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Louisiana Bridge Association -- December, 2008

Peggy Allen, Editor

President's Message

The board room repairs are finished after the damage from Gustav. Drop by and take a look. Thanks to Tim Calamari for supervising the work.

We will have the Eight Is Enough game for December. It will be on the day after Christmas.

We will have three fund-raising games this year for the 2010 Nationals. They will be on Thursday, November 20, Thursday, December 11, and Monday, December 15. There will be an extra dollar charge and there will be extra masterpoints available.

The Christmas parties will be on Saturday, December 13, at 6:00 PM, and Friday, December 19, before the noon game. We will give out Life Master pins, Mini-McKenney, Ace of Clubs and Claire Meyer awards on the 13th. Diane Chesson and Ellie Brammell are in charge of the nighttime party and Suzanne Cliffe is handling the daytime party. Thanks to these ladies for their help.

We will start an extra EZ bridge game on Friday, January 9, at 9:30 AM. Jane de Montluzin will teach this class. She has become certified and attended several of Suzanne Cliffe's EZ classes. Please tell your friends who may be interested about this class. We are continuing the classes started in September on Tuesday at 6:30 PM and Thursday at 9:30 AM.

We would like to try bridge classes in local high schools. The ACBL will pay someone to teach these classes, give them materials and help with the lessons. If anyone is interested in trying this, let Keenan Romig or myself know.

Given the trouble we have had in recruiting new board members, we will propose an amendment to the by-laws reducing the number on the board from 11 to 9 effective 1/1/10. The membership will vote on this at the January tournament.

Sid LeBlanc, President



Tournament Results

Dottie Toledano Sectional Metairie, LA November 6-9, 2008

Total masterpoints: 583.46
earned by 192 players.
Total attendance: 184 tables.

MP Winners:

Rank MPs

1	18.90	Carl Merlin
2	17.86	Joan Van Geffen
3	15.25	Jean Talbot
4	14.45	John Onstott
5	13.41	Nonie Leavitt
6	11.50	John Brumfield
7	11.03	Judy Katz
8	10.83	James Thornton
9	9.56	Marcelyn Pick
10	9.23	Donald Daigle
11	8.67	B. B. Gordon
12	8.53	Fay Batt
13	7.71	Fred Woodruff
14	7.35	Cherryl Mitchell
15	7.00	Maurice Katz
16	6.74	Nancy Neuharth
17	6.74	Karen Lea
18	6.42	Sam Shah
19	6.42	Jo Shah
20	6.38	Ellie Miller
21	6.38	Bob Bowers
22	6.37	Iype Koshy
23	6.26	Larry Federico
24	6.04	Paul Deal
25	6.04	Jan Galey
26	5.85	William Weiss
27	5.70	Linda Stockton
28	5.70	Colleen Walker

Rank MPs

29	5.34	Rita Price
30	5.34	Jimmie Lou Conner
31	5.28	Juanita Heidingsfelder
32	5.26	Lynn Giordano
33	5.25	Richard Logan
34	5.25	Curtis Carpenter
35	5.07	Michael Falcon
36	5.07	Lynn John Federico
37	4.92	Robert Wooderson
38	4.88	Douglas De Montluzin
39	4.78	Idell Adams
40	4.73	Todd Lusk
41	4.73	Marvin Bernstein
42	4.73	C Reis
43	4.48	Sally Toups
44	4.48	Margaret Booth
45	4.48	Kitten Haag
46	4.44	Maebeth Merritt
47	4.40	Peggy Allen
48	4.15	Harriet Nelson
49	4.14	Dot Babin
50	4.05	Helen St Romain
51	4.04	Jane De Montluzin
52	3.89	Dianne Chesson
53	3.75	Walter Frey, Sr
54	3.75	Neal Frey
55	3.71	Dee Moses
56	3.68	Tilghman Moore
57	3.68	Geoff Chichester
58	3.60	John Lowenstein
59	3.59	Bernie Weiss
60	3.50	Margaret Watson
61	3.34	Doris Liukkonen
62	3.17	Richard Osborne
63	3.17	A Partesotti
64	2.95	John Mitchell
65	2.93	Kathleen Savino
66	2.93	Cathy Rantz

