



CLUB NEWS

FOR THE DUPLICATE PLAYERS OF THE VILLAGES

FEBRUARY, 2018

NEWS CLIPS:

Congratulations to **Donna Brown** and **Gordon Pfeiffer**, our two new Board Members.

Prison Ministry: **Marilyn Hubbard** and her husband, **John**, spend each Christmas morning with their pastor at Sumter Correctional, a large state prison located south of Bushnell. John goes weekly to facilitate a Bible Study, Marilyn goes along at Christmas. Marilyn writes: "It is a very special time as the inmates who attend the service in the chapel do not have any Christmas visitors. As prisoners are not allowed to do two things in one day, we know that the men who attend have either been forgotten by families or are too far away for families to visit. Prison is a very lonely place. The men are always very grateful that we come. We are their Christmas visitors. Our pastor, Tom Ash of New Song Church, leads them in a short Christmas service. After the service, inmates are given the opportunity to share about their lives. This is often very sad but surprisingly many express a joy of being out of an uncontrolled life. Many of these prisoners are serving life sentences. Rehabilitation is rare in prison and many have been released only to be returned for more serious crimes. Almost all crime is related to drugs. The state of Florida is one of the most incarcerated states. The opportunity to become involved is available through organizations such as Kairos of REC/ Residents Encounter Christ. As in all service projects, we always take more away than we bring. It fills our hearts with thankfulness as we walk out of the gates and embrace our freedom in a new and joyful way."

Katy Berman, Sue Frisch, and Mary Jo Johnson all celebrated their 75th birthdays in January!

Dean Robinson decided to retire from his years of being a very dedicated and competent Director. We will all miss his director expertise.

NEWS CLIPS: (con't)

January 6 was a red-letter day for Village bridge players. It marked the return to the bridge club of **Henry Hood** after a six-month absence. Henry left the Villages in early June for medical treatment in New Jersey, but his illness took a serious turn in the North. He developed a serious lung infection necessitating an operation at Temple University Hospital. He spent five weeks in the hospital followed by a long convalescence at his home in New Jersey. In December, Henry and his wife, Pat, felt it was safe to return to The Villages.

Henry's stay in New Jersey was not uneventful. He celebrated his 80th birthday in August, and **Alex and Sandy Booke** were there to celebrate with him. He also achieved Silver Life Master status.



Congratulations to **Jane Hudson and Jon Williams** for becoming Gold Life Masters. **Margaret Sarno** became a Life Master during the 499er Sectional, and **Gloria Bennett** became a Life Master following the 499er Sectional.

At an Optometrist's Office: "If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."

Ludwig Family Have a lot to Celebrate in December

December is a special month for **Bev Ludwig** and her husband Herb. This past December 8 was Bev's 90th birthday, and December 27 was their seventieth anniversary. The Village Sun had a long article about the Ludwigs and some of their achievements. **Bev** won a national downhill racing event at age 75, and continued skiing until she turned 80. She still plays duplicate several times a week, along with golf and exercise classes at the gym. We hope she is still playing bridge in 2027!



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Village bridge players were pleasantly surprised to see a photo of **Director Bev Magnuson** on the front page of the December 6 issue of The Village Sun. The occasion was an article extolling the fact that the Village Duplicate Bridge Club has risen to become the second largest of the 2,844 clubs registered with the American Contract Bridge Club.

Club members have played more than 13,000 tables of bridge in 2017, according to outgoing President, Charles Showalter. This is 2,000 more tables than Jourdan's Bridge Club in Delray Beach, the second largest club in Florida. The only bridge club that played more tables is in New York City.

Charlie Showalter attributed this rapid growth to the growth of The Villages, plus an active educational program for Villagers who want to learn how to play duplicate bridge.



Bruce Thirer's final day as Director before departing for several months in Colombia was December 7. Bruce feted the occasion at Mulberry by holding a pre-game party. He served refreshments, and additional refreshments were provided by a number of young ladies. Joanne McClellan led the bridge players in Christmas carols beforehand. Pictured with Bruce are two of The Villages top female bridge players **Laura Lee Testroet** and **Ruth McCann**.

