# CLUB NEWS FOR THE DUPLICATE PLAYERS OF THE VILLAGES AUGUST, 2014

## **NEWS CLIPS:**

ARLENE MCINTOSH, her husband, and some friends are on a trip, leaving June 25, for a Vantage River Cruise ending in Paris. They will be spending three days in Paris before returning home.

Have you seen **HEATHER SHANE** on her new red scooter? Way to go, Heather!

The <u>"Shadow"</u> chimes in this month with distractions to the game. Law 74A2 or read Mike Flader's article in the ACBL June Bulletin. Pet peeve #1: snapping of the cards. Pet peeve #2: Staring at an opponent until he/she makes a call. Pet peeve #3: Congratulating your partner on a contract that should have been defeated but was not due to a defensive error by one of the opponents.

Please refer to the website's home page for an explanation of the <u>Series Games</u> being held in July. Information concerning the events and a running set of results of each series are available on our website. It is under the competition tab. The basics of each event have already been posted and can be viewed at the site.

Please keep **Bob Armstrong** in your prayers as he fights bladder cancer.

**Joanie and Ron Colbert** took a seven-day Bermuda cruise on June 9, visiting many cities and sites.

Liana Garing needed .81 gold points since 1982 to attain Life Master status. She got it at Tampa, and now she has already attained Silver Life Master. Congratulations, Liana!

**Jane Helm** is taking her two grandsons on separate trips: one to Germany and one to Italy. Very fortunate grandsons!

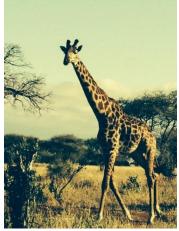
Alex and Sandy Booke took an African Adventure trip. They said the sites were magnificent and the animals thrilling.

**NEWS CLIPS: (CON'T)** 

Below are three of their favorite pictures:







## THE VILLAGES SECOND ANNUAL SECTIONAL BRIDGE TOURNAMENT

# Message from Alex Booke:

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Villages Sectional is now history. In true Villages fashion, it was a resounding success.

This year we faced many obstacles, the biggest securing 90 tables. The Villages came through for us, avoiding a major crisis.

This year's table count was 335, 8 up from last year. I was told we are 2<sup>nd</sup> largest Sectional in the state of Florida. We have been to many sectionals across the country, and I assure you ours is among the best if not THE BEST we have ever seen.

Our kitchen staff, headed by Claudette Fraime, was incredible. We had enough food to feed an army and the quality was fantastic.

This year we added a guest speaker, Lynn Berg, who was well received and provided the 50+ who attended an interesting and informative talk.

The success of our Sectional is vital to our club to continue to maintain all of the expenses we incur. Next year we plan to add a separate 299er Sectional which we believe will also be well attended.

Again, thanks to everyone who helped make our event special. See you at the tables.

## Message from Claudette Fraime:

The hospitality team would like to thank all the members who donated food for the tournament. Everything was delicious. Everyone seemed so pleased with the quality and variety of food. I personally want to express my gratitude to my co-chairperson Bonnie Barna, and the team who spent hours in the kitchen, setting up, cleaning up, and serving food. They are Dee Parsons, Sally Phillips, Susan Garbarino and Jane Dulieu. Kudos to all who participated.





Lynn, Rick, and Alex! Kevin Dwyer played in our sectional. He is one of the new "young guns" on the national pro-circuit.



A BEAUTIFUL GROUP OF PEOPLE!

THANKS TO ALL FOR A VERY SUCCESSFUL SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT!



## TRIBUTES TO DONNA ZIEMANN

Our friend passed away on Tuesday, May 27. A beautiful "Celebration of Life" with Bill, family members, and a lot of friends was held at the La Hacienda Center on June 21. A few people asked if they could write memorials.

"I truly enjoyed getting to bridge early on Wednesdays and Thursdays just to visit with Donna before the game. For some reason we always had so much to visit about. I was honored to play with Donna her last day she played duplicate bridge. I seldom play on Friday night and thank goodness I agreed to play with her. We were lucky to come in 1<sup>st</sup>: we had a lot of laughs and fun together. I really miss my great friend Donna, and I have a lot of happy memories about her." Bev Yankee

"Donna was a lovely and generous lady. Jon and I had been here in The Villages for only a couple of weeks in the fall of 2009 when she graciously included us in her and Bill's Thanksgiving dinner gathering. I was overwhelmed that someone I barely knew would be so hospitable. When I asked what I could bring, Donna's quick comeback was, "Oh, you can bring the turkey!" Donna will be remembered for her quiet manner, her deliciously wicked wit, and her excellent bridge skills. She will be missed." Marilyn Willams

