

Annual Meeting Honors Award Winners and Elects New Board

THE NVBA held its annual meeting on May 11 to elect Board members, recognize new Life Masters and honor NVBA trophy winners, Ace of Clubs winners and Mini-McKenney winners. The winners of the NVBA trophies this year were:

Woman of the Year: Janet Gookin, **Man of the Year:** Ken Davis,
Rush Buckley trophy: David Banh and **Rookie of the Year:** Eric Poskanzer.

The NVBA congratulates these winners and wishes them continued success at the bridge table. See page 13 for photos of these winners.

In addition, Jack Armstrong was announced as the recipient of the third annual Dave Murray award. Jack well deserves this award, which is given to a player who is not only skilled at bridge, but is also known for his/her good sportsmanship at the table. Congratulations Jack!

The turnout of new Life Masters was somewhat disappointing. We'd just like to note here that it is NVBA policy that new Life Masters play free at the Annual meeting and are recognized at the meeting by name and also by having their name on a cake with their fellow players who have achieved this rank. We hope to see more of you at the game next year.

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Of Special Interest:

- ALEXANDRIA Regional, June 28-July 4 – COME! PLAY! HAVE FUN!
- CHICAGO NABC, July 13-23
- WBL Sectional, Aug 3-6
- HUNT VALLEY Regional, Aug 14-20
- NVBA Sectional, Sep 7-10
- ACBL-wide Instant Matchpoint Game, Sep 14
- District 6 STaC, Sep 24-30

President's Message

By Leo Cardillo



THE YEARS HAVE A WAY of slipping by, and as I enter my fourth year as President of the NVBA, I think of the advice that Warren Buffet offered when he was asked about his tremendously successful investment career. Warren noted that the secret to his successful investment career was a simple matter of making good decisions. When pressed further as to how one makes good decisions, Warren noted that good decisions are simply the inevitable consequence of appropriate experience. Pressed again as to how one acquires appropriate experience, Mr. Buffet wryly stated that appropriate experience is the unavoidable result of bad decisions! So it is with all things, I suspect. These three years have provided a challenging, but greatly rewarding, opportunity for me. Working with the Board and all of the wonderful NVBA volunteers and professional staff, I have had the great satisfaction of seeing the NVBA achieve continued success in support of the bridge playing needs of our members. Good decisions, appropriate experience and some less than perfect decisions have all been the essence of this opportunity. I am fully confident that the NVBA will continue to prosper in the months ahead, and I look forward to my fourth year and the opportunity to participate in that success.

When I last prepared this column, the April Sectional and the Annual Meeting were just around the corner. The April Sectional was well-attended at 406.5 tables, continuing a healthy trend of recent years. The Annual Meeting was denied the wonderful weather of 2005, but everybody had a good meal inside the hall and attendance was a very decent 40.5 tables. The Annual Elections were uncontested. Margot Hennings was voted in again as Vice President, Dale Dallaire as Treasurer, and Kathryn Kiley as an Executive Director. Carole Grob has replaced Gene Schuyler as the other Executive Director whose position was up for election this year. Gene will continue to support the Unit as the Unit Game Business Manager and as an alternate Unit Game Director, when required.

I look forward to working with the Board in the months ahead. Dale reported that the fiscal year ending April 30, 2006 showed a small surplus in income for the year of about \$2,000, but there were outstanding expenses from the April Sectional that had not yet been paid when the books closed at the end of April. As Dale and the Board continue to work with the new accounting software, we should be in a better position to estimate and budget our income vs. expenses. With NVBA reserves holding steady at about \$45,000, the NVBA has sufficient funds to meet any contingency. All of this augurs well for the NVBA being able to meet the playing needs of the membership for years to come. Dale also reported that the Unit is holding about \$28,000 of NABC money that was not spent at the 2002 NABC in Washington, D.C. These funds, being held by the NVBA for District 6—the host of any NABC held within its geographical boundaries—will be used in support of the 2009 Summer NABC.

The week immediately following the Annual meeting, the Unit held the Life Mas-

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Upcoming NVBA Games & Special Events

July 6	Beth El 7:00 Stratified Unit Championship
July 13	Beth El 7:00 Stratified North American Pairs (NAP) Qualifying Game
July 20	Beth El 7:00 Stratified Club Championship
July 27	Beth El 7:00 Stratified NAP Qualifying
Aug. 3	Beth El 7:00 WBL Sectional
Aug. 10	Beth El 7:00 Stratified Unit Championship
Aug. 17	Closed—Hunt Valley Regional
Aug. 24	Beth El 7:00 Stratified NAP Qualifying
Aug. 31	Beth El 7:00 Stratified Unit Championship
Sep. 7	KOCH 7:00 NVBA Sectional (please note—at KOCH)
Sep. 14	Beth El 7:00 Stratified ACBL-wide Instant Matchpoint Game
Sep. 21	Stratified Unit Championship and 49er NAP (Game Not at Beth El—Location TBA)
Sep. 28	Beth El 7:00 Stratified STaC
<p>Stratification Limits: Stratified Games: 0-750, 750-2000, 2000+ Stratiflighted Games: A/X: 0-3000/3000+; B/C: 0-750, 750-2000 All NVBA Unit Games include a separate Stratified 199er game. NEW!!! Players with 0-5 MPs play free every Thursday if they play in a game with other players with 0-5 MPs. For the North American Pairs qualifying games, the stratification is: 0-500 (NLM), 500-2000, 2000+. For the September STaC, the stratification is: 0-500, 500-1500, 1500+</p>	

