



# SOUTH BEND BRIDGE CLUB

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The month of June offers ten (10) NAP (North American Pairs) Games, the Sunday Swiss Team Game on the 11th, a Men's free play on Father's Day the 18th, the 3rd Tuesday Swiss Team game on the 20th, and the "Longest Day" Charity Game, (contributions to the Alzheimer's Association will be welcome that day). Be sure to sign up for all these activities.

*Jo Ann Steigmeyer, Editor*



**DON'T FORGET THE RECOGNITION LUNCHEON ON THE 24TH!**

## E. Tim Carl - Silver Life Master

Back in November 2013, when Tim became a Bronze Life Master, we interviewed him to see if he had anything to add since becoming a Life Master. He mentioned then that he hadn't realized how much there was to learn and discover about the "duplicate" game. Evidently he has learned enough to become the latest Silver Life Master in our Club.



**Congratulations, Tim!**

## DENNIS DAVID

**May 10, 1937 - May 26, 2017**



It was not easy to tell our members that we had lost our dear friend, director, and teacher this past month. Dennis came to us when he married Marian Eggebrecht in February 2009 and became an enthusiastic partner for many of our members. He was always available to fill in when

needed because he LOVED the game and enjoyed the camaraderie in the club. He served as a director for many years and taught bridge at Forever Learning Institute where he found more future SBBC members. He was not with us long enough, and we send our condolences to his family and to Marian. We will miss him and his smile.

Note: Check with Jo Ann Steigmeyer for a complete obituary.

## PRO-AM WINNERS

Our semi-annual Pro-Am Swiss Team Event, held on Thursday night, May 25th, was a great success! There were 12 teams of life masters or players with more than 500 points partnering with non-life master players with fewer than 500 points. The winners were



(pictured l to r): Marty Martin, Linda Podlin, Bob Adams and Peggy Lyzun. We send our congratulations! In addition, a hearty thank you to Director Bill Searcy (our hot dog chef) for running the event so smoothly & to Joan Tobler's committee, Ruth Minish & Jo Ann Steigmeyer for the tasty spread. Look for the next Pro-Am this fall!

## Recognition Luncheon

Save Saturday, June 24th for the annual Recognition Awards Banquet. The lunch will begin at 12 Noon (\$7) followed by an afternoon of Bridge (NAP Game) at 1 PM (\$8). The Club will honor the accomplishments of many of our members during the year of 2016. Sign-up sheets are posted at the Bridge Center.

**Honorees being recognized are:**

**Diamond Life Master: Elaine DeLaney**

**Sapphire Life Master: Sara Marcus**

**Gold Life Master: John Bodish**

**Ruby Life Masters: Victor Papai**

**& Richard Scheibelhut**

**Silver Life Master: Shirley Soucek**

**Bronze Life Masters: Leslie Garvey & Gail Wells**

**Life Masters: Robert Knoblock**

**& Lynn Miller**

**Other members honored will be the winners of the Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs Awards and the Mini-McKenney Awards**

*In the August 2010 newsletter the following item appeared:*

## "Etti-kits"

All of us at one time or another have had that shock when partner puts us in game after we've opened "the hand" we wish we hadn't. It's a good idea to resist gasping. Smart opponents will look for signs like this and may toss that red card (a hateful double) on the table. A minus 100, which might matchpoint OK, could become a minus 300 which seldom wins."



**THESE WORDS OF WISDOM STILL APPLY!!!!**

## Golden Age Recipients

On May 26th the club and ACBL honored our latest



Golden Age Award recipients, Joan Fahey and Connie Hebron. There was cake and ice cream presented by the club and a certificate from the ACBL to let them know that we appreciate their loyalty and support for the great game of bridge over the years.

# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 03 Dan Barnhart, Kaye Kale
- 04 Frank Yoder
- 08 Dick Hastings
- 09 Kathleen Peterson
- 11 Don Groch, Julie Nelson, Bud Parshall
- 14 Ivey Benson
- 19 David Gardner
- 21 Ann Ullman
- 28 Patricia Borchert, Marty Martin
- 29 June Glazer
- 30 Bruce BonDurant



## Top Games in May

### Pair Games:

149ers:	5/26 Joey & Kurt Stiver	69.44%
	5/09 Carole Partlow & Rosemary Polizzotto	61.11%
399ers:	5/03 Bob & Margaret Lewis	64.50%
	5/22 Margaret Lewis & Marty Martin	64.07%
Open:	5/17 John & Tricia Killeen	70.83%
	5/03 Marty Alig & Dave Bontrager	69.50%

### Swiss Team Games:

Sunday Open:	John & Tricia Killeen, Sara Marcus & Gini Stipp
Tuesday Open:	Tim Carl, Martha Hosinski, Dee Stevenson, & Elaine Thompson

## MOVIN' ON UP

Ben Paulson	Club Master
Maureen Skurski	Sectional Master
E. Tim Carl	Silver Life Master



## Member Updates

### New Members:

Dan Barnhart	danl.coq69@comcast.net	574-271-5998
Penny Krug	pennyjknd@aol.com	574-289-1256
Jolene Stiver	joeystiver@comcast.net	269-340-5060

### Corrections:

Rosemary Polizzotto (spelling)  
Sue Pattillo Phone: 574-298-3903

**PLEASE ADD THIS INFO TO YOUR PHONE LISTS!**

## FROM THE CLUB MANAGER!

Starting in September, there will be two Sunday team games and two Tuesday team games. The Tuesday games will be on the 1st & 3rd, and the Sunday games will be on the 2nd & 4th.

Players can sign up as a team or as partners (and we'll find another partnership to fill out the team).



## The SBBC Summer Sectional August 4, 5, & 6

will be held at the Kroc Community Center. The schedule will be published on the ACBL website as well as in our July newsletter and August Calendar.

# Happenings



## DAVE IRWIN

**November 14, 1929 - May 3, 2017**



Although Dave Irwin wasn't a member the past few years due to health issues, he was instrumental in the establishment of the South Bend Bridge Club over ten years ago. As the President of the Thursday Club and with the permission of its club members, he turned over all the assets of his group and helped start what is today the SBBC. He achieved the status of Silver Life Master and particularly enjoyed the game with Al Rossow (1927-2012) who, we are certain, is his partner wherever they may be. We send our condolences to his son, David, & daughter, Stacey. Dave leaves us with fond and fun memories.

## The Longest Day

On Wednesday, June 21st, our club will be accepting donations for the ACBL-Alzheimer Association's fundraiser, *The Longest Day*. Every one of us has experienced seeing either a friend, relative or loved one touched by this disease. Your help is needed to stamp out this hurtful and hurting disease. Your donations will be much appreciated.

## Education Updates

### J & J Monday Classes in June:

**12th** - a continuing look at responses to no trump bids. When to use Stayman and when to use Transfer bids. When to think slam.



**19th** - Forcing & Non-Forcing Bids - when must you bid again? - when can you pass?

**26th** - Slam Bidding - Opening 2 Clubs - Jump shifts & Reverses

Contact Jo Ann at joann1107@comcast.net, phone 574-243-1355 or Joan at 269-687-9766. Cost: \$5



### Tricia's Newcomer Game (Thursday mornings) will



have a real game on June 1, 15, & 29. On June 8 and 22, weak two bids will be featured. John Killeen is taking a break from giving lessons so sessions will start at 9:15.

The lesson group will be working on the following:

- June 1: opening and responding to 1 no trump
- June 8 & 15: major suit openings
- June 22 & 29: minor suit openings.

### Elaine DeLaney's scheduled topics are:



- Wednesday Lessons at 11:30 to 12:30 - \$5
- Strong 2 club opening bids and slam bidding.
- Friday Lesson & Game - Cost \$5.
- Balancing & competitive bidding
- Lesson: 2-2:15 PM Game: 2:15 - 5 PM