

NVBA Newsletter

April–June 2013

Northern Virginia Bridge Association

Annual Meeting, Awards, Elections - May 9

This year's NVBA Annual Meeting, awards night and election of new members to the Board is being held Thursday, May 9, 2013. We'll gather starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Beth El Hebrew Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, Va. The evening will start with a Mexican food-style dinner, including fajitas, vegetarian enchiladas and empanadas, and grilled marinated vegetables, which is free for ACBL members (\$10.00 for non-members). The Annual Meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. Following the Treasurer's report and a "State of the Unit" report by the President, all players who became Life Masters in 2012 will be recognized, and the NVBA President will present the Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs awards in each category, as well as the trophies for

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Of Special Interest

- WBL Sectional, Apr 4-7
- Open, Flt B, Flt C GNT (1st weekend), Apr 13-14
- GATLINBURG, TN REGIONAL, Apr. 15-21
- Open, Flt B, Flt C GNT (2nd weekend), Apr 27-28
- NVBA Sectional, May 2-5
- NVBA Annual Meeting, May 9
- RICHMOND, VA REGIONAL, May 21-27
- NVBA LM/NLM game, Jun 6
- GREENVILLE, SC REGIONAL, Jun 10-16
- D6 STaC, Jun 10-16
- RESTON, VA REGIONAL, Jul 1-7

FAREWELL BUT NOT GOODBYE

by Mike Cappelletti NVBA President



“ As I look back over the last two years, perhaps my highest priority as NVBA President has been to bring more young people into the game of bridge. “

The great gamesman Oswald Jacoby once told me that bridge was the best game that man has ever invented. Bridge has proliferated all over the world, and probably will continue to do so. But the future of bridge does clearly depend on the upcoming younger generations.

As I look back over the last two years, perhaps my highest priority as NVBA President has been to bring more young people into the game of bridge. We have initiated many programs and incentives; and I am happy to report that we now have about three times as many young players attending our sectionals and Thursday night unit games. I now wish to thank all of those who donated so much of their time to bringing bridge into the schools and into our tournaments -- especially Sheryl McEwan and Yuen DeAn-da.

The NVBA is now planning to host an Intercollegiate Bridge Championship two-session event on the Saturday of our Fourth of July Regional. I am currently negotiating to obtain a Gates-Buffer Trophy for this event. Atlanta has been successfully running a similar event.

In this, my final column, I wish to thank our officers on the Board of Directors for the time they have contributed. You are all encouraged to volunteer to keep this organization running smoothly. The NVBA is running firmly in the black and should continue to prosper under the capable leadership of Ron Kral, our incoming president. And as Past President, I shall continue to be available to chat with all of you regarding bridge politics and policies -- as well as bridge itself.

NVBA ON THE WEB

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Upcoming NVBA Games & Special Events

Apr 4	Beth El	7:00	WBL Sectional - Stratiflighted Pairs
Apr 11	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted District 6 Charity Pairs
Apr 18	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Apr 25	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship
May 2	Beth El	7:00	NVBA Sectional - Stratiflighted Pairs
May 9	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Charity Pairs - Annual Meeting
May 16	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship
May 23	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
May 30	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship
Jun 6	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship - LM/NLM Pairs
Jun 13	Beth El	7:00	District 6 STaC Stratified Pairs
Jun 20	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted North American Pairs
Jun 27	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship

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; *STaC*: Unlimited/1500/500
 For the North American Pairs qualifying games, the stratification is:
 0-500 (NLM), 500-2000, 2000+

Upcoming Sectionals

N V B A	May 2-5, 2013	W B L	April 4-7, 2013
	September 19-22, 2013		July 18-21, 2013
	October 24-27, 2013		October 3-6, 2013

The Jack of Hearts by Marshall Kushner

I've been playing bridge for over thirty years and this was my fourth NABC in Saint Louis. Yeah, that's what they do, they spell it out. I was going to deliberately call it St. Louis after the way they treated us last time but their attitude improved so I decided to cut them a break. Last time, in 2007, restaurants treated us like pariahs. One host asked how long the tournament lasted and when told it would end on Sunday, replied "I can hardly wait until Monday". It was the most unwelcoming town I'd ever visited. But all that was gone this time. Still, I started thinking and realized that the only city I'd been to for more nationals was San Francisco. Great city, seemed right. Then I started counting the other four-timers. I came up with Washington, New Orleans, Toronto, Orlando, and Las Vegas. Seems to me that the more attractive a city is, the more often you'd go there. So how does Saint Louis warrant such frequency? It has no monuments, no French Quarter, no Disney World, and no lavish casinos. Sure, there's the Arch but that's about it. Seeing the Cardinals at Busch Stadium would be a treat, but we never go there during the summer. If we did, we wouldn't have experienced the ten inches of snow we got on the last day. Couldn't miss that! The good news is we got home safely, which, I guess, is not a given, since the mayor's name is Slay. Makes you wonder about his campaign promises. You pay, we Slay?

