

CAPITAL DISTRICT BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

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District 3 website: <http://www.bridge-district3.org>

CDBA website: <http://cdbanet.org>

Some Friendly Reminders (reiterated): Please,

→ Do not talk at the table after you have picked up your new hand ←

→ Clean up your area when you leave each table ←

→ Put the bidding boxes in order ←

UNCLE SAM SECTIONAL

Studio of Bridge & Games

1639 Eastern Parkway

Schenectady, NY 12309

Friday, March 28, 2003

Stratified Open Pairs.....1:00 pm

(Strat A: 1500+ Strat B: 500-1500 Strat C: 0-500)

Stratified 0 – 300 Pairs.....1:00 pm

Stratified Open Pairs.....7:00 pm

(Strat A: 1500+ Strat B: 500-1500 Strat C: 0-500)

Stratified 0 – 300 Pairs7:00 pm

Saturday, March 29, 2003

Stratified Open Pairs.....10:00am

Stratified 0 – 300 Pairs.....10:00am

Stratified Open Pairs 3:00pm

Sunday, March 30, 2003

Bracketed Swiss Teams1:00pm

For partnership information, please call Bernie Neuhart: 372-3936

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By the time you read this, I will no longer be president of CDBA. It's at an awkward time, the deadline comes before the elections.

This is my last "hurrah" writing the President's Message in the Newsletter, and I want to thank all who have made my tenure pleasant. I am afraid to start with names, because I'll omit some. I've had a very good Board to work with. I do want to give special thanks to Mary Frances Collins, Rosanne Kistler, Marion Sheehan, Ross Lounsbury, Diane Burger, Bernie Neuhart, The Learys, Sandy Graper, and Anne Lapinski for the work they have done to keep our Unit going, and for always being willing to do more. I want to thank Norma, Judi and Mary Williams for showing me the ropes when I came in as president three years ago. I was a little nervous when I started, but they helped me through my growing pains. I also want to thank Joan Gerard and Jerry Goodman. I have had to send them several SOS emails, and always got a prompt reply and solution.

To those whose names I have omitted, thanks for being there. I have really enjoyed working with all of you. We have a lot of very nice people in our Bridge Community. I urge all of you out there who haven't worked with Unit business to get involved.

Best wishes to my successor, Diane Burger, who I know will do a great job! Good luck, Diane.

Hope to see more of you at the bridge games this year.

Lorrie Chamberlin



THIS 'N THAT

From your District Director

Our District 3 calendar started the year with a bang! No snow at the RyeTown Hilton Regional -- although once in awhile, just to keep us guessing, you looked outside and saw a few flurries. And no New York football teams in the playoffs -- bad for the Jets and the Giants but great for attendance at Rye. Over 2,150 tables in play and everyone had a great time. The tournament started with an unprecedented 45 tables in the Bracketed KO's on Tuesday evening, and ended with 69 tables in the Compact KO's on Monday morning, and in between our newplicate games were a rousing success. For those of who braved the cold to come down from the Capital District, we thank you. For those of you whom we didn't see, you missed a lot of fun and masterpoints!

Next on our schedule is the Grand National Teams on the weekend of April 5th and 6th. Remember, there is a Flight made just for you. If you have up to 5000 MP's, there is Flight A, without the Hot Shots, because they are now in the Championship Flight; then for our B players the point range is only up to 2000; and Flight C remains at 0-500, Non LM. We run this event as a two session Swiss and only the qualifiers remain for a Sunday KO. It's a great weekend. Check District 3's web site for details of time and location in White Plains and Scarsdale.

www.bridge-district3.org

ACBL has started offering a School Lesson Membership of \$5 for first time members who are students under the age of 19. The student must be a graduate of, or enrolled in a School

Bridge Lesson Series Program funded by the ACBL and/or the Educational Foundation. And even more exciting is a new scholarship program available for ACBL Juniors. The program is available to college and high school bridge players under the age of 26 who teach bridge in schools. The program will award \$500 scholarships to those who teach the equivalent of the ACBL Club Series or an eight week program to a class of 6-8 students who are under 26 years of age. This is a great offer made possible from funding from some very generous external donations. Your unit has many colleges and universities in the area. Make sure that the juniors you know are aware of this great opportunity to not only join the ACBL but to receive scholarship money if they teach a bridge course to their fellow students.

I hope you all like our new sized Bulletin. It still has some kinks to work out but the overall comments have been good. We have a new Marketing Director, a new Publicity Director, and hopefully a new attitude. We must "get out of the box" and move forward with our game. Promote! Promote! Promote! It's a great game. Let's tell everyone about it!

See you soon at the tables.

Joan Gerard, District Director

Annual Book
And
Non-Bake Sale

Our annual **book sale** to benefit hospitality at the Saratoga Regional will be held during the sectional,

March 28 – 30th

at the Studio. Please give us your gently used books to sell. Best sellers, bridge books, paperbacks are especially appreciated. Your discard may be another person's gem. Please give books to me,
Diane Burger (273-5371),
(dburger2@nycap.rr.com).

You may call me or email me to arrange a book donation, perhaps at a game or near your home. Books may be brought to the Studio starting Saturday March 22nd. Volunteers to help at the sale are welcome and needed also.

Non-bake sale

We are also planning a 'non-bake' sale. This means we will gladly accept cash gifts, and you don't have to pay for ingredients and bake, and you will have more bridge time. Fewer calories... more bridge....

I apologize for the date confusion. In the last newsletter I indicated the sale would be at the February sectional.

Thanks for supporting our Saratoga Regional.

Diane Burger

Club Corner
During the week of
April 21 thru April 27 there will be an
extra \$1 charge for all games for our
Regional Fund

From the Studio

Thursday, **Feb 20**, noon
Club Championship
Monday, **Feb 24**, noon
ACBL-Wide Seniors
Wednesday, **March 5**, noon
Club Championship Team Game
Tuesday, **March 11**, 7pm
Non-Life Master Club Championship
Monday, **March 17**, noon
Club Championship
Saturday, **March 22**, 12:30pm
Club Championship

From Ray Ratte'

Tuesday, **March 4**
Club Championship
Wednesday, **March 5**
Club Championship
Tuesday, **April 8**
Local Rated
Wednesday, **April 30**
Local Rated

Wednesday night games will resume starting April 2nd at 7pm at the Shenendehowa Senior Center.

From Judi Shulman

'Third Thursday in March' event – **March 20** – the topic will be Bidding after partner's major suit opening when you don't have a fit.

Lesson only, 9:30am – noon: \$15.
All day: lesson, lunch and duplicate game: \$25.

Niskayuna Bridge Classes starting February 24

Beginners: Monday - 6 wks
Advanced Beginners: Tuesday - 4 wks
Play of the Hand: Wed. - 6 wks
Advanced Bridge: Thursday - 6 wks

Contact Fran Leary (372-7806)

Personal Notes

Condolences to the families of Al Kupiec, Milton Daskal, and Louise Macharg, to Buzz Gray on the death of his father, and to Pat Dorsey on the death of her son.

Get well wishes to Corena Graham, Herb Vener, Gert Fialkoff, Winnie Tyrrell, Gert McLeod, Rita Redlich and Dolores Inzero.

Congratulations to Diana Gravlin and Jonathan Lack on their engagement.

The family of Wilma Simon sent a thank you note to the CDBA for the donation our Unit made in Wilma's honor.

The American Cancer Society also sent a thank you letter for our donation.

Our Sunshine chairperson is Sandy Graper. If you have news about someone that you feel should be published, please contact Sandy at 370-1685 or kansas@capital.net.com

President's Cup

The President's Cup Tournament will be held

Saturday, April 26
at the **Studio** at **1 PM.**

It will be a Unit Charity game. The format is the same as other years. Each **four-person team** will consist of a Life Master, one person having fewer than 500 MPs, one having fewer than 300 MPs, and the fourth fewer than 100 MPs. We will have sign up sheets at all games. If you get a team together, please let us know as soon as possible. It would save us a lot of time on the phone. If you are looking for a team, sign up on the sheet, and we will get you a team. It's a fun format, so reserve the date.

If you have any questions call
Norma Shelly 346-3773,
bridgestudio@hotmail.com

or
Lorrie Chamberlin 286-2851
lorcham@aol.com

Rank Changes

The following Unit members have attained new master point levels
Congratulations!

