

Congratulations to NVBA–WBL Player of the Year David Milton and our Trophy and Medal Winners

THE NVBA IS PROUD to announce that one of its members, David Milton, is the winner of the 2009-2010 NVBA-WBL Player of the Year Trophy. He was the highest Masterpoint winner among eligible Life Masters. The trophy will be awarded at the Bethesda Regional in July. (See p. 6 for more details.)

At the Annual Meeting on May 6, the election of members of the 2010-2011 NVBA Board was held and all candidates were elected by acclamation. NVBA President Bob Boyd recognized new Life Masters and presented trophies and medals to NVBA trophy winners, Ace of Clubs winners and Mini-McKenney winners.

The winners of the NVBA trophies for calendar year 2009 were:

Woman of the Year: Janet Gookin
Man of the Year: Steve Reed
Rush Buckley: Tony Cincotta
Rookie of the Year: James Shoenhard

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Of Special Interest:

- Bethesda, MD Regional
Jul. 5 – 11
- New Orleans Summer NABC
Jul. 22 – Aug. 1
- Hunt Valley, MD REGIONAL,
Aug. 16 – 22
- WBL Sectional,
Aug. 12 – 15
- Atlanta, GA REGIONAL,
Aug. 31 – Sep. 6
- NVBA Sectional,
Sep. 23 – 26
- D6 STaC,
Oct. 5 – 11

Wanted: Needed: Volunteers *By Bob Boyd NVBA President*



WHAT AMAZED me most when I became NVBA president was how critical volunteers were and how many it took to run the Unit Game and tournaments.

When I was growing up, there was a saying, "Let George do it." The context for that was that there was a job to be done, but we didn't feel like doing it. As long as it wasn't us, we didn't care who did the job. The saying may have had its origin centuries ago when George Washington was the leader of last resort. Need a commander for the Continental Army? Or how about someone to be the first president?

Let George do it.

The NVBA has been living off the efforts of several Georges: George Cardillo, George Hennings, and George Kral, just to name a few without whom we would not have a functioning unit. There is danger when volunteer work becomes a sentence rather than a job. George moves on or burns out and no one else is prepared to step in. We have terms of office for our elected leadership, but not for the volunteers who are far more critical.

NVBA is responsible for the Regional in Reston in 2011. Our leadership team is in place, but we are going to need many, many volunteers to ensure everyone enjoys the tournament. Be prepared for committee chairs to begin asking you.

The Unit Game and Sectionals are going to need some new volunteers shortly. We need replacements for Ross and Marty Bley to handle drinks and supplies and for Stan Schenker as caddymaster. After the heavily-attended LM/NLM Game, we have to find a coordinator for parking if we want to stay on good terms with Temple Beth El. Of course, we always need help with food and guaranteed partners.

The mentoring program is extremely popular with our non-Life Masters, but there are too few Life Masters willing to participate. We are hoping to undertake an initiative with WBL to teach bridge to Wounded Warriors at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. That will take volunteers to teach, direct, and play. Mentoring and teaching bridge to wounded soldiers are especially important because they give everyone a chance to show not only that the game is worthwhile, but that bridge players as a group give back out of gratitude for what they have.

As president, I would like to challenge every NVBA member to reflect upon what the game of bridge means to you. Bridge is made possible only by volunteers. Are you doing your share? Please take the initiative and let me know where you can help.

Don't say "Let George do it." If you leave it up to George, one day you might just find the door locked and the lights out.

Upcoming NVBA Games & Special Events

Jul. 1 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted Unit Championship
Jul. 8 Beth El – 7:00 CLOSED – Bethesda Regional
Jul. 15 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted North American Pairs
Jul. 22 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted Unit Championship
Jul. 29 Beth El – 7:00 Stratified Unit Championship
Aug. 5 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted Unit Championship
Aug. 12 Beth El – 7:00 WBL Sectional – Stratiflighted Pairs
Aug. 19 Beth El – 7:00 Stratified Unit Championship
Aug. 26 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted North American Pairs
Sep. 2 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted Unit Fund Foundation Game
Sep. 9 TBD – 7:00 Stratified Unit Championship – alternate site*
Sep. 16 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted Membership Game
Sep. 23 TBD – 7:00 NVBA Sectional – Stratiflighted Pairs – alternate site*
Sep. 30 Beth El – 7:00 Stratiflighted Upgraded Club Championship
* Games on September 9 and September 23, 2010 will be held at an alternate site – possibly Knights of Columbus in Arlington, VA

Stratification Limits:

All NVBA Unit Games include a separate Stratified 199er game.
 Players with 0-5 MPs play free every Thursday in all scheduled events.
Stratiflighted limits are A/X: Unlimited/3000 and B/C: 2000/750.
Stratified events are: Unlimited/2000/750
 For the North American Pairs qualifying games, the stratification is:
 0-500 (NLM), 500-2000, 2000+

