

What's Trumps?



THE BRIDGE CENTER



June-July 2010

IT'S PARTY TIME



The Bridge Center will be celebrating 49 years, and we are having a party on **Friday night, June 11**. There will be lots of food, fun, and bridge. Also the **Hasting Trophy** will go home with the winners. Last year **Tony Graziano** and **Mike Spooner** took home the prize. The game is stratified, and we would like to invite all our Tuesday and Sunday players to come.

NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS

Lots of points available in these stratified games. Strata A: 0-infinity, Strata B: 0-2000, and Strata C: 0-Non Life Master. Cost for these games is \$7.00 per person. Scheduled Games are: **Monday, June 14; Wednesday, June 16 (BBC); Tuesday, June 22 (AM); Friday, July 2; Wednesday, July 7 (BBC); Monday, July 12; and Tuesday, July 27 (AM)**. Plan to play in lots of these games.

GRAHAM TROPHY GAME

This game will be held on **Tuesday morning, July 20**. Last year's winners were **Paul Anderson** and **Randall Holden**.



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NEWS FROM THE BBC by Ben Gibson

Dale Dermer and **Geoff Mallett** lead for Player of the Year. **Mimi Pustilnik** and **John Kloke, II** are tied 3/4, and **Mike Fine** and **Dickie Hamilton** are tied 5/6. **Margaret Anderson, Doug Briers, Bill Bugg, Nitin Shah** and **Francis Terminella** are tied for Non Life Master honors. Good Playing!

Special games: **North American Open Pairs, June 16 and July 7** and **Handicap game, July 28**. Join us.

CLUB TOURNAMENTS

Wednesday, June 30 Tuesday, July 13
Monday, July 19

HANDICAP GAMES

Thursday, June 17 Tuesday, July 6
Monday, June 21 Thursday, July 15
Tuesday, June 29 Monday, July 26

PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

March

1. Harry Gellis (A) 15.58
2. George Lewis (A) 12.77
3. Becky Duty (B) 10.86
4. Pam Farrar (B) 9.81
5. Sue Sims (C) 8.83
6. Steve Chaplin (C) 5.94

April

1. Neil Moran (B) 11.54
2. Harry Gellis (A) 10.13
3. Carol Leedes (A) 9.53
4. Toni Morton (B) 9.39
5. Dale Dermer (A) 8.95
6. Melba Jolly (C) 8.87

HIGH % GAMES

In March **Harry Gellis** and **George Lewis** had the high game with a 76.26% and in April **Dale Dermer** and **Mike Spooner** had a 68.91% game. Congrats to all.

LIFE MASTER PARTY

We are having a BIG Life Master party in August for all our new LMs. Our newest ones are **Diane Banks, Virginia Cash, Mona Thiss, Virginia Stewart, Susan Dunbar** and **Sue Sims**. Maybe we will have some more by August.

Keep your calendar handy.



Thank you to **Gale Glunt** for donating a new microwave to the Bridge Center! All of our players appreciate it.

RBA News by Doug Jennings and Peggy Ward

I want to thank the Officers and Board Members for serving these past two years: **Peggy Ward, Helen Rolfe, Richard Deyerle, George Lewis, Paul Anderson, Ellen Hartenberg, Debra Hoffman, Ed Kinlaw, John McNaney, Toni Morton, Linda Seamster, and Marty Wein**.

We had 160 members attend the Annual May Dinner, Meeting, and Unit Game held at The Place at Innsbrook. I have heard only good things concerning the evening, and folks seemed to be in great spirits throughout the event. We presented the Mini McKenney Medallions and the Ace of Clubs Certificates to our unit winners as well as the RBA Unit Game Trophy Winners: Flight A - **Mike Fine** and **Dickie Hamilton**; Flight B - **Natalia** and **Willem Vet**; Flight C - **Joan** and **Joshua Haravey**.

Stu Kleiman presented the **Sheila Kleiman/Congeniality Trophy** to **Margaret Anderson**.

Stanley Ford, Unit Recorder gave the report of deceased members for the past year, and presented the **Unit Hall of Fame Award** to **Linda** and **Bob MacCleave**.

Thanks to all the people who help with the Friendly Bridge Program, our Sectional Tournaments and Hospitality Folks. I have enjoyed this opportunity and challenge to serve as your president and appreciate all the support from those who made my job a lot easier and hopefully successful. I give you now your new president, **Peggy Ward**.

Doug Jennings

First let me express our appreciation and thanks to **Doug Jennings** for all his work and efforts over the past two years. We so much appreciate all that he has done and wish he and Pat the best in their new home in Southwest Virginia come the fall!

Next, I want to let you know that the May 22-23 NLM Sectional was a wonderful success with 68 tables. The 26 tables at the Saturday am session included 17 pairs with < 50 master-points! Many thanks to **Jack Buchanan** and **Will Williams** for providing the hospitality and to every player who brought goodies to share!

Congratulations to our new **Diamond Life Master, Dickie Hamilton** and to our newest **Life Masters: Diane Banks, Robert Bos, Sue Sims, Virginia Stewart** and **Mona Thiss!**

The June 9th Unit game is a pairs game, and the July 14th game is a Swiss Team game! Please come and join us! Please also look on the website for the North American Pairs Qualifying Games!

Our next **Open Sectional is August 6-8!** There is a NEW TIME for Friday's games: 10:30 and 3:30! The Sunday Swiss Teams will be stratified by the average of the teams' points rather than highest player! The next **Non-Life Master Sectional is September 18-19** so mark your calendars!

I so look forward to working with you and for you in the coming year!

Peggy Ward