

CLUB NEWS

FOR THE DUPLICATE PLAYERS OF THE VILLAGES

APRIL, 2017

NEWS CLIPS:

From **Neil Timm**: The St. Petersburg Bridge Club issues a very comprehensive newsletter each month. Last month, Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell (one of the top pairs in the world) gave a talk at the St. Pete Club. The Club's February Newsletter has a comprehensive summary of the talk. In addition, there are articles by noted bridge teachers Barbara Seagram and Jerry Helms in the newsletter. Here's a link to the internet posting of the newsletter:

<http://stpetebridgebulletin.org/Feb-2017-2/index.html#p=1>

Marc Rissman had his poem ***To My Elusive Valentine*** in the Poet's Corner of *The Daily Sun* on Sunday, February 5.

The **Colberts** are going on a Caribbean Cruise. **Chris and Walter Peters** are cruising, and **Russ Pearly** is in Hawaii.

Noelie Bertoniere is in rehab at Freedom Point. She will be moving into their assisted living facility.

Margaret Sarno has become a *Club News* reporter to help the Editor and reporters to have more news concerning the 499er players. Margaret may ask another person to help her with this endeavor. Thanks, Margaret.

Congratulations to Rich Seidman and Andy Sloan! In a recent National Tournament in Kansas City, **Rich and Andy** competed in the Lebhar Pairs IMP National event and scored an impressive 28.57 Platinum points. The 2-day event started with a field of 280 pairs. After qualifying in the top half on Day 1, **Rich and Andy** competed on Day 2 and placed 9th overall. We are very proud of their success!

A big "thank you" is extended to all the people who worked on the new Duplicate Bridge Directory. It is a much needed update and it is a fantastic job. The membership appreciates your hard work and dedication.

NEWS CLIPS: (con't)

Check the website for the new educational offerings. On April 6, 13, and 20, there are classes called **Double Trouble** taught by **Sharlene Tyler**. This is a three-week course covering penalty doubles, support doubles, lead-directing doubles, Trap Pass doubles, balancing doubles, and the use of re-doubles. Classes are limited to 25 students. Email Sharlene at Tandemst@gmail.com.

Gatlinburg Gold Points in The Villages, April 17 at Eisenhower. Time: 8:30 to 12:30. \$22 per person for 2 sessions, plus \$3 table fee. Contact **Janet Matthews** at janetmatthewsusa@gmail.com for more information.



If you ever had a bad lie on the golf course, just think of how you would feel when you walk up and find your ball on this gator! Only in The Villages! (submitted by **Mary Ann Kelly**)

Becker's Hospital Review released the 2017 edition of its "150 Top Places to Work in Healthcare" list and Central Florida Health, the parent organization of Leesburg Regional Medical Center and The Villages Regional Hospital, has been recognized. It's the third year Central Florida Health has been listed.

Time for a smile: "A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail."

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Charlie Showalter

The use of timers, or lack of use, at our games keeps coming up. Timers are used at all tournaments and at most clubs, but not here in The Villages. Some players have asked why we do not use timers, and feel it would be beneficial to the players if, when they finish their round, they could see how much time is left before the next round. Sometimes, players have things to do between rounds if there is time, but without a timer, they are left guessing as to how much time they have. The Board is considering this matter, and has decided to give a timer a try at one venue, probably Seabreeze, once we have found a suitable timer. We would like your feedback on this issue, particularly after we have initiated the experimental use at one venue.

The Board has initiated a recognized program to reward players who achieve a higher masterpoint rank. **Carol Ketterer** will be managing this program for the Board. When you advance in rank, you will receive a free play, and this will be announced at a game where you play. We hope you enjoy this recognition and minor reward.

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RANK CHANGES

Because of this new program, the following represents those players who advanced in rank during the month of December, 2016. These names have been uploaded to the "MILESTONE" link on the website for the year 2016.

Junior Master: Roger Geiger, Patricia Power, Kathleen Feikle, Harle Phelps

Sectional Master: Byllye Boardman, Michael Kwiatkowski, Donald Lavin, Joanne Eakin, Jean Fincher, Patricia Wilson

Regional Life Master: Harry Brady, Don Chapin, Audrey Ross

NABC: Donna Brown, Danny Clark

Life Master: **BEVERLY MAGNUSON**

JANUARY 2017 RANK CHANGES (These are listed in the **Milestone** link on the website in a sub folder.)