Junior Master (5MPs)

Donald Du Bois
Mary Ellen Du Bois
Dorie Redeker

Club master (20 MPs)

Anna May Barclay
Marjorie Herzog
Mary Langan
Anna Zilka

Sectional Master

(50 MPs, includes 5 silver)

Tom Ludwig

Regional Master

(100MPs, includes 15 silver plus 5 red or gold)

Bernice Bush
Dorothy Kraus

NABC Master

(200-300 / 5 gold, 15 red)

Shirley Grady

<p>The deadline for the next newsletter is April 5th</p>
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STaC of January 21-27, 2003

Congratulations

to the 58 players
who earned master points in
CDBA events

And the big winners were –

Mary Fredrick	25.36
Bernard Neuhart	17.01
Ross Lounsbury	12.24
Amelia Urbano	11.33
Louis Urbano	11.33
Albert Ross	10.93
Tony Prindle	9.18
Andrew Archibald	8.83
Judy Dubai	6.54
William Dubai	6.54
William Teiper	6.47
M. Sandler	5.69
David Winne	5.54



Coming Next Issue
Louis Brickman
on
Negative Doubles

ELECTRIC CITY SECTIONAL RESULTS

FRIDAY AFTERNOON strat open (38 pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Steven Paskin-Albert Ross
2			Lynn Deas-Steven Norvich
3			Bob Feller-Michael Klein
4	1		Ruth Anderson-Bev Schultz
5	2		Frank Legnard-Ray Ratte'
6			Judi Shulman-Rich Kasproicz
	3		Evelyn Fletcher-John Rose
	4		Mary Fredrick-Bernard Neuhart
	5		Peter Wick-Edward Winke
	6		Marion Kuritz-Sharon Lyons
	1		Charles Schmidt-Richard Shuey
	2		Judy Gluck-Fran Gawron
	3		Roberta Berk-Sadie Schneider
	4		Anne Marie Gapp-Richard Schermerhorn

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 299er (12 Pairs)

A	B	
1/2		Corky Plumb-Sandra Quinn
1/2		Shirley Grady-Adele O'Leary
3	1	Gary Taylor-Valdean Mosier
4		Lois Tuohey-Glenys Mountford
	2	Jane Meharg - Frances Corbett

FRIDAY EVENING strat open (18 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Michael Klein-Judith Shulman
2			Eugene Weiss-Neil Chambers
3			Lynn Deas-Steven Norvich
4			Stephen Paskin-Walter Smith
5			Rita Redlich-June Barach
	1		Teresa Fenimore-Ross Lounsbury
	2	1	Erwin Mosher-Richard Egelston
	3		Robert Neuhart-Bernard Neuhart
	4		Eugene Leary-Phyllis French
		2	Tom Ludwig-Judith Ludwig

SATURDAY MORNING strat open (33 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Betty Bloom-Steve Bloom
2			Lynn Deas-Steven Norvich
3			Priscilla Cleary-Phyllis Manley
4			Lucy Spongberg-Gary Spongberg
5			Nele Rzad-Stefan Rzad
6			Michael Klein-Stephen Rzewski
	1	1	Louis Brickman-Richard Clark
	2		Richard Underwood-Joanne Schlang
	3		Robert Neuhart-Bernard Neuhart
	4		Ruth Anderson-Lee Pearson
	5		Joe Rizzuto-Peter Wick
		2	Lee Tabner-Alma Pusateri

February 7 - February 9, 2003

SATURDAY MORNING 299ers (10 Pairs)

A	B	
1		Glenys Mountford-Lois Tuohey
2	1	Anne Lapinski-Sandra Graper
3	2	Carol O'Connor-Renie Federighi
4		Dorothy Kraus-Marigay Harkins
	3	Doris Reeves - Carol Brener

SATURDAY AFTERNOON strat open (26 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Betty Bloom-Steve Bloom
2			Michael Klein-Stephen Rzewski
3			Clare Beames III-Marylin Beames
4	1		Robert Neuhart-Bernard Neuhart
5			Gary Spongberg-Lucy Spongberg
6			Priscilla Cleary-Joan Meyer
	2		Mary Williams-Sue Kingsley
	3		Mary Fredrick-Diane Burger
	4	1	Shirley Grady-William Teiper
	5		John and Patsy Schulenberg
		2	Doris Reeves-Carol Brener
		3	Charles Schmidt-Andrew Archibald

SUNDAY - Bracket I Swiss (5 Teams)

1	Lynn Deas - Steven Norvich
	Betty Bloom - Steve Bloom
2	Martin Birnby - Bibs Pankin Albert Ross - Anthony Prindle

SUNDAY - Bracket II Swiss (5 Teams)

1	Beth Snyder - Paul Meier
	Bernard Neuhart - Robert Neuhart
2	William Teiper - Andrew Archibald
	Sandra Graper - Sydney Turner

SUNDAY - Bracket III Swiss (5 Teams)

1	Diana Gravlin - Anne Lapinski
	Dorothy Kraus - Norman Stewart
2	Charles Schmidt - Shirley Grady
	Marian Clowe - Rosemary Zongrone

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

**Mini-McKenney & Ace of Club Standings
Unit 115**

	<u>Mini-McKenney</u>	<u>Ace of Clubs</u>
Rookie	Renie Federighi Donald DuBois Mary Ellen Dubois	Donald DuBois Mary Ellen DuBois Barbara Zautner
Junior Master	Valdean Mosier Tom Ludwig Bette Sovik	Valdean Mosier Tom Ludwig Bette Sovik
Club Master	Louis Urbano Anne Lapinski Amelia Urbano	Louis Urbano Amelia Urbano Gary Taylor
Sectional Master	Sandra Graper Virginia Morse Dorothy Kraus	Virginia Morse Sandra Graper Sandra Quinn
Regional Master	Charles Schmidt Shirley Grady Lukas Fekete	Charles Schmidt Ruben Aboody Shirley Grady
NABC Master	Ross Lounsbury William Teiper Andrew Archibald	Ross Lounsbury Erwin Mosher William Teiper
Life Master	Louis Brickman Joe Rizzuto Ray Ratte'	Louis Brickman Sydney Turner Joe Rizzuto
Bronze Life Master	Bernard Neuhart Mary Frederick Ruth Anderson	Mary Fredrick Teresa Fenimore Ruth Anderson
Silver Life Master	David Standig Lucy Spongberg Gary Spongberg	June Barach Lois August Joan Meyer
Gold Life Master	Walter Smith Judy Dubay William Dubay	Anthony Prindle Harry Kaufmann Judy Dubay
Diamond Life Master	William Nelson Sandra Nelson Betty Bloom Steve Bloom	Albert Ross William Nelson Sandra Nelson
Grand Life Master	Lynn Deas	Lynn Deas

PERIODICAL POSTAGE PAID
SCHENECTADY, NY
AND ADDITIONAL MAILING OFFICES

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday	Feb 24, noon	ACBL-wide Seniors, Studio
Thurs-Monday	March 6-16	Spring NABC, Philadelphia
Fri-Sunday	March 28-30	UNCLE SAM SECTIONAL, Studio
Saturday	April 26, 1pm	President's Cup, Studio
Mon-Sunday	June 23-29	STaC, CDBA clubs

CLUB EVENTS

(CDBA Clubs are encouraged to submit specific event information for inclusion)

Tuesday	March 4	Club Championship, Saratoga
Wednesday	March 5	Club Championship, Saratoga
Wednesday	March 5, noon	Club Championship Team Game, Studio
Tuesday	March 11, 7pm	Non-Life Master Club Championship, Studio
Friday	March 14	Unit Championship (local rated), participating clubs
Monday	March 17, noon	Club Championship, Studio
Saturday	March 22, 12:30	Club Championship, Studio
Tuesday	April 8	Unit Championship (local rated), participating clubs
Week	April 21-27	Saratoga Regional Support Week at CDBA clubs
Wednesday	April 30	Unit Championship (local rated), participating clubs

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President's Message

As past president of the CDBA, Lorrie Chamberlin quietly and efficiently got the work done, and we are all grateful. Thanks, Lorrie. I am so glad you are continuing on the board. I can't fill your shoes, but you've inspired me to do my best for bridge and our Unit.

I'd also like to offer a special thanks to retiring board member Sue Redmond. Sue served on the board for many years in several capacities, most recently as parliamentarian, historian, and secretary. Thank you, Sue. Thank you also to Bev Schultz who also recently resigned.

I'd like to welcome new board members Ruth Anderson, Myra Brickman and Maryclare Devlin. Maryclare is now serving as corresponding secretary. There are a lot of great people in our bridge community. If you would like to be involved in some way, please contact me. I also welcome questions, suggestions and concerns.

Spring brings lots of great bridge events including the President's Cup on Saturday May 3. I hope you can play in this interesting and fun format. Teams are made up of 4 players at different masterpoint levels. This is both a good learning experience and social opportunity. If you've never tried a team format, this is a good place to start.

Our awards dinner to honor the Unit's award winners and our newest life masters will take

place on Sunday June 1. And our backyard Saratoga Regional will be held June 9-15. I hope you will all attend. This year I will only be able to play Thurs - Sun, as my boss has the nerve to go on her honeymoon that week, so I'm counting on you all to be there! Sandy Graper and Anne Lapinsky are working on a special registration gift.

Thanks to all who helped with the book and nonbake bake sale. We earned \$335 towards hospitality at the Saratoga Regional.

