



# NVBA Newsletter

July –September 2013

Northern Virginia Bridge Association

## Congratulations to our Trophy and Medal Winners

**A**t the Annual Meeting on May 9, 2013, NVBA President Mike Cappelletti 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 2012 were:

- Woman of the Year: Amanda Carter
- Man of the Year: Ken Davis
- Rush Buckley: Eric Poskanzer
- Rookie of the Year: David Lindley

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## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

by Ron Kral NVBA President



“ Most people would rather just pay their entry and play. However, without the volunteers, there would be NO tournaments!”

This is my first column for the NVBA newsletter. After some thought, I decided to address what I believe is the most important issue facing us. The NVBA is essentially an all volunteer organization. The game Directors are paid, but everything else we do is accomplished through volunteer help. Organizing the Guaranteed Partners (GPs)? Leo Cardillo and Mary Ann Kral. The GPs themselves? Volunteers. The food at the unit game? Volunteers. The Sectional and Regional Tournament Chairs? Margot Hennings and Amanda Carter.

Most bridge players do not realize just how much volunteer effort is needed to put on a bridge tournament. The tournament is organized like a business. The Tournament Chair has overall coordination responsibility. There are subchairs for Partnerships, Prizes, Intermediate/ Newcomer, Hospitality, Information, Housing, Daily Bulletin, et.al. All this takes time and effort and people willing to pitch in. Most people would rather just pay their entry and play. However, without the volunteers, there would be NO tournaments!

The day-to-day running of the NVBA Unit falls to the Board of Directors - 9 people who meet once a month and do the lion's share of the business of running the Unit.

Unfortunately, most of the work is concentrated among just a few people. As the old saying goes, “Many hands make light work.” In short, WE NEED YOU!

There are many, many different activities where you can help. Some require little effort; some require a lot of dedication. Some need special expertise, but not that many. They all need someone in order to make everything work.

I'm aware of how demanding life is and the cost of gas, yet there are volunteers who regularly drive from all over Unit 218 to support the game of bridge.

PLEASE consider donating some of your time to help and offer your expertise to help the bridge world.

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### Upcoming NVBA Games & Special Events

Jul 4	Beth El	7:00	Closed - RESTON REGIONAL
Jul 11	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Unit Championship
Jul 18	Beth El	7:00	WBL Sectional - Stratiflighted Pairs
Jul 25	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted North American Pairs
Aug 1	Beth El	7:00	NVBA Sectional - Stratiflighted Pairs
Aug 8	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted North American Pairs
Aug 15	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Aug 22	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted North American Pairs
Aug 29	Beth El	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Sep 5	**KOCH*	7:00	Stratified Unit Championship
Sep 12	Beth El	7:00	Stratiflighted Membership Game
Sep 19	Beth El	7:00	NVBA Sectional - Stratiflighted Pairs
Sep 26	Beth El	7:00	District 6 STaC Stratified Pairs

#### Stratification Limits:

All NVBA Unit Games include a separate Stratified 199er game.  
 New players and ACBL members 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

**\*\*NVBA Unit game on September 5 is being held at Knights of Columbus Hall (KOCH), 5115 Little Falls Rd., Arlington, VA**

#### Upcoming Sectionals

N V B A	September 19-22, 2013	W B L	July 18-21, 2013
	October 24-27, 2013		October 3-6, 2013

*President's column (Continued from page 2)***Suggestions:**

We need someone to coordinate the food and snacks every week at the Unit Game. If we can find four people, each one would have to do it only once a month. The Unit pays for the food itself and the person who brings it gets two free plays to the Unit Game. Contact Leo Cardillo at 703-868-06868 or email him at leofcardillo@gmail.com if you could bring food, even if it is only occasionally.

We need people to present lectures on various aspects of bridge play, such as bidding, declaring, and/or defensive play, at the 199er game. Contact Kevin O'Brien at 703-524-4788 or at OBrien.bridge@gmail.com if you'd like to be a lecturer.

We need people to help our Bridge in Schools program. Contact Sheryl McEwan at 703-474-9564 or at sherylmcewan@aol.com.

Can you be a Guaranteed Partner at the Unit game or a Sectional? Contact Leo Cardillo (above) or Mary Ann Kral at 703-437-0342 or MaryAnnKral@gmail.com.

If you have another area where you would like to help, contact any of the NVBA Board members (THEY are all volunteers too!).

*Annual Meeting (Continued from page 1)*

(from L to R) NVBA Rookie of the Year David Lindley, Woman of the Year Amanda Carter, Rush Buckley winner Eric Poskanzer, Man of the Year Ken Davis and presenter NVBA President Mike Cappelletti

The NVBA congratulates these winners and wishes them continued success at the bridge table. (See pages 15 and 16 for a list of the top NVBA finishers in the Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs contests for 2012.)

The slate of the candidates for the open positions on the 2013-2014 Board was announced and was accepted by acclamation since there were no contested positions. The 2013-2014 Board is:

President: Ron Kral, Vice President: Leo Cardillo, Secretary: Alan Dockterman, Treasurer: Ann Atcheson. The five Executive Directors are: Lynne Beresford, Ken Davis, Lynda Flanger, Jim Gerding, and Sheryl McEwan.