Junior Master: Bruce Beck, Tedd Houck, Genie Lindsay, Sandra Nolan

Club Master: Dona Black, Pauline Bodwell, Ralph Gingery, Adele Stone

Sectional Master: Ellen Danich

Regional Master: Lawrence Adams, Victoria Adams, Gordon Pheiffer, Barbara Ryburn, Douglas Vene

NABC Master: Joyce Jackson, Sally Jorgensen, Bill Lau, Ellen Miller

Life Master: **MARILYN HUBBARD**

Silver Life Master: **ANN BURKE**

FEBRUARY 2017 RANK CHANGES (These are also listed in a sub folder in the **Milestone** link on the website.)

Junior Master: Diane Guffey, Mary Jane Nelson, Rebecca Riehl, Bob Treanor, William Woodruff

Club Master: Jan Masterson, Lois Venus

Sectional Master: Leroy Antetomaso, Jeffrey Bond, Eric Voss

Regional Master: Louise Hodgins, Gordon Moxley, Eileen Rush

NABC Master: Gloria Bennett, William Brown

Adv. NABC Master: Marge Hassett, Carol Ketterer

Life Master: **MARC RISSMAN, PAT HOLMES**

Bronze Life Master: **EMIEL DOMIS, JANE BECK**

Silver Life Master: **JANET MATTHEWS**

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!!

SERIES GAME WINNERS (February)

The website has the names of Series Game Winners for the month of February. They are listed toward the end of the month for each venue. Go to “Results” –“February” and you will see the names listed for each venue titled Series Game Winners toward the end of the month. At the end of March, you can do the same thing. Continue the same at the end of each subsequent month. Series Winners are listed on page 5 and 6..

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Many of our players did very well in the STaC Unit 128 District 9 games during the week of Feb. 6—12.

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TWO TAILS RANCH (submitted by **Vera Bagley**)

Recently, it was my pleasure to join some bridge friends to visit the *Elephant Reserve* in Williston, FL. The trip was planned by **Shirley Agness**.

(From their brochure)

“Two Tails Ranch was founded in 1984 by Theodore H. Svertesky (1954-1994) and Patricia L. Zerbini. The ranch is the only privately owned elephant facility of its kind. The natural coast of Florida is a prime location for elephants. The climate is almost identical to their native countries. The location of the ranch is surrounded by green grass, live oaks and natural wildlife. It is a very peaceful environment that both animals and guests can enjoy. The ranch was built to board both Asian and African elephants needing temporary or permanent housing, regardless of health or dispositions. Over 250 elephants have passed through the gates of the ranch for a variety of reasons. Some stayed temporarily while their own exhibits were being remodeled or built. Others stayed for retirement, medical needs, behavior problems or even in emergencies after hurricanes destroyed their zoos.

In 2008 Patricia Zerbini decided to start educational programs for private sectors and professionals to learn about elephants. As a result, **All About Elephants, Inc.** was created.

In private guided tours you will learn and interact with elephants like nowhere else. Our ranch is also home to our Grant Zebras Piere and Tache, African Spurthighed Tortoises Bert and Ernie, Red Foot Tortoises Daisy and Rosy, Ostrich Katherine, Emu Peepers, Camel Louie.”

Vera writes: We had a very interesting talk by the present owner of the reserve. Patricia Zerbini inherited these elephants, which were her dad’s and grandfather’s passion. It has been a full-time job for her to feed and care for them since she was 7 years old. Her two children and brother is the only help she gets. Since the animals need an enormous amount of food; she has developed learning programs in schools and opened tours for the public, in which she sells \$20 tickets for their visits. For \$5 you can feed carrots to an elephant. **Shirley** did this, and was amazed at how fast they ate. She gets no funds from State or Government. But since she is so passionate about making it possible for the next generations to see them, she takes in any sick ones, behavior ones, or homeless. She shared the fact that when volunteers came in they were of no help since they were too slow, and she had to stay with them. Patricia loves the animals like her own children, has no favorites, just loves all. During the past years, she has housed and cared for as many as 300. The tour included watching an elephant paint a picture. A whole canvas was covered with many different colors. They know how to recognize colors. Afterwards, the canvas is cut into 4 pieces, and sold for \$50 each. Also, for \$25 you can have your picture taken with an elephant. Also, you can ride on an elephant for \$40. **Pat Holmes** was the only brave soul to ride, or was richer for the experience.

On the trip back home, we dined at the Ivy House. Those pictured in our picture are: Dolores Mann, Barb Hincken, Carol Schwarzmenn, Jo Van Blarcom, Pat Holmes, Shirley Agness, and yours truly, Vera Bagley. Among the others attending the ranch were: Ron and Debbie Hutchinson and Jack and Lynne Fisher.



Everyone enjoyed the day!