Adult Ed bridge classes will soon be finished, and, hopefully, these players will find our games. Please remember a little kindness and friendliness goes a long way toward keeping them playing. Our game really needs to grow to survive. I'd like to promote new players (and also younger players) in our unit. Your ideas are welcomed.

Finally, a big welcome to the return of our snowbirds. (Remember to keep your membership in our unit when you leave - it helps with funding). It's so nice to see you at the bridge tables.

Diane Burger

Sue Redmond tendered her resignation to the Board due to health reasons. She will be missed. Sue has been on the Board of Directors of the CDBA since 1960. In that time she served as treasurer, secretary and membership secretary (at one time), and many years as parliamentarian and historian. This year and last she served as corresponding secretary. She resigned from the Board and from her office as secretary, historian and parliamentarian.

Thanks for your many years of service, Sue. We'll miss you. You will always be welcome at our meetings. Hurry and get better.

Lorrie Chamberlin

THIS 'N THAT FROM YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTOR

The Philadelphia NABC got off to a "snow" start but after that, attendance was super and the tournament was a booming success. There is no question that playing and staying under one roof is what our players wanted and they showed us that by coming, and staying. The Host Group worked very hard and the hospitality was superb. We are going to take a lesson from them in our planning for next summer in New York City.

Although our membership continues to decline we are hopeful that new marketing plans will enable us to reverse this trend in the next few months. New ideas for teaching bridge, new ways to reach out to younger people as well as seniors, new incentive programs for units are all being implemented. Watch for details in the ACBL Bridge Bulletin and on the ACBL web site.

Our Grand National Team Event was extremely disappointing. No teams from your unit (we know there was an ice storm) but no teams came last year either. This year only 17 tables showed up. Clearly we are doing something wrong. Please let your district representatives, Fran and Gene Leary, know what you think would improve this event. Next year, the winners from each flight will win the opportunity to play in a National event in New York City at summer NABC's so that should be a big draw -- almost in your own backyard. Help us figure out a way to run an event that will appeal to all of you.

The Saratoga Springs Regional is almost around the corner. Last year we had over 1000 tables in play over the 6 days... We are aiming for 1100 this year. Help us to make it so! Get your partners and come and play often... plenty of KO's; plenty of Senior events and events for our newer players as well. Great hospitality! Play on Father's Day Sunday and get home in time for a barbeque dinner with Dad! Check details in the Bridge Bulletin or on District 3's web site:

www.bridge-district 3.org.

Hope to see you all there.

Joan Gerard, District Director

Personal Notes

Condolences to Bill and Anne Teiper on the death of Anne's father.

Get well wishes to Sue Redmond, Corena Graham, Margaret Rehfuss and Joanne Esposito.

Congratulations to Carol Tanner and Steve Paskin on their marriage.

► 2003 Calendar ◀

President's Cup
has been **rescheduled** from
April 26
to
Saturday
May 3, 2003
Studio

Awards Dinner and Charity Game
Sunday
June 1, 2003
ROCC

The Unit's NAOP Final is
scheduled for
Saturday
September 6, 2003

The Capital City Sectional that had
been planned for
November 21-23, 2003
has been changed to
November 14-16, 2003

The deadline for the
next newsletter is
June 5

**AWARDS DINNER
and
CHARITY GAME**

**Sunday
June 1, 2003**

Russian Orthodox Community Center
617 Sand Creek Road
Albany, New York

Buffet at 12:00 (noon) \$15.00

Menu:
Stuffed Cabbage
Baked Ziti
Chicken Stir Fry
Sausage and Peppers
Fruit Salad
Tossed Salad
Soda
Coffee
Tea
Desserts by Mo

Awards at 1:00 p.m.

Charity Game at 1:30 p.m.

Come and join us. The food is good. The company is congenial and you can then perfect your bridge for the upcoming Saratoga Regional.

Reservations and checks may be sent to
Fran Leary
1045 Van Antwerp Road
Schenectady, NY 12309

Reservations and checks may also be given to Mary Williams, Norma Shelly, Ann Lapinski, Rosanne Kistler.

Checks should be made out to
CDBA - Unit 115

Rank Changes

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Junior Master (5MPs)

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Mary Ellen DuBois

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Marjorie Herzog

**Regional Master
(100MPs, includes 15 silver
plus 5 red or gold)**

Bernice Busch
Dorothy Kraus

**Club Corner
The Studio**

May 5	noon	District Wide Charity Game
May 7	noon	CC Team Game
May 14	noon	International Fund Game
May 19	noon	Local Rated
May 22	noon	Club Championship

Studio will be closed Saturday, May 24, but may be open Monday, May 26th

May 27	7pm	Non Life Master CC
May 31	12:30	Club Championship
June 4	9:30am	Easy Bridge CC

**June 6 and 7 World Wide events will
NOT be run**

**Studio will be closed June 9 thru June 14 for
our Saratoga Regional
Be there!**

June 23	noon	Invitational CC
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Uncle Sam Sectional Results

March 28-30, 2003

Friday afternoon strat open prs

(37 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Stephen Paskin, Albert Ross
2	1		Mary Frederick, Bernard Newhart
3	2	1	Robert Kistler, Rosanne Kistler
4	3		John Rose, Evelyn Fletcher
5			Janice Farrell, Donna Natili
6			Priscilla Cleary, Carol Chandler
	4	2	Judy Gluck, Fran Gawron
	5		Ross Lounsbury, Teresa Fenimore
	6		Charles Schmidt, Andrew Archibald
		3	Louis Urbano, Amelia Urbano
		4	Paul Cuerdon, Robert Valenti

Friday afternoon 299er prs

(10 Pairs)

A	B	
1		Carolyn Combi, Marigay Harkins
2	1	Frances Corbett, Jane Meharg
3		Lorraine Waite, Elizabeth Mitchell
4	2	Norma Carson, Nellie Meyer
	3	Roberta Berk, Sadie Schneider

Friday evening strat open prs

(19 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Robert Donald, Stephen Paskin
2			Clare Beames, Marilyn Beames
3			Lucy Spongberg, Gary Spongberg
4	1		Ross Lounsbury, Teresa Fenimore
5			Arthur Bernhardt, Albert Ross
6	2	1	Layton Davis, William Wade
	3		Paul Meier, Beth Snyder
	4		John O'Brien, David Nerrow
	5		Carol Brener, Arling Kalleberg
		2	Charles Schmidt, Shuey Richard

Saturday morning strat open prs

(34 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Stephen Paskin, Gerald Cohen
2			Anthony Prindle, Albert Ross
3			Betty Bloom, Steve Bloom
4	1	1	AnneMarie Gapp, Richard Schermerhorn
5	2		Teri Landin, David Pratt
6			Lucy Spongberg, Gary Spongberg
	3	2	Louis Urbano, Amelia Urbano

4			Robert Neuhart, Bernard Neuhart
5	3		Barbara McDonald, John McDonald
6			Joe Rizzuto, Miriam Sommers
	4		Layton Davis, William Wade

Saturday morning 299er prs

(8 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Dorothy Kraus, Marigay Harkins
2	1		Tom Ludwig, Judith Ludwig
3/4	2		Frances Corbett, Jane Meharg
3/4			Anne Lapinski, Sandra Graper

Saturday afternoon strat open prs

(20 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Joan Fisher, June Barach
2	1		David Pratt, Teri Landin
3			Rita Redlich, Carol Chandler
4			Joan Meyer, Arthur Bernhardt
5			Stephen Paskin, Albert Ross
6	2	1	Gary Taylor, Valdean Mosier
	3	2	Carolyn Combi, Charles Schmidt
	4		Robert Neuhart, Bernard Neuhart

Sunday, Bracket I Swiss

(5 Teams)

1	Betty Bloom, Steve Bloom, Albert Ross, Anthony Prindle
2	Eugene Weiss, Norb Kremer, Donna Natili, Neil Chambers

Sunday, Bracket II Swiss

(5 Teams)

1	Maryclare Devlin, Ruth Anderson, Beverly Schultz, Diane Burger
2	Charles Schmidt, Andrew Archibald Sandra Graper, Shirley Grady

Sunday, Bracket III Swiss

(6 Teams)

1	John O'Brien, Germaine Graf, Dorothea Tobin, David Nerrow
2	Diana Gravlin, Dorothy Kraus, Norman Stewart, Anne Lapinski

Mini-McKenney & Ace of Club Standings Unit 115

In 1974 the ACBL Board of Directors voted to recognize the masterpoint achievements of all players. Thus arose the Mini-McKenney races. The winners at each level of achievement (Rookie, Junior Master, etc.) are recognized by the ACBL each year in the March issue of The Bridge Bulletin.

To recognize achievement at the Club level, in 1984 the Ace of Club competition was created. These club championships are recognized at the unit level and ACBL-wide. All points won at the club level are counted in this contest with the exception of those won in StaCs, progressive sectionals, NABC fund-raiser events, the North American open pairs, and the Grand National Teams.