2006 Sectionals

NVBA
 September 7-10
 November 9-12

WBL
 August 3-6
 October 19-22

For information on Tournaments – Cancellations – Special Events – Club games-
 NVBA on the Internet: <http://www.nvba.org>
 NVBA Bridge Information Line: 703-204-0848

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ter/Non-Life Master (LM/NLM) game at Beth El. This is a favorite event of mine, but not one without administrative challenges. This year was marked by perhaps the largest table count in recent memory for this event, with about 24 tables, all told. I remember when I first played in the LM/NLM game, circa 2001, and Lucy McCoy was doing all the hard work of arranging the pairs. At the time, I had no idea whom my partner would be, nor, once I was assigned a partner, did I know of his substantial masterpoint holdings (in excess of 10,000). However, I do remember how much fun it was to play with this excellent partner and how he quietly and unobtrusively encouraged and supported my play throughout the evening. The fact that we had a very successful result was entirely secondary to the manner in which this excellent LM encouraged and supported my less-than-perfect NLM play. I became convinced that the LM/NLM game, despite its challenges, should become a part of the Unit's future planning and strategy to grow the membership and preserve the vitality of this great game. I see the LM/NLM game as the one night of the year when the LMs have a wonderful opportunity to mentor and encourage the NLMs in the continuing development of their bridge playing skills and enjoyment. As our collective efforts are successful in increasing the number of NLMs at the table, I ask each LM to consider how they can support these efforts. In particular, I ask each LM to come to the LM/NLM game and donate one night of the year towards ensuring the healthy growth of the playing membership. The good news is that more NLMs are coming to play (see below) – the challenge is to have enough LMs to provide them a partner. Our success in drawing the NLMs to the game has led to an insufficient number of LMs on this night in the last two years. Next year, I encourage the LMs who weren't there this year to come out and support this game – you will not regret your participation, and the Unit and the game will benefit for years to come. Mark it on your calendars and be determined to do your part. Be there!

Speaking of our NLMs, during this past year, Ron Kral, along with a host of other volunteers, notably John Mason, Gene Schuyler, Norma Pierzchala, Dale Dallaire and Bernie Oetjen, continued their excellent support for the Unit's 199er game on Thursday nights. Unlike 2001, when there was no 199er game, each Thursday night sees 10+ tables of 199ers learning to enjoy this wonderful game. More recently, with the help of NVBA Youth Advisor Jennifer Lin, the Unit has established a FREE 0-5 game for all players that have less than 5 masterpoints. These two games are critically important to the future of the Unit. The NVBA has about 1,000 NLMs and about 500 LMs – we need to create and sustain an environment where the NLMs come out in numbers, or there will be no future for the Unit, or the game itself, for that matter. It's that simple. Further, perhaps the single greatest challenge facing the bridge world is its aging population. The 199er and the 0-5 games provide a comfortable entry point for the new player and for the player returning to the game. Between the programs at Thomas Jefferson High School (currently proctored by yours truly), Garfield Elementary School (Suzanne Abrams) and other similar efforts in the WBL, and the very successful Easy-Bridge! Classes run by Ron Kral, the introductory and intermediate classes taught by John Mason at a local Community College, beginners' classes taught by NVBA members Marilyn Golias at the Reston Community Center and Stu Fleischmann in the Fair-

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The Jack of Hearts

by Marshall Kushner



THERE WAS A COUNTRY song twenty-some years ago that defined happiness as seeing Lubbock, Texas in one's rear-view mirror. In March, many felt the same way about Dallas. If you've read Nadine Wood's latest report, you know she wasn't one of them but that may be easily explained. Nadine, you see, is a fine player and may have spent all her time in the ballrooms where the national events were contested. Having spent two days there myself, I can attest to the appeal of the environment. But having spent other days in the netherworld of the regional events, I can also attest that it was abysmal beyond belief. Surprisingly, the usual suspects, lighting and temperature, were innocent this time. The perp in this case was noise. Unbelievable noise. The air conditioner's fan generated a deafening roar, and when the system started up, it emitted a shrieking, metal-on-metal sound that was ear-splitting. All in all, it was much like playing bridge in a machine shop. For the record, the escalators leading to the ballrooms made the same sound so one had to travel a fair distance to find blessed silence. The silver lining was that it prepared you for your hotel room. The Hyatt Regency in Dallas is hard by the railroad tracks, which lent an occasional rumble, but that paled in comparison to the pops, moans, and screeches that shared your room. The rooms were nicely appointed, but anyone staying a week or more would find the drawer space woefully inadequate. And before we leave the shortcomings of the hotel, we should address the good news/bad news of the snack bar. At recent nationals, players have been accustomed to paying as much as \$2.50 for a cup of coffee which sometimes isn't that large or that good. In Dallas, you got a 12-ounce cup of good coffee for only a buck! The bad news was, if you wanted coffee, or anything else, after 8 PM, you were out of luck. In short, instead of being open when it suited us, they were open when it suited them. All in all, let's just say that a touch of Hyatt was more than enough. Still, 10,318.5 tables turned out which was far from the smallest of Spring NABCs.