### Upcoming NVBA 199er Unit Games

Jul 4	Beth El	7:00	Closed - RESTON REGIONAL
Jul 11	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Jul 18	Beth El	7:00	WBL Sectional - 199er Pairs
Jul 25	Beth El	7:00	199er Pairs
Aug 1	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Aug 8	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Aug 15	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Aug 22	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Aug 29	Beth El	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Sep 5	**KOCH*	7:00	Unit Championship - 199er Pairs
Sep 12	Beth El	7:00	199er Pairs
Sep 19	Beth El	7:00	NVBA Sectional - 199er Pairs
Sep 26	Beth El	7:00	District 6 STaC 199er Pairs

#### Stratification Limits:

All NVBA Unit Games include a Stratified 199er game.  
 Players with 0-5 MPs play free every Thursday in all scheduled events.  
 For the D6 StaC, the stratification is: 0-500/500-1500/1500+

Lecture schedule is on page 7.

For information on Tournaments - Cancellations - Special Events - Club games: NVBA on the Internet: <http://www.nvba.org>  
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	October 24-27, 2013		October 3-6, 2013

## NVBA Club Websites

Club	Game	Website/Contact Info
Livingston Johnston	Ox Road DBC—Tuesday 10:30 AM Open and 299er	<a href="http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php">http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php</a>
Terry Jones	KOCH—Friday, 7:30 PM Falls Church Bridge Club - Saturday, 7:00 p.m.	<a href="http://www.fallschurbridgeclub.com">http://www.fallschurbridgeclub.com</a>
Candy and Marshall Kuschner	KOCH - Tuesday, 10:00 AM (A/X 5000+/0-5000; B/C 750-2000/0-750; NLM 0-500) Reston - Wednesday, 7:30 PM Open	<a href="http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php">http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php</a>
Bernie Oetjen	KOCH - Monday, 7:00 PM Open and NLM KOCH - Saturday, 1:00 PM	<a href="http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php">http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php</a>
Norma Pierzchala	Norma's Game - KOCH - Thursday, 10:30 AM 0 -1500 Norma's Game - KOCH - Saturday, 9:00 AM	<a href="http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php">http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php</a>
Gene Schuyler	KOCH—Monday 10:30 AM, Open and NLM St. Andrew's Episcopal Church- Wednesday, 10:30 AM, Open and NLM KOCH- Friday, 10:00 AM, Open and NLM	<a href="http://www.geneschuyler.com/">http://www.geneschuyler.com/</a>
Louise Sellers	JCC of No. VA - Wednesday, 11:00 AM Vienna DBC - Thursday, 10:30 AM	<a href="http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php">http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php</a>
Lenore Ward	Cascade Seniors - Monday, 11:00 AM Thursday, 1:00 PM	<a href="http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php">http://clubresults.acbl.org/getClubs.php</a>
Marilyn Golias	Bridge Club of Northern Virginia - Sunday, 2:00 PM	Various locations in the Northern Virginia area; Tel: 703-629-8932; Email: <a href="mailto:double7nt@aol.com">double7nt@aol.com</a>
John Mason/ Jim Dick	Beth El - Sunday, 1:00 PM	<a href="http://jsm36.net/bridge/bridgehome.htm">http://jsm36.net/bridge/bridgehome.htm</a>
Kevin O'Brien	Montebello—Monday 7:00 PM	<a href="http://jsm36.net/bridge/bridgehome.htm">http://jsm36.net/bridge/bridgehome.htm</a>

**199er Game Lecture Schedule for Jul-Sep 2013**

The lectures that are planned before the NVBA 199er game on Thursdays at 6:25 PM from July 11 through the end of September at the Beth El temple on Seminary Rd. (except for Sep. 5 when the game is at KOCH) are:

Thu, Jul 11, 2013 . . . Opening Leads - what the auction tells you

Thu, Jul 18, 2013 . . . Opening Leads - what the contract tells you (suit vs. notrump, partscore vs. game vs. slam)

Thu, Jul 25, 2013 . . . Opening Leads - what your cards tell you

Thu, Aug 1, 2013 . . . Defensive Signals - Attitude (what is it, how do you do it, when do you do it)

Thu, Aug 8, 2013 . . . Defensive Signals - Count (what is it, how do you do it, when do you do it)

Thu, Aug 15, 2013 . . Defensive Signals - Suit Preference (what is it, how do you do it, when do you do it)

Thu, Aug 22, 2013 . . Defensive Signals - Summary (quiz and introduction to Upside-Down's advantages)

Thu, Aug 29, 2013 . . Defensive Planning - objective (difference between team/IMPs and pairs/matchpoints)

Thu, Sep 5, 2013 . . . Defensive Planning - what the auction tells you -- The lecture and game will be at KoCH in North Arlington!