Apparently many agreed that Saint Louis wasn't much of a draw. Final attendance was a disappointing 9661 tables. Still, a large number of folks from our area were in attendance and some did themselves proud. We even had us a national champion as Mike Cappelletti, Sr. (playing with Richard Wieland) won the Silver Ribbon Pairs. Mike was initially first, but then had to endure several iterations of score corrections before being named the official winner. The seldom-seen Peter Lesnik was second in the inaugural running of the 10K Swiss with Margot Hennings finishing 8th. I would, no doubt, have won but one of my teammates apparently thought it was a running event. When he learned it was bridge and that 10K was the upper master point limit, he informed us that he was ineligible. Others with national overalls were Jay Kelkar and Shuba Dey (IMP Pairs), Avril and David Rodney (Silver Ribbon), Anne and Alan Schwartz (Mixed Pairs), Helene Bauman (Open Pairs), and Ron Kral (Open Swiss). Jeff Roman captured a KO to be our only regional winner. Me? Once banned from the 10K, I got into the spirit of Saint Louis. I played like I was partner's Arch enemy.



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Upcoming NVBA 199er Unit Games

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Apr 18	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Apr 25	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
May 2	Beth El	7:00	NVBA Sectional - 199er Pairs
May 9	Beth El	7:00	Local Charity Game 199er Pairs - Annual Meeting
May 16	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
May 23	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
May 30	Beth El	7:00	199er Pairs Game
Jun 6	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship - LM/NLM Pairs
Jun 13	Beth El	7:00	District 6 STaC - 199er Pairs
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NVBA Man and Woman of the Year, the Rush Buckley award and the NVBA Rookie of the Year. We ask that recipients of awards be present by 6:30 PM in order to receive their awards before game time. Players present who became Life Masters in 2012 play for free.

The Annual Meeting will conclude with a reading of the slate of candidates for the 2013-2014 NVBA Board. The offices of President and Secretary, and three Executive Director positions are up for election. You will find listed below the candidates for these positions. All interested candidates who have not yet declared their candidacy must have a petition signed by 20 NVBA members submitted to the Nominating Committee chaired by Sheryl McEwan (703-437-1422 or sherylmcewan@aol.com), or to NVBA Secretary Alan Dockterman (703-525-4798 or asdok@aol.com) no later than April 25 in order to get their name on the ballot. To date there is one candidate for each open position, so if no other NVBA members present themselves for candidacy, there will be no ballot, but instead a vote will be held at the Annual Meeting to accept the proposed slate by acclamation. After the Annual Meeting ends, circa 7:00 p.m., the 16th annual Pat Eyman Strawberry Pairs will be held. Since it is a charity game, the entry fee is \$10 for the Open and \$8 for the 0-199er game (as always, players with 0-5 MPs play for free).

The candidates to date for NVBA Officer and Executive Director positions for the NVBA 2013-2014 Board of Directors are:

Candidate for President

Ron Kral



In moving up from Vice President to be President, I have two objectives:

- 1) Engage more of the NVBA membership to participate, in particular the non-life masters. We have many members who are on the rolls but not active players. A subset of this is increasing our Unit's commitment to Bridge-in-Schools.
- 2) Increase the number of volunteers. At present, too few people are doing too much. Many hands make light work.

Candidate for Secretary

Alan Dockterman



I want to thank the NVBA for this opportunity to be a candidate for reelection to the position of Secretary on its Board of Directors. I have enjoyed my two years on the Board. In addition to my secretarial duties, I have been heavily involved in the revision of the Policies and Procedures Manual. I also contribute to

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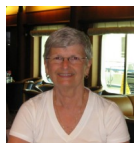
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the Unit by directing the Guaranteed Partnership program at the Unit games during Leo Cardillo's absences, teaching in the after school bridge program at Garfield Elementary School in Springfield, VA, and volunteering in the duplicate bridge game for residents at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

I have played duplicate bridge off and on since I was a teenager and have enjoyed it immensely. Those of us who have gained much from the game have a responsibility to promote bridge and ensure that the NVBA serves the needs of the players and the community. I wish to remain on the Board to continue to be a part of the management of the Association. I am particularly interested in how we can increase participation among our youth and attract new members. Thank you for your consideration.

Candidates for Executive Director

Ann Atcheson



I have been playing bridge since the early 70s as a spouse of a career Army officer. Shortly after, I took a 30 year break from duplicate bridge while pursuing a career in administration/accounting. Since my retirement from the Public Accounting arena, I have been able to return to duplicate bridge and combine it with another favorite pastime, travel. Happily they combine well, and I have been travelling to tournaments across the nation with a wonderful circle of friends. I hope to bring my accounting experience and enthusiasm for the game of bridge to the Unit.

