS (1st Session - Qualifying).....1:30 P.M.  
OPEN PAIRS (Final).....8:00 P.M.  
CONSOLATION (One Session).....8:00 P.M.  
(Also open to players unable to play in afternoon)

Sunday, May 23, 1976

SWISS TEAM OF FOUR (Two Sessions).....1:00 &amp; 6:45 P.M.

Chairman: Cal Moyer - Phone 475-4993

Partnerships: Vicki Byrne - Phone 478-0647

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### OLD MAN MO

Momentum that is. Whether it's in sports, politics or bridge tournaments, once you get the momentum in your favor, you've got it made. It seems as if every one of our sectionals becomes larger and better than the preceding ones. But to get this momentum going in your favor you have to do a lot of things right and the DSBA seems to be pushing all the right buttons.

Last month at the Lions Club we had our annual Blue Hen Sectional and, based on attendance and favorable comment, it was a huge success. Jerry Machlin held a seminar before the game on Saturday which was thoroughly enjoyed by those present. Our Chairman, Cal Moyer, presented an amusing sketch as we waited for the scores to come out Saturday evening. The refreshments were fine and the fact that there was an open bar added to the enjoyment. Maybe these are some of the things we are doing right and why people from out of state like to come and play bridge in Delaware.

Local players continued to distinguish themselves by having at least one player on the winning team in four out of five events:

#### Women's Pairs

1. Evelyn Levitt and Helen Smith
2. Carol Warner and Carol Cook
3. Dorothy Goldstein and Reba Sapowith
4. H. Greenfield and S. Cohen
5. Audrey Sanders and Betty Putman

#### Men's Pairs

1. William Rife and Marty Horden
2. Robert Smith and Tom Denny
3. Lucky Vavanellos and Barry Falgout
4. Frank Giovannozzi and Andy Stayton
5. Garrett Hanby and W. E. Osberg

#### Mixed Pairs

1. Connie Denny and Tom Denney
2. Allen Levine and Hazel Brannen
3. Trudy Trent and Brian Trent
4. Syl Hirsty and Annabel Stone
5. Peg Truitt and Lorin King

#### Open Pairs

1. John Rebarido and Haines Price
2. Jack McArthur and Terry Coughlin
3. Will Rogers and Carl Berenbaum
4. Marty Horden and Assen Slavov
5. Jean Leibowitz and Wilber Rawlings

#### Swiss Team

- 1/2 Dave Treadwell, Carl Seiler,  
Bob and Helen Blakey
- 1/2 John Rebarido, Helen Rebarido,  
Jeane Elknor and H. Price
3. Betty Ramage, Margaret Mooney,  
A. L. Barnes and Bob Keeney

#### Consolation

1. Bucky Buchanan and Leroy Irwin
2. Dean Berger and Helaine Mazagesi
3. Daniel Ellis and Pam Bastian

### SINGER SEWS UP SECOND

Sis Singer, who kept her opponents in stitches, and Kathie O'Brien, who talked her way into good scores, (Kathie is our Telephone Chairwoman) came in second in the Women's State Championship held last month at Talleyville. Would you believe that this was the first time they had ever played together?

The tournament was won by Evelyn Levitt and Olive Welch. They had previously won this event in 1972 and were second in 1973 and 1974.

Hazel Brannen received as many compliments for her home made refreshments as she did for running such a fine tournament. Our director, Archie Sparks announced the winners to be:

1. Evelyn Levitt and Olive Welch
2. Sis Singer and Kathie O'Brien
3. Jean Thompson and Joan Abraham
4. Helen Hirsty and Chris Hirsch
5. Maryella Steffen and Fran Fischer

Last year for this event there were only 18 tables in play but this year we had 22. Now that the Women's Pair is back at Talleyville it is hoped that attendance will continue to improve.

### SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

At their last meeting your Board of Directors made the following official:

Chairwoman of Special Events, Pat McGee, announced that arrangements have been made to hold a Pro-Am Swiss Team Game on Monday, August 16. There can be 1, 2, 3, or 4 Ams on each team but not more than 2 Pros. Two of each seems to be the most logical as this would make the game run smoothly. Remember, if you have less than 10 master points you're an Am.

Jim Foley reported that there will be a Charity Game on Thursday August 26th. This event will have full sectional rating and will be held at Talleyville for the Talleyville Fire Co. This will give more Brownie Points to the DSBA. The ACBL sent a letter of congratulations stating that our Unit had the largest attendance at the Charity Game in April of any unit in District #4.

At the Club Championship after the Annual Meeting on September 13, each player who arrives before 7 p.m. will receive a free entry. Your Board works hard for you, so come to the meeting, listen, suggest and become involved. It is your organization.

Jay Ralph signed up 33 teams for the Summer Round Robin. More impressive than this record is the fact that almost 30% of our entire membership are competing for the Edward Gerard Trophy. HOOORAY FOR JAY!

## NOW HOW DOW JONES

## THE DUMMY'S NO DUM-DUM

Howie Cohen happens to be a very fine stock analyst. To give you an idea of how famous he is - he is known nationally as "The Bull of Wall Street." Recently Merrill Lynch gave him a rating of ++++.

The other day when he was in the broker's office he punched out POY on the no-arm bandit and the following quotations flashed on the screen:

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19/22	Bob Gregory	5
19/22	Sy Londoner	5
23/27	Shann Hutchinson	3
23/27	Rick Roland	3
23/27	Harold Levitt	3
23/27	Jean Thompson	3
23/27	Joan Abraham	3

Your Editor won his second straight Charity Game in two months on April 29th at Talleyville. This time he received help from his better half.

There were 28 tables in the regular game and five in the special novice section. Speaking of novice players, one of them, Marilyn Blachut is beginning to turn up with some gorgeous scores - and you can use that word gorgeous anyway you wish.

Mel Welch directed three sections with his usual efficiency and good humor. He announced the winners to be:

1. Harold Levitt and Better Half
2. Pete Moroz and Frank Nichols
3. Rose Buckley and Dexter Pattison

## Novice Section

1. Mr. and Mrs. D. Harrison
2. Marilyn Blachut and R. Harrison
3. T. Minnich and A. Minnich

The winners received free two session entries to any District #4 regional. The sum of \$271.25 was turned over to the Arthritis Foundation which was the designated charity.

Not enough can be said in praise of our Chairman Jim Foley for the way he is managing the Charity Games - and that goes double for the Telephone Committee. That Kathie can really talk...

## RECORDER

Ed Flook has been appointed by your Board of Directors to administer the recently instituted recorder system for all Unit sponsored events.

WHAT IS THE RECORDER SYSTEM? It is a confidential file of incidents reported by players and directors alike involving possible violations of the proprieties of bridge by other players and directors. Some examples are listed at the end of this column. It does not supplant in any sense the disciplinary authority of our Directors or the Rules and Conduct Committee. The new system is actually an extension, in conjunction with the District #4 program, of the one which has been in effect for the past two years at our Sectional Tournaments for which Arch Sparks was the recorder. The new system, however, will start with a clean slate.