Thu, Sep 12, 2013 . . Defensive Planning - what the contract tells you (suit vs. notrump, partscore vs. game vs. slam)

Thu, Sep 19, 2013 . . Defensive Planning - what your cards tell you

Thu, Sep 26, 2013 . . Defensive Planning - Summary (quiz)

The topics are based on a 199er survey from November 2012. The weekly lecture will start at 6:25 pm in the 199er playing room. Each lecture will run 25-30 minutes, including as much interaction with the 199er players as possible. There will be time for questions from those attending. Source material will come from books including Hugh Kelsey's Killing Defence at Bridge, Kit Woolsey's Partnership Defense in Bridge, and David Bird & Taf Anthias's Winning Notrump Leads, and similar. Example hands will come not just from books, but also from recent Unit Game hand records.

## Climbing the Ladder

### New Junior Masters

Donald Businger  
David C Butow  
Colin B Calvert  
Joel A Deboe  
Patricia M Greason  
Daphne S Holmquist  
Gem Johnson  
Jeffrey M Kayden  
Elsie M Letendre  
Lucinda P Mann  
Gary P Oliver  
Pollyann Oliver  
Jean M Rhoads  
Eileen L Smith

### New Club Masters

Barbara L Caputo  
Libby Eckert  
John E Henderson  
Mary Lou Henry  
Doudou K Osman  
Joyce Perl  
Richard J Poznanski  
Kermit Quick  
Frank C Ripley  
Curtis E Sandler

### New Sectional Masters

Wanda T Clandorf  
Dr Stephen J  
Fitzgerald  
Patsy V Hawks  
Armanda Henderson  
John E Henderson  
Donna Hickling  
Joan E O'Neill  
Sharon Suttan  
Tamara Vetter

### New Regional Masters

Dorothy J Black  
Marcia M Cathey  
Randolph Elkins  
Brigette Friedman  
Ronald E Friedman  
Sandy G Haberin  
John H Merold  
Donna Sinrud  
David E Street  
Eileen D Street  
W Karl Van Newkirk

### New NABC Masters

David G Amey  
Catherine S Bardsley  
Marlene Gross  
Peter B Harrington  
Donna C Setzer  
Helen(Susie) J Tinney

### New Advanced NABC Master

Kellen G Leister

### New Life Masters

Dev Chattopadhyay  
James R Warren

### New Bronze Life Masters

Susan Klaber  
George A Parkins  
Phillip Tseng  
Frank E Wirsch

### New Silver Life Master

Joe M Leighton

### New Gold Life Master

Peter A Lesnik

Jack of Hearts (Continued from page 18)

Then came the serious stuff. A scenic day later, we arrived in Penticton. We had been there eight years earlier and it hadn't changed but we saw more of it. Drive about thirty minutes up the eastern shore of Okanagan Lake and you'll come to the tiny village of Naramata. I advise against straying far from your rental car because it's the only thing that will keep you grounded in the present day. We were there on an idyllic Sunday afternoon. The sky was cloudless, the sun warm, and the gentlest of breezes created tiny waves lapping gently on the lakeshore. If you stay at the turn-of-the-previous-century hotel, bring a good book because there's no television. Hasn't been invented yet, you know. Five minutes into your visit you'll be infused with instant serenity. It's so quiet! I suspect they misspelled the name though. They probably meant Nirvana. (Continued on page 9)



## Hail and Farewell

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

Samia A Aidi  
 Dr Philip C Baridon  
 James N Bexfield  
 D Brown-Petracca  
 Mary J Canfield  
 Kevin Chan  
 Joan Chen  
 Carmen P Clelland  
 Toni R Dahmer  
 Quinn D Eggleston  
 Reshma G Eggleston  
 Maysoun Gorani  
 Zachary Groff  
 Turridd Gronlie  
 Michael Han  
 Don Hudenburg  
 Guity B Javedan  
 Betsy Lauer  
 Wendy Lippincott  
 Lari E Lopp  
 Rick Mattson  
 Francesca E Mazarella  
 Eileen McKinney  
 Romey A McPherson  
 Paulette C Morgan  
 Robert G Mukai  
 Andrew Nguyen

Kathleen Parkins  
 Michael L Pedersen  
 Rahul Prakash  
 Lee D Roussel  
 Helen O Sande  
 Miranda S Schuyler  
 Eunice Shinn  
 Barbara J Show  
 Austin Smith  
 Nolan P Smith  
 Dr Gordon K Soper  
 Sheila R Soper  
 Ramakrishnan  
 Srinivasan  
 Mohammad A Sulaiman  
 Joyce Suydam  
 Hunter Tabot  
 Henry M Tessier  
 Joyce Wainwright  
 Robert E Wickham  
 Jennifer D Yin

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

Elfreda M Baptist  
 Phyllis R Bowman  
 Jesse Cheng  
 Richard G Muller  
 Kathleen M Paterno  
 Dean A Pinkert

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

Carl L Barber  
 Jean F Beckwith  
 Eric G Bruggink  
 Dev Chattopadhyay  
 Joanne F Domson  
 Janelle L Gmitter  
 Adrienne Goldstein  
 Barb Hincken  
 David P Keltner  
 Shirley L King  
 John Mattioli  
 Eleanor Miller  
 Richard G Muller  
 Jennifer D Nisenoff  
 Richard Salkov  
 Bernard Trippett

**We are sorry to note the passing of three of our members:**

Patricia H Brooks  
 Barbara A Bryant  
 Martha J Engelbrecht

Jack of Hearts (Continued from page 8)

Then came the bridge tournament and back to reality. But even that had its wistful side. We played pairs one day and thought that working there would be a director's dream. We give 15 minutes for two-board rounds and most people finish in 17 or 18. It's a constant battle urging players along, keeping the game moving. In Penticton, almost everyone finishes in ten. So we've decided what to do when we retire. We're going to become Canadian directors.

