NVBA Newsletter

October - November 2002

Upcoming NVBA Games and Special Events

(October - November - mid-December 2002)

Oct. 3	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Oct. 10	Beth El	7:00	WBL Sectional
Oct. 17	Beth El	7:00	Stratified GNT Qualifying
Oct. 24	KOCH	7:00	NVBA Sectional
Oct. 31	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Club Appreciation Pairs
Nov. 7	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Champtionship
Nov. 14	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Nov. 21	Beth El	7:00	WBL Sectional
Nov. 28	Closed-	–Thanl	ksgiving
Dec. 5	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Dec. 12	Beth El	7:00	Holiday Party andMABC STaC

Stratification Limits:

For regular NVBA Unit Games, the strats are as follows: C is 0-500; B is 0-2000; and A is unlimited.

For the NAP qualifying game, see the Conditions of Contest for the stratification limits.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming October 24-27 NVBA Sectional

Now that summer is over and many of you who were traveling have returned, I hope to see you at the Unit game and Sectionals. We just completed the September Sectional and the sunny mild weather resulted in a somewhat smaller attendance.

Coming up are the qualifying sessions for the Grand National Teams. The winners in each strata will have some of their expenses paid to go to Long Beach, California, in the summer of 2003. So come out and do your best. This is one of the best competitions sponsored by ACBL, and it will give you some of the most challenging bridge that you can find.

If you have not visited the NVBA web site (www.nvba.org) recently, Melissa Gumbert has moved some things around. There is a link on the main page to results of the Unit game and results of the Sectionals. We have also posted the results for the first half of this year of the mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs races. We have completed arrangements so that we can soon post the hand records for the Unit games, in addition to the recap sheets.

We would like to send you the newsletter by e-mail if you have that capability. It arrives faster, you can't lose it, and it is much less expensive for the Unit than printing and postage.

If you are not receiving this by email and would like to, please send us a message so that we have your email address. The address for newsletter items is newsletter@nvba.org. As a matter of policy we will not release your e-mail address to anyone including other bridge players.

Thanks to the efforts of Ron Kral and the Easybridge! program, 28 new members joined our Unit in the past month. It is great to see these new members out at some of the local games and at the recent Sectional. Please welcome them if you should happen to meet them at the clubs or Unit. We are also listing again in this newsletter the names of teachers in our Unit. If you know someone that wants to learn bridge, pass the information along to them.

Come Join in Holiday Cheer

The Annual NVBA Holiday Party, which includes dinner and a bridge game, will be held on Thursday, December 12. Everyone is asked to contribute a food dish ... appetizer, salad, casserole or dessert. The main course and drinks will be provided. Remember, no pork or shellfish, please! Dinner will be served from 6 to 7 pm, followed by the game.

Those who choose not to contribute a food item will be asked to pay \$5 towards party expenses. If you have any questions or would like to help with the party, please call Kathryn Kiley at 703-758-0366.

New Junior Masters		
Joseph G. Bekhor	Edward A. Molnar	Prahalad Rajkumar
Virginia V. Carroll	Ray H. Morgan	Dorothy Reeves
John W. Gorman	Virginia A.Morgan	David Tychman
Rajnesh Kathuria	Mohssen Nejad	C. Vasudevan
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New Club Masters		
Ali Al-Aref	David H. Gardner	Mary D. Meadows
Elias Arbel	Marilyn J. Golias	Thomas L. Osborne
Denise A. Assa	Jan Harrington	Mary L. O'Shea
W. Lyles Carr III	Elizabeth Huffman	Alba Stephenson
Cherrie Chapman	Christon W. Johnson	Adam Winsler
Todd L. Etter	Marguerite A. Korn	Jeff Youngen
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New Sectional Masters		V 60 .
John R. Betz, Jr.	Janice H. Gleason	Youssof Seraj
Margaret Brown	Daniel F. Morgan	Andrew G. Thomas
Mary F. Decorps	M. E. Schuler	Daniel Ward
New Regional Masters		
Bob S. Armstrong	Gordon Hatheway, Jr.	Virginia Rowen
Sue D. Carson	Don N. Henry	Salam A. Saidi
Nancy Cartwright	Mitchell Karlick	Marilyn P. Schwaner
Stephen M. Goldstein	Jay Kelkar	William J. White
New NABC Masters		
Frank M. Cardillo	Tony S. Gallucio	Martha W. Lackey
Leo Cardillo	Robert D. Gunnell, Jr.	Joseph P. Ogulin
Leonid M. Fastovsky	Paul K. Krueger	Joseph I. Oguini
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New Life Masters John D. Ferman	Frances McNaught	Lynette Vanderschaaf
Joanne Harman	Mr. John Montgomery	2
William Harman	Jake H. Parrott	
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New Bronze Life Masters		
Mr. Ralph Bayrer	Linda Padgett	Robert Padgett
New Silver Life Masters		
Elizabeth B. Kinney	Gregory J. Mullins	
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New Gold Life Masters Stan S. Schenker		
Stan S. Schenker		