WHAT IS ITS PURPOSE? To help our Unit to help people upgrade in a manner least offensive to everyone the deportment and ethics at games played in our area. Submitting a confidential signed report to the recorder in place of behind-the-back gossip, is a low-key ethical procedure which will help us meet this objective.

WHERE DOES IT APPLY? At all DSBA sponsored events: Monday night game, State Tournaments, Charity Games and Sectional Tournaments. Private club managers and operators are invited and encouraged to participate in the program.

SYSTEM MECHANICS. A report to the Recorder must be signed to be valid. Report forms will be available in the near future at the Monday night game and subsequent tournaments. Use of the form is not mandatory but will make the Recorder's job easier. A Subsequent article will cover more on this subject.

EXAMPLE OF REPORT ITEMS: A player who consistently takes advantage of partner's huddles. A partnership which catches each other's psychics with more than ordinary precision. A person who is loud and abusive and whose demeanor detracts from the game. An accusation of unethical conduct made by a person to other than a director.



## 1976 SUMMER ROUND ROBIN

## "NEWARK SHOTS"

1. Frank Giovannozzi, Mike Eagan, Len Reed, Andy Stayton, Vernon Kirk.
2. Ralph Schreyer, Dexter Pattison, Marty Horden, Eugenia & Assen Slavov, J. Zawisza.
3. Lucky Vavanellos, Kathie Cuza, Barry Falgout, Rusty Krauss, C. Rivers, A. Koort.
4. Ina Morse, Vince D'Anna, Mike Cleary, Tom Kramer, John Bailly, Bill Bunch.
5. Maryella Steffen, Walt Steffen, Fran Fischer, Al Fischer.
6. Leona Schneider, Vernetta Matt, Catherine Biddood, C. Clodius, A. Bricker, J. Finger.
7. Kathy O'Brien, Jess Willard, Allen Levine, Joann Prather, H. Brannen, C. Gibson.
8. Francis Intz, Betty Lavelle, Marilyn Blachut, Mary & Guido Martelli.

## "WILMINGTON MUGS"

1. Lea duPont, Orlin Norder, Toni Intz, Helen & Syl Hirsty.
2. Ralph Foucher, Ed Ramler, Parke Woodworth, Pat & Don McGee.
3. Rose Buckley, Earl Cummins, Armand DiGiacomo, Bob Bergur, Vicki Byrne.
4. Eve Skinner, Millie McConnell, Bill LaFey, Fred Gillespie.
5. Harry Horwitz, John Sivers, Mary & Bert Mahla, Max Bell, Ed Haverbeck.
6. Marian Hunt, Marie Bower, Blanche Dougherty, Sally Orlando.
7. Paule Mkenica, Marcia Long, Dot & Mart Hartig.
8. Herb Willits, Mildred Capobianco, Robert Irons, M. Mullikin, F. Rosenblatt.

## "NEW CASTLE SNIFFERS"

1. Evelyn Levitt, Harold Levitt, Dave Treadwell, K. Meyer, M. Kegelman, L. Lipstein.
2. Arch Sparks, Caroline Sparks, Helen & Frank Peterson, Milpy & Leroy Irwin.
3. Jay Ralph, Phil Crowe, Les Smith, Ed Flook.
4. Buch Buchanan, Urve & Cal Moyer, Jim Patton, Alan Lauder.
5. Shaun Hutchinson, Rick Roland, Carter Williams, Rudy Lisa, John Elliott.
6. Fran Kirkpatrick, Elizabeth Fahl, B. Herr, B. Furbeck, Helen & Duard Little.
7. Elaine Slatcher, Ed Slatcher, Jan Slatcher, Ray Slatcher.
8. Estelle Liner, Bernie Liner, Mary Ann & Steve Berry.
9. Ronnie Harrison, Al Harrison, Sue Meyer, Tom Meyer.

## "BELOW THE CANALERS"

1. Buzz Adams, Lillian Schaub, Susan Derrickson, Thomas Derrickson.
2. Pauline Postles, Reba Schwartz, Margaret Hartnett, P. Hallett, J. Abraham, G. Bittler.
3. Jacki Kase, Bill Henshaw, Dot Brady, Sue Laporte.
4. Julie Burns, Denise Tuck, Leo Craven, Karen Craven.
5. Jean Thompson, Rosemary Miller, Lou Mancuso, Kay Mancuso.
6. Margaret Weller, Jim Weller, Sallie Denham, Maggie Palmer.
7. Betty Ramage, Audrey Barnes, Peg Mooney, Paul Black.
8. Dan Schaffer, Jane Schaffer, Edna LaFevre, Marian Hoon.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## BELOW THE CANAL

The following are excerpts from a letter Les Smith received from Al Barney who is now working for the Dupont Company in Taipei, Taiwan.

Dear Les,

I just received my copy of the Bulletin and noticed you finally made your Gold Card. I guess it proves once again what Phil said, "Eventually even the little old ladies make LM."

I've played a few times in Taiwan and it is different. There is no speaking during bidding as each person writes his bid on a paper in the center of the table. The players do not use convention cards and you very seldom know what their bids mean. Many play Precision (the Weis' play here once in awhile) but after 1 club it's everyone for himself.

Say hello to my friends in the DSBA.

Alan Barney

May 8, ninety-six bridge players from Delaware and Maryland gathered at the Dover Officer's Club for a memorial tournament in honor of Leonard A. Covell. Cal Moyer read a beautiful tribute to Leonard from DSBA President, Evelyn Levitt.

Leonard's life long friend and fellow bridge player, Leroy Brill, donated an exquisite sterling silver reverer bowl to the tournament committee. The bowl will be an annual traveling trophy to the first place winners of the tournament.

First overall winners of the tournament were Mr. and Mrs. Cal Moyer; there was a tie for second place between Peg Mooney - Audrey Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Irwin.

The Monday Ladies Club held a Charity game April 26. The winners were Reba Schwartz and Carol Pfiester. Winners of a Charity Game at the DOOMS Club on April 22 were Lillian Schaub and Peg Mooney.

Audrey L. Barnes

## DOUBLE HEADER

Trying to outdo the Phillies may seem a little tough to do, but Dave Treadwell gave it the old college try over the Memorial Day week-end at the Regional in Norfolk, Virginia.

Playing with John Barnicle, a former DSBA president, Dave won the Open Pairs (170 tables) on Sunday and the Swiss Team game (172 teams) on Monday. To those of you who are interested in collecting master points, winning this double header was worth 80 - all red.

## ODE TO A SLOW PLAYER

"Will you play a little faster?  
Said the molasses to the snail,  
There's a turtle close behind me  
And he's treading on my tail."

## SEGREGATION

Never has the DUMMY been bombarded with such favorable comment, letters and poetry, as it has with the Board's decision to have a non-smoking section at our Monday night games.