"Donna" is an Italian title of respect prefixed to a married woman's Christian name. Donna Ziemann falls neatly into the realm of that definition. She was a soft-spoken woman who was not afraid to speak her mind. Although we only knew her for the last four years, we caught on to her razor like wit and her intelligent bridge playing. We will remember her reading from her kindle sitting in her wheelchair at table #1. Always a smile. You will be missed donna Donna." Karen Oberting

"We are lucky to have had the privilege to be able to have known Donna. She was a good friend and a very lovely, witty, smart and generous woman. She will be missed by all." Joanie and Ron Colbert

"A perfect partner, a special friend, a loving wife. This only begins to define the many attributes of Donna. We are so fortunate to have known this wonderful lady." Reene and Jack Gleckner

"I will always remember Donna as a true "Gentle Lady". I can see her reading her kindle quietly waiting for a game to begin. She had a wonderful quick sense of humor and I never saw her complain about her health. Other people would moan about some minor ailment and she would keep quiet. In the short time I knew her, I developed a real admiration and liking for her. I know I am not the only person who will miss her."

Janet Matthews

"A Small World" Upon restarting my bridge career in The Villages, I met Donna. She looked familiar but I couldn't place her. She immediately knew we had met at the Hartford Bridge Club over 20 years ago. Subsequent conversations revealed that she had been a teacher for over twenty years in Unionville CT where I grew up. She taught at Union Elementary School where I, my three brothers, nephew, niece and many cousins attended. She was fortunate that no Hassetts were in her classroom! We also learned that our families lived in three of the same CT towns. Donna was a very kind gracious lady. We will miss her (but I'm not sure about the weak no-trump system)." Paul Hassett

## THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

By
PAUL MATHESON

## PENALTY CARDS

Laws 48 to 52 deal with the issue of penalty cards. Simply put a penalty card is one which has been exposed out of rotation either accidentally or deliberately. A card exposed illegally by the declarer or dummy can never be a penalty card (law 48), therefore these provisions apply only to the improper exposer of a card by the defenders.

A defender's card becomes a penalty card when it is

- a. "held in a position"... so that it is possible for the defender's partner to see it...";
- b. "...named as being in the defender's hand..." or
- c. Played by the offender out of rotation

#### NO PENALTY

Cards accidentally exposed caused by external forces are not penalty cards. For example a coffee cup is spilled at the table which caused a card to be exposed. In such a case there is no penalty and the director would attempt to find an equitable solution.

## MINOR PENALTY CARD

A minor penalty card is a card which is a 9 or less and was exposed accidentally. For example when attempting to play a card another card less than a 10 also drops from the hand. This is a minor penalty card. The important facts about a minor penalty card are:

- a. It must be left face up on the table.
- b. It does not have to be played at its first legal opportunity
- c. If the penalty card suit is played the penalty card must be played before any other card 9 or lower.
- d. It is permissible to play or lead a card higher than a 9 before playing the penalty card
- e. It is permissible to play another suit.
- f. Offender's partner is not subject to lead penalties.

## MAJOR PENALTY CARD

A major penalty card is one exposed through deliberate play; a card 10 or higher in rank accidentally exposed or if there are 2 or more minor penalty cards. The basic facts of a major penalty card are:

- a. The card must be left face up on the table
- b. It must be played at its first legal opportunity

There are lead restrictions if offender's partner is on lead. The declarer has the following options:

- a. He may require the lead of the suit of the penalty card. If adopted the penalty card is returned to the offender's hand and he can play any card.
- b. He may prohibit the lead of the suit for as long as offender's partner has the lead. The penalty card is returned to offender's hand.
  - c. He can allow offender's partner to lead anything they want and the penalty card stays on the table to be played at the first legal opportunity. If offender's partner wins the next trick and the penalty card is still on the table the declarer again has the right to require a, b or c above.