Upcoming Sectionals

NVBA

September 23-26, 2010
 October 28-31, 2010

WBL

August 12-15, 2010
 January 6-9, 2011

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The Jack of Hearts *By Marshall Kuschner*



THE GRAND SIERRA RESORT (GSR) is a 27-story monolith, dominating the flat landscape east of Reno. All previous Reno nationals have been held here but when we last visited in 2004, it was a Hilton. Before that it was Bally's and even earlier, the MGM Grand. Most folks agreed that the change was not for the better. GSR bought the place about four years ago with plans to turn it into a family oriented venue. So they paid a gazillion bucks for the hotel, took down the Hilton logo and replaced it with their own, a stylized GSR. Now as all CSI fans know, GSR stands for gun shot residue. How family oriented can you get? What next?

The Wizards change their name back to the Bullets? Other than that, little had changed in Reno. The Sierras still loomed, Lake Tahoe still sparkled, and the dealers still drew to 21 with maddening regularity. One change was the attendance of 12,196.5 tables, a decline of almost 3,000 from last time. Don't know whether it's the economy, the venue, or what but this is the first Reno to fall below 13,800. History will be the final judge but the word on the street is that next time we visit Reno, we will be downtown at the Silver Legacy.

At a West Coast national, you wouldn't normally expect to see many faces from Northern Virginia and fewer still with their names in lights. In this case, you'd be mildly surprised. Alan Schwartz and Ai-Tai Lo opened the tournament with an 8th place finish in the Flight A NAP and followed that with an overall in the new Platinum Pairs. Others with national overalls included Gil Cohen (Silver Ribbon and Open Pairs), Cecily Kohler (Silver Ribbon), Steve Reed and Stephen Drodge (Red Ribbon), and Jeff Roman (Open Pairs). Regional wins were recorded by La Quitta Talbot and Herb Fallin, and the troika of Jim Shoenhard, Tony Robson, and David Jackson, all in KOs.

Attendance went the other direction at the April nationals in Gatlinburg. Last year's dip below 10,000 tables proved to be an aberration. Despite the size, things went very smoothly and the cavernous convention center didn't seem as full, probably due to the 150-table playing area upstairs which was used for midweek KOs. At any rate, the final count was 10,064. Now mind you, while Reno might have been disappointing, 12K is still a pretty big NABC. To compare the two, Reno averaged 1,102 tables per day while Gatlinburg averaged 1,438. Just think how Gatlinburg would stack up against a small National. Hard to beat Gatlinburg where the red buds bud, the Smokies smoke, and all the dealers do is start the bidding.



Upcoming 199er Unit Games

Jul. 1 Beth El – 7:00 199er Pairs game
Jul. 8 Beth El – 7:00 Closed – Bethesda Regional
Jul. 15 Beth El – 7:00 199er ACBL Charity Pairs
Jul. 22 Beth El – 7:00 199er Pairs Game
Jul. 29 Beth El – 7:00 199er Pairs Game
Aug. 5 Beth El – 7:00 199er Pairs Game
Aug. 12 Beth El – 7:00 WBL Sectional – 199er Pairs Game
Aug. 19 Beth El – 7:00 199er Club Championship Pairs game
Aug. 26 Beth El – 7:00 199er Pairs Game
Sep. 2 Beth El – 7:00 199er Pairs Game
Sep. 9 TBD – 7:00 199er Pairs Game – alternate site*
Sep. 16 Beth El – 7:00 199er Pairs Membership Game
Sep. 23 TBD – 7:00 NVBA Sectional - 199er Pairs Game – alternate site*
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Congratulation to NVBA-WBL winners – continued from page 1

The NVBA congratulates these winners and wishes them continued success at the bridge table.

The newly elected NVBA Board for 2010-2011 Board is:

President: Bob Boyd

Vice President: Alan Breed

Secretary: Jennifer Nisenoff

Treasurer: Lynda Flanger

Executive Directors: Paul Black, Amanda Carter, Jim Dick, Virginia Gibbons, Bruce Houston

Starting on page 7, see some photos from the Annual Meeting.

2009-2010 NVBA-WBL Player of the Year Final Standings

Eligibility: Players must attend at least three WBL and three NVBA sectionals during the contest period (September 2009 – May 2010). Points won on Tournament Thursday evenings are included in the totals, but do not count towards eligibility.

