



# The Bridge Gazette

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Kim Howard, Editor

## From the Bridge Coordinator's desk

We have had a wonderful start to 2012 with 1361.5 tables in January. Our new Tuesday morning 0-20 student game at Indian River Shores is very successful and we will soon have to take reservations due to limited space.

If you have not paid your membership dues for 2012, please do it NOW. In order to be in our 2012 Directory, you must have paid your dues by February 15.

Congratulations to our recent **overall** winners in the Unit 240 STaC games:

### **Monday Afternoon**

Gerry Browning-Ruth Browning – 1<sup>st</sup> in A  
Bill Weber-Paul L'Homme – 3<sup>rd</sup> in A  
Tom Geelan-Jane Sedlmayr – 6/7<sup>th</sup> in A  
Judy Ralph-Sandy Maillet – 8<sup>th</sup> in A  
Melody Gabriel-Nece Buckle – 6<sup>th</sup> in B  
Chris Talbot-Sandy Johnson – 6<sup>th</sup> in C

### **Tuesday Afternoon**

Lyn Giuffrida-Louann Yates – 3<sup>rd</sup> in A  
John Brady-Bronia Jenkins – 4<sup>th</sup> in A  
Susan Mayo-Jamie Portell – 5<sup>th</sup> in A  
Jeanette Brophy-Sue Joos – 7<sup>th</sup> in A, 2<sup>nd</sup> in B, 1<sup>st</sup> in C  
Pinky Regan-Donna Pottle – 3<sup>rd</sup> in B  
Paul Quinn-Herb Crowder – 5/6<sup>th</sup>  
Carol Chartock-Madelyn Cerritelli 5/6<sup>th</sup> in B  
Tina Cole-Mig McKinney – 3<sup>rd</sup> in C  
Honey Lee Richless-Kay Murray – 4<sup>th</sup> in C  
Thayer Baine-Barbara Longfellow – 5<sup>th</sup> in C  
Mary Daly-Ginger Gibson – 6<sup>th</sup> in C

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## From the president's desk

Please read this carefully. The Board of Governor's would like your opinion. As you are aware, we no longer have any mortgage with a bank since our successful bond sales program last year. This presents us with an interesting opportunity to significantly reduce our insurance cost. Shortly there will be a member survey both on our website, and on the information table up by the kitchen. This survey will ask for your opinion on whether or not we should keep hurricane coverage in our insurance package. This package carries a \$100,000.00 deductible amount before paying out anything. The extra premium cost for this coverage is \$14,000.00. For reference, the VBBC had approximately \$32,000.00 in damage from the 2004 hurricane. If we eliminate the hurricane coverage, the board plans to put in reserve each year, the amount that we would have had to pay to have the coverage. Again, the Board asks your for your help in making this important decision. If you have any questions, contact any Board member for answers.

Happy Bridge,      Merle Hauser

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**[www.verobridge.com](http://www.verobridge.com)**

- *for daily game results*
- *for tournament schedules*
- *to locate a member's e-mail address*

## **The Bridge Gazette**

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## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

February 1  
Pete Smith  
February 2  
Pat Fox, Stewart Robertson , Patricia Soukup  
February 3  
Jack Wilson  
February 4  
Richard Collins  
February 5  
Marge DelVecchio, Galya Galyean, Edward Raftery  
February 6  
Thayer Baine, Roseanne Myers, Leslie Phelps  
February 7  
Janet Field, Eileen Krisinski  
February 8  
Mary Sullivan  
February 9  
Susan Feinour, Jay Parsons  
February 10  
Marilyn Bauknecht, Lynn Bayman, Marsha Braun,  
Susan Dickerson, Joanne McLogan, Betsy Tait  
February 11  
Henry Meyer  
February 12  
Madesta Stevens  
February 13  
Irene L'Homme, Myriam Milgrom  
February 14  
Donald MacDougall, Judy Schorner  
February 15  
Joan Mercer  
February 16  
Carol Davidson  
February 17  
Lloyd Bailey  
February 20  
Marilyn Link  
February 21  
John Brady, Erika Greenfield  
February 22  
Bud Bradt, David Millward

February 23

Paul Nace

February 24

Bobbie Sylvia

February 25

Barbara Fiore, David Grober

February 27

Ellen Gelberg, Mary Zorlen

February 28

John Bankston, Tyrrell Connor, Sally Corcoran,  
Harry Dewey, Donna Edelstein, John Lewis