The success of this decision is demonstrated by the fact that each night there have been sufficient players to make up an entire section of non-smokers.

So far this system has accommodated approximately one third of the Monday night players without any inconvenience to anyone. Sometimes it may cause a little more work to those selling entries and the directors but certainly warrants the overall result.

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# THE DUMMY

THE DELAWARE STATE BRIDGE ASSN., INC.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

AUGUST, 1976

## ANNUAL MEETING "THE EARLY BIRD CATCHES THE WORM"

The worm in this case is a free entry to the regular Monday night game on Sept. 13. All members, who arrive prior to the Annual Meeting, before 7 p.m., will receive a free entry.

In addition to the regular business, those attending will be asked to vote on a slate of new Board members. The nominating committee consisted of Cal Moyer, Mildred Irwin, Marian Hunt, Les Smith and Eve Skinner.

They recommend the following members to serve on the Board: Blanche Dougherty, Cal Moyer, Jim Foley, Assen Slavov, Dave Treadwell and Archie Sparks.

There will also be one Board member elected from the floor. If you know of someone who is willing to run, and if elected, work for the organization, please place his name in nomination.

Remember, it is your organization - attend the Annual Meeting - be an early bird - catch the worm.

## FROZEN STIFF

Howie Cohen, our POY statistician, is also an expert on freezing vegetables, the frozen north and frozen daquiris. It is no wonder that when he took the POY standing out of his deep freeze, where he had been keeping it for the summer, all the players were frozen in the same position.

1/2	Martin Horden	23
1/2	Assen Slavov	23
3/4	Frank Giovannozzi	15
3/4	Andy Stayton	15
5/7	Mike Eagan	10
5/7	Evelyn Levitt	10
5/7	Lenny Reed	10
8/10	Olive Welch	9
8/10	Alan lauder	9
8/10	Jim Patton	9
11/13	Chris Hirsch	8
11/13	Matthew Kegelman	8
11/13	Lenny Lipstein	8
14/15	Dave Treadwell	7
14/15	Marvin Paulshock	7
16/18	Ralph Poucher	6
16/18	Ed Ramler	6
16/18	Annabel Stone	6
19/22	Kathle O'Brien	5
19/22	Sis Singer	5
19/22	Bob Gregory	5
19/22	Sy Londoner	5
23/27	Shaun Hutchinson	3
23/27	Rick Roland	3
23/27	Harold Levitt	3
23/27	Jean Thompson	3
23/27	Joan Abraham	3

## THE BRITISH LOSE AGAIN

At the Super Bicentennial Regional held last month in Philadelphia, the British lost again. In keeping with the 200 year old script, the American team consisting of Norman Kay, Edgar Kaplan, Arthur Robinson, Bobby Jordan, Bobby Goldman and Mark Blumenthal triumphed over their English rivals. However, conditions this time were a little more favorable for the battle. Instead of the frozen winter at Valley Forge the confrontation took place in the airconditioned Sheraton Hotel.

One of the highlights of the tournament was a musical show entitled "Colonial Capers" which was produced by Judy Kay and Joan Weinroff. Of interest to local members in the audience was the performance given by Dave Treadwell. He played his usual role of "Digger O'Dell the Friendly Revolutionary Parson." Once again (last time at Host Farm) Helen Smith stopped the show with one of her songs. She is known on Tin Pan Alley as the Ethel Merman of District #4.

At the Board meeting, Evelyn Levitt was unanimously elected 2nd Vice President of the Keystone Conference.

## BELOW THE CANAL

This summer, the Below the Canalers have taken time from their bridge playing to have some gala parties.

Monday Ladies Club started June with a lovely spring party. There were ten tables of bridge and the ladies enjoyed cocktails, a delicious luncheon and lovely door prizes. Hostesses for the party were Jean Thompson, Kay Mancuso and Rosemary Miller.

The following week, the Kent Co. Bridge Club held their "Spring Fling" at the Dover Elks Club. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and cocktails were served before the bridge game. As the travelers were scored we became suspicious that cocktails were served throughout the evening. Many thanks for Dot Brady for planning the party.

Dan Schaffer is the new Club Manager of the DOOM'S Club. Dan, with the help of his lovely wife Jane and club treasurer, Jackie Kase, were not to be out done by the other clubs. Late in July they hosted a cocktail party before their bridge game. Delicious hors d'oeuvres were served and a great time was had by all.

Andrey L. Barnes

Editor's Note: It seems as if the most popular club in Dover is Canadian Club.

## DELAWARE STATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION INC.

## INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENTInterim  
10-1-75 to 7-12-76Annual  
1974-1975

<u>Membership Dues</u>	\$2967.00	\$2589.95
Paid to ACBL	<u>2002.00</u>	<u>1716.10</u>
Income on dues	\$ 965.00	\$ 873.85
<u>Monday Night Game</u>	\$5039.54	\$6054.52
Expenses (rent, prizes, directors)	<u>4473.33</u>	<u>5840.71</u>
Income on Monday Night Game	\$ 566.21	\$ 213.81
<u>State and Sectional Tournaments</u>	\$8432.50	\$10768.00
Expenses	<u>8212.00</u>	<u>9619.21</u>
Income on Tournaments	\$ 140.50	\$1148.79

Other Income and Expenses

"Dummy", Directory, Supplies etc.	(\$1909.29)	(\$1265.06)
NET INCOME OR (LOSS) FOR PERIOD	(\$ 237.58)	\$ 971.39

BALANCE SHEET

Balance in Accounts End of Period		
Savings Account	\$4575.52	\$3383.39
Checking Account	<u>1062.57</u>	<u>2492.28</u>
Total	\$5638.09	\$5875.67

Respectfully submitted,

John Siverts

## SWISS TEAM PRO-AM

For the first time in DSBA history we had a Swiss Team Pro-Am Game. From all reports it was a huge success as 29 teams played in this exciting event. For many Ams it was the first time they had ever played in this kind of game. Many commented how much they enjoyed playing and would like to try it again soon.

The purpose of these Pro-Am games is to get new players interested in all forms of duplicate bridge. Free entry slips were given to all the Ams who played in the last game, so let's all of us make sure they come back and play again.

Orlin Norder directed the game with his usual efficiency and announced the winning teams to be:

1. Lucille Beifer - Jane Binder  
Peg Truitt - Rosalie Kurfirst
2. Nancy Nicholas - Marion McKinley  
Norma Sklut - Louis Sklut

## DIAMOND STATE SECTIONAL

The Diamond State Sectional will be held on September 17, 18 and 19th at the Wilmington Manor Lions Club. The schedule of events will be as follows:

Friday, September 17

Women's Pairs 1:30 p.m.  
Men's Pairs 1:30 p.m.  
\* Master's Pairs (100 points) 8:00 p.m.  
Non-Masters (0 to 99 points) 8:00 p.m.  
\* New ACBL regulation permits players with any number of points to play in the Master's Pairs.