The C Files: One day on our travels, an immense RV turned in front of us. "Wow!" cried Candy. "That looks like a mobile home on wheels!" Brought to you by the Department of Redundancy Department.

## Parade of Winners

### WBL Spring Sectional April 4–7, 2013

#### Thurs AM Pairs (45 Pairs)

- 1 John Miller - Sylvia Shi
- 2 Sharon Suttan - Donna Sinrud

#### Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (59 Pairs)

- 2 John Miller - Stephen Drodge

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

- 2 1 Eleanor Schwartz - Robert Ma-gruder
- 1 John Adams - Gerald McGowan
- 2 Paul Setzer - Kellen Leister
- 2/3 2 John Gauss - Carolyn Baird

#### Thurs 199er Pairs @ NVBA (14 Pairs)

- 1 1 Peggy Comerford - Joan O'Connor
- 2 1 1 Susan Gruskiewicz - Patricia Fitzgibbons
- 2 2 Patricia Greason - Rebecca Sekse

#### Fri AM A/X Pairs (34 Pairs)

- 1 Jay Kelkar - Bob Boyd

#### Fri Aft A/X Pairs (22 Pairs)

- 1 Phillip Tseng - Hsiasu Hsiung

#### Fri Aft B/C/D Pairs (22 Pairs)

- 2 Silas Wasserstrom - Michael Gottesman

#### Fri Aft I/N Pairs (26 Pairs)

- 1 Wayne Bardsley - Kellen Leister
- 2 1 Joan Axilbund - Lou McMorrow

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

- 2 Andrew Lipps - Eric Branfman

#### Fri Eve NLM Pairs (28 Pairs)

- 2 Catherine Bardsley - Wayne Bardsley

#### Sat AM Comp KO Bkt 1

- 2 Dennis Schwanz - Susan Miskura - Mike Frosch - Francesco Parisi-Presicce

#### Sat AM Comp KO Bkt 2

- 1 Catherine Bardsley - Wayne Bardsley - Steven Fox - Steve Reed
- 2 Michael Osborn - Joe Hertz - Dale Sanders - Guillaume de Decker

#### Sat AM A/X Pairs (28 Pairs)

- 1 Judith Shulman - Michael Klein
- 2 Monique Smith - Merril Hirsh

#### Sat AM B/C/D Pairs (40 Pairs)

- 2 1 John Gauss - Carolyn Baird

#### Sat Aft NLM Pairs (20 Pairs)

- 1 1 1 Donald Smith - Pat Kibler

#### Sun A/X Swiss (16 Teams)

- 1 John Glynn - Ellen Glynn - Judy Weisman - Carl Weisman

#### Sun Flt B Bkt 1 (8 Teams)

- 1 Dennis Schwanz - Susan Miskura - Mike Frosch - Francesco Parisi-Presicce

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**Sun Flt B Bkt 2 (8 Teams)**

2 Raman Srivastav - Tom Jennings -  
Joyce Wiley - Bruce Steinwald

**Sun Flt B Bkt 3 (11 Teams)**

2 Barbara Sadick - Sally Schlein -  
Katherine Culp - Phyllis Hendler

**NVBA Sectional  
May 2–5, 2013**

**Thurs AM Open Pairs (47 Pairs)**

1 Salam Saidi - Robert Walsh  
2 Kevin O'Brien - Joseph Carlomagno  
1 1 Georgette Weiss - Joyce Wiley  
2 Joe Leighton - Barbara Hodges  
2 Carol Aitken - Keiko Quinn

**Thurs AM 299er Pairs (10 Pairs)**

1 1 Diane Cohen - Hank Lavender

**Thurs Eve A/X Pairs (75 Pairs)**

1 1 Debnarayan Dhar - Leslie Powell  
2 Sumner Steinfeldt - Hal Hindman  
2 H John Edmonds - Larry Kahn

**Thurs Eve B/C Pairs (56 Pairs)**

1 1 Eric Poskanzer - Clifford Feldman

**Thurs 199er Pairs @ NVBA (19 Pairs)**

1 Cathy McGarrigan - Sherry Griffin  
2 1 1 Patricia Greason - Rebecca Sekse  
2 James Hewitt - Kenneth Linder  
2 Rozelin Prochaska - Nancy Tarlano

**Fri AM Open Pairs (40 Pairs)**

1/2 James Lister - Jim Wakefield  
1/2 Marcia Stein - Esfandiar Khazai  
1 1 Wayne Bardsley - Kellen Leister

**Fri AM 299er Pairs (20 Pairs)**

1 Mary Viereck - James Edmonds  
2 1 Debbie Massey - Michael Canes

**Fri Aft A/X Pairs (28 Pairs)**

1 1 Huailin Chen - Jim Zhong  
2 2 Debnarayan Dhar - Dharendra Ghosh

**Fri Aft B/C Pairs (38 Pairs)**

1 1 Clifford Feldman - Howard Bender  
2 Linda Padgett - Robert Padgett  
Georgette Weiss - Ruth Woods