Top 20 Open Leaders

<u>Player</u>	<u>Points</u>
David Milton	176.92*
Leo LaSota	148.45
Steve Robinson	119.95*
Michael Gill	113.91*
Prahalad Rajkumar	109.15*
Robert Bell	105.01*
Mark Shaw	104.88*
John Adams	103.56
Peter Boyd	98.84
William Cole	98.83*
Barry Falgout	96.56*
Noble Shore	96.30*
Stan Schenker	93.39*
Linda Marshall	90.22*
Kenneth Davis	89.19*
Earl Glickstein	88.27*
Steven Schatzow	84.03*
Helene Bauman	82.11*
Ronald Kral	70.95*
William Hacker	69.64

Top 20 Non-LM Leaders

<u>Player</u>	<u>Points</u>
Kiyomi Shiba	56.59*
Patrick Stanton	46.33*
Raghavendra Rajkumar	44.31
Daniel Falk	34.07*
Arun Guha	33.66*
Murat Berk	32.67*
Stephen Drodge	29.56*
Al Caponiti	28.38
Annapurna Satpathy	28.08*
Albert Stolpe	24.64*
Larry Wallace	23.84*
James Metzger	23.65
Pat Lonergan	22.28*
Stephen Colevas	21.74*
Srinivas Kachibhatla	21.08
Eleanor Schwartz	20.30*
Terry Mitchell	19.86
David Montague	19.36
Anne Vaeth	17.82*
Ed Krest	17.82*

NVBA Trophy Standings

As of 5/31/10

Man of the Year

Steve Reed	46.70
Ken Davis	46.56
Bruce Houston	44.96

Woman of the Year

Margot Hennings	38.70
Susan Miskura	32.20
Helene Bauman	29.15

Rush Buckley Trophy

Al Stolpe	20.29
Clifford Feldman	19.70
Jay Simon	18.80

Rookie of the Year

Richard Poznanski	7.66
Pat Kibler	6.04
Donald Smith	6.04

Photographs from the Annual Meeting



Steve Reed
NVBA Man of the Year
Ace of Clubs (500-1000 MPs)



Tony Cincotta
Rush Buckley award winner

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Parade of Winners

NVBA SECTIONAL April 22–25, 2010

Thurs. AM Open Pairs (42 Pairs)

- 1 Ken Davis – Bruce Houston
- 2 Betty Bursey – Cassandra Smith
 - 1 Mike Frosch – Francesco Parisi-Presicce
 - 1 Douglas Fox – Larry Moran
 - 2/3 Phyllis Huene – Barbara Hodges
 - 2/3 Carol Aitken – Bonnie Polk

Thurs. AM 0–500 Pairs (15 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 Lynne Groff – Ricki Kanter
- 2 2 Catharine Fisher – John Fisher

Thurs. Eve. A/X Pairs (71 Pairs)

- 1 Mark Chen – Raghavendra Rajkumar
- 2 Bob Silverstein – Alan Dockterman

Thurs. Eve. B/C Pairs (63 Pairs)

- 1 1 Wanda Worsham – John Miles
- 2 Adam Winsler – Carolyn Baird

Thurs. Eve. 199er Pairs @ NVBA (24 Pairs)

- 1 Hannelore Suffridge – Ewing Walker
- 2 Kimberly Ferguson – Al Stolpe
 - 1 1 Pat Kibler – Donald Smith
 - 2 2 Mary Lou McMorrow – Joan Axilbund

Thurs. Eve. WBL Non-LM (24 Pairs)

- 2 Laura Sherman – Steven Spaeth

Fri. Aft. Open Pairs (59 Pairs)

- 1 Barry Falgout – Helene Bauman
- 2 1 Carl Noller – Brian Snyder

Fri. Aft. 49er Pairs (11 Pairs)

- 1 Nancy Needleman – Ruth Glen
- 2 Joan Axilbund – Mary Lou McMorrow

Fri. Eve. Triple Nickel Swiss (29 Teams)

- 1 1 Kevin O'Brien – Francesco Parisi-Presicce – Dennis Schwanz – Susan Miskura
- 2 Herb Fallin, Jr. – Linda Marshall – James Beller – Steven Schatzow
- 2 1 William Gurley – Mary Ann Kral – Jay Simon – Mark Jones
- 2 William Glen – Ruth Glen – Sheryl McEwan – Margaret Mastran

Fri. Eve. 299er Pairs (16 Pairs)

- 1 1 Paul Setzer – Donna Setzer
- 2 2 Catharine Fisher – John Fisher
- 2 Linda Lee Harp – Kathryn Ward-Johnson

Sat. AM Open Pairs (52 Pairs)

- 1 1 Eric Branfman – Andrew Lipps
- 2 Jean Levin – Herb Fallin, Jr.
- 2 John Miles – Al O'Malley

Sat. AM 299er Pairs (30 Pairs)

- 1/2 1 Ken Duggin – Stephen Colevas
- 1/2 Donna Stoker – Edward Stoker
- 1 Sharon Perryman – Richard Padgett
- 2 Harvey Lipsher – Ewing Walker

Sat. AM 49er Pairs (8 Pairs)

- 1/2 Ann Wagner – Jean Feighery
- 1/2 Eleanor Linde – Toni Sandler

Comp KO Bkt 1 (8 Teams)

- 1 Alan Schwartz – Annie Schwartz – Kenton Schoen – Diane Walker
- 2 Kevin O'Brien – Steve Schatzow – Dennis Wick – Kathrine Loh