NVBA Milestones

The Nationals are over, our September Sectional is history, and, by the time you read this, the NAP District finals will be in the books and the winners taking aim on Philadelphia next Spring. We congratulate those who tasted success while to those who were disappointed, we offer a bit of philosophical condolence. One of the great things about bridge is that you never have to wait long for a chance to do better. A starting pitcher for the Orioles who gets shelled, has to wait five days for another chance. The Redskins have to wait a week, sometimes two. But you lucky people almost always have somewhere you can get back up on that horse the next day. So when you think of horses, we hope you'll think of the Unit Game, where there's a lot of bridge left to play in 2002. Included are three sec-

by Marshall Kuschner

tional Thursdays, a club appreciation game, and another STAC in conjunction with the annual Holiday party on Dec. 12th. Also, with the expansion of the Grand National Teams qualifying period, our first qualifier will be held on October 17th.

We have been unsuccessful in keeping our 199er game alive, but for a very interesting reason. We actually have enough 199ers show up every week to have a 5 or 6 table game, but most of them want to play in the open game. That's certainly commendable, but we understand that not everyone is ready to bang with the big boys. For those who would prefer not to have to play up, talk it up with your peers. We'll be happy to run a separate game if enough people show up.

Except for Thanksgiving, we will see you on Thursday.

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Hale, and Farewell

We'd like to welcome the Charles M. Bredehoft Margaret Barusch Joel R. Cannon Cheryl L. Case Linda D. Clover Sue Erikson Raymond E. Griffin Camille M. Grosso Brooke S. Horiuchi Jeanette Hull	he following new ACE Elaine R. Kendrick Robert C. Kerr Zee M. Knebel Cecelia M. Lazzaro Gerald M. Lazzaro Debbie S. Massey Sally N. McConnell Sheryl L. McEwan Ray H. Morgan Virginia A. Morgan	BL members into our Unit: Gregory W. Price N. K. Quill-Skrinski Arvind R. Raghavan Prahalad Rajkumar Jean W. Senseman Philip W. Slattery Susan C. Slattery Laura D. Whelan Nancy Zimmerman
The following persons Connie E. Arner Tom Arnette Gert Balfe Edward Binns Rosemary Bollettino George Campbell Gale Clarke Betty J. Denton Ann Fenstermacher Dick Galvin	have transferred out of Veronica A. Gerster Doris Goodwin Jan Harrington Grey Hodnett J. W. Kennedy Karen L. Kessler Ruth Kosco John Macivor Kay Oliver Randall E. Roberts	of our Unit: Kenneth Rosenberg Lisa Schwartz Lloyd G. Sigafoo Robert H. Sloan Gwen Somers Thomas N. Tarbox Mahesh Viswanathan Jingyi Yu Weidong Zheng
And we'd like to welco Douglas Allan Blanche M. Anderson Arlene Brecher F. Eugenia Catchings Ronald C. Catchings Larry J. Clandorf Wanda T. Clandorf Joe G. Claveau	me the following new Daley T. Coulter James A. Dailey Vicki L. Dailey Sophia V. Debs Leonard Fastovsky Jill Fite Marshall Fite Richard A. Folger	r transfers into the Unit: Faye L. Gourlay Peggy C. Harris Atul Jain Larry Lavender Salam A. Saidi David Tucker

And we'd like to note the passing of one of our members: Mr. R. M. Lundberg

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Who's Who in NVBA

Here's the updated 2002-2003 NVBA "contact list"—the name and home phone number of the person to call if you have a question, a comment, a suggestion, or if you'd just like to say "thanks" for a job well done. They really would like to hear from you. Listed first are the officers, then the chairs of the various standing committees.