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Most Points Earned in ACBL Events In 2017

Sandra Gebhardt	286.01	Pamela Powell	69.28	Eileen Anne McClelland	52.43
Lee Esworthy	264.27	Ron Cooper	68.33	Ed Schusler	50.21
Ethel Levine	173.3	Dave Winer	68.2	Alex Birman	48.54
Bob Basch	140.71	Janet Matthews	68.16	Kathy McKay	48.23
Judy Basch	139.45	Jon Williams	67.44	Lucy Tillman	47.79
Paul Hassett	111.95	Charles Showalter	63.93	Dean Robinson	45.59
Doreen Skok	100.02	Buck Buchanan	63.19	Carol Ketterer	45.39
Kay Esworthy	87.73	Gigi Letendre	61.43	Karen Whelan	44.99
Lynne Fisher	84.88	Colleen Treanor	59.41	Alan Millman	44.59
Jeff Koltenuk	84.5	Barb Jones	58.45	Susan Konig	44.1
Barry Erlich	82.89	Ray Jones	58.17	Bob Whelan	43.33
Jack Fisher	82.32	Rebecca Cooper	56.47	Dave Stentz	43.09
Gladys Mikel	78.57	Marguerite Hassett	55.99	Jim Young	43.02
Linda Evans	75.08	Dave Hudson	54.47	Judith Passerini	40.86
Russ Pearly	72.15	Beverly Parrish	54.03	Arcot Suresh	40.47
Joe Sacco	69.38	Jack Franklin	52.95	Marilyn Williams	38.23
		Frances Gina Doss	52.49	Louise Hodgins	37.61

NEW 2017 RESIDENT MEMBERS

Donald Coker	Michele Taylor	Sue Williams	Jill Fleming	Patti Carpenter
George Burr	Andrea Wanty	Cathy Cook	Dixie Johnson	Sue Freshwater
Tim Pederson	Patty Lessard	Camile Hannas	David Hannas	

Puns for the Educated Mind: "I thought I saw a Russian eye-doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an Optical Aleutian." "Two hydrogen atoms meet. One says, "I've lost my electron." The other says, "Are you sure?" The first replies, "Yes, I'm positive."

Club Points earned in 2017

Over 1,000 Mps

300 -1,000 Mps

Under 300 Mps

Jeff	Koltenuk	71.75	Lynn	Patterson	33.05	Danny	Clark	24.18
Gladys	Mikel	70.99	Dave	Harris	30.89	Joseph	Ogi	22.92
Joe	Sacco	69.5	Mary Ann	Kelly	28.14	Guy	Carlson	22.45
Charles	Showalter	61.08	Kathy	McKay	27.33	Larry	Sumner	21.31
Buck	Buchanan	54.18	Caroline	Davies	21.45	Victoria	Adams	19.78
Colleen	Treanor	53.31	David	Michaelson	20.9	Lawrence	Adams	19.78
Dave	Hudson	52.13	Patricia	Holmes	20.11	Ralph	Rosenfeld	19.74
Russ	Pearly	47.22	Carol	Alspach	19.15	Ron	Cooper	17.48
Jon	Williams	46.83	Henry	Hood	18.88	Joyce	Jackson	16.27
Ed	Schusler	46.42	Margaret	Sarno	18.3	Doug	Smith	15.54
Paul	Hassett	45.73	Doris	Reeves	18.09	Harry	Brady	15.3
Beverly	Parrish	43.87	Ron	Hutchinson	17.3	Bob	Martin	15.22
Lucy	Tillman	42.17	Bob	Basch	16.49	Bob	Vicars	14.59
Frances Gina	Doss	42.1	Judy	Basch	16.49	Maryann	Deroche	14.39
Susan	Konig	38.76	Larry	Abramovitz	15.81	Robert	Tolpa	14.39
Barb	Jones	35.1	Brenda	Pettit	15.38	Rebecca	Cooper	13.87
Ray	Jones	35.1	Jackie	White	14.88	Nancy	Rosenfeld	13.8
Marilyn	Williams	34.12	John T	Quinn	14.53	Myron	Henry	13.22
Janet	Matthews	33.36	Michael	Mocella	13.99	Don	Schreifels	13.15
Sandra	Gebhardt	29.18	Carol	Payette	13.83	Maury	Fjestad	12.93