**Fri Aft 299er Pairs (40 Pairs)**

2 1 1 Michael Corrigan - Donna Hickling  
2 2 Mary McFadden - Joann Dole

**Fri Eve Triple Nickel Swiss (28 Teams)**

2/3 Margot Hennings - Al Duncker - Ann Lindley - Bob Boyd  
2/3 1 Alexander Prairie - Matthew Lahut - Sylvia Shi - Stephen Drodge  
2 1 Eleanor Schwartz - Amelia Montjoy - Ruth Woods - Georgette Weiss

**Fri Eve 299er Pairs (18 Pairs)**

1 1 Ken Kimball - Tamara Vetter  
2 2 1 Sandy Haberlin - John Haberlin

**Sat AM A/X Pairs (22 Pairs)**

2 Bob Kerchner - Enid Hughes

**Sat AM B/C Pairs (30 Pairs)**

1 1 James Gerding - Sidney Graves

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*(Continued from page 11)***Sat AM 299er Pairs (33 Pairs)**

2 Linda Thomas - Donna Hickling

**Sat AM 49er Pairs (14 Pairs)**

1 James Eaton - Joseph Faudale

2 Rosamond Niemeyer - June

Gladding

1 Charles Becker - Philip Baridon

2 Duncan Wainwright - Joyce

Wainwright

**Sat Aft Open Pairs (54 Pairs)**

1 Sumner Steinfeldt - Ken Davis

**Sat Aft 299er Pairs (40 Pairs)**

1 Michael Sofocleous -

Hannelore Sofocleous

2/3 Katherine Culp - Dottie Terrell

2/3 1 Sharon Suttan - Donna Sinrud

2 John Merold - Dorothy Black

1 David Street - Eileen Street

2 John Schoeberlein - Juliet

Schoeberlein

**Sat Aft 49er Pairs (10 Pairs)**

1 1 George Train - Cynthia Ramsey

2 2 Patricia Greason - Rebecca Sekse

**Sat Eve Open Pairs (33 Pairs)**

1 Esfandiar Khazai - Marsha Brown

2 Mike Cappelletti Sr - Amanda

Carter

2 M. David Jackson - Ann Atcheson

**Sat Eve 299er (14 Pairs)**

1 Bushra Shamma - Sharon Rosen-

dhal

2 1 1 Bruce Diamond - Karen Diamond

2 Donald Smith - Pat Kibler

2 Amy Elmore - James Connor

**Sun A/X Swiss (17 Teams)**

2 David Rodney - Robert Hopkins

Jr - Joan Lewis - Rusty Krauss

1 Jerry Miller - Daniel Feldman -

Dhirendra Ghosh - Margie Coccodrilli

1 Hank Meyer - Ram Sarangan -

Monique Smith - Merril Hirsh

**Sun Flt B Bkt 1 (8 Teams)**

1 Jeffrey Halle - Emerita Hayward

- Jeremy Lewis - Leslie Powell

2 Thomas Jennings - Fred Gramlich

- Steven Rothman - Alan Dockterman

**Sun Flt B Bkt 2 (8 Teams)**

1 James Gerding - Sidney Graves -

Tony Robson - Stephen Colevas

2 Lynne Beresford - Georgette

Weiss - Ruth Woods - Eleanor

Schwartz

**Sun Flt B Bkt 3 (8 Teams)**

1 Wayne Bardsley - Catherine

Bardsley - Paul Setzer - Kellen Leister

2 John Gauss - Carolyn Baird - Mike

Ladd - Betty Ladd

**Sun AM 299er Swiss (19 Teams)**

1 Glenn Terrell - Maryellen Leister

- Phyllis Hendler - Katherine Culp

2 1 John Merold - Dorothy Black -

Sharon Suttan - Donna Sinrud

2/5 1 Judy Retchin - Jane Dolkart -

Peter Adam - Linda Thomas

2/5 Bill Teer - Pat Teer - Jeffrey

Yutzler - Carol Goldstone

**Sun Aft 299er Swiss (7 Teams)**

1 G Neil Spokes - Lyudmila Shuller

- Rochelle Hilton - Rachele Sladoff

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2 Ruth Glen - William Glen - Margie Mastran - Donna Setzer