Ken Davis



I retired from the government 10 years ago and have been on the Barry Crane Top 500 list every year since. I normally play at least 9 games every week and attend all of the Sectional and Regional tournaments in the area. I would like to lend my ideas and experience from playing bridge in so many venues and facilitate the holding of Unit games and tournaments by serving on the NVBA Board.

Jim Gerding



I first learned to play bridge as a child. My mother was watching eight kids over a miserable February school vacation and after two days of not being able to go outside and play, she decided to teach us all to play bridge. So for the rest of the week we had two tables of bridge going. She has continued this tradition so today, not only do all of her children know how to play bridge, but all of her grandchildren

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Climbing the Ladder

New Junior Masters

Arthur B Ditzel
Dawn B Jones
Janet M Kidwell
Barbara S Lippert
Jonathan P Macks
Rosemary B Melnick
Rebecca C Sekse
Carol P Smith
William E Swanson

New Club Masters

David Doxey
Lilly V Froewys
Dr Michael R Kappel
Richard D Long
William McLeese
Jayne J Shontell
Sharon Suttan
Jeffrey Yutzler

New Sectional Masters

Hakki Adam
James E Connor
Gerald S McGowan
Ardis F Moomey
Lorraine S Shumaker

Donna Sinrud
Barbara P Walton
Col John R Witherell

New Regional Masters

Dr John R Cook
Sherry K Griffin
John G Haberlin
Peter B Harrington
Gail L Harrison
Nathalie H Kaye
Joan D O'Connor
Cordellia R Scruggs
Robert C Staiman
Duncan Thompson

New NABC Masters

Marge R Amey
Richard L Clark
Diane R Cohen
Virginia Ivin
Colin Schloss
Bushra Shamma
Dottie E Terrell
James R Wade

New Advanced NABC Masters

Wayne B Bardsley
Betty Ladd

New Life Masters

James K Augustine
Alina I Galaszewska
Sidney Y Graves
Thomas Herzog
William T Hohe
Onorica Luculescu

New Bronze Life Masters

Ann Atcheson
Clifford I Feldman
M. David Jackson
Sheryl L McEwan
Bonnie W Polk
Phyllis Talley

New Silver Life Masters

Donald E Brown
Elizabeth H Fath
Livingston M Johnson
Richard P Kekic

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also know how to play. Whenever any of us get together there is always a bridge game.

I started playing duplicate with my son while he was in High School. I had a requirement for my children that they have some type of extra-curricular activity. He was not going to play basketball anymore and he (thanks to his grandmother's earlier training) wanted to play bridge. Not knowing anything, I found a game on Friday nights that we could make. Not really knowing what we were getting into, we played two or three times a month for a couple of years. On a good night we would almost not come in last. The other players were great and tried hard to help us, but throughout it all we

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Hail and Farewell

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

Donald Businger
Patti L Cooksey
Janet W Crawford
John J Daly
Joel A Deboe
Palmer C Demeo
Charles Dunn
Sandra I Dunn
Barbara H Dupont
Richard Gallo Jr
Matthew Glassman
Laurie M Goldberg
Julie K Grissom
Thomas G Hay
Nick B Hayes
Ryan T Jakiel
Diane D McMahon
Jake P Neuffer
James R Rank
Eileen L Smith
Kennan A Temin

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

Cathy Baker
Ken Smith

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

Barbara L Babbitt
Patricia H Brooks
Barbara A Bryant
Martha J Engelbrecht
James M Gerding
Mary K Gillis
Elizabeth R Hopwood
Jeremy S Lewis
Jovica Medic
Richard G Muller
Robert V Van Dyke

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

Caren G Beeman
Richard G Beeman
James S Berman
Carl D Bogart
Joanne F Domson
Peter M Frank
Dr Chad L Groft
Linda B Hansen
Jane Holman
Eiji Ishida
Robert F Leach
Michael M Marcotte
Anne Medlin
Keith Meyer
William Owen
Joanne A Pretti
Laura B Sherman
Elliot T Simon
Victoria A Tigwell
Karen L Vence
Robert L Vence
Gwendolyn W Yance

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had fun. Having fun is what bridge is all about for me. Doing well and earning points are great, but they are meaningless unless you are enjoying it.

I have been supporting Youth Bridge within NVBA, and think bridge is a great tool to help develop young minds. It also is a great tool for maintaining the mind of those of us getting older, so I have also supported the program at Sunrise. While on the Board, I will work to ensure the continued health of Unit 218 and look for ways to bring more folks, young and old and in between, out to play duplicate bridge, and to ensure we all can enjoy the game.