	<u>Mini-McKenney</u>	<u>Ace of Clubs</u>
Rookie	Loyal M. Towers Ann E. Towers	Suzanne Freedman Joe Lisuzzo
Junior Master	Barbara Zautner Suzanne Freedman Joe Lisuzzo	Joseph Phillips Louise Landry Berne Kouba Bette Sovik
Club Master	Louise Landry Ann McDowell Berne Kouba	Amelia Urbano Virginia Morse Gene Vennesland
Sectional Master	Anne Lapinski Amelia Urbano Virginia Morse	Charles Schmidt Louis Urbano Munir Jabbur
Regional Master	Charles Schmidt Louis Urbano Dorothy Kraus	Ellen Jabbur Janet Bender William Teiper
NABC Master	William Teiper Shirley Grady John Riopelle	Andree Glansberg Andrew Archibald Louis Brickman
Life Master	Andrew Archibald Ross Lounsbury Louis Brickman	Nancy Hayden Janice Sawyer Mary Anne Pickett
Bronze Life Master	Mary Frederick Bernard Neuhart Ruth Anderson	Lois August Donald Cohen Teresa Fenimore
Silver Life Master	Michael Klein Lucy Spongberg Gary Spongberg	Harry Kaufman Anthony Prindle Rhoda Kratenstein
Gold Life Master	Harry Kaufman Stephen Paskin Walter Smith	William Nelson Sandra Nelson Albert Ross
Diamond Life Master	William Nelson Sandra Nelson Judith Shulman	
	Lynn Deas	
Grand Life Master	Shuey Richard Roslyn Walker	
Shuey Richard	Harry Landry	

NEGATIVE DOUBLES

The only correct context for you to make a negative double is as follows*: Partner opens 1-of-a-suit and RHO overcalls another suit, up to some agreed maximum. Perhaps the most common, though not necessarily the best, such maximum is 3S. A negative double is not intended for penalty. Instead it most often shows 4+ (4 or more) cards in one unbid major. The only other suits that a negative double can promise are one unbid minor and, in one special auction only, both unbid majors. These three possibilities are amplified in the examples below. If you would like to *penalize* an overcall in your agreed range for negative doubles, you can only pass and hope partner “reopens” with a double. (Partner should do so when short in overcaller’s suit and when the overcall level is not too high.) Minimum HCP requirements for negative doubles are roughly 6, 8, and 10, respectively, for 1-, 2-, and 3-level overcalls. However other considerations can increase or decrease these requirements: your length in partner’s suit, length in the unbid suits, shortness in overcaller’s suit, and the quality and location of your points. No *maximum* limit on your strength is ever implied by a negative double. The symbol X in the examples below denotes your negative double.

PARD	RHO	YOU	YOUR HAND
1C	1S	2H	5+ hearts and 10+ HCP. Example: xx-AQxxx-Axxx-xx
1C	1S	X	4+ hearts, unable to bid 2H Examples: xx-KQxx-xx-xxxxx, Ax-KQxx-xxx-Kxxx, Ax-KQxxx-xxx-xxx
1D	1H	X	Exactly 4 spades. Example: AJxx-xx-Qxxx-AKx
1D	1H	1S	5+ spades (and about 6+ HCP). Example: AJxxx-xx-Qxx-xxx
1C	1D	X	4+/4+ in the majors but not more than 9 cards. Example: KQJx-xxxx-x-xxx Examples with 10 cards: Bid 1S with KQxxx-AJxxx-x-xx, bid 1H with KQJx-xxxxxx-xx-x 1C, 1D, X is the only auction where a negative double promises 2 suits. Compare this with the auctions 1H, 1S, X and 1D, 2C, X below.
1C	1D	1S	4+ spades (and about 6+ HCP), unable to use X. Example: AKxx-xx-xxxx-xxx. Similarly the sequence 1C, 1D, 1H is possible when you hold only 4 hearts.
1H	1S	X	Either 4+/4+ in the minors or the following: 4+ in 1 minor, unable to bid 2 of your minor, and a satisfactory response if partner bids the other minor. Examples: xx-xx-AKxxxx-xxx (bid 2D if partner bids 2C) and xxx-Ax-xx-Kxxxxx (bid 2H if partner bids 2D)
1D	2C	X	Either 4+/4+ in the majors or the following: 4+ in one major, unable to bid 2 of your major, and a satisfactory response if partner bids the other major. Examples: AQxxx-xx-Qxxx-xx (2S), xx-AQxx-xxx-AQxx (2NT), AKxx-xx-xxxxxx-x (3D)
1C	2H	X	4+ spades, unable to bid 2S. Example: AQxxx-x-xxx-Qxxx
1D	3S	X	4+ hearts, unable to bid 4H. Example: x-AKJx-Qxxxx-xxx
1D	3S	Pass	Example: AQxxx-Ax-xxx-xx. You hope LHO passes and partner doubles.

*An example of a different context is the following auction beginning with LHO, where your partner *overcalls* rather than opens: 1C, 1H, 2C. The opponents have bid and raised clubs, so you will rarely want to double 2C for penalty. Therefore, by partnership agreement, you can use a double to show both unbid suits, namely spades and diamonds. Example hands here are Axxxx-xx-KJxxx-x and Axxxx-xx-KQJx-xx. However, if you wish to give conventions their correct names, be aware that such an agreement is not classified under negative doubles, but rather under “responsive doubles.” As stated above, a true negative double promises two suits only after 1C, 1D. Requiring two suits more generally would force you to pass far too often.

**Contributed by
Louis Brickman**

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SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday	May 3	1pm	President's Cup, Studio
Fri-Sun	May 16-18		Vermont Spring Sectional, Killington, VT
Sunday	June 1	noon	Awards Dinner and Charity Game, ROCC
Mon-Sun	June 9-15		Saratoga Regional, Prime Hotel & Conf. Center
Wed-Sun	June 18-22		Sturbridge Regional, Sturbridge, MA
Mon-Sun	June 23-29		STaC, CDBA participating clubs
Thur-Sun	July 17-27		Summer NABC, Long Beach, CA

Club events

(CDBA clubs should submit specific event information for inclusion)

Wed	April 30		Unit Championship (Local Rated), participating clubs
Mon	May 5	noon	District Wide Charity, Studio
Wed	May 7	noon	Club Championship Team Game, Studio
Tues	May 13		Unit Championship (Local Rated), participating clubs
Wed	May 14	noon	International Fund Game, Studio
Mon	May 19	noon	Unit Championship (Local Rated), Studio
Thurs	May 22	noon	Club Championship, Studio
Tues	May 27	7pm	NLM Club Championship, Studio
Sat	May 31	12:30	Club Championship, Studio
Wed	June 4	9:30am	Easy Bridge Club Championship, Studio
Mon	June 23	noon	Invitational Club Championship, Studio
Thurs	June 26		Unit Championship (Local Rated), participating clubs

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Christmas Party
Sunday
December 14, 2003
Noon



Capital City Sectional

Studio of Bridge & Games
1639 Eastern Parkway
Schenectady, NY 12309

Friday
November 14, 2003

Stratified Open Pairs	1:00 pm
(Strat A: 1500+ Strat B: 500-1500 Strat C: 0-500)	
Stratified 0-300 Pairs	1:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs	7:00 pm
(Strat A: 1500+ Strat B: 500-1500 Strat C: 0-500)	
Stratified 0-300 Pairs	7:00 pm

Saturday
November 15, 2003

Blue Ribbon Pairs, two sessions	10:00 am
Stratified Open Pairs	10:00 am
Blue Ribbon Pairs, final.....	3:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs	3:00 pm

Sunday
November 16, 2003

Bracketed Swiss Teams.....	1:00 pm
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For partnership information, please call Bernie Neuhart: 372-3936

Let's make everyone's time at the table more enjoyable –
Be courteous
Don't criticize
Keep noise to a minimum

The deadline for the next newsletter is December 5

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President's Message

As past president of the CDBA, Lorrie Chamberlin quietly and efficiently got the work done, and we are all grateful. Thanks, Lorrie. I am so glad you are continuing on the board. I can't fill your shoes, but you've inspired me to do my best for bridge and our Unit.

I'd also like to offer a special thanks to retiring board member Sue Redmond. Sue served on the board for many years in several capacities, most recently as parliamentarian, historian, and secretary. Thank you, Sue. Thank you also to Bev Schultz who also recently resigned.

I'd like to welcome new board members Ruth Anderson, Myra Brickman and Maryclare Devlin. Maryclare is now serving as corresponding secretary. There are a lot of great people in our bridge community. If you would like to be involved in some way, please contact me. I also welcome questions, suggestions and concerns.