SERIES GAME WINNERS

Tuesday Feb. 28 Open

Gladys Mikel 2.00
Lee Esworthy 1.50
Kay Esworthy 1.13

Tuesday Feb. 28 Eisenhower

Danny Clark 2.00
Dave Harris 1.50
Judy Basch .99

Monday Feb. 27 1 pm Open

Colleen Treanor 2.00
Charles Showalter 1.32
Dave Hudson .84

Feb. 27 1 pm 299er

Joseph Ogi 1.75
Larry Sumner 1.75
Elaine Birgin .99
Myron Henry .99

Feb.27 Monday 6:30 Open

Alina Grier 1.75
Jack Grier 1.75
John Stansbury 1.13
Buck Buchanan .84

Feb. 27 Monday Newcomers

Jim Young 2.00
Bill Drinkwater 1.50
Kathy Drinkwater .99
Lou Holter .99

Feb. 25 Saturday Miona

Dianne Slater 1.75
James Slater 1.75
Larry Sumner 1.13
Dave Winer .74
Raymond Artura .74

Feb 25 Saturday Colony

Colleen Treanor 2.00
Jeff Koltenuk 1.50
Ginny Crump 1.13
Beverly Parrish .84

Feb 24 Friday 1 pm

Buck Buchanan 2.00
Janet Matthews 1.50
Joe Sacco 1.13
Dave Hudson .84

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Feb. 24 Fri. 6:30 pm
 Charles Showalter 1.38
 Gladys Mikel 1.04
 Elaine Dreidame .68
 Joanne McClellan .68

Feb. 23 Thursday 1pm
 Gladys Mikel 2.00
 Colleen Treanor 1.30
 Joe Sacco 1.32
 Babs Fischer .74
 Ken Rhodes .74

Feb. 23 Thursday 9 am
 Lynn Patterson 1.42
 Susan Konig 1.42
 Murray Tanzman .80
 Sue Rattner .80

Feb. 23 Thursday 99er
 Nancy Rosenfeld 1.75
 Ralph Rosenfeld 1.75
 Diane Backstrom .99
 Lois Venus .99

Feb. 22 Wednesday Miona
 Guy Carlson 2.00
 Dave Harris 1.50
 Dave Winer 1.13
 Raymond Artura .84

Feb. 22 Wednesday 6:30
 Paul Hassett
 Jon Williams 1.50
 Sandra Gebhardt 1.13
 Alina Grier .74
 Jack Grier .74

Feb. 22 Wednesday Mulberry
 Ed Schusler 2.00
 Jeff Koltenuk 1.50
 Russ Pearly 1.13
 Dave Hudson .84

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

SARASOTA SECTIONAL JAN 20—22

Leslie Nelson .93

DESTIN REGIONAL (SANDESTIN REGIONAL) JAN. 23-29

6.20 Kathy McKay	6.20 John Quinn	4.65 Margaret Sarno	4.65 Carol Payette
3.49 Michael Peleck	3.49 Jane Rowe	2.76 Nancy Brickley	2.07 Lynn Patterson
2.07 Barry Dexter	1.92 Joyce Jackson	1.92 Bettyjane Chiota	1.72 Eric Voss
1.72 Michael Kwiatkowski	1.65 David Harris	1.65 Danny Clark	1.53 Sandra Ainsworth
1.53 Michael Lotti	1.07 Kristie Carter	1.07 Kathy Brick	1.07 Carma Sands
1.07 Brenda Davis	.92 George Guarino	.92 Bob Matthews	.85 Kathleen Feikle
.85 Elaine Johnston	.77 Claire Desjariais		

DAYTONA BEACH SECTIONAL JAN 26—29

3.60 Ed Schusler .44 Nancy Turner .44 Gail Singer

PINELLAS PARK SECTIONAL (ST. PETE MARGRET SECTIONAL) JAN. 27—29

1.88 Maury Fjestad 1.88 Douglas Vene

EASTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE FORT LAUDERDALE JAN 29—FEB 5

39.97 Paul Hassett	39.97 Marge Hassett	19.78 Marilyn Hubbard	19.78 Carol Ketterer
17.74 Carole Jackson	17.74 Bob Armstrong	16.96 Jane Rowe	16.96 Gloria Bennett
12.16 Roger Flickinger	12.16 Judy Flickinger		

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DIRECTOR'S CORNER

One of the most common and confusing rules in duplicate bridge is how many tricks a non-offending side is due after a revoke. Laws 61 – 64 deals with this issue.

A revoke, commonly called a renege, occurs when a player mistakenly does not follow play a card in the suit led and they have a card of the suit. If a defender does not follow suit the declarer or the player's partner can ask the player if in fact they cannot follow suit. If the declarer does not follow suit either defender or the dummy can ask the declarer if they have any cards in the suit. Dummy cannot ask a defender.

A revoke is established when offender or partner plays or designates a card to be played to the following trick or if a claim is made or accepted by the offending side Law 63). Once the revoke has been established it cannot be corrected.