Big D itself was not a bad host. The West End, featuring dozens of restaurants, was only a short walk or one stop on the light rail away. If all you did was play bridge and go to the West End for dinner, you saw hardly anything of Dallas, save for the infamous Dealey Plaza and Texas Schoolbook Depository. If you journeyed deeper into downtown Dallas, you noticed an abundance of spectacular architecture. If you traveled northeast, you found Dallas' lovely Arts district, but if you went west, e.g. to go to a Rangers game, you found an unattractive wasteland that might generously be termed "prairie" dotted with junkyards, Interstate feeder roads, and Kwik-Stop joints that offered beer, fireworks, bait, and ammunition. What more could a good old boy want? Actually, it made some sense. If you stopped at one mini-mart and bought ammo, you could rob the next one and, with a good haul, have enough money to go to a Rangers game.

Not much to report from the bridge battlefield. Jeff Roman lasted a couple of rounds in the Vanderbilt, finished 11th in the Open Swiss and hit the board in the Open Pairs.

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fax County Adult Education program, and by WBL's Steve and Sandy Forsythe in Maryland, NVBA and WBL members are committed to planting the seeds and growing the bridge players of tomorrow.

As this Newsletter goes to press, I want to note that Margot and Kathryn, as the Tournament Co-Chairs, and Ron and Mary Ann Kral, who are in charge of the I/N program, have been working very hard the past several months to make the Alexandria Regional June 28-July 4 another outstanding venue for your bridge-playing needs and pleasure. Many volunteers support them in that goal and I look forward to reporting further details of this terrific Regional in the next edition of the Newsletter.

See you at the tables!!

Expression of Appreciation

As many of you (darn near all, it seems) know, I was in the hospital recently, and I want to express my gratitude for the outpouring of concern and support I received. The cards, calls and visits were truly heartwarming. One of my nurses asked me "are you a rock star or something?", and I told her "no, just a longstanding member of a community of caring people." Thank you all once again, I appreciate it very much.

Sincerely, Jeff Roman

Upcoming Bridge Classes

Marilyn Golias is teaching a number of bridge classes this summer and fall in Falls Church and Reston.

Here is a schedule of the classes:

FALLS CHURCH

Beginner classes: 3 weeks starting Thursday, June 22 from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Intermediate (Bridge 2) classes: 6 weeks starting Thursday, July 13,
10:30 AM – 1:00 PM.

This class will go over transfers, weak 2s, overcalls.

Call Marilyn at (703) 241-7741 or (703) 629-8932 for the location/price.

RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER, 2310 Colts Neck Rd, Reston, 20191 – (703) 476-4500, www.restoncommunitycenter.com.

Classes will begin in September (probably September 14) on Thursday evenings from 7 – 9 PM.

Contact the Reston Community Center to register and get the exact information on the schedule.

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Alan Schwartz and Ai-Tai Lo were 14th in the NAP final. Regional winners included Frank and HRH Leo Cardillo, Glenn Young, Helene Bauman, and Barry Spector. And as Porky used to say, th-th-that's all, folks.

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Latest from the C Files: First night at a regional in Manhattan, I'm nodding off when I hear slamming, banging, and cursing behind me. Rolling over to determine the source, I find C. vainly pulling on a door knob. "What are you doing?", I ask.

"Trying to hang the "Do Not Disturb" sign but the stupid door won't open."

"Just a suggestion, but why don't you try the door to the hallway instead of the one to the adjoining room?"

Attention: New Duplicate Bridge Players

The Northern Virginia Bridge Association (NVBA) has decided to offer all newcomers to duplicate bridge an opportunity to play, meet new people and improve their skills. **EVERY** Thursday night we are offering to hold a *FREE* game for any player with fewer than 5 masterpoints (MPs) if they play in the game designated for newcomers. Players with 0-5 MPs who choose **NOT** to play in the game designated for players with fewer than 5 MPs must pay the regular entry fee for the game they choose. The free game is being held in conjunction with the NVBA Unit game, 7:00 PM, Thursdays, usually at Beth El Congregation, 3830 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA, 22304. We have a short lesson at 6:30 PM (come if you want), followed by the game at 7:00. If you come alone, we'll do our best to match you up with someone else to play. Remember, this game is **FREE – EVERY WEEK!** Come out and play and meet other people who are just learning! Practice your game in a low-key, friendly environment!

FREE snacks! FREE soft drinks and coffee! FREE parking! Take advantage of this great offer. Mark Thursday nights on your calendar. If you can't come every week, come when you can! Questions? Email Ron Kral at Easybridge@NVBA.org, or call Ron at 703-478-0077. Hope to see you there!