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# **NEW RESIDENT MEMBERS SINCE JUNE'S EDITION OF CLUB NEWS:**

Carol Baker	Becky Billups	Kristie Carter	Nancy Casto
Joanna Cavosi	Betty Christy	Bob Cole	Ginna Cole
Becky Cranston	Anne DeYoung	Jan DeYoung	John DeYoung
Darilyn Dolimpio	Susan Fisch	Myra Fischel	Jan Frasier
Pat Gentner	Ernie Germanotta	Anne Marie Gervase	Rina Getz
Susan Gonzalez	Jane Grant	Diane Guffey	Carol Harrison
Sandy Haywood	Bob Hill	Trish Hill	Bobbi Jensen
Helen Landes	Ricardo Landes	Don Lavin	Michael Lindsey
Patricia Major	Kathy McPeak	Marie Nappi	Donna Parks
Ed Parks	Sally Paul	Marcia Poholski	Carol Ried
Gail Roeske	Rich Roeske	Lee Rubinson	Barb Ryburn
Mel Saluck	Jeri Salzman	Mike Sarno	Dave Schofield
Helene Siegel	Harriet Slawetsky	Catherine Stark	Diane Tell
Larry Thomas	Jim Thompson	Bob Vicars	Anna Whipple
Dottie Williams	LaVonne Williams	Rachel Winters	Sharon Zaczek

Welcome to all new resident members!

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# THE VILLAGES MASTERPOINT TOP 20 LEADERS FOR 2014 THROUGH JULY 10

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Patricia Holmes 60.5	George Murray 69.6	Joe Sacco 146.1
John Quinn 43.4	Mary Rowe 54.7	Gladys Mikel 123.6
Janet Dunn 42.8	Mary Ann Kelly 51.9	Ed Schusler 96.1
John Dunn 42.4	Janet Matthews 47.6	Charles Showalter 84.9
Dave Harris 34.9	Chet Eicher 44.5	Donald Baker 69.8
July Flickinger 34.4	David Michaelson 41.3	Jon Williams 67.9
Sandy Ainsworth 33.9	Henry Hood 40.7	Paul Hassett 67.9
Beverly Magnuson 33.4	Carol Alspach 40.7	Jane Helm 66.2
John Kuyper 33.0	Russ Pearly 39.9	Andy Sloan 63.4
Carol Payette 32.5	Mary VanSteelandt 39.9	Colleen Treanor 63.3
Patricia Dullea 30.9	Bob LaBarge 38.3	Buck Buchanan 62.8
Sue Westervelt 30.6	Nancy Detweiler 37.9	Marilyn Williams 60.9
Leon Zaczek 30.2	Michael Lotti 37.9	Ginny Crump 58.6
Sandy Baker 29.5	Sally Jepsen 32.8	Rich Seidman 55.3
Doreen Skok 28.0	Barbara Hamilton 31.9	Lucy Tillman 53.4
Deb Brunoehler 26.8	David Haskell 27.4	Ken Rhodes 52.2
Janet Gawenda 25.6	Michael Mocella 27.3	Dave Hudson 50.3
Margaret Sarno 25.3	Marty Rothbard 27.2	Bev Yankee 44.0
Carol Moseman 24.8	Sandi McNaughton 24.8	Dave Stentz 43.6
Dan Chapin 24.7	Sally Gauthier 24.3	Ruth Srulevitch 42.5

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**

Puns for Educated Minds: The fattest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi. I thought I saw an eye-doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian. She was only a whisky-maker, but he loved her still. A rubber-band pistol was confiscated from an Algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption!

**<u>2014 LIFE ACHIEVEMENTS</u>** (This is on the website but there is a request to list it in the Club News.)

**Junior Master:** Louise Hodgins, Ralph Williams, Jill Kamps, Carol Ketterer, Susan Smith, Bob Matthews, Leslie Nelson, Charles Graham, Forrest Stidmom, Barry Cooperstein, Michael Kamp

**Club Master:** Pat Dullea, Marilyn Gagen, Betty Salter, George Sonnichsen, Julie Kern, Barbara Rice, Frances Rolph, Sara Valentine, Brenda Davis, Maggie Finch, Susanne Rattner, Phyllis Sokol-Wood, Edeline Kalbach, Shelia Naylor, Albert Barrett, Andrew Kelly, Larry Summer

Section Master: Gene Ciccarelli, Dan Chapin, Josephine Dicorpo, Ted Dicorpo, Betty Simshauser, Sue Westervelt, Linda Yochim, Patricia DeAmond, Johanna Hazlett, Gene Ryburn, Chanda Martin, Goentje Wright, Betty Einstman, Audrey Feeney

**Regional Master:** Patricia Holmes, Dolores Mann, Janet Gawenda, Brenda Pollak, Judy Flickinger, Richard Gaskill, Leon Zaczek, Carol Richardson, Margaret Sarno, Carol Moseman

Advanced NABC Master: Kathy McKay, Heinz Jaffe, Mary Van Steelandt

Life Master: Heather Shane, Karen Linder

Bronze Life Master: Doug Worthington, Larry Abramovitz, Chester Eicher

Silver Life Master: Shirley Wigner, Linda Hall, Liana Garing

Gold Life Master: Neil Timm

Diamond Life Master: Sandra Gebhardt

(Please tell the editor if we have omitted anyone.)