Rank MPs

67	2.91	Gail Grant
68	2.91	David Bybee
69	2.88	Evelyn Bennett
70	2.88	Elise Jacobs
71	2.83	Suzanne Wooderson
72	2.83	Mary LeBlanc
73	2.81	Craig Cordes
74	2.74	Juliette Dubea
75	2.74	Daisy Vandenberg
76	2.71	Martha Gause
77	2.70	Ralph Chesson
78	2.58	Jane Patterson
79	2.54	Ray Lytle
80	2.54	David Wolf
81	2.44	Pris Daly
82	2.44	Linda Gallagher
83	2.37	Louise Post Ritter
84	2.35	Helen Wisdom
85	2.30	Joanne Chancey
86	2.25	Ronald Berenger
87	2.25	Anne Plauche
88	2.21	Lillian Range
89	2.20	Shirley Laudun
90	2.17	Sid LeBlanc
91	2.15	Lillian Kirshbom
92	2.10	Wayne Schellhaas
93	2.04	Jeanne Soignet
94	2.02	Laurie St. Paul
95	2.02	Joan Wood
96	2.00	Betty Moynan
97	1.99	Marilyn Downs
98	1.98	Elaine Prager
99	1.89	Vivian Hill
100	1.89	Margaret Lipps

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Tournament Results

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Dottie Toledano Sectional

Firsts:

James Thornton & Marcelyn Pick: Thu Aft Open Pairs.
Linda Gallagher & Pris Daly: Thu Aft 299er Pairs.
Joan Van Geffen & John Brumfield: Thu Eve Open Pairs.
John Brumfield & B. B. Gordon: Fri Aft Open Pairs.
Joan Wood & Laurie St. Paul: Fri Aft 299er Pairs.
Fred Woodruff & Michael Falcon: Fri Eve Open Pairs.
Joanne Chancey & Lilian Kirshbom: Sat AM 299er Pairs.
Nonie Leavitt & Carl Merlin: Sat Open Pairs.
Marvin Bernstein & Harriet Nelson: Sat Aft 299er Pairs.
Judy Katz, Maurice Katz, Jean Talbot, Joan Van Geffen: Sun A/X Swiss, Flight A.
John Lowenstein, Maebeth Merritt, Douglas deMontluzin, Jane deMontluzin: Sun A/X Swiss, Flight X.
Donald Daigle, Dee Moses, Juanita Heidingsfelder, Lynn Giordano: Sun B/C Swiss, Flight B.
Sam Shah, Jo Shah, Walter Frey, St., Neal Frey: Sun B/C Swiss, Flight C.

More Metairie Sectional results are on page 3.

For complete tournament results, see:
<http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2008/11/0811035.htm>



Marge Harrison Sectional Mobile, Al Oct. 24-26, 2008

Rank MPs

5	9.53	Maurice Katz
6	9.53	Judy Katz
8	9.21	Jean Talbot
9	9.21	Joan Van Geffen
11	8.92	Lynn John Federico
12	8.92	Fred Woodruff
44	3.08	Julius Rosenfield
45	3.08	Lillian Range

Firsts:

Lynn John Federico & Fred Woodruff: Fri Aft Stratified Pairs.
Judy Katz - Maurice Katz: Sat Stratified Pairs.

For complete tournament results, see:
<http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2008/10/0810120.htm>



Halloween Cajun Style Sectional Lafayette, LA Oct. 31 – Nov. 2, 2008

Rank MPs

2	16.73	Joan Van Geffen
3	16.73	Jean Talbot
4	12.63	James Bush
5	12.63	Iype Koshy

Firsts:

Jean Talbot & Joan Van Geffen: Friday Compact KO, Fri Eve Swiss Teams.
Iype Koshy & James Bush: Sunday Stratified Swiss.