Parade of Winners

WBL Sectional January 3-6, 2013

Thurs AM Pairs (43 Pairs)

1 Gail Harrison - Brian Brunsvold

Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (60 Pairs)

1 Richard Bingham - Ron Kral

Thurs Eve B/C/D Pairs (58 Pairs)

2/3 2 John Gauss - Carolyn Baird
2/3 James Gerding - W Karl Van
Newkirk

Thurs 199er Pairs @ NVBA (14 Pairs)

1 Patricia Stone - George Stone
2 Jeremy Billones - Kathleen
LaMarre
1 Elliot Simon - Peter Town
2 Amy Elmore - James Connor

Fri AM A/X Pairs (34 Pairs)

1 1 Kathrine Loh - Roma Chandra
2/3 2 James Stormes - Leo Cardillo

Fri AM NLM Pairs (24 Pairs)

2 Herb Schulken - Wayne Bardsley
2 Randolph Elkins - Curtis Sandler
2 Sharon Suttan - Donna Sinrud

Fri Aft A/X Pairs (24 Pairs)

2 Mike Cappelletti Sr - Ron Kral

Fri Aft NLM Pairs (24 Pairs)

1 Ron Sutter - Yuen De Anda
1 Sharon Suttan - Donna Sinrud
2 Eleanor Linde - Toni Sandler

Fri Eve A/X IMP Pairs (25 Pairs)

1 Monique Smith - Merril Hirsh

Fri Eve B/C/D Pairs (28 Pairs)

2 Andrew Lipps - Eric Branfman
2 1 Tamara Vetter - Ken Kimball

Sat AM A/X Pairs (39 Pairs)

2 Barry Falgout - Rusty Krauss

Sat AM B/C/D Pairs (50 Pairs)

2 1 Colin Schloss - Nick
Migliacci

Sat AM NLM Pairs (35 Pairs)

2 Kellen Leister - Wayne Bardsley
2 Diane Cohen - Henry Wilson

Sat Aft A/X Pairs (33 Pairs)

1 Dan Feldman - Dharendra Ghosh
2 Howard Grunin - John Lowe III

Sat AM B/C/D Pairs (36 Pairs)

1 Louise Hayes - Penelope Pad-
dock
2 1 Terry Klein - Duncan Thompson
2 Colin Schloss - Nick Migliacci

Sat Aft NLM Pairs (22 Pairs)

2 2 Dottie Terrell - Glenn Terrell

Sun Bracketed Swiss Teams

Bracket 1 (15 Teams)

1 Ai-Tai Lo - William Pettis - Fred
King - Robert Bell
2 Robert Hopkins Jr - Joan Lewis -
Barry Falgout - Rusty Krauss

Bracket 2 (8 Teams)

1 Steve Reed - Richard Ferrin -
Shawn Stringer - Richard Deyerle

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2 Dennis Schwanz - Susan Miskura -
Francesco Parisi-Presicce - Eric Poskan-
zer

Bracket 4 (8 Teams)

1 Aaron Navarro - Howard Grunin -
James Wisman - Judith Dausch

Bracket 5 (10 Teams)

1/2 James Gerding - Sidney Graves -
Alan Munro - W Morgan

1/2 Wayne Bardsley - Catherine
Bardsley - Kellen Leister - Paul Setzer

Sun AM NLM Swiss (10 Teams)

1 Adam Winsler - Gary Hinson - Har-
ry Potter - James Mosley

2 Ronnie Loeser - Temma Kanowith
- Rachelle Sladoff - Rochelle Hilton

1 Toni Sandler - Eleanor Linde -
Alice Ling - Phyllis Hendler

NVBA Sectional February 7–10, 2013

Thurs AM Open Pairs (44 Pairs)

1 Dalia Kende - Martha Lackey
2 Al Duncker - Bob Boyd
1 John Hamilton - Julia Brown
2 Peter Schiff - Kiyomi Shiba
1 John Hornbeck - Peter Mirsky
2 Rolf Valtin - Robert Gemmill

Thurs AM 299er Pairs (10 Pairs)

1 Lynne Groff - Ricki Kanter
2 Poul Arendal - Charles Shank
1 Patricia Cook - John Cook
2 Reina Lerner - Gay Pirozzi

Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (68 Pairs)

1 Margot Hennings - Bob Boyd

Thurs Eve B/C Pairs (55 Pairs)

1 Andrew Lipps - Eric Branfman
2 1 Luther Hampton - Michael Hamp-
ton
2 John Adams - Gerald McGowan

Thurs 199er Pairs @ NVBA (19 Pairs)

1 1 1 Nancy Tarlano - Rozelin
Prochaska
2 Richard Long - Marguerite Salah
2 Sandy Haberlin - John Haberlin
2 Carol Smith - Joanne Falkowski

Fri AM Pairs (34 Pairs)

1 Ron Kral - Lucy McCoy
2 Al Duncker - Steven Schatzow
1 1 Joan Kindle - Katherine Koch
2 Leo Cardillo - James Stormes
2 Carol Aitken - Keiko Quinn

Fri Aft A/X Pairs (32 Pairs)

2 Carl Noller - Robert Finkelstein

Fri Aft B/C Pairs (42 Pairs)

1 Marvin Raines - Linda Burton
2 Donna Stoker - Anne Harrington
2 John Gauss - Carolyn Baird

Fri Aft 299er Pairs (35 Pairs)