Parade of Winners

NVBA SPRING SECTIONAL

April 27-30, 2006

Thurs. A/X Pairs (73 Pairs)

- 2 Tom Musso – Melissa Gumbert

Thurs. B/C Pairs (58 Pairs)

- 2 1 V. S. Sharma – Raman Kelkar
2 Silas Wasserstrom – Michael Gottesman

Thurs. 199ers @ NVBA (19 Pairs)

- 1 Stella Perry – Paula Cloyd
2 1 Blair Curry – Judith Curry

Thurs. Eve. 0-5 Game NVBA (14 Pairs)

- 1 John Holt – Kate Krauss
2 Nancy Needleman – Ruth Glen

Fri. Aft. A/X Pairs (14 Pairs)

- 1 Vonnie Lavender – Sumner Steinfeldt
2 Ken Davis – Robert Hartmann
1 Betty Bursey – Gabriele Nanda

Fri. Aft. B/C Pairs (40 Pairs)

- 1 Salam Saidi – Kamel Tabbara
2 Daniel Feldman – Sam Coleman
1 Doris Knief – Barb Hincken
2 Joan McQuaid – Phyllis Talley

Fri. Aft. 299er Pairs (26 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 Suzanne Floyd – Robert Claypool
2 Carolyn Becraft – Jayne Eckert
2 2 Linda Burton – Jan Potter

Fri. Aft. 49er Pairs (6 Pairs)

- 1 Mary Edge – Janice Smith

Fri. Eve. Open Pairs (55 Pairs)

- 1 Ken Davis – Bruce Houston
2 Bruce Culmer – Stephen Swearingen
1 1 Carolyn Becraft – Nancy Loomis
2 2 Jeff Youngen – Nancy Young

Fri. Eve. 299er Pairs (20 Pairs)

- 1 1 Michael Lusick – Freeman Adkins
2 2 Mike Frosch – Kevin O'Brien
2 John Donohue – Charles Shank

Sat. AM Open Pairs (42 Pairs)

- 1 Carolyn Gibson – Jean Levin
2 2 William Colket – Doreen Colket

Sat. AM Senior Pairs (14 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 Marlene Stone – Cynthia Helms
2 2 2 Shirley Lafferty – Ed Heberg

Sat. Aft. A/X Pairs (54 Pairs)

- 1 Carolyn Gibson – Eugene Schuyler
2 1 Weizhong Bao – Hailong Ao

Sat. Aft. B/C Pairs (56 Pairs)

- 2 Minako Komura – Kiyomi Shi

Sat. Eve. Open Pairs (40 Pairs)

- 1 Arnie Frankel – Helene Bauman
2 Margot Hennings – Donald Hennings

Sat. Eve. 299er Pairs (10 Pairs)

- 1 Stephen Montague – Ronald Ozarka

Sun. A/X Swiss (17 Teams)

- 1 Janet Gookin – Bobby Gookin –
Stan Schenker – David Milton
2 Jason Meyer – Lloyd Rawley –
Michael Richey – Richard Ferrin

Sun. B/C/D Swiss (54 Teams)

- 1 1 Richard Cassell – Mitchell Karlick –
James Andre – Lily Andre
2 Shuba Dey – Jay Kelkar –
Raman Kelkar – V. S. Sharma
2 Susan Strauss – Richard Slater –
Martha Mangano – Barbara DiCicco

Sun. AM 0-300 Swiss (11 Teams)

- 1 Helen Lazar – Alda Ball –
Reiko Lynch – Mary Tubbs
2/3 Marvin Raines – Ruth Woods –
Nancy Detweiler – Elizabeth Parker
2 Cathy Stryker – William Gurley –
Sara Hilgartner – Norma Tolmach
1 John Menzel – Carl Steinhagen –
Robert Hollohan – Kenneth Duggin

Sun. Aft. 0-300 Swiss (5 Teams)

- 2 1 Ednae Trevey – Ellie Clark –
Elizabeth Huffman – Susan Slattery

GATLINBURG REGIONAL

April 17-23, 2006

Mon. – Tues. KO Bkt 7 (16 Teams)

- 2 Samuel Mills, Jr. – Mark Tonnesen –
D. Tonnesen – Shirley Kollas

Mon - Tues KO Bkt 23 (16 Teams)

- 1 Elizabeth Parker – Nancy Detweiler – Charles Ward – Peggy Ward

Clingman Dome KO Bkt 8 (16 Teams)

- 2 Elizabeth Parker – Nancy Detweiler – Charles Ward – Peggy Ward

Laurel Falls Conso Bkt 7 (8 Teams)

- 1 Helen Dodge – Linda Clover – Paul Stygar – Walter Stone

Morning KOs - Bkt 4 (16 Teams)

- 2 Issa Dorri – Dennis Wick – Marie Grabowski – Thomas Grabowski

Wed. – Thurs. KO Bkt 3 (16 Teams)

- 1 David Walker – Ken Davis – John Ashe – S. Moore

Wed - Thurs KO Bkt 29 (15 Teams)

- 2 Kevin O'Brien – William Gurley – Judy Ripley – Robert Ripley

Wed Senior KO - 2 (9 Teams)

- 1 Dale McDaniel – Arthur Hayes – Doug Clark – Jean Tout

Wed Zip KO Bkt 2 (11 Teams)

- 1 Brian Sims – Nancy Sims – Mary Cohron – Christine Caine

Thurs AM Side Game (42 Tables)

- 1 Arthur Hayes – Dale McDaniel

Thurs - Fri KO Bkt 5 (16 Teams)

- 1 Lucy McCoy – Kathryn Kiley – Chuck Pecarro – Betty Bursey

Thurs - Fri KO Bkt 7 (16 Teams)

- 2 Shirley Kollas – D. Tonnesen – Mark Tonnesen – Samuel Mills, Jr.