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MY BELOVED RON

I want to thank so many of the bridge players for their condolences and sympathy cards with the passing of my beloved Ron. He loved the game of bridge, and he loved life until his illnesses overtook him. He will surely be missed by many, especially me. It is a tragic time for me and for our families. **Pat**



Part of Pat's family



Part of Ron's family

Pat and 3 of her children.



It is our belief that Ron no longer has pain, and he is in Heaven with Our Lord.

THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

By

RICK GAUTHIER

As 2018 begins I understand that we are poised to be noted as the second largest bridge club in the country! Our biggest challenge is to continue to produce valid results with 19 games per week in the face of the problems delivered by capacity games, late arrivals, incorrect scores entered, computer issues and Bridgemate malfunctions. Unfortunately, as in most things in life, there are only a few ways to do things right and an infinite number of ways to screw it up! To further complicate matters, our laws and book "Laws of Duplicate Bridge" contain the most extensive changes since the original revision in 1933.

The last issue is made complicated by the fact that the above-mentioned book is written in legalese that is often difficult to decipher. Many of our Directors prefer Duplicate Decisions (herein referred to as DD) to help us in our rulings as it clarifies a lot of laws for us, but alas, the ACBL did not see fit to have that prepared in time to go with new Laws of Duplicate Bridge and it will not be available until sometime later this year. The introduction to DD states "Duplicate Decisions is a version of the official Laws of Duplicate Bridge written in everyday English. Its purpose is to help club directors understand the Laws and make good rulings. This book can be used at the club level in place of the official law book." Two things to get out of that—they agree that the regular Law book is not written "in everyday English" and we don't yet have the book that "helps us make good rulings"!

In addition, there are things spelled out in DD that are surprisingly not in the Law Book. For example: Law 18 in the rule book entitled "Bids" has subsets a-f which all describe some mundane facts about bids such as 18c in which reads "A bid that supersedes the last preceding bid is a sufficient bid". That's nice but it doesn't spell out what constitutes "a bid" like DD does: "...When using bid boxes, a call is considered made when a bid (or a card designating a call) has been held face up, touching or nearly touching the table, or maintained in such a position as to indicate it has been played. If a call is withdrawn from the box but not "played", treat it as unauthorized information under Law 16..." Now that is useful information that I often employ at the bridge table....why can't I find that in the Law Book? Theoretically we shouldn't be using the outdated DD but descriptions like that make the job easier.

Here's another example of the perplexing arrangement of the Law Book that I encountered recently trying to make a sound ruling. The auction proceeded something like: P, 2S, 2H (insufficient), P, P, P. Now, obviously the insufficient 2H was accepted, but the players at the table wanted to know what the contract was: 2S (the superior bid) or 2H (the last bid)? I knew from memory that the 2H (last bid) was the contract but I would have liked to have been able to quote the law.

In the Law Book I looked under Law 27 "insufficient Bid" to no avail. I then looked under Law 17 "The Auction Period" and 17d "End of Auction Period" also finding no reference. Frustrated, I called Jon Williams and he later referred me to Law 22 "End of Auction"! In all fairness Law 17d does refer to Law 22, but I didn't expect that there would be an "End of Auction" that would be five chapters after "End of Auction Period".

Anyway, Law 22a specifically says "The last bid becomes the contract."

My point by these examples is the challenge that Directors face in providing accurate rulings when the Law Book does not cover some things, is difficult to decipher on other things and now to further handicap us we do have not have an updated Duplicate Decisions available. There are 93 laws in the Laws of Duplicate Bridge with many laws referring us to yet other laws and subsets of laws. We will continue to research and collaborate on the nuances of these laws in order to cement our understanding of them to provide you a better game.

To this end we have Part One of a review of some of the new laws by Colin Graham-Hyde on our website. Colin recently conducted a very valuable workshop for your Directors in reference to the new laws. Next month we will post another section of the review and hope to have another workshop for ourselves.

Now that I've said all that I would like to say, that though we may have one or two new Directors coming on board soon, if anyone else is interested in becoming a Director, please contact me.