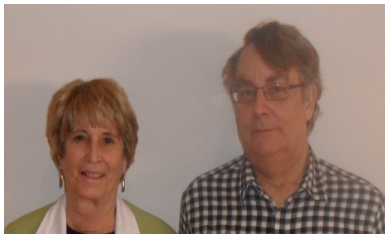
1 1 Katherine Culp - Phyllis Hendler
2 Margaret Whilden - Hanna
Wagner
2 Richard Long - Marguerite Salah
1 Sharon Suttin - Donna Sinrud
2 Betsy Deering - Nancy Turaj

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Poissant Trophy winners
Amanda Carter and Mike Cappelletti



Poissant Trophy winners Ann Lindley and Bobby Gookin

Fri Aft 49er Pairs (10 Pairs)

- 1 Debby Bailine - Barbara Goldlust
- 2 Claude Rosenthal - Kathryn Ward-Johnson
 - 1 Rosamond Niemeyer - Betsy Deering
 - 2 Michael Corrigan - Donna Hickling

Fri Eve Triple Nickel Swiss (31 Teams)

- 2 Mark Tonnesen - Shirley Kollas - Lucy McCoy - David Fleischer
 - 1 1 Al Stolpe - Thomas Jennings - David Montague - Norman Mitchell
 - 2 Allan Sitterson - Peter Harrington - Helene Cooper - Kathrine Loh
 - 2 Lynne Beresford - Eleanor Schwartz - Ann Seeboth - Ruth Woods

Fri Eve 299er Pairs (10 Pairs)

- 1 Dottie Terrell - Glenn Terrell
- 2 1 1 Deborah Cobb - Ed Krest
- 2 2 Linda Szyszka - Donald Szyszka

Sat AM A/X Pairs (14 Pairs)

- 1 Mark Tonnesen - Ken Davis
- 1 Carolyn Baird - Wolcott Baird

Sat AM B/C Pairs (30 Pairs)

- 1 1 Howard Bender - Clifford Feldman
- 2 Neal McKinney - Julia Brown
- 2 Tom Jennings - Al Stolpe

Sat AM 299er Pairs (37 Pairs)

- 1/2 1/2 1 Sharon Suttan - Donna Sinrud
- 1/2 1/2 John Merold - Dorothy Black
- 2 Jayne Lynch - Tamara Vetter

Sat AM 49er Pairs (12 Pairs)

- 1 1 Gary Eckert - Libby Eckert
- 2 James Eaton - Joseph Faudale
- 2 1 Joan Rineberg - Christopher Britton
- 2 Susan Schultz - Andrew Nguye

Sat Poissant Trophy Pairs (37 Pairs)

- 1/2 Mike Cappelletti Sr - Amanda Carter
- 1/2 Ann Lindley - Bobby Gookin

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Sat Aft Open Pairs (62 Pairs)

- 1 Martha Bley - Ross Bley
- 2 Deborah Hoveland - William Young
 - 1 Duncan Thompson - Terry Klein
 - 2 Clifford Feldman - Howard Bender

Sat Aft 299er Pairs (47 Pairs)

- 2 1 Linda Thomas - Elinor Stolar
- 2 1 John Merold - Asim Mandal
 - 2 Saadollah Ghaussy - Mohammad Sulaiman

Sat Flt B Swiss Bkt 4 (8 Teams)

- 1 Eugene Fisher - Adrienne Fisher - Amy Bloom - John Mattioli
- 2 Leonard Ellis - Jay Cherlow - Ned Griffith - Albert Lauber

Sat Aft 49er Pairs (10 Pairs)

- 1 James Eaton - Joseph Faudale
- 2 Patricia Fitzgibbons - Susan Gruskiewicz

Sat Eve Open Pairs (36 Pairs)

- 1 Peter Hughes - Esfandiar Khazai
- 2 1 Allan Sitterson - Peter Harrington
 - 2 Mary Mudd - Barry Sparks
 - 1 George Parkins - Hannelore Sofocleous
 - 2/3 John McCormick - Gabriel Cornett
 - 2/3 Sidney Graves - James Gerding

Sat Eve 299er Pairs (14 Pairs)

- 1 1 Marguerite Salah - Michael Sofocleous
- 2 2 Jayne Lynch - Howard Stevens
 - 1 Fadi Eidi - Ramsey Bordcosh
 - 2 Elizabeth Hundert - Steven Hundert

Sun A/X BAM (27 Teams)

- 2/3 Robert Brady - Amanda

- Carter - Frank Cardillo - Leo Cardillo
 - 2/3 John McCormick - Kevin Avery - Ralph Bayrer - Steven Ivins

Sun B/C Swiss (28 Teams)

- 1 Donald Brown - D Tonnesen - Dennis Schwanz - Susan Miskura
- 2 Al Stolpe - Steven Rothman - Thomas Jennings - Neal McKinney
 - 1 Jim Walsh - Charles Dearolf - Samuel Kaplan - Henry Wilson
 - 2/3 Barbara Sadick - Sally Schlein - Michelle Zygielbaum - Ettie Gordon
 - 2/3 Michael Canes - David Lindley - Howard Stevens - Neal Cooper