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Parade of Winners

Pittsburgh Regional

(August 27 - September 2)

Friday Open Pairs

1 Ken Davis - Charles Yaple

Sunday A/X Pairs

1 Jim Wakefield - Helene Bauman

Sat AM Swiss

- 1/2 Kenton Schoen Ken Davis -James Bush - Howard Montemurro
- Sat-Sun Handicapped KO 1
- 1 Charles Yaple Ken Davis Kenton Schoen - Ed Godlove

Sat-Sun Handicapped KO - 4

1 Phil Zamboni - Gail Zamboni - John Plunkett - Inez Plunkett

Hunt Valley Regional (August 19 - 25)

Mon Eve 0-300 Pairs (21 Pairs)

1 Samuel Bowlin - Dale Harrison Orioles Bracketed KO Teams

- -Bracket 1 (9 teams) 1 Peggy Allen - Jeff Roman - Hugh Grosvenor - Jim Robison - Ken Gee
- -Bracket 2 (16 Teams) 1 David Wakefield - Greg Mullins -Charles Young, Jr. - Lynn Boardman
- -Bracket 5 (12 Teams) 1 Marvin Josaitis - Donna Josaitis - Elva Grillo - Yvonne Markell
- Mon-Tues Sr KO Teams —Bracket 1 (9 Teams)
- 1 Zeke Letellier J. Koonce M. Levin -G. Hershman - L. Miliman - R. Levin
- Tues Morn Raven Side Series (26 Pairs)
- 1 1 1 Samuel Bowlin George Schropp 2 Robert Zier - James Witting 2 Hazel Murphy – Clara Siewick
- Tues Strat Open Pairs
 (92 Pairs)

 1
 Robert Zier James Witting

 1
 Paul Keshishian Marian Van Ryne

 Tues Eve Side Pairs
 (30 pairs)

 1 Todd Zimnoch - Joseph Ogulin

- Tues. Eve. BAM
 (15 Teams)

 1 Ed Lewis Marc Low Sandra Low James Murphy
 1
- Tues Sr Swiss (66 Teams) 2 Al Duncker - Hal Holtzclaw - Andy
- Gabrilovitch Donald GeerhartTues Eve 0-299 Pairs(21 Pairs)2 2 1 Betty Taff Barbara DiCiccoWed Aft. 0-299(39 Pairs)
- 2 Vicky Lantz Clyde Lantz Rochelle Simon - John Ruff
- Maryland Bracketed KO Teams —Bracket 1 (9 Teams) 1 Peggy Allen - Jeff Roman - Hugh Grosvenor - Jim Robison - Ken Gee
- -Bracket 3 (16 Teams) 1 Peter Kyper - David Chechelashvili -E. Maloney-Refaie - Bucky Sydnor
- -Bracket 8 (15 Teams) 2 Aquil Ahmed - A Patel - Barbara DiCicco - Don Henry
- Wed Open Pairs (60 Pairs) 1 Tom Cogan - Ron Sukoneck

Wed Eve BAM (15 Teams) 2/3 Bob Walsh - Paul Keshishian -Charles King - Alan Breed Wed Eve Side Game (46 Pairs) 2 2 1 Joe Ogulin - Penny Stoever Wed Zip KO (8 Teams) 2 Hazel Murphy - Clara Siewick -Elva Grillo - Yvonne Markell Thurs Aft Side Game (26 Pairs) 2 2 Sam Coleman - Penny Stoever Thurs Aft 100/200/300 (44 Pairs) 2 Samuel Bowlin - Christopher Kirk (58 Pairs) Thurs Open Pairs 2 1 William Brown - Marsha Brown Thurs Eve Side Series (34 Pairs) 2 Julian Boyce - Kathryn Kiley Wed/Thurs Bracketed KO —Bracket 1 (9 Teams) 1 Peggy Allen - Jeff Roman - Hugh Grosvenor - Jim Robison - Ken Gee Wed/Thurs Bracketed KO —Bracket 3 (16 Teams) 1 Peter Kyper - David Chechelashvili -E. Maloney-Refaie - Bucky Sydnor Wed/Thurs Bracketed KO -Bracket 8 (15 Teams) 2 Aquil Ahmed - A Patel - Don Henry -Barbara DiCicco Thurs Swiss Teams (62 Teams) 2 Bob Walsh - Paul Keshishian -Charles King - Alan Breed Fri AM Ravens Cont/Side (16 Pairs) Sam Coleman - Samuel Bowlin 2/3 Milton Hilliard - George Schropp Fri AM 50/100/300 Pairs (14 Pairs) 2 Don Henry - Barbara DiCicco Fri Aft 100/50/20 Pairs (42 Pairs) 1 Veronica Reinhardt - Tina Hogan Orioles Side Game Fri Aft (50 Pairs) Enid Asherman - Pete Hughes 1 Shirley Lafferty - Gene Gallagher Fri Eve 300/200/100 Pairs (40 Pairs) 2 2 1 Veronica Reinhardt - Tina Hogan Fri Stratiflighted Pairs (52 Pairs) George Bloomer, Jr. - Al Duncker