Thurs. Midnight Zip KO Bkt 3 (8 Teams)

- 1 Charles Priode – Alexander Marion – Marsha Mitchell – Terry Jones
- 2 Brian Sims – Robbie McConnell – Nancy Sims – Mary Cohron

Cades Cove Compact KO Bkt 9 (12 Teams)

- 1 Maribel Newby – Linda Clover – Sharon Lyons – Joan Dixon

Fri. Eve. A/X Swiss (40 Teams)

- 2 2 Bruce Houston – Don Van Arman – Judith Armonat – Elizabeth Ivey

Fri. Eve. B/C/D Swiss (85 Teams)

- 2/4 Brian Sims – Mary Cohron – Norma Temple – Katherine Richards

Fri. Zip KO 0-500 (10 Teams)

- 1 Brian Sims – Nancy Sims – John Bremser – Mary Cohron

Glade Compact KO Bkt II (12 Teams)

- 1 Helen Dodge – Ed Rodrigues – Steven Juk – Paul Stygar

Sat. Eve. B/C/D Swiss (60 Teams)

- 1 Shuba Dey – James Drake – Joanna Pagano – Guy Tissaire – Josette Tissaire

Sat. Eve. BAM (22 Tables)

- 1/4 Lucy McCoy – Kathryn Kiley – Chuck Pecarro – Betty Bursey

Sat. – Sun. KO Bkt 7 (12 Teams)

- 2 Christy Hofmann – Robert Hofmann – Andrew Garnett – David Banh

Roaring Fork Consol 4 (7 Teams)

- 1 Kevin O'Brien – Sandra Andreen – Robert Stackhouse – Marian Strickland

**RALEIGH, NC REGIONAL
May 23-29, 2006**

Fayetteville KO Bkt 2 (15 Teams)

- 2 Herb Fallin, Jr. – La Quitta Talbot – Shirley Kollas – David Schultz

Fayetteville KO Bkt 4 (16 Teams)

- 1 David Banh – Jeremy Fournier – Steve Barsby – William Mauldin

Wed .Eve. 0-500 Prs (7 Tables)

- 2 Susan Slattery – Elizabeth Parker
- 2 M. Simon Troughton – James Biss

Emerald Isle KO Bkt 1 (15 Tables)

- 2 Ed Lewis – David Milton – John Potter – Richard Potter – Tim Crank

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Emerald Isle KO Bkt 5 (16 Teams)

- 2 Marilyn Smebakken – Elizabeth Traylor –
Helene Cooper – Joan McQuaid

Morehead City Comp KO Bkt 3 (16 Teams)

- 2 Al O'Malley – Gerry Higgins –
Ed Rodrigues – Neal McKinney

Morehead City Comp KO Bkt 4 (16 Teams)

- 1 Helene Cooper – Marilyn Smebakken –
Elizabeth Traylor – Joan McQuaid

Morehead City Comp KO Bkt 5 (16 Teams)

- 1 Margaret Storey – Dorothy Bechtle –
Susan Slattery – Elizabeth Parker

Kitty Hawk KO Bkt 3 (15 Teams)

- 2 Glenn Marek – Mauhsiang Lin –
Shuba Dey – Barbara Martin –
Hsun-Kang Su

Kitty Hawk KO Bkt 6 (16 Teams)

- 1 Margaret Storey – Dorothy Bechtle –
Susan Slattery – Elizabeth Parker

Thurs. Zip KO (14 Teams)

- 2 David Hartman – Terry Lavender –
Thomas Fukawa – Chuck Pecarro

Fri Open Pairs (76 Pairs)

- 1 David Milton – Alan Feigenbaum

Fri. 0-300 Swiss (12 Teams)

- 1 James Biss – Donald Brown –
Catherine Smith – Howard Schuyler

New Bern Fri. - Sat. KO Bkt 4 (16 Teams)

- 1 David Banh – Jeremy Fournier –
David Banh – William Mauldin –
Steve Barsby

Fri. Eve. Zip KO (10 Teams)

- 1 Marge Gazzola – Martha Lackey –
Lucy McCoy – Donnie Isaac

Greenville Sat. AM Side (17 Tables)

- 1 1 1 Ed Brawn – Susan Brawn

Sat. Eve. Swiss (37 Teams)

- 2/5 Norma Pierzchala – Wes Jones, Jr. –
Dick Thomas – Nadyne Cheary

Jacksonville Sat. Eve. Side (9 Tables)

- 2 Kenny Horneman – Sam Coleman
2 Ed Brawn – Susan Brawn

Pinehurst Sat. - Sun. KO Bkt 2 (14 Teams)

- 2 Shuba Dey – Mauhsiang Lin –
Harlan Burgess – Helen Burgess

Greenville Sun. AM Side (14 Teams)

- 1 Ken Davis – Bruce Houston
2 1 Ed Brawn – Susan Brawn

Sun. AM 0-300 Pairs (8 Tables)

- 2 William Gurley – Eric Poskanzer

Kinston KO Bkt I (12 Teams)

- 1 Jim Wakefield – Vonnie Lavender –
Helene Bauman – Sumner Steinfeldt



Board of Directors 2006-2007

Congratulations to the new NVBA Board, including the members elected at the Annual Meeting on May 11. Here is a list of the Board of Directors and the chairs/co-chairs of the various standing committees. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact anyone on the Board.