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RECORDER ARTICLE

BY

RUSS PEARLY

I grew up in Roslyn, NY, a small town on Long Island that has a very large bridge playing population. One day, my mother, who was one of the top woman bridge players in the US, decided that it was time to teach her kids how to play bridge. I was only 8 years old and would rather play baseball or basketball than learn how to play bridge, but being only 8 years old, I didn't get a vote and the lessons went on for months. It was torture. To this day, I never understood why my brothers (both older than me) went along with this insanity. Anyway, as the bridge lessons continued, I started to understand what my parents were fighting about every time they came home from an evening of bridge. It turned out that their weekly rants were just a microcosm of real life which is reflected in my successful marriage of 40+ years—the woman is always right.

The bridge lessons continued on and off for a number of years until I played in my first club game with one of my brothers at about age 14. I think that we came in 40th out of 10 tables. Not bad for the first time. We played once or twice a month and eventually started racking in the points. .03, .06, .12 were carefully written out on a little piece of paper. I asked my mother what do I do with these little pieces of paper. She told me to save them up and when you have 4 or 5 points, send them into the ACBL office to be recorded. I said to my brother that this was great: all we had to do was play another 3000 times over the next 80 years and we could be life masters like mom and dad. I was hooked.

My bridge career had its ups and downs over the next few years but I somehow managed to become a life master about 60 years earlier than expected. Not sure how that happened but playing occasionally with my mother didn't hurt any. I also played with a guy named Robert Levin on occasion. Not sure how but he somehow managed to collect about 40,000 more points than me over the last 45 years. When I went away to college at a little school in Troy, NY called Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI), my bridge playing accelerated tremendously. They had one of the largest bridge clubs of any college in the country; we had 20—30 tables at each of our Sunday night games. My first year there, I played in a national collegiate tournament where my partner Mike and I finished 2nd in the country out of a few thousand pairs. Our reward was to be teammates with the pair that finished first in the world outside of the US.

My bridge career moved along slowly as I worked (as a caddymaster or director) more than I played. I spent the summer after I graduated college in Southern California. One day a cousin of mine who lived outside of LA called and asked if I wanted to play in a swiss team event in a local sectional tournament. I said OK as I wasn't playing much bridge over that summer. Anyway, when I got to the tournament, it turns out that my cousin and his partner were half of the team and the other half consisted of myself and Paul Soloway. Paul agreed to play with me because he said that if I were half as good as my mother, we could win the event. There were 100+ teams in the event. We played 8 matches on a 20 victory point scale. We ended up with 150 victory points out of a possible 160 and actually could have won the event without playing the last match. Playing with a player of Paul's stature was exciting – he was so good. I kept wondering how at trick 3, he knew almost every card in everyone's hand. He was amazing.

When I got back from California that summer, I started on one of the scarier endeavors of my life; I got a job. I worked for one of the largest insurance companies in the country as an actuarial student. That didn't last long as I soon figured out that you had to study to pass those exams. It wasn't like being in high school or college. The solution to my studying issue was to move into the IT department where I remained until I retired in 2012 after 38 years.

On March 6, 1976, I went to a cousin's wedding where my cousin's mother introduced me to a nice young girl named Adele who also played bridge. Having an inquiring mind, I asked her about her bridge expertise. She told me that an ace was worth 4 points, a king was worth 3 points, a queen was worth 2 points and a jack was worth 1 point. I couldn't resist. It was love at first sight. We started dating a week later and were married on March 6, 1977 exactly a

year from the day we met. If only bridge was that simple. To this day, we have never played bridge together (which is probably a good thing) but have successfully raised two children during our 40 years of marriage.

When we both retired in 2012, we knew that we wanted to relocate to a warmer environment than Easton, Pennsylvania where we had lived over the past 34 years. We looked at ten 55+ communities throughout Florida and when we got to The Villages, we both knew that this was the place for us. We were looking for a community with a multitude of activities and The Villages was it. My first year here, I played much more pickleball than bridge. That started to change as I began having some back issues. In the beginning of 2017, I was appointed recorder for The Villages Bridge Club. This position exists in many bridge organizations throughout the country. The post exists mainly to handle conduct or ethical issues that occur in our bridge community. Players are encouraged to fill out player memos when an issue involving conduct or ethics occurs.