Saturday, September 18

Open Pairs (qualifying) 1:30 p.m.  
Open Pairs (final) 8:00 p.m.  
Open Pairs Consolation 8:00 p.m.  
(New pairs may enter this event)

Sunday, September 19

Swiss Team (1st session) 1:00 p.m.  
Swiss Team (2nd session) 6:45 p.m.

Cal Moyer is the Chairman, Mildred Irwin is in charge of partnerships, Nan LaBarge will handle the caddies, Rose Buckley will see to it you won't go hungry and Lea duPont and Helen Hirsty will do the seeding.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Is it possible that we have arrived at curtain time so quickly? It seems like just yesterday that I took office, aspiring to accomplish a great many things, and, largely due to the efforts of the competent people around me, we were able to get many programs initiated. My primary aims when I took office were: to increase our Unit contribution to the National Charity fund, to schedule our tournaments at least one year in advance, to try to get better newspaper publicity for D.S.B.A., and to please most of the members most of the time.

Jim Foley was a Charity headliner. He introduced the Novice Section to our Charity Games and we contributed \$1001.25 to the National Charity plus \$250 to Talleyville Fire Hall! Ann Cullen and Marian Hunt have our State Tournaments scheduled through December, 1977. It took many long hours with two very attractive heads together to accomplish this. Their selection of Chairpersons for each event was excellent and thanks to Ann and Marian the membership enjoyed well planned State Tournaments. Howard Cohen should seriously consider newspaper reporting if he tires of being a doctor. Thanks to him we now have weekly coverage in the Sunday Journal.

Our Sectionals moved back to the Wilmington Manor Lions Club. Marcia Long chaired the Diamond State Tournament most successfully - I speak literally as it was probably the biggest financial success the D.S.B.A. ever held. Cal Moyer took over the next sectional in his usual cool and collected manner and added something new - a seminar which proved extremely educational to all who attended. This is an appropriate time for me to thank Marcia for the many roles she played so well in the past year - she was not only Sectional Chairperson, but was in charge of Membership which is practically a full time job. The lovely new directory that was sent to the members this year was mostly Marcia's work with help from Archie Sparks and Ed Ramler. Not only many thanks, but a standing ovation is due her. Calvin played so many parts that listing them will probably use more space than Mr. Dummy has allotted me. He was my consultant, my adviser, my crying towel, etc. In addition, he chaired the Sectional, ran the Grand National (what a beautiful wine and cheese party on the last night!) and started a much appreciated program of teaching the residents at Ingleside every Thursday night. He enlisted the aid of several members who rotate and do an excellent job. Cal volunteered for these projects before I even finished discussing them. I'm looking forward to an active year with him as President-unfortunately I doubt if he'll be as lucky as I was as no single board member could possibly emulate him. Someday I may think of a way to thank him but words fail me at this moment.

Pat McGee was our special events Chairperson and her events were really special. We've come to think of Pat's Christmas-Chanukah party and St. Patrick's Day party as annual events for the D.S.B.A. I hope they continue although it's kind of tough to follow a headliner and Pat was indeed that.

Archie Sparks was not only an invaluable board member with his sage advice, but as chief director his scheduling and planning kept the Monday night games and State Tournaments running perfectly. This year your board voted to try a No Smoking Section on Monday night and the comments from the non-smokers were extremely favorable. This added a new dimension for Jay Ralph who was in charge of the Monday night game, ably assisted by Jim Foley. However, undaunted, entries were sold for three sections and, after the initial confusion-another beautiful job well done. The duties of the chairperson of the weekly game are many and without the yeomanly services of Jay and Jim the Monday night game could not function as smoothly as it does. Jay has just about completed another difficult job as chairperson of the Round Robin. Jay commanded thirty three teams-approximately 30% of our total membership-to play in this fun event. He even made it fun to be a team captain-how many of you have figured out that computer sheet by now? Thank you Jay for many jobs well done.

Jean Thompson was our conscientious liaison from below the Canal and "through rain, sleet, and hail" she attended board meetings, which was above and beyond the line of duty particularly for someone who is completely lost on almost any street in Wilmington. We hope to establish more rapport with our below the Canal members and Jean handled this assignment like a real trouser. Our treasury, as you can see by the financial report, is in excellent health thanks to the efficient work of John Siverts. Helen Pehrson was our extremely competent secretary. How she remained so pleasant and cheerful as she wrote, and rewrote, and rewrote at board meetings is still a source of amazement to me but that seems to be Helen's stock in trade and we are grateful to her.

We adopted a Unit Award Program this year to replace our Rookie of the Year. Medallions were presented to members earning the most points in five different categories. Congratulations to all of you who received these Medallions.

We also appointed a Recorder this year. Many thanks to Ed Flook for "getting the show on the road".

None of our events would have been so well attended without the efforts of our chief talker--Kathy O'Brien our Telephone Chairperson. She enlisted the aid of a hard working committee who also talked a lot but Kathy cued them perfectly.

Phil Crowe was our adviser and it's easy now for me to smile when I think of those "I told you so" looks I picked up during some hectic times, but his words of wisdom were very reassuring and I am grateful to him.

I cannot possibly ring down the curtain without mention of the "comedian" in the show-you guessed it-our Dummy Editor. If corny is funny, he's funny but in addition to the corn he did an invaluable job of keeping the membership aware of the activities of the D.S.B.A. and of keeping the President somewhat sane. THANKS FRIEND!

Evelyn Levitt

## FINAL STANDING OF SUMMER ROUND ROBIN

WILMINGTON MUGS			BELOW THE CANALERS		
Captain	Won	Lost	Captain	Won	Lost
Rose Buckley	6	1	Betty Ramage	7	0
Ralph Poucher	5	2	Albert Adams	5	2
Eve Skinner	5	2	Margaret Weller	5	2
Harry Horowitz	5	2	Pauline Postles	4	3
Lea duPont	3	4	Julie Burns	3	4
Herb Willits	2	5	Jean Thompson	2	5
Marian Hunt	2	5	Dan Schaffer	1	6
Paule McKenica	0	7	Jackie Kase	1	6

NEWARK SHOTS			NEWCASTLE SNIFTERS		
Captain	Won	Lost	Captain	Won	Lost
Assen Slavov	6	1 *	Archie Sparks	6	1 *
Frank Giovannozzi	6	1	Jay Ralph	6	1
Lucky Vavanellos	5	2	Evelyn Levitt	5	2
Ina Morse	3	4	Estelle Liner	4	3
Leona Schneider	3	4	Fran Kirkpatrick	3	3
Kathie O'Brien	3	4	Shaun Hutchinson	3	4
Francis Lutz	1	6	Elaine Slatcher	2	5
Maryella Steffen	1	6	Bucky Buchanan	2	5
			Ronnie Harrison	0	7

\* Won league play-off

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# THE DUMMY

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OCTOBER, 1976

### STANDING ROOM ONLY AT ANNUAL MEETING

So many members came to the annual meeting, that even though some left when it was over, there were still 31 tables in play for the Club Championship. It is this kind of attendance and involvement that makes the DSBA such a dynamic and strong organization.