However if the misplay is discovered before the revoke is established the offending player must play a card in the suit led. A non-offending player can withdraw without penalty a card played after the revoke but before the revoke was corrected. An offending player's partner can withdraw their card but if they do that card becomes a major penalty card. If the revoke was committed by a defender, the card played becomes a major penalty card. If declarer or dummy was the offender the card is returned to the hand without further penalty. A revoke cannot occur on the 12th trick. The card must be corrected even if the revoke is established.

After a revoke has been established (Law 64). At one time there was an automatic 2 trick penalty awarded to the non- offending side. That rule has been changed. The existing rule is:

1. 2 tricks are awarded to the non-offending side if the trick on which the revoke occurred was won by the offending player and the offending side also won other tricks after the revoke
2. 1 trick is awarded to the non-offending side if the offending player did not win the trick on which the revoke occurred but the offending side subsequently won additional tricks.

There is no rectification if the offending side did not win any other tricks; there is a subsequent revoke of the same suit; or if both sides revoke on the same trick. However Law 64 C allows the director to make an adjusted score if the usual remedies do not create an equitable result. The laws specifically state that there is no “...two trick penalty if the offender later wins a trick with a card he could have played on the revoke trick.” This addendum sometimes leads to an unjust decision but the law dictates that the director cannot alter this rule.

(SUBMITTED BY **PAUL MATHESON**)

TOURNAMENT RESULTS (CON'T)

MANATEE REGIONAL PALMETTO, FL FEB. 13—19

125.02 Sandra Gebhardt	13.60 Marc Rissman	13.60 Emiel Domis	13.60 Alex Birman
13.27 Eric Voss	13.27 Michael Kwiatkowski	11.32 Kathy McKay	9.83 Janet Newman
9.83 Gene Newman	9.65 Russ Pearly	9.65 Paul Hassett	8.66 Janet Matthews
8.66 Beverly Parrish	6.50 John Quinn	6.45 Patricia Holmes	6.45 Carol Payette
6.17 Robert Ellis	4.98 Margaret Sarno	4.98 Goentje Wright	4.15 Robert Vicars
4.15 Carol Ketterer	3.33 Roger Flickinger	3.30 Jane Rowe	3.30 Gloria Bennett
3.12 Susan Konig	2.78 William Brown	2.78 Donna Brown	2.44 Gail Singer
2.44 Carma Sands	2.36 Colleen Treanor	2.21 Nancy Jaffe	2.21 John Kuyper
2.12 Nicholas Pund	2.12 Kelley Dryden	1.49 Michael Vales	1.49 John Jencks
1.34 Laurie Igiel	1.21 Glen Ryburn	1.21 Barbara Ryburn	.59 Shelia Naylor
.59 Bill Lau	.51 Carol Richardson	.51 Brenda Davis	

ORLANDO SECTIONAL FEB 24—26

4.47 Margaret Sarno	2.27 Joyce Jackson	4.17 Jon Williams	4.17 Jeff Koltenuk
1.49 Marilyn Williams	.62 Maury Fjestad	.62 Douglas Vene	.42 Gloria Bennett
.42 Carol Ketterer			

GAINSVILLE SECTIONAL MARCH 3—5

7.39 Russ Pearly	7.39 Janet Matthews	3.68 Maury Fjestad	2.53 Jan Masterson
2.37 Marilyn Gagen	1.99 Louise Hodgins	1.99 Kristie Carter	1.66 Susan Krier
1.66 Byllye Boardman	1.61 Richard Ried	1.54 Gail Singer	1.45 Sherrie Schaefer
1.45 Ann Kuhlmeier	1.35 John Carlson	1.21 Nancy Turner	1.15 Douglas Vene
.90 Ruth Srulovitch	.90 Judy Ventura	.90 Millie Vibbard	.90 Beverly Yankee
.77 Joseph Ogi	.77 Douglas Smith	.75 Terry Oleske	.75 Jonathan Greenspan
.42 Lee Ned	.42 Judy Flickinger	.33 Carma Sands	.30 Susanne Rattner
.30 Phyllis Sokol-Wood			

ST AUGUSTINE SECTIONAL MARCH 17—19

1.79 Steve Macheel	1.79 Andrea Macheel
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The editor finished reading the book “**Spirit Matters**” written by our own **Judy Flickinger**. It is a very insightful, well-written book explaining what Hospice does for the sick and for family members. You may not know everything Hospice does for people. It’s a very educational book and I recommend it for everyone to read.

The reporters are: Mary Ann Kelly, Leon Zaczek, Henry Hood and Margaret Sarno. The editor is: Pat Poitinger

We extend to all a Happy and Blessed Easter Season filled with love, joy, and peace, and a Blessed Pesach (Passover).