Comp KO Bkt. 2 (13 Teams)

- 1 Paul Seltzer – William Glen – Howard Grunin – Neil Selvin
- 2 Blair Curry – Judith Curry – Taraneh Shahin – Bahman Shahin

Comp KO Bkt. 3 (9 Teams)

- 1 Amanda Carter – Al Stolpe – Mel Walger – Ed Rosenberg
- 2 Thomas Feick, Jr. – Mary Alice Vogt – Al Kuchinka – Margaret Gurley

Sat. Aft. Open Pairs (78 Pairs)

- 2 Helene Cooper – Jean Valentine
- 2 William Woodward – John Menzel

Sat. Aft. 299er Pairs (31 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 Margaret Mastran – Sheryl McEwan
- 2 2 Al Stolpe – Kim Ferguson

Sat. Aft. 49er Pairs (12 Pairs)

- 1 Bill Teer – Pat Teer
- 2 1 Pat Kibler – Donald Smith
- 2 Cloe Ingram – Toby Urbach

Sat. Eve. Open Pairs (35 Pairs)

- 1 Helene Bauman – Jim Wakefield –
Craig Olson – Michael Lawrence
- 1 Clifford Feldman – Robert Silverblatt
- 2 Wolcott Baird – Carolyn Baird

Sat. Eve. 299er (24 Pairs)

- 2 2 Martin Brennan – Steve Graves
- 1 Jason Israel – Tim Rauen
- 2 Eva Vorndran – John Weiler

Sun. A/X Swiss (18 Teams)

- 1 David Milton – Ben Brill –
Bill Hacker – Leo LaSota
- 2 1 Ted Ying – Don Berman –
Ram Sarangan – Dharendra Ghosh
- 2 Srinivas Kachibhatla – John Montgomery –
Mark Gospodnetic – Christopher Marks

Sun. Bracketed B/C Swiss Bkt 1 (8 Teams)

- 2 Anne Derbes – Robert Schwab –
Monique Smith – Merrill Hirsh

Sun. Bracketed B/C Swiss Bkt 2 (8 Teams)

- 1 Jay Cherlow – Neal McKinney –
Albert Lauber – James Beller

Sun. Bracketed B/C Swiss Bkt 3 (8 Teams)

- 1 David Loken – Gretchen Handwerker –
Richard Barth – Danijel Zenko

Sun. Bracketed B/C Swiss Bkt 4 (10 Teams)

- 1 Chuck Kasten – Alan Munro –
Bill Murphy – Kim Ferguson
- 2/3 Daniel Weinberg – James Raber –
Fred Gramlich – William Prosser

Sun. AM 299er Swiss (14 Teams)

- 1 Neal Cooper – Kenneth Cohn –
Robert Dorosin – Shirin Farkhan
- 2 1 Dennis Sponholtz – Joan Kindle –
Onorica Luculescu – Alina Galaszewska
- 2 1 Dene Williams – Beth Fricano –
Kathryn Ward-Johnson – Linda Lee Harp

Sun. Aft. 299er Swiss (9 Teams)

- 1 1 Dennis Sponholtz – Joan Kindle –
Onorica Luculescu – Alina Galaszewska
- 2 Catharine Fisher – John Fisher –
Dick Verdow – Jean Verdow

**WBL SECTIONAL
May 13–16, 2010****Thurs. Eve. A/X Pairs (81 Pairs)**

- 1 Ed Lewis – Jim Wakefield
- 2 Ron Kral – David Loken

Thurs. Eve. B/C/D Pairs (56 Pairs)

- 2 Alexander Robertson – Joe Hertz

Thurs. Eve. 199er Pairs@NVBA (21 Pairs)

- 1 M. David Jackson – Maggie Burke
- 2 1 1 Alex Engelmeier – Louise Merdian
- 2 2 Mary Lou McMorro – Joan Axilbund

Fri. AM B/C/D (20 Pairs)

- 1 1 Howard Grunin – Neil Selvin

Fri. Aft. A/X (30 Pairs)

- 2 Ann Lindley – Steve Schatzow
- 2 Ron Kral – Dharendra Ghosh

Fri. Aft. B/C/D (28 Pairs)

- 1 Robert Rovner – Daniel Feldman

Fri. Aft. NLM Pairs (20 Pairs)

- 1 Dev Chattopadhyay – Asim Mandal

Sat. AM B/C/D Pairs (38 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 Frank Alden – Pat Lonergan
- 2 2 Steve Reed – Kiyomi Shiba
- 2 Phillip Tseng – Hsiaosu Hsiung

Sat. AM NonLM Pairs (29 Pairs)

- 2 2 2 Eva Vorndran – Renata Lejeune

WBL Trophy Pairs (24 Pairs)

- 1 Adair Gellman – Vincent Bartone

Sat. A/X Consolation Pairs (22 Pairs)