Sun B/C Swiss (28 Teams)

- 1 Donald Brown - D Tonnesen - Dennis Schwanz - Susan Miskura
- 2 Al Stolpe - Steven Rothman - Thomas Jennings - Neal McKinney
 - 1 Jim Walsh - Charles Dearolf - Samuel Kaplan - Henry Wilson
 - 2/3 Barbara Sadick - Sally Schlein - Michelle Zygielbaum - Ettie Gordon
 - 2/3 Michael Canes - David Lindley - Howard Stevens - Neal Cooper

Sun AM 299er Swiss (20 Teams)

- 1/2 Ollie Thomas - Julie Thomas - David Benson - Jill Benson
- 1/2 1 Donna Sinrud - Sharon Suttin - John Merold - Dorothy Black
 - 2 Galleher - Odessa Morton - Thomas Stagnaro - Bruce Harris
 - 1 Bellis - Douglas Bellis - Elizabeth Hundert - Steven Hundert

Sun Aft 299er Swiss (14 Teams)

- 1/2 Brian Brunsvold - Tamara Vetter - Jayne Lynch - Ken Kimball
- 1/2 Glenn Terrell - Dottie Terrell - Katherine Culp - Phyllis Hendler

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1 Jeffrey Yutzler - Carol Goldstone - Mary Ourand - Yasmin Jiwa

2 Donna Sinrud - Sharon Suttén - John Merold - Asim Mandal

CHARLOTTESVILLE

REGIONAL

February 25- March 3, 2012

Mon Aft Ed Foundation Pairs (36 Pairs)

2 Robert Brady - Sylvia Shi

Mon Aft Ed Foundation Swiss (16 Teams)

2 Enid Hughes - Peter Hughes - Ken Davis - Mark Tonnesen

Mon-Tues KO Bkt 2 (12 Teams)

2 Helene Cooper - Betsy Eliot - Yvonne Markell - Lenore Ward

Mon-Tues KO Bkt 4 (14 Teams)

2 Marie Golladay - Jeremy Billones - Donna Hickling - Marguerite Salah

Tues-Wed AM Comp KO Bkt 2 (13 Teams)

1 George Parkins - Dennis Sponholtz - Connie Namm - David Schreiber

Tues A/X Pairs (30 Pairs)

1 Jay Kelkar - William Young
1 Sylvia Shi - Robert Brady

Tues Eve Side Game (14 Pairs)

2 Onorica Luculescu - Alina Galaszewska

Tue Eve Side Swiss Teams (23 Teams)

1 1 1 Sara Hilgartner - Ann Atcheson - George Parkins - Dennis Sponholtz

Wed-Thurs AM Comp KO Bkt 1 (9 Teams)

1 Ken Davis - Mark Tonnesen - Tony Aukstikalnis - Ed Bissell

Wed-Thurs AM Comp KO Bkt 3 (9 Teams)

2 Carol Guy - Eve McCray - Sara Hilgartner - Ann Atcheson

Wed-Thurs AM Comp KO Bkt 4 (16 Teams)

1 Ron Sutter - Yuen De Anda - Onorica Luculescu - Alina Galaszewska

Wed AM Side Game (16 Pairs)

1 Sidney Graves - James Gerding

Wed A/X Pairs (48 Pairs)

1 Robert Brady - Sylvia Shi

Wed Gold Rush Prs (84 Pairs)

1 1 Sharon Suttén - Donna Sinrud
2 Kellen Leister - Wayne Bardsley

Wed Aft Side Game (21 Pairs)

1 1 Susan Miskura - Dennis Schwarz

Wed Eve BAM (14 Teams)

2 1 Calvin Konner - Gabriel Cornett - Richard Wedgewood - John Mattioli

Wed Eve Side Game (19 Pairs)

2 Paul Setzer - Catherine Bardsley
2 Lynda Flanger - Bernice Hacke
1 Onorica Luculescu - Alina Galaszewska

Thur-Fri AM Comp KO #2 (13 Teams)

2 Henry Wilson - Diane Cohen - Georgette Weiss - Joyce Wiley

Thurs AM Side Game (22 Pairs)

1 Carolyn Gibson - Mark Tonnesen
2 1 1 Kathy Dunkerley - Shirley Prikals
2 2 Parween Yunus - Meir Kende

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Thurs AM 299er Pairs (29 Pairs)

2 2 Sharon Suttten - Donna Sinrud

Thurs A/X Swiss (20 Teams)

2 Judy Fox - James Fox - Alan Schwartz - Annie Schwartz

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bracket#2(8 Teams)

2 Al Stolpe - Neal McKinney - Julia Brown - Tom Jennings

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bracket#6(8 Teams)

1 John Gauss - Carolyn Baird - Mike Ladd - Betty Ladd

Thurs Flt B SwissBracke #7 (8 Teams)