## 25 Conventions You Should Know

25 Conventions Series Continues on Thursdays,  
9:30-11:30.

Topics for February are as follows:

February 9 - Roman Key Card Blackwood,  
Reverse Drury

February 16 - Fourth Suit Forcing, New Minor  
Forcing

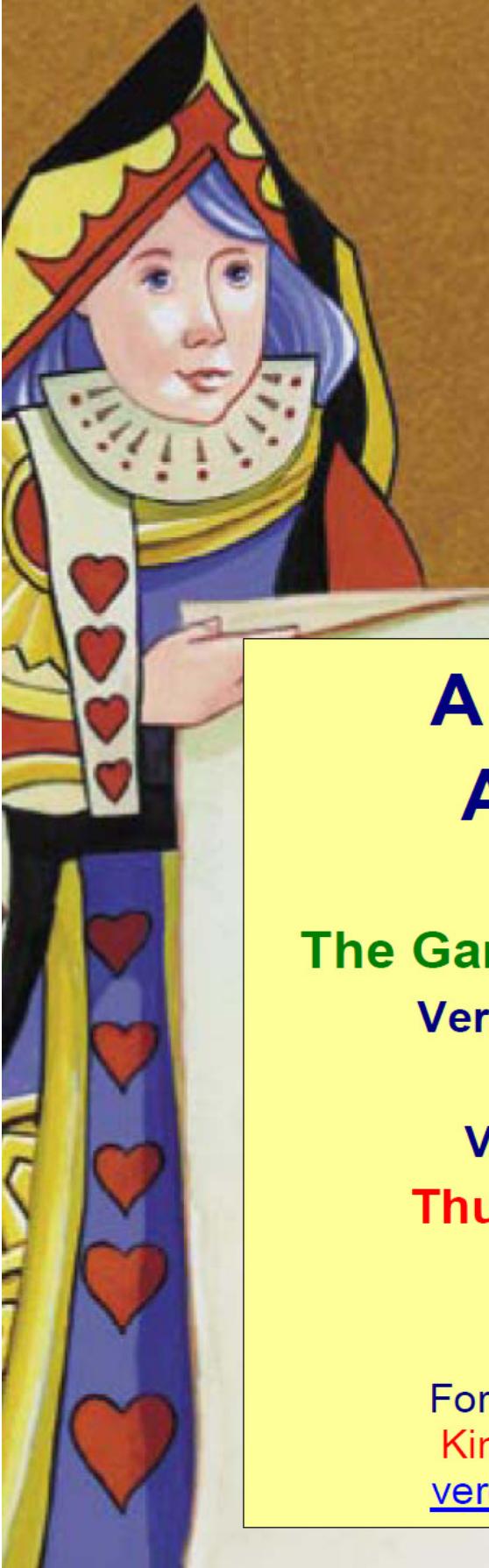
February 23 - Balancing, Splinters

Cost: \$15.00 per class

Teacher: Jamie Portell

## 2011 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Just a **REMINDER** everyone's  
annual memberships are **NOW**  
**due!!!!!!**



# AUDREY GRANT

## A Morning with Audrey Grant DOUBLES –

**The Game's Most Versatile Call**

**Vero Beach Bridge Center**

**1520 14th Avenue**

**Vero Beach, FL 32960**

**Thursday, March 8, 2012**

**9:00 AM - NOON**

Seminar fee: \$35

For more information contact:

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## From Bridge Coordinator's Desk

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### **Wednesday Afternoon**

Janice Woodbury-Susan Mayo – 1<sup>st</sup> in A  
Diane Lamborn-Hazel Lacks – 3<sup>rd</sup> in A, 1<sup>st</sup> in B  
David Millward-Griff McClellan – 5<sup>th</sup> in A, 3<sup>rd</sup> in B  
Bob Schives-Judith Kane – 6<sup>th</sup> in A  
Christine Fletcher-Bob Byrd – 1<sup>st</sup> in C  
Jeffery Jones-Maria Malloy – 4<sup>th</sup> in C  
Jeanne Dell-Jim Phillips – 6<sup>th</sup> in C