OFFICERS—

President: Leo Cardillo
 Vice President: Margot Hennings
 Secretary: Marge Gazzola
 Treasurer: Dale Dallaire

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS—

Carole Grob
 Kathryn Kiley
 Ron Kral
 Paul Krueger
 John Mason
 Jennifer Lin, Youth Advisor

NVBA Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs

Membership:	Matt and Norma Pierzchala
Recorder:	Jeff Roman
Tournament Co-Chairs:	Margot Hennings and Kathryn Kiley
Unit Game Hospitality:	Carole Grob and Bob Zier
Unit Game Business Manager:	Eugene Schuyler
Discipline/Conduct/Ethics:	Mel Welles (<i>Chair</i>), Paul Black (<i>Co-Chair</i>)
Publicity & Newcomers:	Ron Kral
Unit Education Liaison:	Joanne Pretti
Club Liaison:	John Mason
NAP & GNT Coordinator:	John Mason
Electronic Contact:	Marge Gazzola
Charity:	Margot Hennings

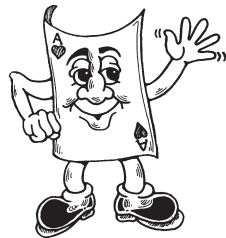
Additional NVBA Positions

Web Master:	Sumner Steinfeldt and John Mason
Newsletter Liaison:	Lucy McCoy
Newsletter Production:	Julianne H. Smith
Prizes:	Mary Mudd and Barry Sparks
Chief Director:	Marshall Kuschner
Caddies:	Stan Schenker
Seeding:	Jeff Roman
Cheer & Sympathy:	Virginia Fletcher

HAIL AND FAREWELL

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

Augusta G. Amelink
 Jim Ashooh
 Sally H. Bear
 Barbara L. Bieger
 Mary Jane Brenner
 Christina Burkholder
 Ervin T. Burkholder
 Neil B. Carey
 Maureen A. Chelius
 Linda W. Croker
 Thomas C. Croker
 Charles L. Cunningham
 Clayton G. Davis
 Oleg A. Dolgikh
 Randy French
 Daniel D. Geller
 Susan Geller
 Rev J. Carlyle Gill
 William Glen
 Dr. Ira D. Godwin
 Jean H. Godwin
 Janet Henriksen
 Jo Ann Hutchison
 Patricia A. Kasold
 Raman P. Kelkar
 Brian G. Kennedy
 George W. Lane
 Dr. Leonard Levine
 Robert R. O'Toole
 Thomas L. Potter
 Nelson S. Saks
 Neil Selvin
 Lois A. Sheldon
 Frances B. Simms
 William E. Smyth
 Janette B. Spees
 Rod Spicer
 Rose Spielberg
 Dr. William C. Timperley
 Karen L. Ward
 Carol A. Wzorek
 Pat A. Zarwel



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

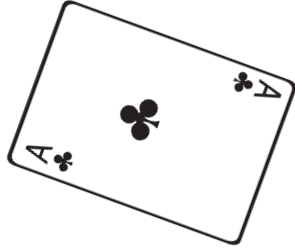
Claire L. Agoglia
 Donald E. Brown
 Neal L. Cooper
 John Eldridge
 Catherine R. Grieshaber
 Ned Griffith
 Bill Hardgrave
 Dale C. Hunt
 Margaret T. Jordan
 Georgia E. Pappas
 Ted M. Scott
 Elizabeth J. Settle
 Jackalyn Smith
 Rosemary Tietge
 William K. Toufectis
 Bruce W. Waters

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

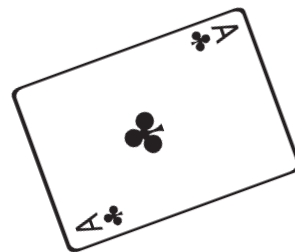
Anne C. Anderson	Bob S. Armstrong
Eileen Aronovitch	Martin Aronovitch
Margaret Brown	Patrick L. Brown
Doreen P. Colket	William C. Colket
Amy Fielder	Catherine R. Grieshaber
John K. Hawks	June J. Hoye
George Kaseote	Jovica Medic
Marilyn L. Moore	Kathy R. Oleson
Ray J. Oleson	Lewis A. Ondis
Abha J. Patel	Joseph Pieper
Barbara B. Porter	Jenny Rose
Sue Wheal	Bin Wu

We are sorry to note the passing of these seven of our members:

William C. Boehm	Harlan M. Geyer
Doris E. Klein	Helen Lewis
Peter W. Pedrotti	Emily Reynolds
Les Rubin	



ACE OF CLUBS Winners



Ace of Clubs winners (left to right): Gerry Higgins, Nancy Detweiler, Larry Gebbie, Eric Poskanzer, Elizabeth Parker, Ken Davis, Salam Saidi, Bob Hartmann, Herb Fallin, Jr. and Ed Lewis.