The major responsibilities of the recorder are as follows:

- receive, investigate, evaluate and track player memos
- maintain records of all player memos including investigation and resolution
- impartially presents evidence of a conduct or ethics issue to a disciplinary committee and/or Board of Directors
- notifies the ACBL Manager of Club and Member Services of Board disciplinary actions as required by ACBL rules.

I have found that the biggest problem with the recorder position is that players for whatever reason do not always fill out player memos when they witness an issue that should be brought to the recorder's attention. A problem cannot be fixed if we aren't informed about it so don't be shy. If you witness an issue that should be brought to the recorder's attention, please fill out a player memo and give it to the recorder. You can ask any director at any game for a player memo (they can print one off for you) or you can print one off yourself – see the bottom left hand corner of the bridge club's website. If you have any questions, please come see me or give me a call.

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A NEWLY CROWNED BRIDGE HEROINE: Many bridge players never join the ACBL and some join the ACBL but don't give much thought to becoming a Life Master. Such was the case for our heroine...**Mary Rowe**. Mary played for years earning points but not really caring. Then after moving to The Villages, Mary became an avid daily player. But, she wasn't so keen on those tournaments and those colored points were elusive. Eventually she quickly got all of her black points and even her required gold and silver points but the tournament anxiety kept getting in the way of preventing her from earning the *total* required "red/gold" Points to earn the title....Life Master.

Recently ACBL started expanding the way players can earn red/gold points and Mary began to compete in the "In Local Club" computer tablet and special challenge games. She was inching closer and closer to her goal. Her daily game winning had brought her total masterpoints to 800+ but she still needed .55 red/gold points to qualify as a 300 point Life Master! That's correct only "point .55" points! But now an old recurring cancer had raised its ugly head in Mary's life and tournament travel was just not possible. She missed the opportunity to compete in the Daytona Regional in 2017. And, it was looking "iffy" for Orlando 2018, but Mary rose to the challenge!

Mary, her partner Sharlene Tyler and good friends, Vikie and Lawrence Adams, pulled together a team for the January 1, 2018 Open Knockout event. Despite a rocky first half of the match where the competing teams tied, they were down 5.24 points because the field was handicapped and they had to give points! But they pulled together a great second half to solidly win the 1st round and earned 1.20 red points. Emotions surged taking with them all of the remaining strength that Mary had managed to muster. So, they called it a day and took their friend...and new **BRONZE LIFE MASTER** home to relish the moment of achieving her goal! Congratulations to **Mary**! (submitted by Sharlene Tyler)

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The **Annual Meeting** of the VDBC will be held on Sunday, Feb. 25, 2018 at 1:30 pm at SeaBreeze Recreation Center. All are welcomed to attend. The newly elected Board will set the agenda at their January meeting.

Series Game Masterpoint Winners, Oct-Dec, 2017**Monday, 1PM, 299ers**

Doug Smith	3.20
Don Schreifels	2.40
Bob Martin	1.58
George Guarino	1.58
Phyllis Sokol-Wood	1.01
Don Coker	0.76

Monday, 1PM, Open

Al Simpson	3.20
Ed Schuster	2.40
Bev Parrish	1.80
Coleen Treanor	1.35
Jon Williams	0.89
Marilyn Williams	0.89

Monday Evening, Open

Russ Pearly	3.20
Charles Showalter	2.10
Rich Seidman	2.10
Joel Caplin	1.35
Jeff Koltenuk	1.01
Bev Parrish	0.76

Mon, 6:30PM, 99ers

Doug Wylie	2.80
Jean Wylie	2.80
Jim Strazzere	1.58
Ken Baierle	1.58
Dixie Bourke	1.01

Tues, 1PM, Open

Bev Parrish	3.20
Rich Seidman	2.40
Joe Sacco	1.80
Ed Schusler	1.35
Russ Pearly	1.01

Tues, 1PM, 750ers

Nancy Rosenfeld	2.80
Ralph Rosenfeld	2.80
Gary Segal	1.80
Eric Von Colditz	1.18
Judy Von Colditz	1.15

Wed Morn

Len Hieronymus	1.04
Susan Kelly	1.04
Joan Jordan	0.67
Bob Droney	0.50
Nancy Hansel	0.38
Jim Ewald	0.28