### **RICHMOND REGIONAL May 21- May 27, 2013**

#### **Tues Aft Ed Found Open Pairs (52 Pairs)**

2 Jeff Roman - Ruth Potter  
2 John Miller - Sylvia Shi

#### **Tues Aft Ed Found Swiss (38 Teams)**

1 Harry Gellis - Patti Martin - Ed Lewis - John Potter

#### **Tues Aft 299er Pairs (30 Pairs)**

2 Ann Jennings - Craig Jennings

#### **Tues Eve Charity Pairs (64 Pairs)**

2/3 Sumner Steinfeldt - Vonnie Lavender  
2/3 Jeff Roman - Ruth Potter

#### **Tues-Wed KO Bkt 3 (12 Teams)**

1 Peter Harris - Anthony Hawks - Charles Coltman III - Scott Freber

#### **Wed AM Side Game (18 Pairs)**

1/2 1/2 John S. Mason - Arnold Kritz

#### **Wed AM 299er Pairs (14 Pairs)**

2 Ann Jennings - Craig Jennings

#### **Wed Open Pairs (32 Pairs)**

1 1 John Miller - Sylvia Shi

#### **Wed Aft 299er Pairs (18 Pairs)**

1 1 Ann Jennings - Craig Jennings

#### **Wed-Thurs KO Bkt 1 (16 Teams)**

2 Vonnie Lavender - Cecily Kohler - Sumner Steinfeldt - Sarah Anne Cressy

#### **Thurs AM 299er Pairs (19 Pairs)**

2 Ann Jennings - Craig Jennings

#### **Thurs Aft 299er Pairs (18 Pairs)**

2 1 Ann Jennings - Craig Jennings  
2 John Schoeberlein - Juliet Schoeberlein

#### **Thurs Aft Side Game (32 Pairs)**

1 1 Susan Miskura - Dennis Schwanz  
2 2 1 Ann Atcheson - Sara Hilgartner

#### **Thurs Eve Swiss (28 Teams)**

1 Robert Brady - Dewayne Jones - John Miller - David Butler

#### **Thurs Eve 299er Pairs (14 Pairs)**

1 1 Ann Jennings - Craig Jennings

#### **Thurs-Fri AM Comp KO Bkt 2 (16 Teams)**

1 Peter Harris - Anthony Hawks - Charles Coltman III - Scott Freber

#### **Thurs-Fri KO Bkt 2 (14 Teams)**

2 Dorothy Bechtle - Margaret Storey - Monica Shumann - Susan Slattery

#### **Thurs-Fri KO Bkt 3 (16 Teams)**

1 Peter Harris - Anthony Hawks - Charles Coltman III - Scott Freber

#### **Fri AM Side Game (38 Pairs)**

2 Jeff Roman - Ruth Potter

#### **Fri AM 299er Pairs (19 Pairs)**

2 Sharon Suttan - Donna Sinrud

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*(Continued from page 13)***Fri Flt A/X Swiss (19 Teams)**

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

**Fri Flt B Swiss Bkt 2 (8 Teams)**

- 2 Leonard Ellis - Dennis Schwanz -  
Susan Miskura - Jay Cherlow

**Fri Flt B Swiss Bkt 4 (8 Teams)**

- 1 George Parkins - Dennis  
Sponholtz - Ann Atcheson - M. David  
Jackson

**Fri Flt B Swiss Bkt 5 (8 Teams)**

- 1 Michael Goldman - William  
Mendez Jr - Lester Wagner - Susan  
Dunbar

**Fri Flt B Swiss Bkt 6 (8 Teams)**

- 1 James Borowski - Becky Arends -  
Sara Hilgartner - Marguerite Salah

**Fri Flt B Swiss Bkt 9 (13 Teams)**

- 1 Barbara Sadick - Sally Schlein -  
Katherine Culp - Phyllis Hendler

**Fri Open Pairs (32 Pairs)**

- 2 Sumner Steinfeldt - Ken Davis

**Fri Eve Side Game (18 Pairs)**

- 1 1 1 Al Stolpe - Carolyn Baird  
2 Mark Tonnesen - Shirley Kollas

**Sat AM Side Game (24 Pairs)**

- 2 C. Douglas Jennings - Jerry Um-  
berger

**Sat AM 299er Pairs (16 Pairs)**

- 1 Lynne Groff - Alfred Groff  
2 Joy Brown - Chieko Franck

**Sat Open Pairs (32 Pairs)**

- 1 Robert Gookin - Suzanne  
Abrams  
1 John Glynn - Ellen Glynn

**Sat Gold Rush Pairs (70 Pairs)**

- 2 M. David Jackson - Ann Atcheson

**Sat Aft Side Game (28 Pairs)**

- 2 Sara Hilgartner - William  
Pepelko

**Sat Aft 299er Pairs (22 Pairs)**

- 2 2 Frants Lasse Becker - Bob  
Hartsell

**Sat Eve Swiss (24 Teams)**

- 1 Monique Smith - Merrill Hirsh -  
Richard Wegman - Alice Wegman

**Sat-Sun KO Bkt 3 (14 Teams)**

- 2 Leonard Ellis - Walter Smith Jr -  
Hadi Abushakra - Jay Cherlow

**Sun AM Swiss (20 Teams)**

- 2/3 2 Leonard Ellis - Dennis Schwanz -  
Susan Miskura - Jay Cherlow

**Sun AM Side Game (13 Pairs)**

- 1 Jeff Roman - Ruth Potter

**Sun AM 299er Pairs (11 Pairs)**

- 2 2 Lynne Groff - Alfred Groff

**Sun Open Pairs (36 Pairs)**

- 1 Marty Nelson - Gil Cohen

**Sun Gold Rush Pairs (36 Pairs)**

- 1 1 Donald Smith - Pat Kibler

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**Sun Aft Side Game (32 Pairs)**