MILESTONES

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

♠♦ NEW JUNIOR MASTERS ♣♥

Gail Adams	Rita Apter
Sheila S. Brackett	Dianne Derbogolian
Albert Dimillio	Oleg Dolgikh
Chieko Franck	Jaishree Gupta
Lyle Hageman	Ruth Hageman
Libby Heffern	Michael Hirsch
Phyllis Isler	Mary Jones
Raman Kelkar	Richard Mayer
John Menzel	William Moore
Jan Potter	Kiyomi Shiba
Joanne Stewart	Larry Taylor
Cathy Vivona	

♠♦ NEW CLUB MASTERS ♣♥

James Augustine
Norman Blahuta
Wanda Clandorf
Blair Curry
Harry Davies
Robert Huley
Richard Leonardon
Ruth Ann McGrail
Jacqueline Mosher
Nagy Wehbe



♠♦ NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS ♣♥

Joseph Bekhor
Insoon Johnson
Gil Krawitz
Helen Lazar
Eric Poskanzer
Mary Alice Vogt
Joan White

♠♦ NEW REGIONAL MASTERS ♣♥

Freeman F. Adkins
Dr. Jose Cortina
Donald Hunt
Robert Kastenmeier

Mary Ann Kral
Joe Lentz
Elizabeth Nolte
Jerry Nolte
Dick Verdow

♠♦ NEW NABC MASTERS ♣♥

Susan Brawn
Robert Brennen
Nancy Detweiler
Helen Dodge
Jayne Eckert
John Miles
Margaret Storey

♠♦ NEW LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

Ed L. Brawn
Helene S. Cooper
Jennifer Lin
Marilyn A. Smebakken

♠♦ NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

Robert Boyd
John Corvari
Gloria Halstead
Hazel Murphy
Dave Tonnesen

♠♦ NEW SILVER LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

Jay Kelkar
Martha (Chippy) Lackey
Ed Rodrigues
David Schultz

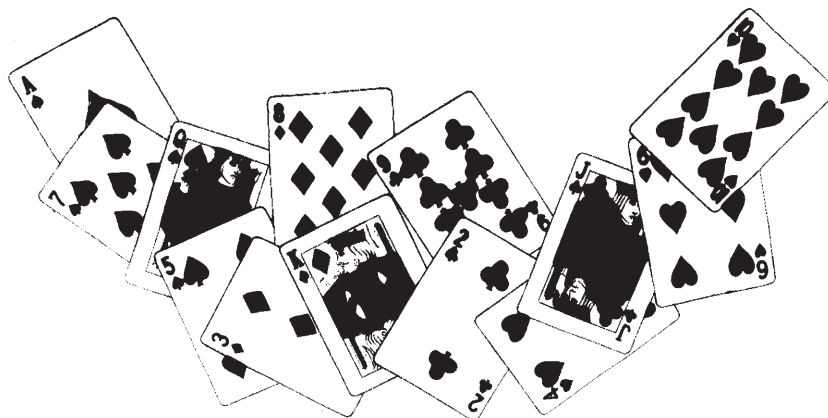
♠♦ NEW EMERALD LIFE MASTERS ♣♥

Janet R. Gookin

Players of the Year



Man of Year: Ken Davis
Woman of the Year: Janet Gookin
Rookie of the Year: Eric Poskanzer



Bridge club results posted on the Internet:

Director: Carole Grob – *Games:* Ballston Bridge Club – Monday, 10:00 AM
URL: <http://www.mybridgeclub.com/virginia/virginia.htm>

Director: John Mason – *Game:* Montebello DBC – Monday 7:00 PM
URL: <http://members.cox.net/jsm36/bridge/bridgehome.htm>

Director: John Mason/Dale Dallaire – *Game:* First Christian Church –
Friday, 10:00 AM
URL: <http://members.cox.net/jsm36/bridge/bridgehome.htm>

Director: Bernie Oetjen – *Games:* KOCH – Monday, 7:00 PM;
KOCH – Saturday, 1:00 PM
URL: <http://www.bridge-results.com/results/5011/cal.html>

Director: Candy and Marshall Kuschner – *Games:* KOCH – Tuesday, 10:00 AM;
Reston – Wednesday, 7:30 PM
URL: <http://www.bridge-results.com/results/5016/cal.html>

Director: Gene Schuyler – *Games:* If It's Tuesday BC – Tuesday 7:00 PM
URL: <http://members.cox.net/carlinspringsbc/index2.htm>

Director: Norma Pierzchala – *Games:* Ballston – Wednesday 10:00 AM;
KOCH - Saturday, 9:00 AM –
URL: <http://www.bridge-results.com/results/5021/cal.html>

Director: Louise Sellers – *Games:* Jewish Community Center (JCC) –
Wednesday, 11:00 AM, Sunday, 1:00 PM; Vienna Bridge – Thursday, 10:00 a.m. –
URL: <http://members.cox.net/bridge.jcc.vdbc>

