

CLUB NEWS

FOR THE DUPLICATE PLAYERS OF THE VILLAGES

APRIL, 2013

NEWS CLIPS:

LORETTA HARP is still at The Club for rehab following her hip revision surgery on Thursday, Feb. 21, in Orlando. She expects to be home soon.

MARILYN FULTON is in the Lady Lake Specialty Care Rehab on Griffin Rd., Room 141bb. She has shoulder fractures due to a fall.

BRUCE THIER was in and out of the hospital in February, but he recuperated and he is now in Israel!

RON POITINGER had his gallbladder removed and he is doing great.

Congratulations to **MIKE LOTTI**, our new Club President, and to **JACK FISHER**, our new Secretary. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for April 9, following the game at Lake Miona. Space is limited, but members are invited to attend.

OPERATION SHOEBOX: Thanks to **ANNETTE STEIN, GEORGE MURRAY, MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB, AND AN ANONYMOUS DONOR** for contributing a total of \$1300.

GISELA KNOCK'S husband died on January 26. A memorial service will be held in his honor with her family up north in April.

Please keep **ED SPIVACK** and his family in your prayers. Ed's son died in January and his wife is very ill.

MAURI AND BUCK BUCHANAN, MARILYN AND JON WILLIAMS, MARY ANN AND ANDY KELLY will all be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in August. Let's start congratulating them now and until then!

JO AND TED DICORPO took a fabulous trip to China. Their picture appeared in the Daily Sun, February 19.

SANDI McNAUGHTON participated in the 2013 Ladies 9-Hole Championship. **Sandi's** picture was in the Daily Sun on Feb. 28. She tied for second place. Congratulations, Sandi!

NEWS CLIPS: (continued)

RICH SEIDMAN earned 41.68 masterpoints at the Orlando Regional. The editor missed it because his home town was listed as Orlando. Sorry, Rich.

LIBRARY CORNER: (submitted by **Pat Ford**) **Ann Barnes** has recommended all books authored by Kathy Reichs. Kathy is a forensic anthropologist for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner of the State of North Carolina. Some of her best sellers are: 206 Bones; Bones are Forever; Flash and Bones. **Ann** has also recommended books written by Lee Child. She has authored the Jack Reacher Series, including the books Echo Burning and Running Blind.

PAT FORD wants to remind everyone to be at the game 15 minutes before game time. One player needs to be at the table 30 minutes before game time if a table is reserved. The partner must arrive 15 minutes prior to game time. Please refrain from discussing hands at the table. Please always be aware of "courtesy" at the table.

DEAN ROBINSON has 77 students enrolled in his Life-Long Learning series. Congrats to you, Dean!

Harold Schwartz purchased the Orange Blossom Garden manufactured home park in the early 70's and in the early 80's convinced his son, H. Gary Morse, to join him and help run his enterprise. The Villages concept was born! The Villages population now tops 100,000! We are now on the map, with many bridge players and an excellent Villages Duplicate Bridge Club. Congratulations to all who made it happen!

P. Hal Sims a great expert of yesteryear had the reputation of never misguessing a queen in a two-way fineness position. While playing against two ladies missing a queen, he finally announces that neither one of them has it—it's on the floor!

PASS OUT OF ROTATION

by Paul Matheson

Calls (bids) are made in a clockwise rotation starting with the dealer of the hand (Law 28). If a player makes a call when it is not their turn the call is said to be out of rotation. Offender's right hand opponent may elect to accept the call out of rotation and if accepted the auction continues without rectification (Law 29 A). If the call out of rotation is not accepted the auction reverts back to the player whose turn it was to call but the offender is subject to certain restrictions in future calls. These restrictions are different if the illegitimate call was a pass (law 30), a bid (Law 31), or a double or redouble (Law 32). This article will deal with a pass out of rotation. Future articles will deal with the other two violations.

If the Pass out of rotation was committed before any player has bid the offender must pass when it is their next time to bid (Law 30 A)

If the violation occurs after any player has bid (Law 30 B):

1. If it was offender's RHO's turn to bid the offender must pass when it is their turn to bid (Law 30 B 1.).
2. If it was offender's partner's turn to bid the offender must (Law 30 B2a) pass whenever it is his turn to bid and (b) (Law 30 B2b) offender's partner may make any sufficient bid or pass but he cannot double or redouble.
3. If it was LHO's turn to bid the call is treated as a change of call and Law 25 applies. Law 25 states that the offender's RHO may 1. accept the substituted call and the auction would continue or 2. not accept the substituted call in which case the original call stands and the auction continues. In either case Law 16D would also apply which means there has been unauthorized information conveyed by the bid of rotation and offender's partner cannot take advantage of this unauthorized information.

If the pass out of turn is an artificial bid or a pass of an artificial bid Law 31 applies. The next article will deal with Law 31.

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From Eddie Kantar:

Two guys play duplicate in the afternoon, go to a restaurant for dinner and discuss all the hands, writing all over the tablecloth and napkins. They go back and play in the evening and return to the same restaurant and start going over the hands again. Finally Jim says: "Bill, don't we know anything but bridge? Can't we discuss something else, anything else, movies, politics, sports, sex? Sex, says Bill, I had sex diamonds to the king-queen...."