Due to the fact that three names were added to the slate by petition, there were nine members running for the Board of Directors. Those elected were Blanche Dougherty, Cal Moyer, Jim Foley, Dave Treadwell, Archie Sparks and Mary Mahla. In addition to these members, Assen Slavov was elected from the floor.

The Club Championship and the Richmond Skinner Trophy was won by Evelyn Levitt and Dave Treadwell. In second place were Jim Foley and Gary Mroz, and in third was Les Smith and Phil Crowe.

### HERCULES NEVER HAD IT SO GOOD

If the strongest hero of Greek mythology could come to life once again, he wouldn't believe his eyes. He would see that his home had been rebuilt so beautifully that King Midas would turn green with envy.

On September 30th and October 7th our annual/Mixed Pair Tournament was held at the new Hercules Club House and it was a delight. Chairwoman, Hazel Brannen, is to be congratulated for conducting such a fine and large event.

Rose Hafer and Michael Archino had a sensational second session to win this tournament in convincing manner. I am sure we will hear more from this pair in the future.

It isn't easy for one director to handle three sections. However, Orlin Morder accomplished this feat flawlessly and with a sense of humor that added to this most enjoyable tournament. After the two sessions he announced the winners to be:

1. Rose Hafer and Michael Archino
  2. Evelyn Levitt and Harold Levitt
  3. Kathie Guza and Charles Rivers
  4. Olive Welch and Phil Crowe
  5. Mildred Irwin and Ed Ramler
  6. Barbara Herr and Marty Horden
- \* Hercules and his wife Megara played below average.

### NATION-WIDE CHARITY GAME

On November 23rd at Talleyville there will be a Nation-Wide Charity game. If eight table or more sign-up there will be a non-smoking section.

### EVE WAS THE FIRST WOMAN

That's what the Bible says. So it was only fitting that our first woman of bridge, Eve Skinner, proved once again that she is still one of our finest bridge players. At our last Sectional, playing with Sally Orlando, she won the Women's Pairs and teamed with Rosalie Kurfirst, Cal Moyer, Mildred and Leroy Irwin, she tied for first in the Swiss Team. Eve left most of the field sitting there in a cloud of smoke. Cigar smoke...

However, there were a few local players who wouldn't be blinded by Eve's smoke screen. Evelyn Levitt and Dave Treadwell won the Open Pairs and came in third in the Team Game to tie for the Frank Grady Trophy. This is awarded to the player who wins the most master points in our Diamond State Sectional. Two other local heroes were Lenny Reed and Frank Giovannozzi who won the Men's Pairs.

Cal Moyer our Chairman did his usual efficient job as did those in charge of refreshments, prizes, caddies and the telephone committee. However, not enough can be said about Mildred Irwin who handled partnerships. Working like a little beaver she formed enough partnerships to run an entire tournament herself. The DSBA is indebted to Mildred who does this job like no other...

#### Women's Pairs - 29 Tables

1. Eve Skinner and Sally Orlando
2. Reba Sapowith and Dorothy Goldstein
3. Mrs. E. Hamersog and Mrs. A. R. Kelly

#### Men's Pairs - 15 Tables

1. Lenny Reed and Frank Giovannozzi
2. Rusty Krauss and Barry Falgout
3. Marty Horden and Assen Slavov

#### Master's Pairs - 40 Tables

1. Bill Miller and Paul Thomas
2. Pat Close and Paul Zebrowski
3. Mark Dahl and Tom Justl

#### Non-Master's Pairs - 14 Tables

1. A. Livingston and M. Livingston
2. Anne O'Brien and Ed O'Brien
3. Peter Stafford and Madeline Stafford

#### Open Pairs - 40 Tables

1. Evelyn Levitt and Dave Treadwell
2. Paul Benedict and Nancy Falor
3. Pete Weglarski and Robert Rosenberg

#### Consolation - 27 Tables

1. Ms. A. E. Fell and J. Harrington
2. Phil Brady and Ely Solomon
3. Herman Fishman and Helen Fishman

#### Swiss Team - 63 Teams

- 1/2 Eve Skinner - Rosalie Kurfirst
- Cal Moyer - Mildred & Leroy Irwin
- 1/2 John Marks - Charles Fleisher
- Harvey Cohen - Henry Greer
3. Evelyn Levitt - Harold Levitt
- Dave Treadwell - Carl Seiler

## SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

At the first meeting on September 23, the new Board elected the following officers:

President - Cal Moyer  
Vice President - Dave Treadwell  
Treasurer - John Siverts  
Secretary - Helen Pehrson

The following Board members have agreed to serve on committees:

Monday night & Charity Games - Jim Foley  
Publicity & POY - Howard Cohen  
State Tournaments - Marian Hunt and  
Blanche Dougherty  
Chief Director - Archie Sparks  
Membership - Mary Mahla & Marcia Long  
Liasion Below The Canal - Jean Thompson  
Special Events - Kathie O'Brien  
Telephone - Karen Cohen  
The Recorder - Ed Flock  
Grand Nationals - Buck Buchanan  
By-Law Revision - Assen Slavov

The Board selected Evelyn Levitt, Dave Treadwell, Lea duPont and Helen Hirsty to represent the DSB in an exhibition match at the Lancaster Regional on November 2nd.

The Board of Directors selected our team for 1976 in the following manner. They considered four different plans and finally decided that the best plan would be for the entire Board to determine who should play. Pairs were then nominated by the Board members and by closed ballot the team was chosen.

In other business the Board voted its support to Richard A. Miller for alternate to the National Board of Directors from District #4. Work on the revision of the by-laws was begun. The next Board meeting is scheduled for November 11.

## BELOW THE CANAL

As fall approaches with the usual increase in activities, Below-the-Canalers found it necessary to cut down on the partying, thus there is only one party to report. This time the occasion was Buzz Adams' acquiring enough points to become lower Delaware's latest Life Master. The good turnout made it ideal for a charity game to benefit Wesley College. Bob Keeney and Lillian Schaub were the winners as Buzz demonstrated his prowess by coming in seventh. (Whoever heard of a Life Master winning at his own party?)

Jean Thompson's Monday Ladies Club also conducted a charity game. The Dover Air Force Base Officers Wives Scholarship got the money while Pauline Hallett and Marian Hoon got the master points.

Planning for the second annual Leonard Covell Memorial Tournament is underway, with the selection of Audrey Barnes as chairperson. The date will be Saturday, March 26th, at the Dover Air Force Base Officers Club.

Dan Schaffer

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Walter Cronkite,

For years many people have considered televising bridge tournaments. Each time it has been discussed it has generated a great deal of interest among duplicate bridge players throughout the country. This letter is to inform you that if this TV plum is ever tossed in your lap you will not be able to handle the assignment.