- 1 John Ferman Sam Westgate Fri B/C Stratified Pairs (56 Pairs) 2 Marty Zupan - David Jackson
- 1 Elliot Itkin Robert Finkelstein

Fri Eve BAM (13 Teams) Peggy Allen - Jeff Roman - Hugh 2 Grosvenor - Jim Robison 1/2Richard Hagenlocker - Bob Walsh -Bill Mannschreck - Marge Gazzola 2 Gene Gallagher - Shirley Lafferty -F. McNaught - L. Vanderschaaf Fri Eve Orioles Side Game (32 Pairs) 2 Jackie Greene - Jenny Rose Fri Eve Zip KOs (9 Teams) 1 David Gottfried - Candy Boughner -Robert Hendricks - Marie Killoran Sat AM Ravens Cont/Side (32 Pairs) Charles Pecarro - Carole Grob 1 Don Van Arman - Bruce Houston 2 James Green - Samuel Bowlin 1 2 F. McNaught - L. Vanderschaaf Sat Open Pairs (116 Pairs) 2 Ron Kral - Amal Dasgupta Sat AM 50/100/300 Pairs (28 Pairs) 2 Larry Gomberg - J. J. Armour Sat Aft 100/200/300 Pairs (50 Pairs) Wm. Mendez, Jr. - Michael Goldman 2 Marcia Goggans - Susan Strauss Sat Aft 50/20/10 Pairs (20 Pairs) Veronica Reinhardt - Marilyn Armon 2 2 Ray Morgan - Virginia Morgan Sat Senior Pairs (59 Pairs) 2 Harriet Schrader - Gerald Schrader Fri/Sat Hunt Cup KO (10 Teams) —Bracket 1 1 James Murphy - Ed Lewis - Sandra Low -Marc Low - David Sachs - Sue Sachs 2 Marshall Kuschner - Sumner Steinfeldt -Frank Mastrola - Elaine Said -Bracket 2 (15 Teams) 1 Brendan Doyle - Susan Shively - Deepak Khanna - Robert Lepelletier, Jr. (14 Teams) —Bracket 3 2 J. Elliott - M Bridgewater - Betty Blecki - Jeff Klemm Sat Eve BAM (11 Teams) Kelley Hwang - Lawrence Lau - John 1 Klayman - Tom Lavender Peggy Allen - Jeff Roman - Hugh Grosvenor - Ken Gee 1 Phyllis Talley - Joan McQuaid - Bea Suskin - Barbara DiCicco Sat Eve 0-300 BAM (24 Teams) Beth Milton - Roger Milton - William Mendez, Jr. - Michael Goldman

2 1 Veronica Reinhardt - Marilvn Armon -David Hamilton - Michelle Cantave

Sat Zip KO'S

(8 Teams)

(32 Teams)

(28 Pairs)

2 Leo LaSota - Alan Kleist - Kathryn Kiley - Julian Boyce

Weekend KO

-Atlanta Bracket (10 Teams)

1 David and Sue Sachs - Marc and Sandra Low - Ed Lewis - James Murphy

-VA Beach (10 Teams)

- 1 Peter Kyper Fred Maher Michael Perri - David Chechelashvili
- Sun Morn 0-300 Swiss (18 Teams) 2 Tina Hogan - Veronica Reinhardt -Jane Farthing - Marilyn Armon

Sun Aft. 0-300 Swiss (14 Teams)

April Hall - June Hoye - Mark 2 Newman - Bryant Cochran 2 Neal McKinney - Lois Simms - Don Henry - Stella Perry