Spring brings lots of great bridge events including the President's Cup on Saturday May 3. I hope you can play in this interesting and fun format. Teams are made up of 4 players at different masterpoint levels. This is both a good learning experience and social opportunity. If you've never tried a team format, this is a good place to start.

Our awards dinner to honor the Unit's award winners and our newest life masters will take place on Sunday June 1. And our backyard

Saratoga Regional will be held June 9-15. I hope you will all attend. This year I will only be able to play Thurs - Sun, as my boss has the nerve to go on her honeymoon that week, so I'm counting on you all to be there! Sandy Graper and Anne Lapinsky are working on a special registration gift.

Thanks to all who helped with the book and nonbake bake sale. We earned \$335 towards hospitality at the Saratoga Regional.

Adult Ed bridge classes will soon be finished, and, hopefully, these players will find our games. Please remember a little kindness and friendliness goes a long way toward keeping them playing. Our game really needs to grow to survive. I'd like to promote new players (and also younger players) in our unit. Your ideas are welcomed.

Finally, a big welcome to the return of our snowbirds. (Remember to keep your membership in our unit when you leave - it helps with funding). It's so nice to see you at the bridge tables.

Diane Burger

Sue Redmond tendered her resignation to the Board due to health reasons. She will be missed. Sue has been on the Board of Directors of the CDBA since 1960. In that time she served as treasurer, secretary and membership secretary (at one time), and many years as parliamentarian and historian. This year and last she served as corresponding secretary. She resigned from the Board and from her office as secretary, historian and parliamentarian.

Thanks for your many years of service, Sue. We'll miss you. You will always be welcome at our meetings. Hurry and get better.

Lorrie Chamberlin

plans are in the works - District 3 is co-hosting this fabulous tournament with the NY District, and we are working on all kinds of entertainment, a great bridge schedule, and of course all the magnificent attractions of the City including wonderful restaurants, shows, the zoo, the new planetarium, just to mention a few. Make sure you circle the dates, July 8th-18, 2004, and start checking the New York NABC web site which can be reached easily by clicking on District 3's web site:

www.bridge-district3.org.

It's not too soon to put this great tournament in your bridge plans for '04 along with the Hilton RyeTown in January, Saratoga Springs in June, and Secaucus in August.

Be sure to keep playing bridge! the greatest entertainment in the world!!

Joan Gerard
District Director

Election of Board Members

The 25 people who serve as our CDBA Unit Board of Directors are elected every two years.

The election to determine the makeup of the Board for the two-year term of January 2004 thru December 2005 is imminent. If there are fewer than 25 candidates, no election will be held, and all candidates will serve as Board members. If you are interested in serving on the Board and would like to be a candidate for this year's election, you must submit your name in writing, postmarked no later than Friday, November 7, 2003. Send your letter to

Maryclare Devlin
300 Kenwood Avenue, Apt. 1
Delmar, NY 12054

or email
maryclaredevlin@aol.com

Personal Notes

Condolences to **Carol O'Connor** on the death of her mother; to **Ellis Rowlands** on the death of **Gladys Rowlands**; to **Phyllis Sawyer** on the death of her sister; and to the family of **Lenny Kundin**.

Rank Changes

The following Unit members have attained new master point levels

Congratulations!

Junior Master (5MPs)

Marie Felthousen
Sanford Huston

Club Master (20 MPs)

Margot Bernhardt
Paul Cuerdon
Andrew Dubay
Mary-Elizabeth Fitzgerald

Sectional Master

(50MPs, includes 5 silver)
Lois Tuohey

Regional Master

(100 MPs, includes 15 silver)
Barbara McDonald
John McDonald

NABC Master

(200-300 / 5 gold, 15 red)
Marigay Harkins

Life Master

(300 MPs, includes 50 black, 25 gold, 25 red or gold, 50 silver)
Angela DeFranco
Vince DePasquale
Recilla Koblintz
John Riopelle

Bronze Life Master

Delores Inzero
Marion Kuritz
Ross Lounsbury
Raymond Ratte'
John Riopelle

Club Corner

The Studio

Oct 18 (Saturday) – 12:30 pm
 PRO-AM Pairs
 Club Appreciation

\$10.18 Pro-Am Pair Game on 10/18

Come play in the PRO/AM pair game on **10/18** at **12:30** p.m. at the Studio for \$10.18 per pair. Pair up yourself or let Diana Gravlin (220-9568), Norma Shelly (346-3773), or Diane Burger (273-5371) help you find another half. We'll match life masters and pre-life masters. Fun and learning guaranteed - all for only \$10.18.

Oct 20(Mon) – Noon Invitational CA

Nov1 (Sat) – 12:30 CC

Nov 5 (Wed) – Noon -
 Invitational Team Game
 Club Championship

Nov 11 (Tues)– 7pm Non-LM CC

Nov 20 (Thurs) – Noon – CC



Nov 27 (Thurs) – Studio Closed

Nov 29 (Sat.) – Studio Closed

Dec 8 (Mon) – Noon – Inv CC

Dec 14 (Sun) – **Sybil's Christmas Party**

Dec 18 (Thurs) – Noon – CC

Dec 24 (Thurs) **Studio Closed**

Dec 25 (Fri)

Dec 27 (Sat)

Jan 1 (Thurs)

Jan 3 (Sat)

Cathy Unislawski sent the following hand for our consideration, with the comments below:

North
 S – 8 6 2
 H – J 5 4
 D – 6 2
 C – 10 9 7 6 2

West (Dealer) East

S – J S – A K 7 4 3
 H – A 2 H – K 9 6 3
 D – A K Q J 10 9 8 7 D – 4
 C – Q 5 C – A 8 4

South
 S – Q 10 9 5
 H – Q 10 8 7
 D – 5 3
 C – K J 3

“This was an interesting hand that came up at the Colonial Bridge Studio in Johnstown. Various biddings led the final contract to 6 D or 6 NT, and the more aggressive players bid 7 NT (obviously a laydown). It's a good lesson in playing correctly to the first trick (depending on the lead), and led to some funny discussions about the final bid and play.”

Thanks, Cathy, for your contribution!



Directors needed !

Director training will be offered for new, would-be and refreshable club-level personnel at the Rye Hilton regional in January 2004.

Attitudes Count !

The Board would like to remind our members again of the importance courtesy plays in the enjoyment of one of our most popular pastimes. We spend much of our precious time at bridge tables, and we want that time to be as pleasant as possible, in addition to being the wonderful intellectual challenge that it is. Luckily, the ACBL has provided us with rules. The rules stated below are taken from Chapter VII, Law 74 of the Laws of Duplicate Contract Bridge.

Proper Attitude

Courtesy

- ☀ A player should maintain a courteous attitude at all times.

Etiquette of Word and Action

- ☀ A player should carefully avoid any remark or action that might cause annoyance or embarrassment to another player or might interfere with the enjoyment of the game

Conformity to Correct Procedure

- ☀ Every player should follow uniform and correct procedure in calling and playing

Etiquette

As a matter of courtesy a player should refrain from:

- ☀ paying insufficient attention to the game
- ☀ making gratuitous comments during the auction and play
- ☀ detaching a card before it is his/her turn to play
- ☀ prolonging play unnecessarily (as in playing on although he/she knows that all the tricks are surely his/hers) for the purpose of disconcerting an opponent
- ☀ summoning and addressing the Director in a manner discourteous to him/her or to other contestants

Violations of Procedure

The following are considered violations of procedure:

- ☀ using different designations for the same call
- ☀ indicating approval or disapproval of a call or play
- ☀ indicating the expectation or intention of winning or losing a trick that has not been completed
- ☀ commenting or acting during the auction or play so as to call attention to a significant occurrence, or to the number of tricks still required for success
- ☀ looking intently at any other player during the auction and play, or at another player's hand as for the purpose of seeing his cards or of observing the place from which he draws a card (but it is appropriate to act on information acquired by inadvertently seeing an opponent's card)
- ☀ showing an obvious lack of further interest in a deal (as by folding one's cards)
- ☀ varying the normal tempo of bidding or play for the purpose of disconcerting an opponent
- ☀ leaving the table needlessly before the round is called

Why not take this page with you to your next game and leave it on the table as a reminder for everyone.