I have often watched and listened to you on election eve. As soon as the votes were counted in certain key precincts, you predicted the outcome with uncanny accuracy. You have taken away the excitement and suspense as the votes came trickling in. To me you are a kill-joy.

I can just picture the way you would handle a bridge tournament. After two hands you would pull out your little computer and predict who was going to win. At the end of the fourth round I can see you writing the scores on the re-cap sheet. I can also see your national reputation going down the drain.

But don't worry, Walter, I'll still watch you this Tuesday evening. You can predict and project to your heart's content, ruin my election night if you will, but never will you be able to do this to the wonderful unpredictable game of bridge.

Respectfully,

The Dummy

c/c Walter Cronkite  
CBS, New York

## THEY DO IT ALL FOR YOU

When you listen to the MacDonald jingle, think of the bridge directors who run your games. Without them it would be almost impossible for us to have duplicates and tournaments.

This being the case, it is beyond reason to see some players uncooperative and even rude when a director is called to the table. We are fortunate in having a group of fine and capable directors and they should not be subjected to abuse of any kind. Certainly they get paid but it is a nominal amount. Most of them direct because they enjoy the work and because they can make a contribution to bridge in Delaware.

Let's all of us be more considerate to the directors and treat them with courtesy and respect. Sometimes when a ruling doesn't go your way, you realize you don't have "freedom" of choice" - but do not take it out on your directors because in reality "They Do It All For You."

THE OPEN PAIR TOURNAMENT WAS A WINNER

(other scores)  
CINCINNATI 4, YANKKEES 3  
PACKERS 28, EAGLES 13  
FLYERS 7, WINGS 4

Despite all the TV competition the Open Pair Tournament was a tremendous success. On Sunday, October 17th, 33 tables played at the Brandywine Terrace with a delicious dinner served between sessions. It proved again to be the social event of the year. The committee consisting of Antoinette Lutz and Pat McGee, chairwomen, ably assisted by Chris Hirsch and Hazel Brannen deserve all the credit.

The DUMBY again wants to comment on the wonderful support the Below The Canalers are giving to our State Tournaments. Since Jean Thompson has been on the Board we have seen more cooperation and participation than ever before.

Syl Hirsty directed the event like a real pro. Shortly after the 1st session, scoring was completed, he had the results posted together with the carry-over, and seating assignments. He announced the winners to be:

1. Evelyn Levitt and Dave Treadwell
2. Helen Brown and Chris Gibson
- 3/4 Pat McGee and Don McGee
- 3/4 Ed Flook and Bob Gregory

Consolation Game

1. Harold Levitt and Marty Horden
2. Rose Hafer and Elizabeth Dahlenburg
- 3/4 Kathie Cuza and Tom Kramer
- 3/4 Phil Crowe and Les Smith

SLAVOV TEAM VICTORIOUS

In a garrison finish the team of Assen Slavov, Marty Horden, Ralph Schreyer, Dexter Pattison, Jerzy Zawisza and Eugenia Slavov overcame a 41 imp deficit and defeated the team of Rose Buckley, Earl Cummins, Armand DiGiacomo, Bob Burger and Vicki Byrne in the finals of the Summer Round Robin.

Down but not out the Slavov team cut the lead to 17imps at the three quarter mark and then in a blaze of glory won by 35. It was a great ending to our largest, longest and most successful summer event.

The Buckley team was a sensation. In winning their league they had to defeat several seeded teams and then defeated Buzz Adams team (The champs from Below the Canal) to gain the finals. I am sure we will hear from them many times in the years to come.

What can we say (that's fit to print) about the great job done by chairman Jay Ralph? Actually not much - except that this year's Summer Round Robin was simply super.

This year there were 33 teams which was an all time record. If Jay can come up with 36 teams next year the Editor will see to it that his picture will be in next October's DUMBY.

HEEEEEEEEEEE SHE COMES

Coming around the Club House turn Evelyn Levitt passes the field (by virtue of a 2nd in the Mixed Pairs and winning the Open) and heads into the home stretch (Only the Invitational to go) with a two length lead. Handicapper Howie Cohen gives the following "morning line" before the final race:

1.	Evelyn Levitt	25
2/3	Marty Horden	23
2/3	Assen Slavov	23
4.	Dave Treadwell	17
5/6	Frank Giovannozzi	15
5/6	Andy Stayton	15
7.	Olive Welch	11
8/9	Mike Eagan	10
8/9	Lenny Reed	10
10/12	Bob Gregory	9
10/12	Alan Lauder	9
10/12	Jim Patton	9
13/16	Chris Hirsch	8
13/16	Harold Levitt	8
13/16	Matt Kegelman	8
13/16	Lenny Lipstein	8
17/21	Helen Brown	7
17/21	Chris Gibson	7
17/21	Rose Hafer	7
17/21	Michael Archino	7
17/21	Marvin Paulshock	7
22/26	Ed Ramler	6
22/26	Ralph Poucher	6
22/26	Annabel Stone	6
22/26	Pat McGee	6
22/26	Don McGee	6
27/28	Sis Singer	5
27/28	Sy Londoner	5
29.	Ed Flook	4
30/33	Shaun Hutchinson	3
30/33	Rick Roland	3
30/33	Jean Thompson	3
30/33	Joan Abraham	3

VU-GRAPH MATCH AT HOST FARM

On Tuesday evening preceding the Regional at Host Farm in Lancaster, a team representing the DSBA will play a team from the Penn Central Bridge Unit. The "Goodies" will be Evelyn Levitt, Dave Treadwell, Helen Hirsty and Lea duPont; and the "Badies" will be Gene Gardner, Bill Miller, Tom Welk and Ed Shapiro.

To those of you who have never seen a match on vu-graph - I am sure you will find it interesting and exciting. It will begin at 8:15 p.m. and Andy Gabrilovitch will be the commentator. Andy is quite knowledgeable and very funny. Come and cheer your team on to victory.

FREUDA ROSENBLATT

It is with great sorrow that we report the death of Freuda Rosenblatt. Freuda was a loyal member of the DSBA, a Life Master and was well liked by all who knew her. She was our friend and we will miss her.

## RECORDER - CONTINUED

At the Annual meeting September 7, President Evelyn Levitt brought up as a new item of business, our new recorder system. It was gratifying to see the lively membership interest shown during the lengthy discussion period.

One result, I think, was a better general understanding of what a recorder system is and how it can contribute to the betterment of bridge within our unit. (Those of you who missed the meeting can refer to the introductory article on the subject which appeared in the August DUTY.)

There were differing opinions from the floor regarding procedural aspects of the system which, in sum, related to a common concern of ensuring that the recorder program deal first and foremost with consistent and fair treatment of all cases. Amen to that! Without such administrative treatment the system cannot work.

Suggestions made from the floor at the meeting and as received via other channels will be given careful consideration by your Board. The next issue of the DUTY will contain more detailed information on the workings of the system. In the meantime we will welcome all constructive comments from you whom we are serving.