Judy Flickinger, Bridge Player and Author

Judy Flickinger is an active duplicate bridge player, often seen playing in 299er games in The Villages with her husband Roger. Judy has been playing bridge for 40 years, but Roger Flickinger came to the game reluctantly. Now he is addicted, and is Judy's favorite partner.

Judy is also known in The Villages as an author and public speaker. Her book *Spirit Matters* was published two years ago and sums up her philosophy after decades as a nurse, and working in hospice since 1989. The full title provides a good summary of the goal of the book: *Spirit Matters: How to Remain Fully Alive with a Life-Limiting Illness*. As a result of her book and her work in hospice, Judy received the Central Florida "Woman of the Year" award in 2011.

Judy's book draws heavily on her own experience, not only her professional experience but a bleak period in her own life when she was suffering a kind of emotional death. She defines "spirit" as "who I am as a person. It is not who I am as a body or my physical appearance, but who I am inside. It is what gives life to my physical body." Although death is inevitable, it is essential to keep the spirit, the real person inside the body, alive and nourished during a life-limiting illness.

Spirit Matters relates the personal stories of many of Judy's patients, and the successes several of them achieved for themselves or their dying loved ones by focusing on what really matters. Occasionally the success stories result from ignoring the traditional medical approach of prolonging the life of a person suffering in pain with no hope of recovery. I read *Spirit Matters* shortly before my mother suffered a serious fall at age 95. In the hospital emergency room a neurologist assured me that my mother's jaw would be wired shut and after three months or so of forced feeding she might recover enough to be aware of her surroundings. The next day my family arranged hospice care for my mother, and she died peacefully and without pain not long after. Judy's book discusses the type of misguided care so often given to people near the end of their lives.

Finally, it's important to emphasize that while reading a book about end-of-life care is not something that most of us look forward to doing, Judy's book is not a gloomy one, but rather full of insights and inspirational stories about how you can nourish your own spirit and the spirits of loved ones with life-limiting illnesses. As Judy puts it in the book, "you may not have much control over the progression of your disease, but with a healthy spirit, you can have greater control over your life."

Spirit Matters is available online from Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble, or you can get a signed copy from Judy herself. Judy speaks widely and is always available to speak to interested groups. For more details see her website, www.judyflickinger.com.

Submitted by David Haskell

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From Eddie Kantar:

"Lady (West) leads the K from KQ102 in one of my classes. Dummy has the 543, and her partner the 987 and declarer the AJ6. The idea is for East to play the seven, South the 6, and for West to realize that the 7 is partner's lowest card and discontinue the suit. Of course this never happens in my classes. But this one lady switched suits. I asked her why she switched? She said: "I've had this lesson before."

NEW RESIDENT MEMBERS SINCE JAN. 1, 2013

Walter Bosworth	Catherine Cote	Palmer Davies	Jack Donovan
Jo Ann Eslinger	Larry Eslinger	Sherman Everett	Linda Ferens
Pat Francis	Carole Jackson	Harvey Kalish	Colleen Larson
Steve Larson	Margaret Millwand	Nancy Millwand	Lance Noble
Marion Oxenhorn	Elaine Parker	Elaine Porter	Judy Racke
Sallejane Rivard	Lamar Schumacker	George Sonnichsen	Forest Stidman
Michael Tenholder	Mary Wilcox	Henry Wright	

A big welcome is extended to all the new resident members!

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MILESTONES: 2013 LIFE MASTER ACHIEVEMENTS

Junior Master: Neil Hessemer, Joyce Jackson, Selina Balick, Michael Poleck

Club Master: Larry Thomas, Leon Zaczek, Glenn Ryburn

Sectional Master: Barry Pressman

Regional Master: Linda Eicher

NABC Master: Kathy McKay, Carol Meier, Jane Dulieu, Michael Lotti, Doug Worthington, Mary Gavaghan, Karen Linder

Life Master: Carol Alspach

Bronze Life Master: Carol Alspach

Silver Life Master: Paul Hassett, Kay Jones

70% GAMES FOR 2013

Jan. 8 Larry Evans & Peggy Shivetts 71.63%

Jan. 11 Joe Sacco & Gladys Mikel 72.37%

March 9 Nancy Detweiler & Joe Sacco 74.36%

THE VILLAGES MASTERPOINT TOP 15 LEADERS FOR 2013 (Jan. 1 – Feb. 28)