2003 ACBL SANCTIONED BRIDGE CLUBS

Unit 115

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>NAME & LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Mon.	12:00	OS	Guilderland DBC, Russian Orthodox Comm. Ctr., Colonie	J. Shulman	274-7432
Mon.	12:00	Le Lu Inv.	Studio of Bridge & Games, 1639 Eastern Pkwy., Schen.	N. Shelly	346-3773
Mon.	7:00	OS & NLM	Albany Jewish Comm. Ctr., 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany	J. Shulman	274-7432
Mon.	7:30	ON	Glens Falls DBC, CST Synagogue Ctr., 68 Bay St., GF	F. Smith	793-9425
Tues.	11:30	Inv. S	Saratoga Dup. CL., Shenendehowa Sr. Ctr., Clifton Park	R. Ratte'	371-3648
Tues.	12:00	OS	Albany Jewish Comm. Ctr., 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany	J. Shulman	274-7432
Tues.	6:30	O	Colonial BC, Sr. Citizens Ctr., 109 E. Main, Johnstown	H.Orloff	725-8801
Tues.	7:00	Inv.	Studio of Bridge & Games, 1639 Eastern Pkwy, Schen.	N. Shelly	346-3773
Wed.	9:30	EB!	Studio of Bridge & Games, 1639 Eastern Pkwy, Schen.	N. Shelly	346-3773
Wed.	12:00	Inv. S	Saratoga Dup. CL., Malta Ridge Meth.Church, Malta	R. Ratte'	371-3648
Wed.	12:00	Lu Inv**	Studio of Bridge & Games, 1639 Eastern Pkwy., Schen.	N. Shelly	346-3773
Wed.	12:30	O	Adirondack DBC, Holiday Inn, Lake George	J. Sullivan	792-6462
Wed.	7:00	OS	Saratoga Dup. CL., Shenendehowa Sr. Ctr., Clifton Park (April through October)	R. Ratte'	371-3648
Wed.	7:00	Inv.	Bridge Workshop, B'Nai Shalom, 420 Whitehall Rd., Albany	J. Shulman	274-7432
Thurs.	12:00	OS	Studio of Bridge & Games, 1639 Eastern Pkwy., Schen.	N. Shelly	346-3773
Thurs.	7:00	OSN 20mp	Guilderland DBC, Russian Orthodox Comm. Ctr., Colonie	J. Shulman B. Dubay B. Neuhart	274-7432 765-4426 372-3936
Fri.	12:00	OS	Guilderland DBC, Russian Orthodox Comm. Ctr., Colonie	J. Shulman	274-7432
Sat.	12:30	OS	Studio of Bridge & Games, 1639 Eastern Pkwy., Schen.	N. Shelly	346-3773
Sun.	1:00	OS	Albany Jewish Comm. Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany	J. Shulman	274-7432

O=Open; Inv=Invitational; Inv+=Members only; Le=Lesson; Lu=Lunch; S=Stratified; EB!=EasyBridge course; N=Novice; **=Swiss teams on first Wed. of month; NLM=Non Life Masters

FOR CHANGES OR ADDITIONS, please notify Mary Clare Devlin, CDBA Secretary, 439-9139
(Revised: October 2003)

Mini-McKenney & Ace of Club Standings

Unit 115

(As of 10/01/2003)

In 1974 the ACBL Board of Directors voted to recognize the masterpoint achievements of all players. Thus arose the Mini-McKenney races. The winners at each level of achievement (Rookie, Junior Master, etc.) are recognized by the ACBL each year in the March issue of The Bridge Bulletin.

To recognize achievement at the Club level, in 1984 the Ace of Club competition was created. These club championships are recognized at the unit level and ACBL-wide. All points won at the club level are counted in this contest with the exception of those won in StaCs, progressive sectionals, NABC fund-raiser events, the North American open pairs, and the Grand National Teams.

	<u>Mini-McKenney</u>	<u>Ace of Clubs</u>
Rookie	Andrew Dubay Judy Hill Richard Hill	Andrew Dubay Judy Hill Richard Hill
Junior Master	Joseph Phillips Barbara Zautner Paul J. Cuerdon	Joseph Phillips Barbara Zautner Nora Morris
Club Master	Lois Tuohey Ann McDowell Bette Sovik	Louise Landry Ann McDowell Berne Kouba
Sectional Master	Anne Lapinski Amelia Urbano Barbara McDonald	Amelia Urbano Anne Lapinski Myra Brickman
Regional Master	Louis Urbano Charles Schmidt Sandra Graper	Ruben Aboody Charles Schmidt Louis Urbano
NABC Master	William Teiper Shirley Grady Erwin Mosher	William Teiper Erwin Mosher Shirley Grady
Life Master	Ross Lounsbury Andrew Archibald Louis Brickman	Louis Brickman Andrew Archibald Ross Lounsbury
Bronze Life Master	Mary Fredrick Bernard Neuhart Robert Neuhart	Robert Neuhart Mary Fredrick Bernard Neuhart
Silver Life Master	Lucy Spongberg Gary Spongberg Donald Cohen	Joan Meyer Lois August Donald Cohen
Gold Life Master	Walter Smith Harry Kaufmann Stephen Paskin	Harry Kaufmann Anthony Prindle Judy Dubay
Diamond LifeMaster	William Nelson Sandra Nelson Steve Bloom	Albert Ross William Nelson Sandra Nelson
Grand Life Master	Lynn Deas	Lynn Deas

Falling Leaves Sectional Results

September 19-21

Friday afternoon strat open prs (44 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Stephen Paskin, Albert Ross
2			Sandra Nelson, Bill Nelson
3			Pricilla Cleary, Edna Doigan
4			Ronald Harvey, Arthur Bernhardt
5	1	1	Mary Anne Pickett, Beverly Balch
6	2		Bibs Pankin, Martin Birnby
	3/4		Larry Rosen, Joanne Schlang
	3/4		Morris Cramer, Brian Sann
	5		Tricia Crouse, Joseph Phillips
	6	2	John O'Brien, Edward Supple
		3	Emily Rapoport, Judith Mayer
		4	Stanley Ball, Nancy Ball
		5	Lee Tabner, Dorothy Adams
		6	Sadie Schneider, Marilyn Soffer

Friday afternoon 299er prs (12 Pairs)

A	B	
1		Shirley Grady, Adele O'Leary
2	1	Valdean Mosier, Gary Taylor
3		Anne Lapinski, Sandra Graper
4		Ellen Lang, Corky Plumb
	2	Frances Bouchard, Camille Wick
	3	1 Richard Shuey, Charles Close
	2	Jean Drake, Bette Sovik

Friday evening strat open prs (22 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1/2			Arthur Bernhardt, Albert Ross
1/2			Sandra Nelson, William Nelson
3			Lynn Deas, Steven Norwich
4			Stephen Paskin, Loretta Bromberg
5			Gary Spongberg, Lucy Spongberg
6			Donald Cohen, Walter Smith
	1		Paul Meier, Beth Snyder
	2		Bernard Neuhart, Mary Fredrick
	3		Morris Cramer, Brian Sann
	4	1	Charles Schmidt, Richard Shuey
	2		William Teiper, Shirley Grady

Saturday morning strat open prs (40 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Anthony Prindle, Albert Ross
2	1		Larry Rosen, Steven Shaye
3	2		Robert Neuhart, Bernard Neuhart
4			Gerald Cohen, Stephen Paskin
5			Priscilla Cleary, Phyllis Manley
6			Sandra Hammer, June Dorion

3			Harvey Kevorkian, Edward Winke
4			Richard Underwood, Joanne Schlang
5/6			Nancy Hayden, Mary Fredrick
5/6			Franceline Leary, Eugene Leary
	1		Charles Schmidt, Richard Shuey
	2/3		Sandra Graper, Anne Lapinski
	2/3		Diana Gravlin, Norman Stewart

Saturday morning 299er prs

(5 Pairs – Played in Open)			
1			Sandra Graper, Anne Lapinski
2			Lois Tuohey, Glenys Mountford

Saturday afternoon strat open prs

(28 Pairs)			
A	B	C	
1			Lynn Deas, Steven Norwich
2			Ronald Harvey, Gerald Cohen
3			Lucy Spongberg, Gary Spongberg
4			David Standig, Arthur Bernhardt
5			Sandra Nelson, William Nelson
6/7	1/2	1	Carol Brener, William Nawe
	1/2		Steven Shaye, Richard Underwood
	3		Nancy Hayden, Mary Fredrick
	4	2	Corky Plumb, Ellen Lang
	5		Robert Newhart, Bernard Neuhart
	3		Charles Schmidt, Sandra Graper

Sunday, Bracket I Swiss (5 Teams)

1			Lynn Deas, Steven Norwich
			Betty Bloom, Steve Bloom
2			Robert Donald, Walter Smith,
			Loretta Bromberg, Bel Tiburon

Sunday, Bracket II Swiss (5 Teams)

1			Maryclare Devlin, Ruth Anderson,
			Dorothy Fineberg, Diane Burger
2			Robert Neuhart, Bernard Neuhart,
			Germaine Graf, Kawther Jabbur

Sunday, Bracket III Swiss (7 Teams)

1			Robert Kistler, Rosanne Kistler,
			Judith Ludwig, Tom Ludwig
2			Anne Lapinski, Shirley Grady,
			William Teiper, Sandra Graper
3			Marigay Harkins, Lukas Fekete,
			Mark Rosenholz, Andrew Dubay



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Schedule of Upcoming Events

Mon-Sun	Oct 20-26	Kerhonkson Regional
Mon-Sun	Oct 27-Nov 2	StaC, participating clubs
Tues-Sun	Oct 28-Nov 2	Buffalo Regional
Fri-Sun	Nov 14-16	Capital City Sectional, Studio
Thurs-Sun	Nov 20- 30	Fall NABC, New Orleans, LA
Sunday	Dec 14	Christmas Party, Studio, Noon

Club Events

Saturday	Oct 18	12:30	Pro-Am pairs, studio
Monday	Oct 20	Noon	Invitational Club Championship, Studio
Saturday	Nov 1	12:30	Club Championship, Studio
Wednesday	Nov 5	Noon	Invitational Team Game, Studio
Tuesday	Nov 11	7pm	Non-Life Masters Club Championship
Thursday	Nov 20	Noon	Club Championship, Studio
Monday	Dec 8	Noon	Invitational Club Championship, Studio
Sunday	Dec 14	Noon	Sybil's Christmas Party, Studio
Thursday	Dec 18	Noon	Club Championship, Studio

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Sybil's Christmas Party
Sunday, December 14th
Look inside for details !

