



October Newsletter

Happy Halloween! Well the cooler weather is upon us and it is a welcomed change. It is the time of year that we observe what's happening in the rest of the country and are more grateful we are here. It is also the time of year that we welcome a lot of our members back and enjoy catching up and connecting at the card table again.

I want to thank everyone for making our September Sectional a huge success. We increased our total table count by ten over our September 2008 tournament and once again were treated to wonderful food and snacks donated by our club members. Special thanks to **Shirley Townley** for organizing food donations and to our many members who contributed. **Judy McCall** and her kitchen crew once again outdid themselves in the kitchen and provided a scrumptious and well managed assortment of beverages and food. Special thanks to **Bob Aumiller, Don Beecher, Ralph Lymburner, Lynn Brown and**



Misuzu McManus who helped with purchasing beverages, providing coffee, doing dishes and serving food. **Barbara King**, in addition to helping in the kitchen, did a bang-up job of coordinating our greeters; **Peg Lupo** and **Jackie Vowell** were stupendous working with and as our caddies. Thanks to our members who sold lunch tickets and our wonderful cleanup crew, especially **John Sterling** who came in every day to assist with cleanup. **Suzie Hagey** did a magnificent job as our Partnership Chairperson and we would have been loss without **Spike Lay** who oversaw the making of the boards. Thanks to **Bill McManus** and **Robert Renuart** who assisted with our flyers and publicity. Also thanks to our accounting crew, **Gail Rust, Happy Dodd,** and **Bruce Ohmann** who managed our revenue.

Pulling of the sectional was no small task after the passing of **Max Bayard**, however our tournament committee of **Chet Masztak, Judy Hinds** and **Betty Bayard** did an amazing job and we are greatly appreciative of their efforts.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

It is that time of year and we will begin collecting dues this month. Dues are ten dollars. Games for members are a dollar less than for nonmembers.



BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS

We have three board members whose terms are up this year. **John Sterling** who has served on the Board for six years is ineligible for another term. **Barbara King** whose term is also ending has decided not to run again. Both John and Barbara have brought extraordinary blessings of service to the club and they both will remain committed to supporting the club in whatever ways they can. **Chet Masztak** whose term is also up has expressed his desire to serve again. **Linda Miller, Misuzu McManus, Betty King** and **Betty Bayard** have graciously accepted being on the Nominations Committee. If you are interested in serving your club in this capacity or know of someone who you feel would be an asset to our Board please contact a member of our Nominations Committee.

OPEN/LIMITED GAMES

The Board of Directors, Club Manager **Spike Lay** and our Game Directors are committed to providing limited games for our members. We are able to provide limited games whenever we have at least two and a half tables. In the summer months this has not always been possible. However now that many of our members are returning, in addition to our regularly scheduled limited games, we should be able to provide a limited afternoon game on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. While some of our limited players have enjoyed playing in the open game, we realize that others prefer playing in a limited game. We are committed to providing a limited game whenever possible and hope that our members who are more comfortable with this format will join us soon!

MATIE'S BEGINNING BRIDGE CLASS



Matie is starting her Beginning Bridge Class on Thursday October 8. Matie's dedication to teaching beginning bridge is greatly appreciated and necessary for the long-term stability of our club. Her classes provide an important way of extending a game we enjoy to newcomers, and adding more wonderful members to ranks.

LYNN BERG GAME DIRECTOR'S CLASS

Lynn Berg will be offering a free Director's Class on November 9, 16 and 23. The class will be held in Deland from 9:30 to 11:30. Interested persons can contact Lynn at 386 801-2434

PHONE TREE

We are still hopeful that a few members will volunteer to check in with other members that we have not seen in awhile. **Gail Rust** has said that a Phone Tree is a caring and effective way of reaching out to

members and increasing our game attendance. Board member **Judy Hinds** has expressed interest in working with other members on a Phone Tree Committee. If you could help by volunteering an hour or two a month calling members, please let Judy, Gail or myself know. Thank you!

REFRIGERATOR

The refrigerator needs to be clean! We have a signup list on the refrigerator’s door. It is our hope to have it cleaned every two months. We greatly appreciate those members who have volunteered already but we need more! Please consider helping your club by signing up!

HALLOWEEN PARTIES!!



Yes, you read that right! We are having two Halloween parties this month. The first on Friday October 30, food will be served at 6:30 and the Swiss Charity Game will begin at 7 P.M; and our Second Party on Saturday October 31 at 12:15. Lunch will be provided and the game begins at 1 P.M.

CLUB APPRECIATION MONTH

This month is Club Appreciation Month and we will be offering a number of Club Appreciation Games that offer more master points at no additional charge! In addition to our regular games we are offering the following games this month.



October 6	Tuesday	1:30	Club Appreciation Game
October 14	Wednesday	1:30	Club Appreciation Game
October 16	Friday	7:00 PM	Swiss Club Appreciation Game
October 19	Monday	1:30	Club Appreciation Game
October 21	Wednesday	9:30 AM	Club Appreciation Game
October 22	Thursday	1:30	Club Appreciation Game
October 27	Tuesday	9:30 AM	Club Appreciation Game
October 30	Friday	1:30	Club Appreciation game
October 30	Friday	7:00 PM	Swiss Charity Game and Halloween Party! Food at 6:30
October 31	Saturday	1:00	Club Appreciation Game /Halloween Party Lunch 12:15