- 2 Herb Fallin, Jr. – Steven Schatzow
- 2 Jim Dick – William Zane

Sun. A/X BAM (10 Teams)

- 1/2 David Milton – Leo LaSota – Michael Gill –
Noble Shore – David Milton

Sun. B/C/D Swiss (29 Teams)

- 1 1 Neil Selvin – Howard Grunin –
Adrienne Kuehneman – Kiyomi Shiba

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Parade of Winners – continued from page 9**Sun. AM NLM Swiss (11 Teams)**

- 2 2 Richard Leonardon – Stephen Colevas –
Jeannette Brophy – Margot Howar
1 Ruth Glen – William Glen –
Sheryl McEwan – Paul Setzer

Sun. Aft. NLM Swiss (7 Teams)

- 1 1 William Rogers – Janet Henrichsen –
Gabriel Cornett – Eldon Compton

RALEIGH REGIONAL
May 25–31, 2010

Tues.–Wed. Fayetteville KO Bkt. 7 (16 Teams)

- 1 Art Hartstein – Calvin Konner –
Richard Wedgewood – Terry Vann

Wed. AM Side Game (18 Pairs)

- 1 Mary O'Shea – Barbara DiCicco

Wed. Eve. Side Game (54 Pairs)

- 2 John S. Mason, Jr. – Arnold Kritz

Thurs. Aft. 0–500 Pairs (36 Pairs)

- 1 Phyllis Isler – Morton Isler

Fri. AM Side Game (42 Pairs)

- 2 Robert Brady – Marie Hudick

Fri. A/B Open Pairs (55 Pairs)

- 2 Thomas Carmichael – Jeff Roman
2 Ron Spieker – Steve Reed

Fri. Gold Rush 300/750 Pairs (98 Pairs)

- 2 2 Kenneth Duggin – Virginia Gibbons

Fri. Eve. 0–500 Swiss (6 Teams)

- 2 Pat Lonergan – Tom Lonergan –
Taraneh Shahin – Bahman Shahin

Morehead City Fri.–Sat.**Comp KO Bkt. 2 (9 Teams)**

- 1 John S. Mason, Jr. – Arnold Kritz –
Ed Spitzer – Stephen Wiesenfeld

New Bern Fri.–Sat. KO Bkt 3 (12 Teams)

- 2 John S. Mason, Jr. – Arnold Kritz –
Ed Spitzer – Stephen Wiesenfeld

Fri. Zip KO (10 Teams)

- 2 Jim Dick – Linda Dick –
Mark Lavine – Jacqueline Lavine

Sat. Aft. 0–500 Pairs (24 Pairs)

- 2 Sheryl McEwan – Margaret Mastran

Sat. Eve. Swiss (29 Teams)

- 1 1 Kevin O'Brien – Amanda Carter –
James Fordham – Thomas Eidson

Sat. Eve. Side Game (21 Pairs)

- 1 Robert Brady – Marie Hudick
1 Mary O'Shea – Barbara DiCicco

Sat. Eve. 0–500 Pairs (12 Pairs)

- 2 Pat Lonergan – Tom Lonergan

Pinehurst Sat.–Sun. KO Bkt. 1 (16 Teams)

- 2 Tom Musso – Kathy Paramore –
Ellen Cherniavsky – Joe Wallen –
Barbara Ames – Ralph Hoffman

Sun. Eve. BAM (9 Teams)

- 1 Jeff Roman – Steve Robinson –
Thomas Carmichael – Bill Cole

Kinston KO Bkt. 2 (12 Teams)

- 1 William Zane – Mike Rice –
Rosalind Lin – Suzanne Abrams

Mon A/X Swiss (28 Teams)

- 1 1 Tom Musso – Kathy Paramore –
Ellen Cherniavsky – Joe Wallen –
Barbara Ames – Ralph Hoffman



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Ed Lewis
Mini-McKenney
and Ace of Clubs
(10,000+ MPs)



Ken Davis
Mini-McKenney
and Ace of Clubs
(7,500-10,000 MPs)



Sumner Steinfeldt
Mini-McKenney
(5,000-7,500 MPs)



Don Geerhart
Ace of Clubs
(5,000-7,500 MPs)

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Al Duncker
Mini-McKenney
(2,500–5,000 MPs)



Bruce Houston
Ace of Clubs
(2,500–5,000 MPs)



NVBA VP Alan Breed presents
Bob Boyd with Ace of Clubs
award (1,000–2,500 MPs)



John Mason, Jr.
Mini-McKenney
(500–1000 MPs)



**John Miles
Ace of Clubs
(300-500 MPs)**



**Joan White
Mini-McKenney
(200-300 MPs)**



**Roy Robson
Mini-McKenney
(20-50 MPs)**



**Stephen Colevas
Ace of Clubs
(20-50 MPs)**

In Memoriam

ED GOFREED

I discovered the world of duplicate bridge in 1994. There were lots of novice players like me, so finding a partner at my level wasn't a problem. However, finding experienced partners and mentors was another matter. I met Ed in early 1995 through Lorraine Yarmowich and Jack Armstrong. Thus began a wonderful experience of playing 2-3 times a month over 15 years with one of the best players and teachers in Northern Virginia. Ed could be a gruff, irascible, and irreverent partner, but he was always well meaning. I always looked forward to my games with Ed as an opportunity to learn and expand my bridge game, and I was never disappointed with the experience.