1 Wayne Bardsley - Catherine Bardsley - Paul Setzer - Kellen Leister

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bracket #8 (8 Teams)

2 Churchill Blakey - Gretchen Blakey - Sharon Suttten - Donna Sinrud

Thurs Flt B Swiss Bracket #9 (8 Teams)

1 Maggie Eckman - Michie Bright - Katherine Culp - Phyllis Hendler
2 Gail Harrison - Brian Brunsvold - David Benson - Jill Benson

Fri-Sat AM Comp KO #1 (10 Teams)

2 Al Lauber - Susan Miskura - Dennis Schwarz - Jay Cherlow

Fri-Sat KO Bkt 2 (12 Teams)

1 James Fox - Judy Fox - Annie Schwartz - Alan Schwartz

Fri-Sat KO Bkt 4 (14 Teams)

1 Marie Golladay - Jeremy Billones - Robert Williams - Annie Williams

Sat-Sun KO Bkt 2 (9 Teams)

2 Richard Ferrin - Steve Reed - Daniel Koch - Hadi Abushakra

Come out and Play Monday Nights at Montebello in Alexandria!

The Montebello Duplicate Bridge Club, located in the Montebello Condominium community, 5905 Mount Eagle Drive, Alexandria, VA 22303, is under new management. New Club Director/Manager Kevin O'Brien, with advice and encouragement from many NVBA Club Director/Managers including especially John Mason and Jim Dick, is providing bridge players from Montebello, Alexandria, Arlington, other points south and west in Virginia, and from Prince George's County MD with enjoyable Monday evenings of duplicate bridge (game time is 7:00 PM) at the Montebello Community Center, just south of the I-495 Beltway and Huntington Avenue off of Route 1 (Richmond Highway) (see <http://www.nvba.org/maps/montebello.html> for map of location). Most of the players are not Montebello residents, they just drive up to the gate and tell the guard they are there for the bridge game, and enter with no problem. Many players meet at the Montebello Cafe, adjacent to the playing area in the community center, for a delicious and inexpensive dinner before the game.

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The game features all levels of competitors from beginner to Platinum Life Master, and a program designed to award as many Masterpoints to players as possible. Following successful February and March monthly Specials, the Club is offering an April Special. Any game in April where there are seven or more full tables with a non-playing director, one player will win a drawing for a \$15 gift certificate to use at the Montebello Cafe.

Monday, April 29, we've been promised a visit by NVBA President and Platinum Life Master Mike Cappelletti, who will join us for dinner at the Cafe and present a brief lecture at 6:30 pm before the 7:00 pm game.

Where else can you enjoy an excellent meal, play a challenging and rewarding evening of bridge, and celebrate your triumph or drown your sorrows at the bar, all under the same roof? Come join us!

In Memoriam – Cathy Baker

Cathy Baker, one of the friendliest and most outgoing players in our Unit, passed away on March 5 of complications due to cancer. Born in Texas, she was studying Early Childhood Education at the University of Texas when she met and married Captain Coleman Lee Baker, an Air Force pilot. They were stationed at various locations in the U.S. and around the world, including Oregon, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Japan, Okinawa, England, Texas and Virginia. Cathy was a successful realtor and mortgage banker helping many people, including newly stationed military families, purchase and finance homes. She enjoyed playing bridge and attained Life Master status in 2005. Her joyous personality and optimistic spirit will be missed greatly. She will be interred with her husband at Arlington National Cemetery at a private family ceremony. Contributions in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718 (www.cancer.org) or the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675 (<http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org>).

ANNUAL LIFE MASTER/NON-LIFEMASTER GAME - JUNE 6

It's that time of year again...Mark your calendar—Thursday night, June 6, 7:00 PM is the annual NVBA Life Master/Non-Life Master (LM/NLM) game at Beth El Hebrew Congregation.

Everyone who participates in this event will pay a reduced entry fee of only \$5.00. Pre-matching pairs who sign up in advance has worked extremely well in the past, and we will be doing that again this year. As much as possible, Ron Kral matches people up so you know who your partner is before you arrive and can discuss bidding conventions and style in advance. Ron will email you your partner's information 4-7 days before the game. In the spirit of the LM/NLM game, we'd prefer that everyone go through the matchup process and play with someone new. However, if you wish to BYOP (BringYour Own Partner), it's OK as long as one member is an LM and the other partner is a NLM. Please let Ron know if you plan to attend with a pre-match for our planning purposes. WE NEED BOTH LMs AND NLMs to come out for this event. This is a fun event where you get to meet new people from the "other" game. We'll have signup sheets at the NVBA May Sectional and at the Annual Meeting on May 9. Questions or want to register? Send an email to RonKral@gmail.com or call Ron Kral at (703) 478-0077.