1 Jay Kelkar - Shuba Dey

**Sun Aft 299er Pairs (24 Pairs)**

2 Marilyn Schuyler - Miranda Schuyler

**Sun Eve 299er Pairs (12 Pairs)**

1 1 Lynne Groff - Alfred Groff

**Sun Eve BAM (8 Teams)**

1 Jim Wakefield - Helene Bauman -  
Sumner Steinfeldt - Ken Davis

1 1 William Mendez Jr - Michael Barth  
- Michael Goldman - Richard McMillan  
Jr

**Sun-Mon KO Bkt 1 (12 Teams)**

2 Robert Brady - Stephen Drodge -  
Greg Humphreys - John Miller

**NVBA Members Finish Strong in the D6 Grand National Teams Competition**

Congratulations to NVBA members Stephen Drodge and John Miller and their Maryland teammates for winning the District 6 Grand National Teams Flight A competition this year. We wish them well in the National-level competition at the Summer NABC in Atlanta, GA in August.

Congratulations to NVBA members Deb Dhar and Mel Yudkin and their Maryland teammates for winning the District 6 Grand National Teams Flight B competition this year. We also wish them well in Atlanta.

This year's District 6 Grand National Teams Flight C winner is an all-NVBA team!

We are proud and thrilled to have these players from our Unit represent the District in Atlanta, GA. If you haven't done so already, the next time you see them, congratulate **Fred Gramlich, Thomas Jennings, Wayne Bardsley, and Kellen Leister**, and all the other NVBA winning team members for their impressive wins.

### NVBA - 2012 Mini-McKenney Final Standings



2012 NVBA Mini-McKenney winners (L to R): Tom Herzog, Tom Jennings, George Parkins, Ron Kral, Catherine Bardsley, Wayne Bardsley, Vonnie Lavender, Hank Lavender, Robbie Hopkins and presenter NVBA President Mike Cappelletti

#### 0-5 MPs

Donna Sinrud 48.41  
Donna Hickling 35.73  
Hongbing Zhang 33.97

#### 5-20 MPs

Catherine S Bardsley 113.09  
John H Merold 77.26  
Ramsey E Bordcosh 55.63

#### 20-50 MPs

Hank L Lavender 93.79  
Craig Jennings 60.89  
Asim K Mandal 38.55

#### 50-100 MPs

Wayne B Bardsley 163.10  
Dottie E Terrell 111.45  
Glenn S Terrell 90.95

#### 100-200 MPs

Thomas Herzog 188.94  
Betty Ladd 168.80  
Yuen E De Anda 161.70

#### 200-300 MPs

George A Parkins 205.19  
Mike Ladd 184.13  
Carolyn W Baird 162.16

#### 300-500 MPs

Thomas P Jennings 238.37  
Sheryl L McEwan 179.19  
Ann Atcheson 173.17

#### 500-1000 MPs

Stephen J Drodge 656.60  
Jay R Cherlow 358.98  
Sara Hilgartner 191.48

#### 1000-2500 MPs

Bob Boyd 466.87  
Lynda B Flanger 455.48  
Robert A Brady 349.49

#### 2500-5000 MPs

Ron P Kral 439.09  
John M Miller 394.89  
Stan S Schenker 339.49

#### 5000-7500 MPs

Vonnie W Lavender 383.40  
Sumner Steinfeldt 383.10  
Ann S Lindley 381.18

#### 7500-10,000 MPs

Robert W Hopkins Jr 294.30  
Helene Bauman 248.45  
Jack A Armstrong 13.05

#### Over 10,000 MPs

Jeff M Roman 1687.37  
Ken B Davis 768.96  
Mike Cappelletti Sr 689.48



### NVBA - 2012 Ace of Clubs Final Standings



2012 NVBA Ace of Clubs winners  
(L to R): Tom Herzog, George Parkins, John Merold, Robbie Hopkins, Ken Davis and presenter NVBA President Mike Cappelletti