[District 3 Regional – Rye, NY – January 13-19, 2004](http://www.bridge-district3.org/rye.htm)
<http://www.bridge-district3.org/rye.htm>



Reservation/Room Problems?

Call Joan Gerard
(914) 948-0841
joanandron@att.net

CLUB DIRECTOR REFRESHER COURSE

9 am to 5 pm on Tuesday, January 13. Compliments of District 3

DIRECTIONS: From the North, South and West – Cross Westchester Expressway (287) to Exit 10. Follow Route 120A to Port Chester. Hotel entrance is 1/2 mile ahead on your left.
From the East – Cross Westchester Expressway (287) to Exit 10. At 2nd traffic light turn right. Hotel is on your left at the 3rd traffic light.

Tuesday, January 13

Director Refresher Course 9 am to 5 pm
Bracketed KO Tms I *Continues Wed.* 7:30 pm
Stratified Charity Prs (Red) 7:30 pm

Wednesday, January 14

Bracketed KO Tms I (cont.) 9 am, 1 & 7:30 pm
EARLY! Stratified Senior Prs 10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Open Prs 1 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open and Women's Prs 1 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Side Game Series I (1st) 1 pm
Stratified Side Game Series I (2nd) 7:30 pm

Thursday, January 15

EARLY! Stratified Senior Prs 10 am & 3 pm
NEW! Fast Prs (*Quick break for a snack*) ... 1 & 4 pm
Bracketed KO Tms II *Continues Fri.* 1 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Swiss Tms 1 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Side Game Series I (3rd) 1 pm
Stratified Side Game Series I (4th) 7:30 pm

Friday, January 16

Bracketed KO Tms II (cont.) 9 am & 1 pm
Bracketed Compact KO Tms I 9 am, 10:45 am, 1 pm & 2:45 pm

EARLY! Stratified Senior Prs 10 am & 3 pm
Stratified Open Prs 1 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Side Game Series II (1st) 1 pm
Bracketed KO Tms III *Continues Sat.* 7:30 pm
Stratified Side Game Series II (2nd) 7:30 pm

Saturday, January 17

Bracketed KO Tms III (cont.) 9 am, 1 & 7:30 pm
EARLY! Stratified Senior Prs 10 am & 3 pm
Stratiflighted Open Prs 1 & 7:30 pm
Flight A (0-3000/3000+; separate) Strats B & C
Stratified Side Game Series II (3rd) 1 pm
Stratified Side Game Series II (4th) 7:30 pm

Tournament Manager – Stephen Arshan
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Sunday, January 18

Stratiflighted Swiss Tms (VPs) 10:30 am & 5 pm
Flight A (0-3000/3000+; separate) Strats B & C
Stratified Senior Swiss Tms (VPs) . 10:30 am & 5 pm

Sunday Team events: 5 matches in afternoon
Stratified Side Game Series III (1st) 11 am
Stratified Side Game Series III (2nd) 3:30 pm
Speedball KO Tms 8:30 pm

Monday, January 19 – Martin Luther King Day

Stratified Open & Senior Prs 10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Bracketed Compact KO Tms II 10:30 am, 12:15 pm, 3:30 pm & 5:15 pm
Stratified Side Game Series III (3rd) 10:30 am
Stratified Side Game Series III (4th) 3:30 pm

Subsidized food available between sessions

Newplicate Games (Red) (0-100 MP)

Sunday – Swiss Teams 10:30 am – Pairs 3:30 pm
May be stratified if entries warrant.

All games are one session –

Early Wed., Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 10 am & 3 pm
Sunday – Swiss Tms 10:30 – Pairs 3:30 pm
Play both sessions ANY day except Monday and get free snack, soda and mini-lesson between sessions.
Monday: 10:30 am & 3:30 pm subsidized food available between sessions

Compact teams: 12-board matches. 4-person teams only.
All KO teams are random draw within brackets.

All Stratified Games
A=2000+ B=750-2000 C=0-750

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President's Message

This past Thanksgiving, as I thought about the good things in my life, I thought about this great game of ours. I am very thankful for bridge. It makes me think, brings out my competitive side, and is simply fun. Perhaps best of all, it's been a way to meet many interesting people from bridge teachers, partners and teammates to opponents, to seasoned and new players.

Sunday December 14 brings Sybil's Holiday Party with refreshments beginning at Noon followed by a charity game at 1:00 p.m. to support our local charity, the Arthritis Foundation. Thanks to Lois Tuohey and her committee who will be in charge of the festivities. Please help them out with goodies if you can. We will also have a brief annual membership meeting. One issue that we will vote on is whether to change the Friday afternoon sectional start time from 1:00 pm to Noon. Several players have mentioned this would help them with travel during late afternoon in the winter months. However, players who work and take the afternoon off may not be able to leave work that early. Also, this would affect the evening session -- will there be a longer break between sessions or do we move up that starting time, also? Can players who work get to an earlier evening session, also?

I recently sent letters to the Gazette and Times Union asking them to consider reinstating the bridge column. I haven't heard from either paper yet, so I will be trying to follow up with phone calls. Is there anyone who might be interested in gathering the information for the papers? It could probably be done by e-mail.

The 10/18 life master / prelife master pair game was quite successful with 27 tables. My thanks to Norma Shelly and Diana Gravlin and all who participated. Plan to play again next year on October 2 (for the bargain price of \$10.02 / pair). We hope to catch some of our early snow birds and some of you who were unable to play this year.

My thanks go to Sandy Graper who is resigning as Sunshine Chairman. Thank you to Myra Brickman who will take over for her.

I hope the holidays are wonderful for each and every one of us. Happy Bridge.



This 'n That From your District Director

The sad news of Norb Kremer's sudden passing reached me just as I returned home from New Orleans and was getting ready to send a contribution for his care. It is a blessing that he didn't suffer too long. Norb will be remembered by all who knew him in District 3 as someone who always had a smile for you and was pleasant at the bridge table. The bridge world has lost a good friend.

On the happier side, the New Orleans NABC was wonderful. Everything was right at this tournament. Good playing conditions and everything located at the host hotel; great restaurants in all price ranges within walking distance, fabulous weather, great hospitality, friendly people willing to help in a city that never sleeps. The tournament was headed for numbers well beyond estimate, but then fell off badly over the last weekend and ended back on original estimate of 12,402. However, all NABC's should take a lesson from this group in how to make people feel welcome in their city, and the ACBL should learn that locations that have reputations for being interesting and fun will keep the players happy once they get there they get there.

News from our Board meetings..... The ACBL financial status is better than it has been in a long time. There will therefore be no raises in sanction fees to units and districts for tournaments; no raise in dues. The only raise

will be \$1 per player per session at NABC's and 25% of this raise will go back to the host districts for entertainment at their NABC. This will benefit Districts 3 and 24 at our New York City NABC next summer. And even better financial news is that the sanction fees for NAP club games has been reduced from \$7 a table to \$4 a table and the number of games a club can run has been increased..... Great opportunity to earn extra points at a very reduced cost!

The Club Appreciation Team Game allowed during the month of October that awards gold points has been extended for another two years. This has, as expected, proven to be a very popular event.

Bruce Reeve from North Carolina will take over the presidency of the ACBL on January 1, 2004 from Al Levy of Long Island, New York. Al did a great job reaching out to all our volunteers and to our younger players and Bruce has stated that he has deemed 2004 to be The Year Of The Volunteer. Clearly, it is our volunteers that keep the ACBL the viable organization that it is.

Rye Town Hilton is District 3's first Regional of the year. Plan to be with us and get those first gold points of the New Year, January 13-19. A great schedule and great fun!

Both Ron and I wish you all everything that you wish for yourselves. May 2004 bring it all to you along with many good times at the bridge tables! A happy and Healthy New Year to all.