▲ Fairfax, VA ▲ MAY 2-5, 2013 ▲



NORTHERN VIRGINIA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
SPRING SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

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

THURSDAY, MAY 2

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750) & 299ER PAIRS (300/200/100)10:30 a.m.
Norma's Game: K of C Hall, 5115 Little Falls Rd., Arlington, VA, 703-892-1292
Evening games at: NVBA: Beth El Hebrew Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 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 (Beth El) WBL**
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture6:30 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.

FRIDAY, MAY 3

****NEW** Gene's Friday Morning Game at KOCH**9:30 a.m.
STRATIFIED OPEN (2000+/2000/750) & 299ER (300/200/100) PAIRS
...REST OF TOURNAMENT AT ELKS LODGE...
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture1:15 p.m.
STRATAFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) & B/C (2000/750) PAIRS 2 p.m.
299ER PAIRS (300/200/100) & 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, MAY 4

STRATAFLIGHTED A/X (3000+/3000) OR B/C (2000/750) PAIRS 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.
Intermediate/Newcomer Lecture1:15 p.m.
****ALL events on Sat. afternoon & evening award REGIONALLY RATED**
SILVER POINTS at no additional cost to you!—Details at www.nvba.org.
BRACKETED COMPACT KO2 and 7:30 p.m.
4 12-board matches start Sat aft—end Sat eve. All teams play 1st 2 matches.
STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750; Single session) ...2 p.m.
299ER PAIRS (300/200/100) and 49ER PAIRS (50/20/5)2 p.m.
STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750)7:30 p.m.
299ER PAIRS (300/200/100)7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 5

FLIGHTS A/X (5000+/5000) SWISS TEAMS11 a.m. & TBA
BRACKETED FLIGHT B TEAMS (no single player >2000) ...11 a.m. & TBA
B Teams Bracketed by Total Team Masterpoints: three overall places in each.
A/X & B Swiss: 2-session events, a brief break & food available on-site.
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 DC, Arlington, and the Beltway, head west on Rte 50/Arlington Boulevard about one mile outside
Beltway. Turn left at Javier Road (2nd stoplight after intersection of 50 & 495). Take immediate right onto access road that runs
parallel to Rte 50. Elks Lodge is two buildings down on left-park on side and in rear. From Fairfax, head East on Rte 50 past
Prosperity Avenue-Prosperity Medical Center will be on right. Between 1st and 2nd lights after Prosperity, turn right into
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68th Annual
POTOMAC VALLEY TOURNAMENT

THURSDAY, JULY 18

- ♣ Stratified Open Pairs (unlim/1500/500) 11:15am
Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lavine) NO ENTRY
St. James Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Rockville TILL 11AM
- ♦ StrataFlighted Open Pairs (A/X unlim/3000, B/C/D Separate 2000/1000/500) (both sites); Stratified NLM Pairs (NLM/100/50) & 0-20 Pairs (Kensington Armory only); Stratified 199er Pairs (Beth El only)
Beth El Congregation, 3830 Seminary Rd, Alexandria 7:00pm
Kensington Town Hall/Armory 7:30pm

FRIDAY, JULY 19

- ♣ *StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C/D Pairs (2000/1000/500) 10:00am, 2:00pm
- ♦ **IMP Pairs** A/X (unlim/3000) **7:15pm** ← **EARLIER START!**
It's the Friday night IMPs! 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.
- ♥ B/C/D Pairs (2000/1000/500) **7:15pm**
- ♠ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (300/200/100/50/20) (single sessions) 10:00am, 2:00pm, **7:15pm**
(will run if we have 3 or more tables)

SATURDAY, JULY 20

- ♣ **10th Annual: Washington Bridge League Trophy Pairs** 11:00am & 4:00pm
Two session Open Pairs, qualifying and final. Single session entries available.
- ♦ *StrataFlighted B/C/D Pairs (2000/1000/500) (single sessions) 11:00am, 4:00pm
- ♥ StrataFlighted A/X Pairs (unlim/3000) 4:00pm
- ♠ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (300/200/100) or Newcomer Pairs (50/20/5) (single sessions) 11:00am, 4:00pm
~ Don't miss the between sessions **Panel Show** ~

SUNDAY, JULY 21

- ♦ A/X Board-A-Match Teams, (unlim /5000, 2 session playthru w/short break) 11:00am & TBA
- ♥ B/C/D Swiss Teams, VPs (2500/1000/500, 7 round playthru w/short break) 11:00am & TBA
- ♠ 300/100/50 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:00pm

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I/N events: 0-5, 20, 50, 100, 200, 300; Stratification at Director's Discretion.



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*StrataFlighted if attendance warrants—otherwise combined into Stratified Pairs (unlim/2000/500)

Directions to the Kensington Town Hall/Armory: 495 Beltway Exit 33, Connecticut Avenue North (Rt. 185N—to Kensington). 1.5 miles, right at light—Knowles Ave. 1st right at stop—Armory Ave. 1st left at stop—to 3710 Mitchell St. & parking lot on right. Additional parking in nearby lots—see website maps.

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