Ed enjoyed telling stories, playing bridge, and taking care of animals. Having retired as a veterinarian after 35 years, he was always willing to offer expert advice to other players who came to him with questions about their pets.

Although Ed's health began to decline, he continued to play outstanding bridge, winning in the last game he played.

At his father's funeral, Howard Gofreed said, "Dad...had a great way with people, and was well liked and respected by just about everyone he met. He had a great wit, a realistic and upbeat personality, and a twinkle in his eye."

—Bob Walsh

HAL COHEN

Long-time NVBA bridge player Hal Cohen from Arlington passed away in May after a long illness. He was a retired English teacher, most recently at the Glasgow Middle School in the Fairfax County Public Schools. During his career, he taught English at several other schools, including the Emerson Preparatory School in the District of Columbia.

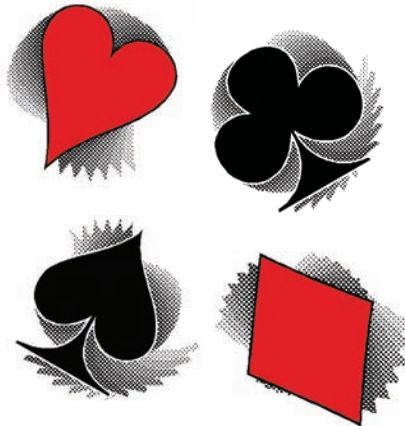
Hal was a skilled and disciplined

bridge player who played for years at the Ft. Myer, Glen Carlyn and Lyon Park games in Arlington. He liked the players as well as the game and will be remembered for his good cheer and friendliness both at and away from the bridge table.

BOB HARTMANN

Bob Hartmann passed away in May from an incurable brain tumor. He was a much beloved and respected bridge player as reflected in his being the recipient of the NVBA's Dave Murray Award for sportsmanship and bridge excellence in 2009. He served on the NVBA Board, volunteered his services at Regionals and the NABCs held in Washington, and will be sorely missed as a regular at games in the local bridge world. His good will and desire to help people was also very much a part of his family and professional life.

Professionally he was an outstanding physician, pediatrics being his specialty, and retired from the U.S. Navy as a Captain. He did missionary work in the jungles of Panama, humanitarian work in Haiti and Colombia, was an expert in child abuse prevention and treatment, an avid tennis player, an all round outstanding athlete and a very loving family man.



MILESTONES

Congratulations to the following players who have reached these new milestones!

♠♦ NEW JUNIOR MASTERS ♣♥

Hakki Adam	Joan H. Axilbund
E. P. Baker	Donald S. Beyer
Brian G. Brunsvold	John Downing
Jean Feighery	Gail L. Harrison
Alda A. Herold	Maxwell D. Jallits
Thomas P. Jennings	Catherine S. Katz
Eleanor Linde	Isobel Maeer
Asim K. Mandal	Michele E. Maxson
Mary Lou McMorrow	
Toni Sandler	Laura B. Sherman
Donald R Smith	Kiran W. Starosta
Dr. William J Starosta	

♠♦ NEW CLUB MASTERS ♣♥

Ray J Bostow
 Dev Chattopadhyay
 Ronald E Friedman
 Ricki Kanter
 Linda L Mason
 Richard F Padgett
 Sharon C Perryman
 John Regan
 Bushra Shamma
 Jinane K Tabbara
 Phillip Tseng
 Dr Susan F Wagner
 Kathryn Ward-Johnson



♠♦ NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS ♣♥

Christina Burkholder	
Ervin T. Burkholder	
Dr. Michael E. Canes	
Diane R. Cohen	
Norman H. Thomas	
Carol T. Goldstone	Judith A. Heit
Jo Ann Herr	Mark Jones
Margaret A. Mastran	
Sheryl L. McEwan	Pat H. Nevin
Janice Pumo	Walt Pumo
Andrea S. Stanley-Miller	
Edward J. Stoker	John F. Weiler

♠♦ NEW REGIONAL MASTERS ♣♥

Janet Smith Bourne
 Sheila W. Ellis
 Robert T. Hollohan
 Virginia Ivin
 Joan A. Kindle
 Onorica Luculescu
 Jan Rusu

♠♦ NEW NABC MASTERS ♣♥

Gloria L. Donnelly
 Clifford I. Feldman
 Samuel W. Link, Jr.
 Stan Michaels
 Dr. Roy A. Robson
 Dr. Dennis K. Sponholtz
 Donna H. Stoker