Ed Flook, Recorder, Unit 190

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

December 2 and 9 - Invitational (Invitation only) Talleyville

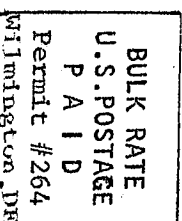
## Tentative Schedule for 1977

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## OPEN DUPLICATE GAMES

Monday - DSBA Unit Game - 7:45 at the Talleyville Fire Hall on Route 202. Swiss Team on first Monday of every month, Pre-Reg. Not required.  
 Monday - Jewish Community Center - 12 Noon.  
 Tuesday - Dover, 8:00 p.m. Henry B. duPont College Center - Wesley College.  
 Wednesday - Newark - 7:45 p.m. Unitarian Church, 420 Willa Road.  
 Friday - Jewish Community Center - 12 Noon.  
 Saturday - Jewish Community Center - Swiss Team, 2nd Sat. - Pre-Registration required. Regular duplicate 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.

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# THE DUMMY

## THE DELAWARE STATE BRIDGE ASSN. INC.

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

DECEMBER, 1976

### AGAIN

Evelyn Levitt won the Player-of-the-Year for the eighth time and once more regained custody of the Mary Bradley Grady Trophy. She had previously won the POY in '57, '58, '62, '65, '66, '72 and '73.

Evelyn would like to thank her partners who helped her win this coveted award. They are: Olive Welch, Dave Treadwell, Marvin Paulshock and her husband. Bridge is a partnership game, and one thing is crystal clear, you can't do it all yourself.

For many years Assen Slavov and Marty Horden have finished high in the standing. This year was no exception as they battled Evelyn to the wire.

1. Evelyn Levitt	25
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15/18 Matthew Kegelman	8
15/18 Lenny Lipstein	8
19/27 Ina Morse	7
19/27 Vince D'Anna	7
19/27 Toni Cohen	7
19/27 Bob Smith	7
19/27 Helen Brown	7
19/27 Chris Gibson	7
19/27 Rose Hafer	7
19/27 Michael Archino	7
19/27 Marvin Paulshock	7
28/32 Ed Ramler	6
28/32 Ralph Poucher	6
28/32 Annabel Stone	6
28/32 Pat McGee	6
28/32 Don McGee	6
33/36 Kathie O'Brien	5
33/36 Charles Rivers	5
33/36 Sis Slinger	5
33/36 Sy Londoner	5
37/39 Elaine Dumas	4
37/39 Bill Dumas	4
37/39 Ed Flook	4
40/44 Kathie Cuza	3
40/44 Shaun Hutchinson	3
40/44 Rick Roland	3
40/44 Jean Thompson	3
40/44 Joan Abraham	3

### THE BARBARAS, NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONS

Lightning struck the local bridge world as Barbara Herr and Barbara Furbeck won the Women's Life Master Pairs at the fall Nationals in Pittsburgh. Playing in the strongest women's field the ACBL can muster, the two Barbaras put four great games together to win this championship event.

Alan Truscott, writing in the New York Times, called them an unheralded pair - but they are certainly not unheralded to those of us who know them so well. We know them to be fine competitive players and perfect ladies at the table.

When a couple of "goodies" win it makes for good copy. The morning after their victory the Daily Bulletin reported a few "Barbara who?" comments and a, "You mean those ladies who knit?". One opponent was overheard to say "They certainly gave us the needle". The reporter even found out that back in Wilmington they were called The Barbaras and used this nickname on several occasions.

They may be called The Barbaras in Pittsburgh but in Wilmington we are now going to call The Barbaras, Our Barbaras, because we are so proud of them...

### H.H. AND H.H.

Helen Hirsty and Harry Horwitz, playing for the first time and without even a warm-up session, won this year's Invitational Tournament. If numbers were involved, you could probably explain it with numerology - but initials?

Syl Hirsty directed and the Chairpersons, Blanche Dougherty and Sally Orlando, ran an excellent event. The top finishers were:

1. Helen Hirsty and Harry Horwitz
2. Toni Cohen and Bob Smith
3. Ina Morse and Vince D'Anna
4. Kathie Cuza and Charles Rivers
5. Elaine Dumas and Bill Dumas

Since H.H. and H.H. won - before next year's tournament your Editor is thinking of changing his last name.

### MAYBE WE'RE #1

At the present time we have 103 Life Masters in our Unit! I am sure everyone realizes the fact that since we have 600 members, 17.1666667% of our membership are LM's. Since the average of Life Masters in the entire ACBL membership is only about 12%, it is possible we could be #1.

### IN A VERY QUIET WAY

Charlie Atkinson continues to do a fine service for bridge and the community. For many years now Charlie has been teaching and running bridge games at the Senior Center. You're quite a guy...

## ALBERT (BUZZ) ADAMS, LIFE MASTER

Buzz Adams, one of the most popular bridge players in the Dover area, has recently become Life Master. Although he lives near Wilford, Buzz supports all the games and is presently President of the Kent County Bridge Club.

Two of his favorite partners are Lillian Schaubé and Jean Thompson but his number one partner is undoubtedly John Klinikh. Together, John and Buzz make one of the most imaginative partnerships that can be found.

Congratulations Buzz and we wish you continued success.

## BELOW THE CANAL

Below-the Canalers, again proving that bridge can be fun, participated in three Christmas parties. As of this writing they are all in the planning stage, but will be history when you read this.

The Kent County Bridge Club is planning hors d'oeuvres, drinks and a lively game at the Dover Elks Club.

## The Dover Air Force Base Officers' Club

The Dover Air Force Base Officers' Club is the site of the other two parties. Kay Mancuso and Jean Thompson are hostesses for the Monday morning ladies group. The ladies will sip whiskey sours, partake of a filet mignon luncheon and take home some door prizes.

The Thursday night party hostesses will be Jackie Kase and Jane Schaffer, and that party will feature free drinks, steamship round, hors d'oeuvres and door prizes.

The Thursday night club recently held their second charity game of the year, benefiting the American Cancer Society. Pauline Hallett and Mickle Sipple won in a photo-finish in which the top four pairs were separated by one match point.

All are invited to a two-session open pair event to be held at Wesley College on Sunday, January 16th. Starting time for the first session is 1:30 p.m. For further details contact Audrey Barnes or Lillian Schaubé.

## Dan Schaffer

\* The Canadian Club has returned their franchise - just couldn't compete...

## LOLA HOSFORD - LIFE MASTER

Bridge players everywhere have but one goal - to become Life Master. There is no greater pleasure than the glow of satisfaction in attaining that prize.

Congratulations, Lola Hosford! You did it! Henceforth you shall be known as Life Master! Your intuitive card reading, your imaginative dummy play and expert defensive manipulation have all brought you to the end of the trail. You have won the most coveted prize of all - LIFE MASTER!