Wed 1PM, Open

Jeff Koltenuk	3.20
Ed Schusler	2.40
Bev Parrish	1.58
Russ Pearly	1.58
Gladys Mikel	0.89
Joe Sacco	0.83

Wed PM, limited

Doug Smith	3.20
Bob Vicars	2.40
Gary Bowron	1.58
Harry Brady	1.58
Ralph Rosenfeld	1.01
Donna Brown	0.76

Wed Eve

Charles Showalter	3.16
Paul Hassett	2.37
Paul Matheson	1.78
Dave Hudson	1.33
Russ Pearly	1.00

Thursday Morn

Paul Matheson	2.25
Eric Von Colditz	1.48
Judy Von Colditz	1.48
Sheila Goad	0.95
Susan Konig	0.71

Thur Aft, Open

Ed Schusler	3.20
Dave Hudson	2.40
Russ Pearly	1.80
George Murray	1.35
Al Simpson	1.01
Jeff Koltenuk	0.76

Thurs 99 Eve

Pat Wilson	3.20
Coleen Larson	1.64
Jean Fincher	1.64
Lennie Ruyan	1.64
Steve Larson	1.64

Fri Morn, Open

Russ Pearly	3.20
Jon Williams	2.10
Marilyn Williams	2.10
Paul Matheson	1.35
Larry Abramovitz	1.01
Paul Hassett	0.76

Fri Morn, limited

Eric Von Colditz	2.80
Judy Von Colditz	2.80
Doug Smith	1.58
Joe Ogi	1.58
Don Schreifels	1.01

Fri PM Eisen, Open

Al Simpson	2.90
Ed Schusler	2.18
Dave Hudson	1.63
Russ Pearly	1.22
Jean Gaaskjolen	0.81
Merle Gaaskjolen	0.81

Fri Eve, Newcomer

George Mast	2.64
Susan Mast	2.64
Diane Guffey	1.69
Shirley Bond	1.27
Barb Nelson	0.95
Judy Barr	0.71

Fri Eve, Open

Charles Showalter	3.01
Paul Hassett	2.26
Andrea Macheel	1.48
Steve Macheel	1.48
David Morse	0.95

Sat PM, Open

Joe Sacco	3.20
Paul Hassett	2.26
Gladys Mikel	1.80
Jack Smith	1.35
Dave Hudson	1.01

Sat PM, 750,

Joe Ogi	3.20
Bob Vicars	2.64
Donna Brown	1.80
Bob Martin	1.35
Harry Brady	1.01
Bill Lau	0.76

CLUB MASTER POINTS EARNED IN 2017

OVER 1,000 MASTER POINTS			500 – 999 MASTER POINTS			UNDER 500 MASTER POINTS		
Charles	Showalter	414.12	Pamela	Powell	109.37	Victoria	Adams	91.79
Jeff	Koltenuk	397.46	Alex	Birman	101.85	Lawrence	Adams	90.09
Joe	Sacco	315.74	Margaret	Sarno	100.92	Doug	Smith	89.39
Paul	Hassett	292.05	Karen	Pekkanen	95.45	Joseph	Ogi	87.93
Dave	Hudson	279.15	Mary	Rowe	94.84	Ralph	Rosenfeld	85.4
Jon	Williams	278.95	Patricia	Holmes	93.39	Mike	Kwiatkowski	82.48
Frances	Doss	267.11	Caroline	Davies	88.38	Harry	Brady	82.48
Gina								
Russ	Pearly	261.81	Michael	Lotti	80.04	Bob	Vicars	82.25
Rich	Seidman	260.81	David	Michaelson	78.2	Harry	Freedman	82.03
Gladys	Mikel	258.95	Ruth	McCann	78.02	Don	Schreifels	77.51
Buck	Buchanan	237.25	Larry	Abramovitz	77.6	Gordon	Pfeiffer	71.35
Andy	Sloan	210.45	Sandy	Ainsworth	75.82	Nancy	Rosenfeld	68.87
Janet	Matthews	207.28	Leon	Zaczek	75.51	John	Blackwell	67.27
Ed	Schusler	204.73	Doris	Reeves	75.18	George	Mast	65.63
Beverly	Parrish	169.56	Ron	Hutchinson	69.05	Jack	Franklin	65.15
Jane	Hudson	165.87	Bonnie	Overson	68.19	Susan	Mast	64.23
Alex	Booke	164.17	Sally	Gauthier	67.97	Joe	Bosch	61.89
Sandy	Booke	158.14	Janine	LeBlond	57.27	Dave	Harris	56.73
Marilyn	Williams	157.21	Kathy	Berman	57.15	Bob	Martin	56.08
Dave	Stentz	153.48	Jane	Dulieu	55.71	Brenda	Davis	53.92