Sun A/X Swiss

- 2 Ken Davis - John Ashe - Mark Tonnesen - Jean Levin
 - 2 Donald Van Arman Bruce Houston -Steve Bunning - Kris Miller

Sun Stratified Pairs

- Hal Hindman Sumner Steinfeldt 1
- David Jackson Marty Zupan
- 1 A. Patel Aquil Ahmed

Sun Morn 300/50/20 Pairs (14 Pairs)

2 2 Christopher Kirk - Susan Strauss

NVBA Sectional

(September 19-22)

Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (70 Pairs)

- Janet Gookin Robert Gookin 1 1 Stu Fleischmann - Eugene Schuyler
- Thurs Eve B/C (62 Pairs)
- Madan Nanda Gabriele Nanda
- 21 A. Patel Aquil Ahmed

Thurs Eve 0-300 (Va) (10 Pairs)

- 1 1 Janice Gleason Richard Skow
- David Benson Paula Shorten 2
- 2 Barbara DiCicco Neal McKinney
- (8 Pairs) Fri Aft 99er Pairs
- 1 Halina Kulczycki Helen Dodge
- Fri Aft 299er Pairs (14 Pairs)
- Pamela Stark Alfred O'Malley 2

Fri Aft Open Pairs (43 Pairs)

- Zeke Letellier Jean Levin 2
 - Robert Gookin Donna Rogall
 - Salam Saidi Kamel Tabbara
 - Jeanne Goldfarb Thierry Poirey 1 Bryan Macpherson - H. Pflucker
 - 2 Julia Brown Eva Shaffer

Fri Eve Open Pairs 1 Susan Green - Mike Capj 2 Janet Gookin - Stephen S 2 Michael Deegan - Stever	Swearingen
Fri Eve 0-299 2 Gloria Halstead - Elizabo	(12 Pairs)
Sat A/X Pairs	(32 Pairs)
1 Janet Gookin - Robert G 2 Margot Hennings - P. Ra 2/3 Jim Dick - Linda Dick 2/3 Vonnie Lavender - Sumn	ijkumar
Sat Aft B/C Pairs 1 Rose Baltrusaitis - Thierry 2 Scott Ruegg - Terrence Van	
Sat Aft 199er 1 Charles Allport - Sandra 2 1 David Miller - Nancy Mi 2 David Raley - Mary Ann	iller
Sat Aft Senior Pairs 2 Samuel Mills, Jr Micha	(23 Pairs)
2 Samuel Minis, JL - Micha	iel Polunin

1 1 Michael Richey - Donald Glover

Sat Eve 0-199 (12 Pairs)

- 1 Ralph Ward Harlan Geyer
- 2 Kim Ashenden Joyce Montgomery 1 Ali Al-Aref - Terry Jones
- 2 Mary O'Shea Myrna Kroh
- Sun AM 0-299 Swiss (12 Teams)
- 1 David Hamilton Michelle Cantave -John Lowe, III - D. Tonnesen
- Susan Strauss Richard Slater -Christianne Allmang – Lois Simms
 Halina Kulczycki - Betty Taff -Frances Denney - Anne Medlin

Sun A/X Swiss (17 Teams)

2/3Don Hennings - Margot Hennings -William Brown - James Gumbert

Sun B/C Swiss (20 Teams)

 Mark Tonnesen - Shirley Kollas -William Hurst - La Quitta Talbot
 Mitchell Karlick - G. Hatheway, Jr. -Richard Cassell - Stephen Goldstein

Sun Aft 0-299 Swiss (6 Teams)

2 David Hamilton - Michelle Cantave -John Lowe, III - D. Tonnesen

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NVBA FALL SECTIONAL TOURNAN October 24–27, 200 Knights of Columbus Hall (KOCH), 5115 Little Falls Thursday, October 24 NVBA – Knights of Columbus Hall, Artiogram, VA WBL = Christ the King Church, 2301 Colston Dr., Silver Spring of East-West Hwy. on Colston Dr. between Grubb and Washi	AENT 2 Rd., Arlington, VA
Strataflighted Pairs	
(A/X=9000+/0-9000; B/C=2000/750) 299er Pairs (300/200/100)	
All Virginia events at KOCH	FREE Snacks Every Session
Friday, October 25 Stratified Open Pairs (2000+/2000/750)	Muffins and Juice Sunday Morning
299er Pairs (0–200)	Snack Bar On-Site to Provide Reasonably- Priced Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Fruit, Cockies,
Saturday, October 26 Newcomenintermediate Lecture featuring Jeff Roman 10:00 am	Coffee, Sodas, Wine and Beer
Mini-Stratified Pairs (100/50/20/5)	Toumament Co-Chairs Margot Hennings (703) 560–0245 Kathryn Kiley (703) 758–0366
Easybridge! Pairs	Partnership Chair Andre L'Heureux (703) 914–9389
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Sunday, October 27