Herb Willits

## LEA LEADS LADIES AT LANCASTER

Lea duPont was our star of the Keystone Regional which was held in Lancaster last month. Playing with Helen Hirsty, Chris Hirsch, Antoinette Lutz, she tied for 2nd in the Women's Swiss Team. In the Women Pairs she played with Helen and came in 4th and in the Open Pairs, with Antoinette as her partner, they lost by only  $\frac{1}{2}$  a match point as they came in second!

This remarkable showing by these four players is no accident. They take bridge seriously and are constantly trying to improve their game. The fact that they all play Super Precision may be giving the rest of us a message.

Archie Sparks playing with Steve White came in 4th in the Open Pairs and Dorothy Goldstein and Rosalie Kurfirst finished 6th in the Women's Pairs. There is no question that local players continue to come in the money no matter where they play.

## JOHN ELLIOTT - LIFE MASTER

Let me say at this time that when we played in Lancaster this November, John played like a Life Master. Oh, if only his partner had played like one as well. However, it has been a great pleasure to have been the one playing with him when he went over. John has always been a student and a good analyst of the game.

About six years ago John won the Rookie Of The Year Award. At this time we joined together as partners and went out of town many times. We never did great things but we always seemed to be in the money in our section. John, please don't hold it against me for being the one who led you down the primrose path.

We kind of separated for awhile but still play in at least one tournament a year. During this period, Elizabeth Dahlenburg and John got together and had quite a good partnership - so good in fact that they won the State Mixed Pair Tournament.

Many players in the DSBA are very grateful to John for taking them to out-of-town tournaments. The ACBL should award John a plaque for outstanding service.

John, from here on when we get together for our one tournament a year, I expect great things to happen - after all we are LIFE MASTERS. Congratulations, John, may you have great success in the future.

Mel Welch

## PEHRSONS WIN CHARITY GAME

Helen and Frank Pehrson won the Charity Game which was held at Talleyville on November 23rd. Dr. Robert Smith and Jerzy Moszynski came in second.

\$147 will be turned over to the Arthritis Foundation. Archie Sparks capably directed the 21 table game.



## ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT, DELAWARE STATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Income StatementFiscal year ending September 30  
1976

Membership dues: \$2967  
 Amount paid to ACBL 2002  
 Income from dues 965

\$2589  
 1716  
 873

Monday Night Game - receipts  
 Expenses - Rent 6923  
 Prizes 2990  
 Directors fees 1314  
 Supplies, sanctions, misc. 1300  
 Income from Monday Night Game 1206  
 112

6054  
 2550  
 1128  
 1225  
 937  
 213

State and Sectional Tournaments - receipts  
 Expenses - Rent 12653  
 Directors fees and exp. 1930  
 Prizes 2454  
 ACBL sanctions & fees 1360  
 Refreshments 988  
 Printing, supplies, misc. 2526  
 Charity, ACBL & local 1892  
 Income from Tournaments 1250  
 250

10768  
 1611  
 2035  
 1095  
 713  
 1999  
 1383  
 881  
 1048

Other Income and Expenses  
 Interest from savings account 192  
 The Dummy and Directory expense (1512)  
 Misc. operating expense ( 296)  
 Loss - Other Income and Expenses (1616)

175  
 (1109)  
 ( 230)  
 (1151)

## ANNUAL NET INCOME (LOSS)

(\$289)

\$971

Balance Sheet

## Balance in accounts end of period

Savings Account 4575  
 Checking Account 1007  
 Script 3  
 TOTAL \$5586

3383  
 2492  
 \$5875

John Siverts, Treasurer - November 26, 1976

\* A word from the Treasurer:

Operation of the DSBA for the year ending September 30, 1976 resulted in a deficit of \$289. This small loss comes as no surprise as it mainly reflects the cost of issuing a new membership directory (\$322) and the decision to hold down the fees of the sectionals in the face of higher costs. Gross receipts of the Monday Night Game and local tournaments increased by over 16%, allowing the line to be held on these card fees. We are in a sound financial condition and although sectional fees are expected to rise from \$3 to \$3.50 in 1977, no increase in the fees for The Monday Night Game is contemplated at the present time.

CHANUKAH AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Chanukah and Christmas party was held December 13th at Talleyville. Once again it was proven that our Unit is something special as 34 tables turned out for bridge and a social evening. Kathy O'Brien, who is in charge of our special events, was ably assisted by Sonia Zack, Hazel Brannen, Jess Willard, Blanche Dougherty and "Punchy" Levine. Orlin Norder directed and gave out rulings like a jovial Santa Claus.

Helen Brown, when interviewed by your Editor the next morning said, "I was impressed with the exquisite decorations, the charming refreshment table, the elegant door prizes, holiday warmth and the congeniality."

SPLINTERS FROM THE BOARD

The Board of Directors met at Cal Moyer's home on November 11th.

This is to report that some of the dates for our tournaments have been changed so please check the tournament schedule.

The recorder system was discussed at some length. Please refer to the article on page four in regard to operation.

Pat McGee and Dave Treadwell will represent the DSBA on the District Planning Committee for the 1980 fall Nationals in Lancaster.

Cal Moyer

## THE RECORDER SYSTEM IS NOW IN OPERATION

This, the last of three articles, deals with the specifics of our new recorder system which is now fully operational.

The Recorder, as an agent of the DSBA Board of Directors, now maintains a confidential file of incidents, reported by players or directors involving possible violations of the proprieties of bridge at DSBA sponsored events. All Unit #190 clubs have the option and invitation to use the Recorder's services. The objective is to covert whispering campaigns to more constructive handling of complaints thereby upgrading deportment and ethics at our games.

**MECHANICS:** (1) To file a report, fill out a Recorder's form completely and sign it. Forms are available at all DSBA games. Give the report to any DSBA director who will forward it to the Recorder - or mail it directly to the Recorder. You may, but are not required to inform the reported party of your report; however, directly accusing another of unethical conduct is itself unethical. The Recorder alone has access to reports and discussion shall be only with those directly involved. (2) For very serious reports the Recorder may advise the reporter to take the incident directly to the Rules and Conduct Committee for possible disciplinary action or, with the Reporter's permission, talk to the possible offender at once. Less serious reports will be accumulated. If three reports of similar nature are received within 12 to 15 months, the Recorder will usually discuss the subject with the person involved with the goal of remedying the situation henceforth. If, then, additional reports of a similar nature are received within six months, the Recorder will advise each reporter individually that in this case the system has been unsuccessful and recommend that the reporter bring the matter before the Rules and Conduct Committee. (3) If requested by a reporter, a report will be returned. Non-repetitive reports will be discarded after an appropriate period of time - usually 12 months. (4) Generally, reports should not be filed about incidents which concern solely rulings of law, particularly if the director was not called. (5) A file of reporters will be kept. An unusual number of submittals by one person may warrant a discussion with the Recorder.

Here's to continued good competition with increased enjoyment of our favorite pastime.

Ed Flook, Recorder, Unit 190

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\*These tournaments have been rescheduled - the above dates are correct.

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