NOTE: BLACK POINTS ONLY – DOES NOT INCLUDE SILVER OR RED POINTS FROM SPECIAL GAMES

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Please check our website for educational courses/programs being offered. Among other programs, a New To Bridge Course is being offered.

Sharlene Tyler is the Assistant Director of Education—assisting **Bob Matthews** while he undergoes treatment. We wish the very best for Bob.

The following Tournament Result was overlooked in the last edition of The Club News:

ACBL REGIONAL AT SEA GALVESTON, TX OCTOBER 22—29

Gloria Bennett 15.11 Carol Ketterer 10.71 Jane Rowe 10.71

Please see the Milestone link on our website for November and December rank achievements.

Need a few Paraprosdokian laughs?

“In filling in an application, where it says, ‘In case of emergency’, notify: I put ‘DOCTOR.’

“Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.”

“To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.”

“A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops. On my desk, I have a work station.”

MOST MASTERPOINTS FOR ALL ACBL EVENTS 2017

Sandra	Gebhardt	840.2	Buck	Buchanan	283.82	Jane	Hudson	196.31
Charles	Showalter	537.27	Beverly	Parrish	252.99	Alex	Birman	191.23
Jeff	Koltenuk	523.98	Russ	Pomeroy	246.73	Sheila	Naylor	180.86
Jon	Williams	423.85	Bruce	Thiher	246.01	Carol	Ketterer	174.17
Paul	Hassett	391.59	Louise	Hodgins	243.17	Margaret	Sarno	166.38
Joe	Sacco	389.59	Alex	Booke	236.36	Mike	Kwiatkowski	162.93
Russ	Pearly	374.25	Sandy	Booke	234.86	Leon	Zaczek	162.67
David	Morse	358.49	Lucy	Tillman	227.35	Paul	Matheson	161.29
Rich	Seidman	351.75	Dave	Stentz	225.24	Loretta	Harp	156.31
Frances Gina	Doss	349.35	Lee	Esworthy	217.41	Ethel	Levine	154.47
Dave	Hudson	338.64	Victoria	Adams	216.8	Doug	Smith	153.86
Gladys	Mikel	334.03	Philip	Benner	216.01	Bob	Vicars	151.91
Ed	Schusler	323.8	Lawrence	Adams	215.1	Jack	Smith	151.83
Janet	Matthews	309.14	Kristie	Carter	209.01	Gail	Singer	151.74
Dean	Robinson	308.6	Marilyn	Williams	206.9	John T	Quinn	150.93
Colleen	Treanor	297.73	Carolyn	Benner	202.79	Maury	Fjestad	149.62
Andy	Sloan	286.13	Neil	Timm	197.05			

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NEW MEMBERS AS OF DEC. 17

Bill Cleary	Laurie Dietz	Ray Gilga	Linda Graves	Ron Hough	Jim Leipper	Liz McGinnis
Ray Rivard	Carol Sylvia	Tim Treat				

A BIG WELCOME TO ALL!

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

TRANSATLANTIC SECTIONAL FORT LAUDERDALE, FL OCT. 26—NOV. 07

21.99 Marilyn Williams	21.99 Jon Williams	18.86 Sandy Booke	18.86 Alex Booke	18.49 Janet Matthews
17.33 Bob Matthews	9.55 Linda Eicher	8.60 Chet Eicher		

THE VILLAGES 500 THE VILLAGES, FL NOV. 17—NOV. 19 (top 52)