Mini-McKenney Winners



Mini-McKenney winners (left to right): Herb Fallin Jr, La Quitta Talbot, Sam Bowlin, Larry Gebbie, Eric Poskanzer, Martha Bley, Bobby Gookin, Elizabeth Parker, Ken Davis



SILVER SPRING, MD: AUGUST 3-6, 2006

61st Annual Potomac Valley Tournament

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

- ♣ StrataFlighted Open Pairs (A/X unlim/3000, B/C/D Separate 1500/1000/500) (both sites); Stratified NLM Pairs (NLM/100/50) & 0-20 Pairs (Christ the King Church only); Stratified 199er Pairs (Beth El only)
Beth El Congregation, 3830 Seminary Rd, Alexandria 7:00pm
Christ the King Church, 2301 Colston Drive, Silver Spring 7:30pm
 Capital Beltway to Connecticut Ave. South. Left on East-West Hwy. Right on Grubb Rd. 1st left on Colston. Church is on the left before the next intersection.

*Have a
COOL
time at
a HOT
Sectional!*



**Friday—
at Christ the King Church Only**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

- ♦ Stratified Pairs (2000+/1000/500) 10:00am
- ♥ StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000) & B/C/D Pairs (1500/1000/500) . . . 2:00pm
- ♠ Barometer Pairs StrataFlighted A/X (unlim/3000)
 & B/C/D Pairs (1500/1000/500) 7:30pm

Check your scores every round! Friday nights are your chance to try a different form of the game. This one-session Barometer Pairs has no qualification necessary. Everyone plays the same boards at the same time and you can see how you're doing after every round.

- ♣ Intermediate/Novice Pairs (300/200/100/50/20) (single sessions) 10:00am, 2:00pm, 7:30pm

◇ **SAT. & SUN. at the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center ONLY** ♥

**It's Summer
Bridge and
Barbecue**

1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, MD: From Beltway exit Georgia Avenue north (toward Wheaton). Turn right at first traffic light onto Forest Glen Rd. The Senior Center is .7 mile on your right.

*Don't miss the
2:30pm Saturday Panel Show!*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

- ♥ A/X Swiss Teams, VPs (unlim /3000, 7 round playthru w/short break) 11:00am & TBA
- ♠ B/C/D Swiss Teams, VPs (2000/1000/500, 7 round playthru w/short break) 11:00am & TBA
- ♣ 300/200/100/50 Swiss Teams, VPs (single sessions) 11:00am, 3:00pm

♣ Full Schedule of Intermediate and Novice Events ♥

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



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♣ **Arlington, VA** ♦ **SEPTEMBER 7-10, 2006** ♥



NORTHERN VIRGINIA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
SEPTEMBER SENSATIONS
SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

Knights of Columbus Hall (KOCH)

5115 Little Falls Road, Arlington, VA
 Call 703-536-9656 & dial "0"

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Knights of Columbus Hall (KOCH), Arlington, VA (NVBA)
 Christ the King Church, one block south of East-West Highway on
 Colston between Washington and Grubb, Chevy Chase, MD (WBL)

**NOTE: ALL
 VIRGINIA EVENTS ARE
 AT KOCH**

Novice/Intermediate Lecture	6:30 p.m.	
STRATAFLIGHTED 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.
0-5 PAIRS FREE	7:00 p.m.	

NVBA (KOCH) WBL

...REST OF TOURNAMENT AT KOCH...

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS (2000+/2000/750)	2 p.m.
299ER PAIRS (300/200/100)	2 p.m.
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.

*Championship
 Events and a Full Schedule
 of 299er Events for Novice
 and Intermediate Players*

**Mid-Chart Conventions
 permitted in all Flt A, B,
 & Open Stratified Events**

*Endless summer
 hospitality...fresh fruits,
 fresh veggies, seasonal
 cakes and pies*

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*...or check out our
 Online Partnership "Desk"
 at www.nvba.org*

**Next NVBA Sectional:
 November 9-12,
 2006**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Novice/Intermediate Lecture (Jeff Roman)	10:15 a.m.
FLIGHTS A/X (3000+/3000) & B/C (2000/750) SWISS TEAMS	11:00 a.m.
<i>Both Flights are 2-session events, with one 30-minute break—box lunch available</i>	
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 Rte. 495 (the Beltway) or points West of the Beltway, take Rte. 66 East to the Washington Boulevard/Lee Highway exit. 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 Street. Go .5 miles and turn right onto Little Falls Road. The KOCH is on your left .2 of a mile down Little Falls. From D.C. or Arlington, take Rte. 66 West to the Sycamore Street exit. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right onto Sycamore. At the second light, turn right onto Lee Highway and go a little over 1 mile and turn left onto Harrison Street. Follow the above directions from that point. OR from D.C., go straight across Chain Bridge and then keep left to stay on Glebe Road. From the light at the end of Chain Bridge, proceed 1.8 miles and turn right onto Little Falls Road (the second right past the light at Williamsburg Blvd.). Cross Old Dominion (.3 miles) at the stop sign and proceed on Little Falls another .3 miles to the KOCH on your right. From all directions, turn up the drive and circle past the stone lodge. Follow signs for visitor parking. The tournament will be held in the brick building marked "KOCH 2473" down the hill to your right.

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