### **Thursday Afternoon**

Candace Griffey-John Brady – 2<sup>nd</sup> in A  
Liz Cross-Freeman Bunn – 4<sup>th</sup> in A  
Rosalie Powers-Helen White – 5<sup>th</sup> in A  
Bill Rose-John Rusher – 4<sup>th</sup> in B  
Bud Bradt-Ed Grainger – 6<sup>th</sup> in B, 1<sup>st</sup> in C

### **Friday Afternoon**

Candace Griffey-John Brady – 2<sup>nd</sup> in A  
Judith Kane-Bill Poole – 3<sup>rd</sup> in A  
Harold Phillips-Celia Phillips – 5<sup>th</sup> in A  
Judy Melchiorre-Karen Adelman – 6<sup>th</sup> in A, 2<sup>nd</sup> in B  
Ellen Gelberg-Rusan Ritter – 2<sup>nd</sup> in B  
Madesta Stevens-Jill Goldie – 4<sup>th</sup> in C  
Aldo Musto-Donna Edelstein – 6<sup>th</sup> in C

### **Saturday Afternoon**

Roseanne Myers-Bill Myers – 2/3<sup>rd</sup> in A, 2<sup>nd</sup> in B  
Judith Kane-Janice Woodbury – 4<sup>th</sup> in A  
Rob Colton-Bob Schives – 6/7<sup>th</sup> in A  
Bud Bradt-Ed Grainger – 3<sup>rd</sup> in C  
Jim Phillips-Jeanne Dell – 4<sup>th</sup> in C  
Jeffery Jones-Cherie Everett – 5<sup>th</sup> in C

**Marge Desmery & Linda Ferrari** are planning our upcoming Sectional Tournament, to be held March 30-April 1, 2012. Please sign-up at the Event Table to bring food or give a monetary donation to **Kim**.

### **Other special upcoming events:**

Tuesday, February 7	Club Championship
Saturday, February 11	Eight is Enough Swiss Teams
Thursday, February 16	Birthday Celebration
Sunday, February 19	Open/499er GNT Qualifying Swiss Teams
Friday, February 24	Club Championship
Sunday, February 26	Eight is Enough Swiss Teams

Following are the new changes to the ACBL alert chart:

- Effective Jan. 1, 2012, simple club responses to all natural notrump openings that ask for a major (four or five) are not Alertable. If you play Puppet Stayman, *i.e.*, 1NT-2C or 2NT-3C to ask for a four-card or longer major, the club bids do not require an Alert. All immediate responses and rebids to Puppet Stayman require an Alert. Note: If you play 1NT-3C as Puppet Stayman, it is still an Alert.
- The definition of what constitutes a Natural bid (see Alert Definitions at [www.acbl.org/play/alertchart.pdf](http://www.acbl.org/play/alertchart.pdf)) has been amended to include 1C openings that may be exactly 4=4=3=2 (four cards in each major, three diamonds and two clubs). The 1C bid will still require an Announcement ("Could be as short as two"), but players cannot use artificial defenses over this opening.

See you at the Club.

**Candace Griffey**

### **Phone extensions for fast access**

- 201 Manager's office**
- 202 Director's Desk**
- 203 Courtesy phone by the bookcase**
- 204 Cashier's desk**
- 205 Candace's desk**
- 206 Larry's desk**

## Card Sharks for January

*Candace Griffey*

0-5	Janet Tribus
6-20	Alma Novara
21-50	Laurence Farley
51-100	Clarice and Richard Helfand
101-200	Sandra Gross
201-300	Joanne Matchette
301-400	Lynn Bayman
401-500	David Jarvis
501-750	Ann Bottelli
751-1000	David Millward
1001-2500	Gini Hauser
2501+	Bob Schives

## CLUB STATS FOR January 2011

**CLUB TABLES** - 1040.5

**STaC TABLES** - 321

**TOTAL TABLES** - 1361.5

**TOTAL MASTERPOINTS** 1768.14

Not including STaC Week

## ABC CLUB

*Kim Howard*

Congratulations to the following C players who came in first in all strata (C, B, A) in an open game during January:

1/1	Marilyn Crockett-Marion & Debbie Brower
1/2	Bill Regan & Robert Perrott
1/3	David & Susan Kelly Joan & Art Kearney
1/5	Harvey Vruggink & Winnie Cashin
1/6	Virginia Schwerin & Julia Douglas
1/10	Sandra & Ray Columbaro
1/11	Gary Fishbaugh & Jim Holzworth
1/12	Merle Hauser & Terry Wolf
1/13	Judy Melchiorre & Karen Adelman
1/14	Clarinda Stewart & Donna Regenstreif
1/17	Ann Reydel & Bryn Madden Jeannette Brophy & Sue Joos
1/24	Janice Greene & Ellen Gelberg
1/25	Don & Janet Tribus
1/26	Joan Kingston & Rayma Kreider
1/28	Bill & Polly Larned

## Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney

*Leslie Phelps*

Here are the Ace of Clubs ACBL nationwide (not Unit) standings of our members for points earned at the club level through January 2012 for the top 30 in each division. Our club should be proud of the fine accomplishments of these members:

<i>MP Level</i>	<i>ACBL-Wide Rank</i>	<b><i>Ace of Clubs VBBC Member</i></b>	<i>MP thru Jan 2012</i>
5-20	10th	<b>Jeffrey Jones</b>	71
50-100	19th	<b>Gloria Pappalardo</b>	93
200-300	21st	<b>Helga Woodard</b>	112
500-1000	10th	<b>Susan Husleman</b>	204
1000-2500	2nd	<b>Ron Andrews</b>	337
5000-7500	25th	<b>Rob Colton</b>	271

## ACBL-wide Master Point

<i>MP Level</i>	<i>ACBL-Wide Rank</i>	<b><i>Mini-McKenney VBBC Member</i></b>	<i>MP thru Jan 2012</i>
5-20	6th	<b>Jeffrey Jones</b>	152
1000-2500	22nd	<b>Ron Andrews</b>	500
2500-5000	10th	<b>Julie Zhu</b>	935

## 70 percenters for January

*Compiled by Toril Liapis*

Congratulations to the following who achieved 70 percent or more games in January:

**Charlie Kline—Bill Weber, 74.29%, Jan 5**

**Jamie Portell—Susan May, 70.03%, Jan 5**

**Mariangela Rissi—Liz Cross, 72.45%, Jan 6**

**Kathy Young—Adrienne Lower, 75.17%, Jan 13**

**Gerry & Ruth Browning, 75.00%, Jan. 16**

**Janice Woodbury—Susan Mayo, 71.62% Jan 18**

**Damon Martin—Rob Middleman, 77.50, Jan 20**



# February 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
If you need a partner for limited games, call MJ Malloy 538-2349				If you need a partner for the open game call Phyllis Carlson 559-7493		
			1	2	3 Sectional Tournament	4 Sectional Tournament
5 Sectional Tournament Swiss Teams	6	7 Club Championship	8	9	10	11 EIGHT IS ENOUGH
12 Pair Game	13 Directors' Meet 11:45am Board Meets 4:30pm	14	15	16 Birthday Celebration	17	18 Pair Game
19 GNT Qual. Swiss Teams	20	21	22	23	24 Club Championship	25 Pair Game
26 Eight is Enough Swiss Teams	27	28	29			

## Plan ahead!

The following are sectionals to be held at our club.  
All pay silver points:

March 30-April 1, 2012  
April 21-22, 2012 - 499er NLM

CELEBRITY SERIES!!!!  
February 7 - Marty Bergen  
March 8 - Audrey Grant  
April 3 - Larry Cohen



## VBBC Game Schedule

Sunday 1 p.m. Stratified Swiss Teams  
1 p.m. First Sunday following 8 is Enough - Open Pairs  
Last Sunday Eight is Enough Swiss Teams

Monday 1 p.m. Stratified Open Game and 0-299 Game

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Student Game Indian River Shores (NEW)  
12:45 p.m. Indian River Shores  
1 p.m. Stratified Open Game and 0-99 Game  
6 p.m. Stratified Open Game

Wednesday 9 a.m. 0-499 Game  
1 p.m. Stratified Open Game

Thursday 9 a.m. Stratified Open Game (New!!!!)  
1 p.m. Stratified Open Game and 0-500 Game

Friday 9 a.m. 0-299 Game  
9:00 a.m. 0-20/Student Game  
1 p.m. Stratified Open Game,

Saturday 1 p.m. Stratified Open Game  
First Saturday Eight is Enough Swiss Teams

