

TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club

(The calendar is On-line at columbia.bridge-club.org.)

The November Birthday party was a Club Championship. It was won this quarter by a pair of flight “C” impersonators, **Dixie Allen** and **Cynthia Heyward**. No cheap victory, 61%- and look who finished behind them. Again, I did get enough deviled eggs-thanks-but not match points..

N/S	9 tables Club Championship		E/W	
1) Cynthia Heyward/Dixie Allen	131.0		Jack Wilkinson/Jay Shahani	123.0
2) Fran Jenkins/Margaret Hill	127.0		Melinda Young/Tom Gabriel	122.0
3) Pat and Bob Webb	112.5		Joyce Lauterbach/Mary Townhill	119.5
4) Linda York Ed Scheiblich	109.5		Harold Moore/Bruce Kenner	109.5

December 8-Monday night will be the Club Christmas party. Social hour starts at 5:00 with dinner about 5:45 and bridge at 7:00(ish). The bridge is free (an Open and a 0-299 section), but the catered dinner is \$10/head. Please get your tickets by December 3 so we can give the caterer a hard count on how many to prep for. Get tickets from Dot Jones, Kathy Kimmerling, Sally McCardle or Beth McMaster. There will be plenty of parking across the street after 5:00.

The parking lot work will start ASAP. We can park in the lot across the street during the day (**IMPORTANT**) AS LONG AS WE PARK AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL NEXT TO THE TREES! Anyone who screws this up will have their names published in this space so that those parking three blocks away on the verge will know who to blame.

Everett Ness would like to thank everyone who sent him the cheer-up card late last month.

Winners in the Nov. 6th 8 is enough teams game:	Wins	Victory pts.	Master pts.
1) J. Lauterbach/Harold Moore/Roberta Case/Francis Robinson	3	56	1.98
2) Bill Charlwood/Jack Wilkinson/M Murphy/Zan Edmunds	3	49	1.49
3-4) Bob and Pat Webb/Fran Potter/Greg Garrison	2	43	.98
2-4) Mary Townhill/Dot Jones/Jack Self/Scott Dunn	1.5	43	.98

Winners of the Nov. 13th 8 is enough team game:	Wins	Victory pts.	Master pts.
1) J. Lauterbach/Ken Fasching/Beth McMaster/Sally McCardle	3	56	.70
2) Frazer and Roy McCrorey/Jack Wilkinson/Mariann Murphy	2.5	47	.53
3) Bob and Pat Webb/Shelby King/Greg Garrison	2	45	.39

Vic DeFiori Memorial “Bring a Sandwich” raffle: winner gets a free team entry to the January GNT qualifier, lunch catered by May Ann Cross and a bottle of wine. Tickets \$5-see a director.

The local charity for the club during October Breast Cancer Awareness month was the Palmetto Baptist Breast Center. The club check was for \$419. Jamie Stancil, head director of the Foundation at Palmetto was very grateful for the donation to this local charity. Thanks to all who played and all those gave an extra check or cash donation during the month.

Our newest Life Master- **Lauren Alexander**

Individual game Winners: **Kenyon Stevenson**, Cathy Chiles, Harold Moore, Scott dunn, Jack Wilkinson, Abduhl Ghaffar, Shelby King

“There are two kinds of players: those that like to talk and those who think.” (Bobby Wolff’s syndicated column Nov. 21.) In the last two months I’ve tried to show you how an “A” player thinks on Offense and Defense. However, if you’re into serious bridge, Bobby’s comment is what you keep in mind. You will notice that when Joyce and I are playing well, we may exchange a few words on asset evaluation at the end of a hand, but otherwise we’re silent. I more often than she forgets Bobby’s dictum and causes my partner to be distracted when (s)he should be thinking about the hand. I’m a bad dummy. If you look at your scores by position in the Common Game ratings, you’ll see your rating as declarer, dummy, on lead defense and not on lead defense. I’m sure I’m not 13+% better a declarer than my partners-gotta stop talking to them as I lay down dummy. Also, extended analysis of the previous board doesn’t help the next case where you may actually be able to do something about the score since you haven’t made any mistakes there yet. Joyce and my motto “If you make one mistake, don’t make two.” It’s especially helpful if you avoid a time crunch due to excessive rehashing. During the game, you should only use limited time for discussing evaluation differences. System fixes should be discussed before the game starts. Really, it doesn’t hurt to show up early. As director I see the stress that players suffer over the late arrival of their partners. This can’t be good for your results on your first set of boards. A quick once-over on your system couldn’t hurt either.

The Cup races run from June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2015. Only points won at the CBC are included in the race totals. Classification of players is point total as of June 1, 2014. Standings as of 11/18/2014 Three races tightened up but Jay is blowing out the Mills 0-2000 race:

Centurion Cup (0-100 MP) 1) Dot Jones 30.98 2) Shelby King 29.19 3) Janet Sheridan 26.25 4) Beth McMaster 23.52 5) Burton Case 20.70 6) Sallie McCardle 19.76 7) Beth Donelan 19.19 8) Hillary McDonald 18.05 9) Karen Hansell 18.02 10) Kathy Kimmerling 17.73 Suzi Weisman

<u>Sol Lourie Unlimited</u>		<u>Henry Mills 0-2000</u>		<u>Coleman Farrell Non Life Master</u>	
1) Jay Shahani	116.60	Jay Shahani	116.60	Bel Cross	43.58
2) Bob Webb	115.13	Jack Self	88.63	Lauren Alexander	36.50
3) Patrick Lauterbach	114.32	Mary Townhill	80.33	Dot Jones	30.98
4) Pat Webb	98.62	Fran Lawton	69.15	Jerry Love	29.97
5) Hap Neuffer	96.14	Tom Gabriel	62.43	Sue Hopke	29.28
6) Jack Self	88.63	Scott Dunn	59.47	Shelby King	29.19
7) Joyce Lauterbach	88.50	Jack Wilkinson	51.15	Janet Sheridan	26.25
8) Alice Moore	83.22	Mike Bitonti	49.48	Helen Young	24.95
9) Mary Townhill	80.33	Sallie Blackwell	47.41	Kay Stursberg	24.94
10) Brent Holcomb	76.44	Jim Chianelli	46.89	Beth McMaster	23.82

This edition of T & T brought to you by Powder Milk Biscuits. The biscuits that give shy people the get up and go to do what needs to be done. (Apologies to Garrison Kielior)

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