16.32 Marguerite Hassett	16.32 Don Rancourt	13.11 Doug Smith	10.79 Joseph Ogi
9.19 Maury Fjestad	9.19 Doug Vene	8.54 Lee Ann Ned	8.54 Brenda David
7.54 Kristie Carter	7.34 Brenda Pollak	7.33 Mike Kwiatkowski	7.33 Eric Voss
6.68 Judy Von Colditz	6.68 Eric Von Colditz	6.35 Louise Hodgins	5.54 Bob Vicars
5.49 Myron Henry	5.49 Elaine Birgin	5.18 Mary Lou Downey	5.18 LaVonne Williams
5.11 Forrest Stidmon	5.07 Gordon Moxley	5.07 Bill Lau	5.02 Harle Phelps
4.90 Karla Millsap	4.90 Dixie Bourke	4.80 Jack Franklin	4.72 Ted DiCorpo
4.72 Jo DiCorpo	4.55 Linda Hardgrove	4.55 Dale Hardgrove	4.51 Jim Troutman
4.23 Julia Roemmich	4.23 Deb Schmidt	4.22 Larry Sumner	4.13 Guy Carlson
4.13 Donald Coker	3.80 Bob Matthews	3.75 Michael Vales	3.69 John Dunn
3.69 Janet Dunn	3.53 Margaret Sarno	3.53 Frances Rolph	3.48 John Jencks
3.25 Roberta Lee	3.15 Elaine LaCroix	3.19 Gloria Bennett	3.19 Carol Ketterer
3.18 Patricia DeArmond	3.11 Mary Jane Garner	3.11 Barbara Fallone	3.08 Jim Strazzere

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SECTIONAL AT SEA FORT LAUDERDALE NOV. 27—DEC. 6

4.93 Leslie Nelson 2.82 Edeline Kalbach 1.18 Roy Nixon

SPBC NLM SECTIONAL ST. PETERSBURG NOV. 30—DEC. 03

.80 Maury Fjestad .80 Jan Masterson

FORT LAUDERDALE REGIONAL DEC. 11—DEC. 17

3.12 Lucy Tillman

ORLANDO REGIONAL ORLANDO, FL JAN. 1—JAN. 7 2018 (top 52)

37.61 Edward Schusler	28.56 Kathy McKay	22.65 Alex Birman	22.56 Jon Williams
22.56 Jeff Koltenuk	22.06 Marc Richman	18.95 Robert Vicars	18.95 Douglas Smith
15.10 Russ Pearly	14.52 Paul Hassett	14.51 Victoria Adams	14.31 Lawrence Adams
13.30 James Troutman	13.20 John Kuyper	12.49 Maury Fjestad	10.13 Philip Benner
10.13 Carolyn Benner	9.97 P. Sokol-Wood	9.81 Margaret Sarno	9.35 Sandra Ainsworth
9.35 Michael Lotti	9.35 Marc Rissman	8.78 Paul Matheson	8.78 Charlie Showalter
8.75 Susan Schrand	8.75 Jeffrey Power	8.74 Janet Matthews	8.16 Barry Dexter
7.04 John Blackwell	6.97 Jane Rowe	6.94 Colleen Treanor	6.94 Beverly Parrish
6.91 Douglas Vene	6.56 Joanne Roorbach	6.47 Richard Dahlgren	6.28 Douglas Smith
6.19 Jan Masterson	5.89 Gloria Bennett	5.72 Sandra Gebhardt	5.21 Bill Lau
4.94 Susanne Rattner	4.73 Nicholas Pund	4.70 Shelia Naylor	4.49 Nancy Turner
4.49 Gail Singer	4.23 Donna Brown	4.16 Don Schreifels	3.90 Judy Flickinger
3.71 Kelly Dryden	3.58 Joseph Gaudette	3.58 Carole Leslie	3.24 Carol Ketterer

JACKSONVILLE SECTIONAL JACKSONVILLE, FL JAN.12—JAN. 14 2018

7.65 Walter Paulsen 7.65 Leslie Paulsen



Two large cakes were inscribed with “225” to commemorate the 75th birthdays of **Mary Jo Johnson, Sue Frisch, and Katy Berman** at the Lake Miona game on Tuesday, Jan. 16.
 $75 \times 3 = 225!$



Sandy Baker returned to the bridge table on Jan. 16 following her lengthy hospitalization since fracturing her pelvis on Dec. 9. She celebrated her return by finishing first overall with **Mark Rissman**. **Mark** also had cause for celebration having just made Life Master.

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