Flight A/X and B/C Swiss Teams 11 am
(A/X=3000+/0-3000; B/C=2000/750)
2 sessions with a 30-minute break - box lunch available for purchase
299er Swiss Teams (0-300) 11 am
Mini-Stratified Swiss Teams (100/50/20) 11 am
Stratified 299er Swiss Teams (300/200/100)

Open Stratified events Next NVBA Sectional Tournament February 6-9, 2003

Mid-Chart conventions shall be permitted in all Flight A, Flight B and

Directions: From Res. 496 (the Belovay) or points West of the Belovay; take Rie. 66 East to the Washington Boulevard/Lee Highway est. At the light at the end of the exit ramp, turn left onto Lee Highway. Go approximately 1.5 miles and turn left onto Harrison Steet. Go *5* miles and turn right onto Little Falls Road. The KOCH is on your left. 2 of a mile down. It the Falls From D. 0. or Artigoton, take Rie. 66 West to the Syxammer Steet exit. At the end of the extramp, turnight onto Syxamore. At the second light, turnight onto Lee Highway and go alittle over 1 mile and turn left onto Harrison Steet. Follow the above directions from that point. OR from *D*.0, go straight across Chain Bridge and thenkeep left to stay on Glebe Road. From the light at the end of Chain Bridge, proceed 1.8 miles and turnight onto Little Falls Road (the second right past the light at Williamsburg Lane). Cross Old Domition [3 miles] at the stop sign and proceed on Little Falls another *S* miles to the KOCH on your right. Also from Artington or Falls Church, simply take Lee Highway to Hartison. From McLean, use Rie, 56 East or you can also take Rie. 123 to Cit Domition and stay on Old Domition, furning right onto Little Falls Falls is left after you pass. Williamsburg. From all directions, turn up the drive and cicle past the stope folge. Follow signs for wistor parking. The tournament will be held in the brick building marked "KOCH 2473" down the full to your right.

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talk of discounts for those in costume and prizes for the best Since Halloween falls on a Thursday this year, there has been costumes. Just leave the candy basket on the front porch with a sign saying "Help Yourself" and come on down.

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Discrimination, that's what it is! And the worst kind of discrimination at that, discrimination against men. Those of you who have played at the Hunt Valley Regional the past two vears know what I'm talking about. For those who haven't, most of the events are played in the main ballroom, across the hall from the restrooms for men and women. The men's room, as I recall, contains four commodes and eight urinals. I have no first hand knowledge of the ladies' facilities, but I would guess that it houses six or eight commodes. Now I don't know exactly what the ladies do when they go in there, and I'm not sure I want to know, but whatever they do, it must take a lot longer than what we men do because there's always a line outside the ladies'room. To alleviate the logjam, the tournament has gotten the hotel to designate the men's room as a second facility for the fairer sex. This has eliminated the line, but what about the poor men? They are now forced to ride the escalator up to the lobby level while a few feet away from where they were playing, eight perfectly good urinals are going unused. At least, I assume they are going unused. I know for a fact they're not going unnoticed, based on of some of the comments

that have been overheard. You see, not all urinals are the same height. A few are lower than the rest, and some of the more lascivious ladies speculated that they were designed for men who were either very short or very long. Makes you wonder what you might hear if you were a fly on the wall in the ladies' room. Make that ladies' rooms.

That notwithstanding, Hunt Valley continues to thrive and this year offers us some insight. One of the theories advanced for the drop in attendance at the recent NABC in Washington was its chronological proximity to the World Championships in Montreal. Well, Hunt Valley went head-to-head against Montreal and came within about 100 tables of its 2001 attendance. Go figure. Maybe it was the stock market, after all. Or maybe we aren't willing to go to the same lengths to play bridge that we once were because we're getting older. Naaaahhh!