For complete tournament results, see:
<http://web2.acbl.org/tournaments/results/2008/11/0811107.htm>



In Memoriam

James Willemet



Upcoming Special Events

- **Baton Rouge Sectional**, December 4 through December 7
- **Unit Club Championship**, December 11, Noon, \$6.00 entry fee
- **Christmas Party #1**, December 13, 6:00 p.m., party and bridge, extra point awards, \$6.00 entry fee
- **STAC Week**, December 15 – 21, all sessions, shuffle and play format, \$7.00 entry fee
- **Christmas Party #2**, December 19, 11:00 a.m., party and bridge, extra point awards. Everyone, please bring your favorite dish.
- **Unit Club Championship**, December 22, 10:30 a.m., \$6.00 entry fee
- **Natalie and Julius Rosenblum Sectional**, January 15 – 18, 2009, at Metairie Clubhouse



Unit Masterpoint Milestones

7/31/08 – 8/31/08 Report:

NEW JUNIOR MASTERS

Patricia W. Burke
 Marda F. Johnson
 Carl J. Koppeis
 Tilghman L. Moore
 Edith F. Murphy
 Stephanie M. Musser

NEW CLUB MASTERS

William M. Beaushaw
 Joanne P. Chancey
 Joy K. Eigher

NEW REGIONAL MASTERS

Musette G. Buckley

NEW NABC MASTERS

Rosemary Austin
 Patti A. Harp

9/01/08 – 9/30/08 Report:

NEW JUNIOR MASTERS

Bonnie E. Holmes

NEW CLUB MASTERS

Karen P. Dugan
 Kathie R. Neuner
 Joan Vollenweider

NEW NABC MASTERS

Dr. Carl Kemmerly

10/01/08 – 10/31/08 Report:

NEW CLUB MASTERS

Theresa M. Federico
 Leonard Gessner
 Rose L. Liljeberg
 Edward E. Madden

NEW SECTIONAL MASTERS

Pris D. Daly

NEW REGIONAL MASTERS

Carol B. Cocke
 Sylvia K. Kitziger
 Vincent Profita

NEW BRONZE LIFE MASTERS

Connie R. Caffery

Congratulations to all these Unit 134 members who have recently moved up in rank.



Tournament Results

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Dottie Toledano Sectional

MP Winners: (continued from page 1)

Rank	MPs	MPs
101	1.89	Helen Whalen
102	1.89	George Hill
103	1.83	Julius Rosenfield
104	1.83	Jack Lewis Jr
105	1.83	Chris Lahr
106	1.77	Raymond Struck
107	1.77	Cathy Struck
108	1.76	Jean Faia
109	1.65	Beverly Dupre
110	1.60	Linda Fox
111	1.58	Timothy Calamari
112	1.58	Theresa Federico
113	1.52	Lyndal Scott
114	1.46	Debbie Rothschild
115	1.46	Carolyn McKeough
116	1.41	Sanford Sisco
117	1.41	Martie Sisco
118	1.41	Joan Newchurch
119	1.41	Jerry Currie
120	1.39	Michael Arthur
121	1.39	Elizabeth Arthur
122	1.37	Raymond Gandolfi
123	1.37	Cheryl Lafranz
124	1.36	Pauline Jones
125	1.36	Ann Sale
126	1.34	Richard Bagnetto
127	1.34	Patricia Kessler
128	1.34	Eileen Bagnetto
129	1.32	Phyllis Bennett
130	1.30	Lynne Hand
131	1.25	Beverly Karl
132	1.21	John Patterson
133	1.17	Ann Barone
134	1.14	Janet Patterson
135	1.14	Bonnie Nelson
136	1.11	Shirley Ruckert
137	1.07	Roberta Arnoult
138	1.07	Paul Freese
139	1.07	Jan Jones
140	1.02	Margie Christian
141	1.00	Raymond Loria
142	0.96	Suzanne Cliffe
143	0.96	Keenan Romig
144	0.95	Pam Marinaro
145	0.95	Carl Koppeis
146	0.92	George Runyan
147	0.92	Charles McHale Jr
148	0.83	Jack Zoller
149	0.75	Marian Petry
150	0.72	James Hailey Jr
151	0.70	Judith Ruch
152	0.68	Sylvia Kitziger
153	0.67	Sarah Pasternack
154	0.67	Robert Berthelot
155	0.67	Linda Worley
156	0.67	Linda Jacobs
157	0.67	Katherine Siebel
158	0.67	John Magyari
159	0.67	James Glynn Jr
160	0.67	Erin Deloney
161	0.64	Thomas Brown
162	0.64	Susan Landry
163	0.64	Musette Buckley
164	0.64	Lynn McClure
165	0.62	Pat Ottenbacher
166	0.62	Myrtis Pauling
167	0.59	Madonna Abroms
168	0.59	Joann Ippolito
169	0.58	Jean Weiss
170	0.57	Nancy Gates
171	0.57	Ana Urrutia
172	0.51	Wanda Picarella
173	0.51	Sue Smith
174	0.50	Louis Richardson
175	0.48	Audrey Cerise
176	0.47	Sigurd Nordvoll
177	0.46	Joan Vollenweider
178	0.44	Sue Balmer
179	0.44	Mildred Meng
180	0.44	Janet Gomila
181	0.44	Jane Goldring
182	0.44	Jacquelyn Madden
183	0.44	Amelie Le Blanc
184	0.42	Maya Levy
185	0.42	Jerrilyn Jones
186	0.42	Jeanette Ploger
187	0.42	Beth Gonzales
188	0.37	Linda Freese
189	0.35	Jerrilyn Stumpf