♠♦ NEW LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

William B. DeGraf
 Louise Hayes
 Terry Mitchell
 James K Rocks

♠♦ NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

Nancy Cartwright	James W. Conrad
Dr. Jose Cortina	Mary Ann Kral
Marvin D. Raines	Cathy J. Stryker
Rick A. Uhrig	
Wanda M. Worsham	

♠♦ NEW SILVER LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

Julia A. Brown
 Helene S. Cooper
 Susan M. Miskura
 Steve Reed
 Lt. Col. Anthony J. Russo

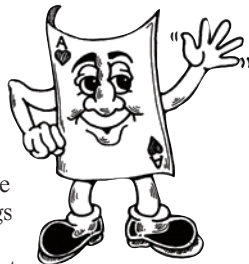
♠♦ NEW GOLD LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

Vincent J. Bartone
 John M. Miller

HAIL AND FAREWELL

We would like to welcome the following new members into our Unit:

Harrison L. Clark
 Simone D. Dashiell
 John Downing
 Michele L. Duke
 Manou Faily
 Ann L. Figura
 Roger S. Figura
 Janelle L. Gmitter
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 Thomas P. Jennings
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 David N. Ochroch
 Wendy Shapiro
 Carol Smith
 Joshua A. Snyder
 Michael Sofocleous
 Nadia C. Stanfield
 Marilyn J. Vranas



We would like to welcome the following transfers into our Unit:

Maggie Eckman
 Dr. Chad L. Groft
 James R. La Force
 Mimi Levine
 Michele E. Maxson

Marty J. Nielsen
 Vining A. Sherman, Jr.
 Rachel M. Speelman
 Jinane K. Tabbara

We give our regards to the following people who have transferred out of our Unit:

Sandra H. Clement
 Dr. Barbara S. Clements
 Paul R. Deuster
 Jeri Eaton
 Grace Finne
 Al J. Kuchinka
 James R. La Force
 Carole A. Lee
 Hazel M. Murphy
 Dr. Ruth Ann Verell
 Linda Westphal

We are sorry to note the passing of five of our members:

Hal Cohen
 Ed Gofreed
 Alan Gordon
 Bob Hartmann
 Jane G. Poe

NVBA BRIDGE CLUB WEB SITES:

Director: Jim Dick – *Games:* Beth El – Sunday, 1:00 PM; Montebello – Monday, 7:00 PM
URL: <http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php>

Director: Carole Grob – *Game:* Ballston Bridge Club – Monday 10:00 AM
URL: <http://mybridgeclub.com>

Director: Terry Jones – *Game:* Falls Church Bridge Club – Saturday, 7:00 PM
URL: <http://www.fallschurchbridgeclub.com>

Directors: Candy and Marshall Kuschner – *Games:* KOCH – Tuesday, 10:00 AM;
 Reston – Wednesday, 7:30 PM
URL: <http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php>

Directors: John Mason, Jim Dick – *Game:* Fun Friday Bridge Frolic – Friday, 10:00 AM
URL: <http://members.cox.net/jsm36/bridge/FunFriday/funfridayjsmhome.htm>

Director: Bernie Oetjen – *Games:* KOCH – Monday, 7:00 PM;
KOCH – Saturday, 1:00 PM
URL: <http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php>

Director: Norma Pierzchala – *Games:* Norma’s Game – Thursday, 10:00 AM;
Norma’s Game – Saturday, 9:00 AM
URL: <http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php>

Director: Gene Schuyler – *Games:* Carlin Springs BC – Tuesday, 7:00 PM; Arlington
DBC – Wednesday, 10:00 AM; Lyon Park Money Bridge – Friday, 10:00 AM; Jewish
Community Center (JCC) 0-500 – Sunday, 3:30 PM
URL: <http://www.geneschuyler.com/>



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THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

- ♣ Stratified Open Pairs (unlim/1500/500)11:15am
Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lavine)
St. James Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Rockville
- ♦ StrataFlighted Pairs (A/X unlim/3000, B/C/D separate 1500/1000/500) (both sites); Stratified NLM Pairs (NLM/100/50) & 0-20 Pairs (Ohr Kodesh Congregation only); Stratified 199er Pairs (Beth El only)
Beth El Congregation, 3830 Seminary Rd, Alexandria 7:00pm
Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln., Chevy Chase . 7:30pm
I-495 to Connecticut Ave. South. 4th light left E-W Hwy 410. Left Meadowbrook Ln. 1st left Freyman Dr. Parking lot on left. **No outside food allowed.**

**ALERT! NEW LOCATION: FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY
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Beltway exit 33, Connecticut Ave north (Rt. 185N—to Kensington). 1.6 miles, right at Warner St. Next left at Army Ave. 1st right at Mitchell St. Parking lot on right.


FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

- ♥ Stratified Pairs (unlim/2000/500)10:00am
- ♥ StrataFlighted Pairs (A/X unlim/3000, B/C/D separate (1500/1000/500) 2:00pm
- ♠ **IMP Pairs** StrataFlighted Pairs (A/X unlim/3000, B/C/D separate 1500/1000/500) 7:30pm
The Friday IMPs are back! With only one partner, it scores like a team game. To get your IMP score on a board, we take your result and IMP it against each result at the other tables, then get the average.
- ♣ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (300/200/100/50/20) (single sessions) 10:00am, 2:00pm, 7:30pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

- ♦ StrataFlighted Pairs (A/X unlim/3000, B/C/D separate 1500/1000/500) (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:30pm
- ♣ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (300/200/100) or Newcomer Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:30pm
- ♦ **Machlin Sportsmanship Award** Presentation & between sessions **Panel Show** 2:30pm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

- ♣ **Eynon Trophy**  *First awarded in 1931— Try to add your name to the famous names inscribed here!*
A/X Swiss Teams, VPs (unlim /5000, 7 round playthru w/short break) 11:00am & TBA
- ♥ B/C/D Swiss Teams, VPs (3000/1000/500, 7 round playthru w/short break) 11:00am & TBA
- ♠ 300/100/50 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:00pm
- ♣ **1-Day Bridge Class:** 2 classes: *Start to Play* and *Advance Your Game* 10:30am

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Mid-chart allowed in all events except I/N

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**SEPTEMBER SENSATIONS
 SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT**

The Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge #2188
 8421 Arlington Boulevard, Fairfax, VA; 703-560-2188

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750) & 299ER PAIRS (300/200/100)10:00 a.m.
Norma's Game: First Presbyterian Church, 601 N. Vermont St., Arlington, VA 22203, 703-892-1292
*Evening games at: NVBA: **ALERT!** Will be moved from Beth El (September sectional only) due to holidays.—www.nvba.org for location and directions.*
or WBL: Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln, Chevy Chase, MD — E-W Hwy 410 E., left Meadowbrook, left Freyman, lot on left.—No outside food. NVBA WBL
 Novice/Intermediate Lecture (Jeff Roman) 6:30 p.m.
 STRATAFLIGHTED OPEN PAIRS (A/X=3000+/3000; B/C=2000/750) ... 7:00 p.m.7:30 p.m.
 NVBA 199ER PAIRS (200/100/50/20); WBL NLM PAIRS (NLM/100/50) ..7:00 p.m.7:30 p.m.

...REST OF TOURNAMENT AT ELKS LODGE..

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750) 2 p.m.
 299ER PAIRS (300/200/100) and 49ER PAIRS (50/20/5) 2 p.m.
 TRIPLE NICKEL SWISS—5 rounds, 5 boards, 5 minutes a board . .7:30 p.m.
 299ER PAIRS (300/200/100) 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750) 9:30 a.m.
 299ER PAIRS (300/200/100) and 49ER PAIRS (50/20) 9:30 a.m.
 NEWCOMER PAIRS (0-5) 9:30 a.m.
 FLIGHT A/X PAIRS (3000+/3000; 2-session Play-thru event) 2 & 7:30 p.m.
—Single session pairs accommodated during the evening session
 STRATIFIED B/C PAIRS (2000/750; 2 single sessions) 2 & 7:30 p.m.
 STRATIFIED SIDE GAME (3000+/3000) 2 p.m.
 299ER PAIRS (300/200/100) and 49ER PAIRS (50/20/5) 2 p.m.
 299ER PAIRS (300/200/100) 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Novice/Intermediate Lecture (Jeff Roman) 10:15 a.m.
 FLIGHTS A/X (5000+/5000) SWISS TEAMS 11:00 a.m.
 & BRACKETED FLIGHT B TEAMS (0-2000) 11:00 a.m.
B Teams Bracketed by Total Team Masterpoints: three overall places in each.
Both Flights are 2-session events, w/one 30-minute break—on-site food available.
 299ER SWISS TEAMS (300/200/100) (Single session) 11:00 a.m.
 49ER SWISS TEAMS (50/20/5) (Single session) 11:00 a.m.
 299ER SWISS TEAMS (300/200/100) (Single session) 3:15 p.m.

DIRECTIONS: From Route 50/Arlington Boulevard heading west from DC and Arlington AND from Route 495/Beltway: Continue on/Take Route 50 West about one mile outside the Beltway, and turn left at Javier Road (the second stoplight after the intersection of 50 and 495). Take an immediate right onto the access road that runs parallel to Route 50. The Elks Lodge will be two buildings down on your left—parking on the side and in the rear. **From Fairfax, heading East on Route 50:** Pass the intersection of Route 50 and Prosperity Avenue—the Prosperity Medical Center will be on your right. Between the first and second lights after Prosperity, turn right into the access road that runs parallel to Route 50 and look for the Elks Lodge immediately to your right—parking on the far side of the building and in the rear.

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