Joan Gerard



Our Board of Directors

The Board of Directors for Unit #115 for the 2004-2005 term are Diane Burger, Lorrie Chamberlin, Marian Clowe, Maryclare Devlin, Diana Gravlin, Rosanne Kistler, Bob Kistler, Fran Leary, Gene Leary, Ross Lounsbury, Bernie Neuhart, John O'Brien, Sue Redmond, Marion Sheehan, Lois Touhey and Mary Williams. As there were less than 25 candidates, an election was not held.

► **2004 Calendar** ◀

2004 Regional
June 14 thru June 20
Saratoga

2004 Sectionals

Electric City	February	20-22
Uncle Sam	April	23-25
Majestic	July	23-25
Falling Leaves	September	17-19
Capital City	November	12-14

2004 Local Rated Games
(a/k/a "Unit Championships")
Check with your local clubs for details

Tuesday	January 13
Monday	January 19
Monday	February 16
Wednesday	March 3
Friday	March 19
Tuesday	April 13
Wednesday	April 28
Mondy	May 31
Sunday	August 1
Wednesday	August 11
Friday	August 20
Tuesday	October 5
Thursday	November 4
Thursday	December 16

President's Cup
Charity Game
Saturday, May 1

Pro-Am
Saturday, 10/02
at 10:02am
for \$10.02

**During the week of May 2 – May 8
there will be an extra \$1 charge for all
games for our Regional Fund**



Sybil's Christmas Party

Our annual Holiday Party and Charity Game
this year will be on

Sunday, December 14

at the Studio

**Social hour will start at Noon,
refreshments at 12:30
and**

Stratified Unit Charity Game at 1pm.

Mark your calendars now and join in the
festivities.

In order to assure that we have a
variety of foods, please use the
following as a guideline:

If your name
begins with Please bring

A-D	hot hors d'oeuvres
E-K	cold hors d'oeuvres
L-N	cheeses, including dips
O-Z	desserts

Of course, feel free to switch categories
with another person or combine
with someone if you'd like

If you'd rather make a monetary donation
towards the refreshments, please contact
Lois Tuohey at least a week before the
party. or if you have any questions,
call Lois at 464-9686.



Personal Notes

Condolences to the families of **Norb Kremer** and **Richard Barrett**.

Get well wishes go out to **Bob French** and **Owen Smith**.

Please note: Myra Brickman is taking over as Sunshine chairperson as of December 1st. Please contact Myra with any news you may have.

Rank Changes

were not available at press time and will be included in the next issue of the newsletter

Club Corner

The Studio

Dec 18 Thurs Noon Local Rated

Dec 24 Wed

Dec 25 Thurs

Dec 27 Sat

Studio closed

Dec 29 Mon

Dec 31 Wed

Studio Open

Jan 1 Thurs

Jan 3 Sat

Studio closed

Jan 7 Wed Noon Invita. Team CC

Jan 19 Mon Noon Local Rated

Jan 21 Sat 12:30 Club Championship

Feb 10 Tues 7pm Non-LM CC

Feb 12 Thurs Noon Club Championship

On November 7, 2003, Diane Burger sent a letter to the Gazette Newspapers, requesting that they please resume publishing the results of local games. The following is just one of several paragraphs from her letter.

I'm writing, as president of the CDBA, to share some information about our beloved game and ask you to consider a request. Several bridge players, and their friends and family members, have mentioned to me missing the local bridge column that posted local results. Would you reconsider running this column again?

We would all like to see the bridge column resume publishing the results of our local games, and encourage everyone to contact the newspapers and express their feelings.



The deadline for the next newsletter is February 5, 2004

Capital City Sectional Results

November 14-16, 2003

Friday afternoon strat open prs (40 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Lawrence Berman, Blaise Reinhart
2			Sandra Nelson, William Nelson
3			Stephen Paskin, Albert Ross
4			Judy Dubay, Joan Meyer
5	1	1	Amelia Urbano, Louis Urbano
6	2		Donald Bathrick, John Riopelle
	3		Ruth Anderson, Dorothy Fineberg
	4		Mary Fredrick, Bernard Neuhart
	5	2	Rosemary Mullaney, Sandra Quinn
	6		Steven Shaye, Larry Rosen
		3	Joanne Schlang, David Pratt
		4	Patrick Rogers, Raoul Nunez

Friday afternoon 299er prs (7 Pairs)

A	B	
1		Shirley Grady, Adele O'Leary
2		Lois Tuohey, Glenys Mountford
3		Jean Drake, Bette Sovik

Friday evening strat open prs (23 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1	1		Robert Neuhart, Bernard Neuhart
2	2		Peter Wick, Brian Sann
3			Stephen Paskin, Walter Smith
4			Sandra Nelson, William Nelson
5			Rita Redlich, June Barach
6			Clare Beames III, Marilyn Beames
	3	1	Amelia Urbano, Louis Urbano
	4		Paul Meier, Beth Snyder
	5		Carol Brener, Arling Kalleberg
		2	Rosemary Mullaney, Sandra Quinn
		3	William Teiper, Shirley Grady
		4	Herbert Wilk, Marion Sheehan

Blue Ribbon Pairs (26 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Betty Bloom, Steve Bloom
2			Ronald Harvey, Gerald Cohen
3/4			Robert Donald, Stephen Paskin
3/4	1		Gary Spongberg, Lucy Spongberg
5			Sandra Nelson, William Nelson
6			Carol Chandler, Phylis Manley
	2		Roberta Upadhyay, Edna Doigan
	3	1	Francine Leary, Eugene Leary
	4	2	Peter Wick, Brian Sann
	5	3	Richard Underwood, Joanne Schlang
		4	Nancy Hayden, Mary Frederick

Saturday morning 299er Pairs (14 Pairs)

A	B	C	
1			Mary Anne Pickett, Janice Sawyer
2	1	1	Barbara McDonald, John McDonald
3	2		Herbert Wilk, Marion Sheehan
4	3	2	Joyce Mass, Robert Mass
5	4	3	Mary-Eliz Fitzgerald, Barbara Parks
	5	4	Ann McDowell, Rosemary Grant

Saturday afternoon 299er Pairs (9 Pairs)

A	B	
1	1	Corky Plumb, Sandra Quinn
2	2	Amelia Urbano, Louis Urbano
3	3	John Gazak, Lukas Fekete
4		Michael Sattinger, Ulla Sattinger

Sunday, Bracket I Swiss (7 Teams)

1	Steve Bloom, Betty Bloom, Ronald Harvey, Gerald Cohen
2	Walter Smith, Joan Harvey, Robert Donald, Richard Underwood
3	Steven Shaye, Larry Rosen, Albert Ross, Anthony Prindle

Sunday, Bracket II Swiss (6 Teams)

1	Dorothy Kraus, Charles Schmidt, Sandra Graper, Anne Lapinski
2	Louis Urbano, Amelia Urbano, Louis Brickman, Myra Brickman

Sunday, Bracket III Swiss (5 Teams)

1	Carolyn Combi, Gary Belcher, Diana Gravlin, Mark Rosenholz
2	Mabel Siler, Marilyn Hart, Barbara McDonald, John McDonald

Congratulations!

**Electric City Sectional
Studio of Bridge and Games
1639 Eastern Parkway
Schenectady, NY 12309**

Friday, February 20, 2004

**Stratified Open Pairs1:00 pm
(Strat A: 1500+ Strat B: 500-1500 Strat C: 0-500)**

Stratified 0 - 300 Pairs1:00 pm

**Stratified Open Pairs7:00 pm
(Strat A: 1500+ Strat B: 500-1500 Strat C: 0-500)**

Stratified 0 - 300 Pairs7:00 pm

Saturday, February 21, 2004

Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 am

Stratified 0-300 Pairs 10:00 am

Stratified Open Pairs 3:00 pm

Sunday, February 22, 2004

Bracketed Swiss Teams 1:00 pm

For partnership information, please call Bernie Neuhart: 372-3936

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Schedule of Upcoming Events

Sunday	Dec 14	Noon	Sybil's Christmas Party, Studio
Tues-Mon	Jan 13-19		District 3 Tri-State Regional, Rye Hilton
Mon-Sun	Jan 26-Feb1		StaC, Participating Clubs
Fri-Sun	Feb 20-22		Electric City Sectional, Studio
Thurs-Mon	Mar 18-28		Spring NABC, Reno, Nevada Hilton

Club Events

Thursday	Dec 18	Noon	Studio, Local Rated
Wednesday	Jan 7	Noon	Studio, Invitational Team Game
Tuesday	Jan 13		Unit Championship (Local Rated), participating clubs
Monday	Jan 19		Unit Championship (Local Rated), participating clubs
Saturday	Jan 31	12:30	Studio, Club Championship
Tuesday	Feb 10	7pm	Studio, Non-Life Master Club Championship
Thursday	Feb12	Noon	Studio, Club Championship
Monday	Feb 16		Unit Championship (Local Rated), participating clubs