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185	0.42	Jerrilyn Jones
186	0.42	Jeanette Ploger
187	0.42	Beth Gonzales
188	0.37	Linda Freese
189	0.35	Jerrilyn Stumpf
190	0.33	Mary Ann Chesson
191	0.33	Irma Dearie
192	0.33	Esther Rosenberg

(More Dottie Toledano Sectional results are on page 4.)



70% Games

- 10/27 – Jane & John Patterson 70.04%
- 10/29 – Joanne Chancey & Gwen Maniscalco 70.63%
- 11/06 – Tink Friedrichs & Kathleen Pilie 70.00%
- 11/06 – Linda Gallagher & Pris Daly 70.96%
- 11/11 – Larry Fennel & Isabel Morse 70.83%
- 11/13 – Ellaine Wilson & Don Olson 71.25%
- 11/18 – Judy Katz & Joan Van Geffen 72.44%
- 11/18 – Michael Falcon & James Hailey, Jr. 70.03%

Did you have a 70% or better game? We want to report it in the *Kibitzer*. As soon as you complete a 70% game, have the director put a note in the *Kibitzer* envelope on the bulletin board in the hall.



A Message from the Tournament Chair

I would like to express my thanks to the many people who helped make the Dottie Toledano Sectional Tournament such a big success in November. First, to my co-chair Mary Leblanc, I'd like to say what a pleasure it was to work with you, knowing that any task you took on would be completed to perfection, and improved in many cases.

To my "mentors", Diane Chesson and Jackie Madden, I'd like to give more than a big THANK YOU for guiding me and giving such good advice. Your usual pep talks regarding how everyone really pitches in and helps out for these events were much appreciated. You were so right!

In that regard, special thanks go to Don Daigle for his Red Beans, to my Westbank girls, Jerri Stumpf, Sue Landry, Bobbie Gattuso, who supplied all of the potato salad on Thursday, and to Sylvia Kitziger, Martha Gause, Diane Chesson, Jackie Madden, Sally Toups, Merle Lachin, Kitten Haag (2 cakes!), Dick Brammell, Juanita Heidingsfelder, to all of you ... for helpng by bringing your goodies for appetizers, desserts, etc.

Extraordinary breakfasts for Saturday and Sunday mornings were totally handled by Juliette Dubea and Judy Katz. These gals said they'd handle it and handle they did. The tables were beautiful. The food was exceptional. I knew I didn't have to think about any aspect of breakfast. They did it all. Thank you, girls.

To the many members who contributed money, time (clean up, clean up, clean up), and talent, I would like to say thank you for doing whatever was possible for you to do. We appreciate every effort. Finally, thanks to my husband, Dick, for holding down the fort at home during my busy days here. I am so proud to be a part of such a terrific group.

Eileen Bagnetto



2008 Sectional Masterpoint Leaders

Now that we've had the last Metairie sectional tournament of the year, Jim Thornton has prepared this list of the top masterpoint winners for the year at all of our sectionals.