0-300	300-1000	1000+
Sandra Goodwin 9.59	Carol Alspach 8.58	Donna Ziemann 17.12
Barbara Newcomb 9.80	Laura Lee Testroet 8.68	Paul Hassett 17.14
Mike Pelek 10.49	Sandi McNaughton 9.16	Sandy Boone 17.21
Janet Dunn 10.79	Karen Linder 9.33	Bev Yankee 18.36
John Dunn 10.79	Henry Hood 10.94	Peggy Shivetts 18.78
Ron Cooper 10.91	Caroline Davies 11.66	Ruth Srulevitch 20.47
Sandy Baker 11.93	Louis Fischer 11.83	Bill Ziemann 22.07
Kathy Brick 12.33	Nancy Detweiler 12.68	Lucy Tillman 23.22
Janet Matthews 12.98	Mary Ann Kelly 14.03	Marilyn Williams 23.66
Evelyn Bennett 13.75	Mary Rowe 14.92	Jon Williams 24.76
Beverly Magnuson 13.84	Cynthia Kluemper 15.72	Ed Schusler 26.42
David Haskell 14.58	David Michaelson 15.86	Ginny Crump 28.06
Michael Lotti 15.69	Chet Eicher 17.61	Donald Baker 28.28
Patricia Holmes 16.88	George Murray 23.91	Gladys Mikel 35.52
Mary VanSteelandt 18.28	Ed Buchanan 25.19	Joe Sacco 48.82

Editor's Note: Leaders listed from bottom to top for this issue only! ☺

TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

DAYTONA SECTIONAL Jan 10-13

Ian Harvey 10.64 Sandra Gebhardt 10.64

ST. PETERSBURG'S JANUARY SECTIONAL Jan 10-13

Kathy McKay 6.29

SANDESTIN REGIONAL Jan. 21-27

Philip Wolff 11.96 Andrea Wolff 11.96

SARASOTA WINTER SECTIONAL Jan. 17-20

Kathy McKay 7.35

VALENTINE 299er SECTIONAL Feb. 13-14

Gabriel Basil 4.33 Diane Basil 4.33

PALM COAST WINTER SECTIONAL Feb. 28—March 2

Sandra Gebhardt 1.96 Ian Harvey 1.96

MANATEE REGIONAL Feb. 11-17

Colleen Treanor 18.44

Linda Hall 13.87

Sandra Ainsworth 12.43

Doug Worthington 12.43

Kathy McKay 7.83

Heather Shane 4.84

Sally Jepsen 2.55

Junice Marchand 1.17

Jane Helm 16.16

David Hall 13.87

Michael Lotti 12.43

Bob Armstrong 12.02

Henry Hood 5.25

Elaine Lacroix 4.84

Judy Ventura 1.97

Sandy Booke 13.87

Alex Booke 13.87

David Michaelson 12.43

Sandra Gebhardt 9.19

Neil Timm 5.25

Paul Matheson 3.13

John Kuyper 1.42

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Zero to Sixty in.....

By Jon Williams

Like a fast car, the club's Mentor Program really took off. Within two months after the Board approved it at the December meeting, there were over 60 mentors and novices working to improve the latter's bridge skills.

Currently, there are 32 mentors assisting 35 novices. Particularly pleasing has been the participation of our "snowbirds", both as mentors and novices. Most of the mentor-novice pairs were formed by being matched up based on their applications, but several were acquaintances who decided to work together once they saw how the program was working.

Mentors are asked to play with their novices at least twice a month and to spend some time before and after each session on ways to improve. Most are going over and above that, playing in open games several times a month.

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To supplement open play, the club dedicated one of the Sunday games each month as a special Mentor-Novice Pair game, open only to participants in the program. The first of those, in February, featured 11 tables; the second, in March, had 12 tables. The director sets up a slightly abbreviated movement (22 boards the first game and 24 the second) to allow time for discussion during each round. A noteworthy aspect of these special games is the relaxed atmosphere, with the primary emphasis on improving skills rather than competition.

Winners in the February game were Buck Buchanan - Dottie LaBrie N/S and Sally Gauthier - Gwen Wright E/W. Second place went to Dave Stentz -BJ Chiota N/S and Ruth Srulevitch - Margaret Sarno E/W. Buck and Dottie were first overall with 65%.

In the March game, Bess Bailey - Cathy Thomas placed first N/S; Kay Jones - Pat DeArmond were first E/W. Second place went to Jack Gleckner - Gene Rodriguez N/S and Sally Gauthier - Gwen Wright E/W. Bess and Cathy had a 66.48% game for first overall.

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FYI: SENIORS HELPING SENIORS—A NEW SERVICE IN THE VILLAGES AREA

(The following is a note from Elaine Eisenhauer, Village of Tierra de Sol North)

I would like to let you know about a new organization in our area that may be helpful to you. Seniors Helping Seniors is an innovative program that provides in-home non-medical assistance for a reasonable fee. Some of the services offered are companionship, light housekeeping, meal preparation, transportation, errands, and respite care.

Providers are seniors, just like us. And, just like us, they understand the aging process. Providers are matched one-to-one with receivers and provide consistent, caring, compassionate and reliable help. It's almost like getting a little help from a friend.

An at-home assessment of each client and his/her needs results in a customized plan for each situation.

I have been working with Seniors Helping Seniors since they first arrived in The Villages area and have been very impressed with their kind, caring and professional approach.

Please let me know if you would like a full list of services and further information.

Want to help? Seniors Helping Seniors is looking for people with the heart of a volunteer to provide services in our area. I can give you further information about becoming a provider.

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Or contact Seniors Helping Seniors directly at 288-0444 for further information.

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