Congratulation to all, and a special congrats goes to our new Life Master, <u>Karen Linder</u>, and to our new Silver Life Master, <u>Liana Garing</u>, for achieving Life Master status after a long period of time, and then jumping to Silver Life Master in a very short period of time!

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# BOB KRAUS, THE 100,000-MILE MAN

**Bob Kraus,** who bikes for fun and for the love of it, reached his 100,000 mile mark! Bob moved to The Villages in 2001 and started biking in 2002. Through meticulous record-keeping, he surpassed the 100,000 mark biked in The Villages on June 15. He is a member of The Villages Cycling Club. To put this feat in proper prospective, it is equivalent to biking from The Villages to Los Angeles 40 times, or to competing in the Tour de France nearly 50 times! (A picture and article about his accomplishment appeared in the <u>Daily Sun</u> on July 8.) Congratulations, Bob!

All of the Club players were saddened to hear <u>Dave Hudson</u>'s wife died in Chicago in June. They celebrated their anniversary on June 14, and she died June 16. She told Dave she wanted to be alive on their anniversary day. She had been ill for a very long time.

## THE NEWCOMER/EZ BRIDGE PROGRAM

BY

#### **LEON ZACZEK**

In June Paul Matheson began the 13 week Village Duplicate Bridge Club's Newcomer/ EZ Bridge program. The classes are held Monday at 5:30 PM at the Sea Breeze Regional Recreation Center. There are about 40 participants, equally divided between individuals with party bridge experience and those with little or no previous bridge experience. Paul handles the challenge of teaching this diverse group with his humor and patience.

Each class starts with one hour of basic concepts such as suits, trump, no trump, contract bidding, use of bidding boxes and play of the hand. In the second hour the participants are divided into two sections. Experienced participants play 12 - 15 hands for Master Points and beginners play 6 hands. Paul and his helpers take turns answering questions at each of the beginner's tables. It is amazing to see the progress of those with little experience and the excitement they show week after week. We are all grateful for Paul's time and effort in instructing these classes.

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#### **TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

#### THE VILLAGES SECTIONAL JUNE 6-8

There were 204 Club Players receiving masterpoints during this Sectional, too many to list in this <u>Club News</u> edition. To check on your personal results, go to our website, click on Useful Links, click on Florida Unit 128, click on Tournaments, type the month (June) and click on our Sectional. Click on Masterpoint Winners List. When the list appears, click Control and F at the same time. "Find in page" appears in the left-hand corner. Type in your name and your name will be highlighted including the masterpoints you've earned.

## **TAMPA MEMORIAL DAY REGIONAL MAY 26-JUNE 1**

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Sandra Gebhardt 43.84	John Lahoud 9.19	Alice Lahoud 9.19	Janet Matthews 6.05
David Stentz 6.05	Myron Henry 5.79	Mary Henry 5.79	Paul Matheson 5.25
Henry Hood 5.20	Chet Eicher 5.20	Chares Showalter 4.08	Johanna Hazlett 3.78
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Liana Garing 3.15	Donald Baker 2.97	Jay Greenstone 2.85	Barbara Edelson 2.85
Mary Van Steelandt 2.52	Beverly Magnuson 2.52	Brenda Pollak 2.38	Jane Dulieu 2.34
Carol Meier 2.34	Margaret Sarno 1.77	Carol Payette 1.77	Judy Flickinger 1.60
Sandy Booke 1.50	Mary Ann Kelly 1.50	Loretta Harp 1.50	Alex Booke 1.50
Jann Sharp 1.44	Sandi Mueller 1.44	Sandy Baker 1.38	Marc Rissman 1.38
Sandra Ainsworth 1.17	Sally Jepson 1.17	Jane Helm .95	Philip Wolff .78
Carol Moseman .78	Andrea Wolff .78	John Dunn .64	Janet Dunn .64
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### **JACKSONVILLE REGIONAL JUNE 30-JULY 6**

Karen Linder 15.61	Carl Fried 15.61	Sandra Ainsworth 11.40	Sally Jepsen 11.40
Michaelm Lotti 11.40	Marc Rissman 11.40	Jay Greenstone 3.43	Barbara Edelson 3.43

It has been brought to the editor's attention that **John Dunn** had open -heart surgery at Leesburg Hospital. He had one valve replacement and two by-passes. He also had a pacemaker inserted. He is now in rehab.

Please check the website frequently for schedule changes and announcements.

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