Flight A (2500+ MP's):	
John Onstott,	71.35 MP's
Jean Talbot,	61.35 MP's
Flight B (300-2499 MP's):	
Dee Moses,	51.50 MP's
James Thornton,	45.16 MP's
Flight C (0-299 MP's):	
Kathleen Savino,	27.88 MP's
Cathy Rantz,	20.62 MP's

The four Metairie sectionals this year were the January 3-6 (Natalie & Julius Rosenblum Sectional), April 11-13 (299er Sectional), May 1-4 (Derby Day Sectional), and November 6-9 (Dottie Toledano Sectional.)

Know the Director’s Rulings

Jennie Flynn Sauviac

Law Changes – New Law 25

[Ed.: The ACBL has revised some of the laws of bridge and this column will deal with some of these changes for the next few months. The complete Laws of Duplicate Bridge can be found online at the ACBL’s web site:

<http://www.acbl.org/assets/documents/play/Laws-of-Duplicate-Bridge-2008.pdf>]

Law 25, dealing with Legal and Illegal Changes of Call, has been simplified, making it much easier for the director to apply.

25A continues unchanged. If a player makes an inadvertent call, a mechanical error with bidding boxes, the call may be changed until his partner calls. There is no change in current practice. An inadvertent call may not be accepted by LHO; the call never happened.

25B is a major simplification. For an *intentional* change of call (that is, a replacement call not covered by 25A is made before the director gets to the table) LHO may accept. If accepted, the auction continues. If it is not accepted, the original call stands; the auctions continues, subject to the terms of Law 16D. The information from the withdrawn call is authorized for the non-offenders and not authorized for the offenders.

If a player has made it known that he wishes to change his call (again, not in a situation covered by 25A), but has not yet offered a substitute call, then a substitute call MAY NOT be offered. Any comments made are unauthorized for the offending side, and authorized for the non-offending side. The ACBL Laws Commission has confirmed this stance: the director should not offer the offender the opportunity to changed his call if he has not yet changed it when the director comes to the table.



Make Their Day – Ask a 299er to Play

Bronze LM’s or higher, please ask a 299er to play. You will have no entry fee the first time you play with a 299er and for each new 299er you play with. See the list by the TV or ask Jennie Sauviac (888-2883) to refer you to a 299er who could benefit by playing with you.



Tournament Results

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Dottie Toledano Sectional

Thu. Aft 299er Pairs

MPs	D	E	F	
2.02	1	1	1	Linda Gallagher - Pris Daly
1.52	2	2	2	Harriet Nelson - Helen Wisdom
1.14	3			Bonnie Nelson - Janet Patterson
1.02	4	3		Marilyn Downs - Jeanne Soignet
0.95	5	4	3	Pam Marinaro - Carl Koppeis
0.67	6	5		Sarah Pasternack - Linda Jacobs
0.57		4		Carolyn McKeough - Debbie Rothschild

Fri. Aft 299er Pairs

MPs	D	E	F	
2.02	1	1	1	Joan Wood - Laurie St. Paul
1.52	2			Shirley Laudun - Lyndal Scott
1.36	3	2		Pauline Jones - Ann Sale
1.02	4	3		Harriet Nelson - Marvin Bernstein
0.89	5	4	2	George Hill - Vivian Hill
0.67	6	5	3	Katherine Siebel - Linda Worley

Sat. A.M. 299er Pairs

MPs	D	E	F	
1.82	1	1	1	Joanne Chancey - Lilian Kirshbom
1.37	2	2		Jane Patterson - Cheryl Lafranz
1.02	3	3		Jeanne Soignet - Margie Christian
0.77	4	4		Marvin Bernstein - Wayne Schellhaas
0.89	5	5	2	Carolyn McKeough - Debbie Rothschild
0.67		3		George Hill - Vivian Hill

Sat. Aft 299er Pairs

MPs	D	E	F	
1.61	1	1		Marvin Bernstein - Harriet Nelson
1.21	2	2		Jane Patterson - John Patterson
1.11	3	3	1	Shirley Ruckert - Theresa Federico
0.68	4			Shirley Laudun - Jean Faia
0.83	4	2		Helen Wisdom - Jack Zoller



Happy Holidays to All Jolly Good Bridge Players!



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