#### 0-5 MPs

Donna Sinrud 34.74  
Donna Hickling 23.68  
Armanda Henderson 23.61

#### 5-20 MPs

John H Merold 59.33  
Chuck Mitchell 39.02  
Reginald Newell 37.40

#### 20-50 MPs

Craig Jennings 40.59  
Hank L Lavender 34.50  
Stephen Fitzgerald 31.19

#### 50-100 MPs

Howard B Stevens 61.63  
Warren L Beeton 47.59  
Dorothy J Black 46.02

#### 100-200 MPs

Thomas Herzog 96.26  
Yuen E De Anda 81.14  
Ron Sutter 77.64

#### 200-300 MPs

George A Parkins 77.61  
Carolyn W Baird 73.19  
Shirley E Prikals 48.06

#### 300-500 MPs

Phillip Tseng 106.80  
Thomas P Jennings 105.11  
Jack W Rakowski 68.13

#### 500-1000 MPs

Stephen J Drodge 118.99  
David B Loken 100.70  
Jay R Cherlow 96.80

#### 1000-2500 MPs

Bob Boyd 249.34  
Martha W Lackey 163.03  
Helene S Cooper 132.16

#### 2500-5000 MPs

Marcia D Stein 154.78  
Peter J Hughes 145.95  
Enid A Hughes 138.12

#### 5000-7500 MPs

Don W Geerhart 208.66  
Bruce R Houston 203.83  
Carolyn V Gibson 161.15

#### 7500-10,000 MPs

Robert W Hopkins Jr 83.90  
Helene Bauman 29.10  
Jack A Armstrong 11.45

#### Over 10,000 MPs

Ken B Davis 386.84  
Ltcl Ed R Lewis 155.49  
Mike Cappelletti Sr 135.28

## The Jack of Hearts by Marshall Kuschner

So you went to Gatlinburg, eh? Well, if you're a bridge player residing east of the Mississippi and south of the Mason-Dixon Line, chances are you did. And if you're a serious player chances are you go every year. Let's face it. If you aspire to make the Barry Crane 500 list, you have to get your 100 masterpoints at the April "nationals." But what if you live west of the Mississippi? What then? Then you go to Gatlinburg West, otherwise known as the Penticton, British Columbia Regional. Having worked all of Gatlinburg, Candy and I decided to lead an NVBA masterpoint expedition which consisted of ourselves, Jeff Roman, and Steve Reed. Lest you think that the only holidays we take are of the busman variety, we preceded that invasion with a week in Western Alberta. What a place! The mountains, the waterfalls, the glaciers are just spectacular. Driving anywhere consists of one breathtaking vista after another.



In very short order, you get to know the Canadian people and quickly come to the conclusion that the blessings bestowed on them are deserved. They are without doubt the friendliest, most helpful, unpretentious folks we've met. Actually, I've heard the same said about Mongolians, but then there's the language barrier. I'll bet Canadians smell better too. Wherever we went, people went out of their way to give us tips on where to go, what to see. Then there's the Canadian sense of humor. Witness the sign in a gift shop we visited that read: Unattended children will be given espresso and a free kitten. In the spirit of full disclosure, however, I must report one negative. If you like to drink cocktails, Canada is not the place to go. I caution against ordering Bloody Marys. What you will get is vodka and plain tomato juice. Our first night, we ordered Manhattans before dinner. When they arrived, we did a double take and inquired as to the whereabouts of the remainders. Apparently there's a law limiting cocktails to an ounce of alcohol. Of course, you can get a real drink by ordering a double, but even that looks a bit short of an American single. On the bright side, unlike most things in Canada, drinks are cheaper than their U.S. counterparts. Not so with gas. I don't speak liters, but it's about \$70 CAD to fill your tank.

We work pretty hard, and most vacations my bride's plans have me looking forward to coming back to work so I can get some rest. Not this time. I've never slept better or longer. Maybe that's because of what happens every night around 10 PM. Dusk. The Canadian Rockies are in the northern latitudes and the western extremity of the Mountain Time Zone, so even at 10:15 there is daylight to be seen. When you crash just after sundown, you're bound to get a good night's sleep.

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**68<sup>th</sup> Annual  
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(Stratification is based on average masterpoints of the team or pair.)

**THURSDAY, JULY 18**

- ◆ Stratified Open Pairs (unlim/1500/500) ..... 11:15am
- ◆ **Rockville Duplicate Bridge Club**, 301-503-3348 (Mark Lavine) **NO ENTRY TILL 11AM**  
St. James Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Rd., Rockville
- ◆ **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  
(until run if we have 3 or more tables)

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

- ◆ **10<sup>th</sup> Annual: Washington Bridge League Trophy Pairs** awarding the **Steve Robinson Trophy** ..... 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
- ◆ **Lots of Intermediate & Novice Events with Silver Points!** ♥  
I/N events: 0-5, 20, 50, 100, 200, 300; Stratification at Director's Discretion.

Famous Washington Hospitality includes snacks, drinks, & Friday & Sunday lunch free of charge. **Chair: Ron Zucker**, 202-390-3443, [ron@motherucker.com](mailto:ron@motherucker.com). **Volunteer Coordinator: Barbara Summers**, 301-598-5838, [jimbarb1184@aol.com](mailto:jimbarb1184@aol.com). **Hospitality: Kitty Gottfried**, 301-587-3981, [kgtgfried@hotmail.com](mailto:kgtgfried@hotmail.com). **Partnerships: Barbara Doran**, 301-608-0347, [SectionalPartner@DistrictSix.org](mailto:SectionalPartner@DistrictSix.org)

\*Strataflighted if attendance warrants—otherwise combined into Stratified Pairs (unlim/2000/500)  
**Directions to the Kensington Town Hall/Armory:** 495 Belway Exit 33, Connecticut Avenue North (Rt. 185N—to Kensington). 1.5 miles, right at light—Knowles Ave. **14** right at stop—Armory Ave. **14** left at stop—to 3710 Mitchell St. & parking lot on right. Additional parking in nearby lots—see website maps.

Mid-chart allowed in all events except I/N

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***Saturday, September 7***

NLM Stratified Pairs (500/200/100 and 50/20/10) .....11:00 am  
NLM Stratified Pairs (500/200/100 and 50/20/10) ..... 3:15 pm

***Sunday, September 8 (All day playthrough with lunch break)***

Stratified Swiss Teams (500/200/100) .....11:00 am

**-Join us for a fun weekend!-**

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