

### AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE UNIT 106

# NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

We had one of our best Winter Sectionals in January. The cold weather certainly did not deter bridge players from enjoying this winter event. Thanks to our Hospitality team for the delicious food and treats which made this tournament a wonderful experience.

Our next Allendale Sectional scheduled on April 17 -19, 2020 has been cancelled because of the Coronavirus pandemic and the new CDC guidelines which are discouraging gatherings of more than 10 people for the next 8 weeks.

Unfortunately, our Bob Johnke Team event scheduled on May 2, 2020 will be cancelled for the same reason.

ACBL Management strongly recommends that all clubs remain closed until at least May 11, 2020 and that Units and Districts cancel their tournaments until then.

We hope that all of you will be well at this critical time and look forward to seeing you at our next Sectional in September.

### Pat Linnemeyer

## Upcoming Events in the Unit for 2020

Event flyers are available at local clubs and on the web (www.bridge-njba.org)

April 1-30	Charity Fund Month	October 1-31	Club Appreciation Games
May 1-30	Grass Roots Fund Month	October 3	Nelson Reitman
June TBD	Pro-Am	October 10	D3 NAP Finals
June 1 - August 31	NAP Qualifying	October 19-25	Multi-Unit STAC
June 8-14	Multi-Unit STAC	November 13-15	Unit 106 Sectional
September 1-30	International Fund Month	December 20	Unit 106 Annual Brunch
September 11-13	Unit 106 Sectional		

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Player of the Year

Richard Podkowik 239-410-4992

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## In Memory of:

Sheldon Berger Dennis Bernat John Clark Alan Fleishman Gerald Freel David Goldstein JS Sprung

Youth Bridge Teachers are needed to expand our youth bridge program.

Contact: Barbara Ganin 201-446-4649



# 2019 UNIT 106 MASTERPOINT RACE FINALS

Final Unit 106 ACE of CLUBS	in 2019	2500 to 3500 Ace of Clubs Mass	terpoint Race	200 to 300 Mini-McKenney Mas	terpoint Race
0 to 5 Ace of Clubs Masterpo	int Race	Mr Michael P Varhalamas	185.03	Mr Harry Scheiner	61.54
Ralph Iturbe	40.17	Mr Serge Aronovich	174.99	Sally Bertellotti	59.55
Alessandra Lofaro	16.79	Mrs Marianne Aronovich	174.99	Ms Anne Bendell	54.61
Michael Green	13.26				
		3500 to 5000 Ace of Clubs Mass	terpoint Race	300 to 500 Mini-McKenney Mas	terpoint Race
5 to 20 Ace of Clubs Masterpo	oint Race	Mr Martin H Singer	308.14	Fred Shubert	297.58
James H Hundley	44.10	Joyce Menezes	252.81	Ms Daniele F Panayotatos	130.85
Bertie C Smith	34.44	Mr David Katzen	250.93	Yong Ok Son	110.61
Nadine Z Genet	31.04				
		5000 to 7500 Ace of Clubs Mass	terpoint Race	500 to 1000 Mini-McKenney Mas	terpoint Race
20 to 50 Ace of Clubs Masterp	oint Race	Miyoko M Boswell	340.59	Mr Richard Podkowik	219.84
Robert Risholm	82.80	Mr Wayne Carr	338.88	Mr William M Whitman	218.46
James McDonald	50.03	Ms Rena Harris	236.72	Joann K Krey	102.19
Anthony J Giampapa	41.84				
		7500 to 10,000 Ace of Clubs Mas	sterpoint Race	1000 to 1500 Mini-McKenney Ma	sterpoint Race
50 to 100 Ace of Clubs Masters	ooint Race	Mrs Sarah R Wiener	70.41	Mr Peter Szabados	313.48
Ms Stephanie A Brand	55.46	Stephen G Nellissen	20.71	Mrs Joanne A Klaus	183.68
Thomas L Macdonnell	54.53	Mr Robert E Heitzman Jr	0.66	Kathy Sibi	178.49
Mr Yury Reznik	52.16				
Gina Reznik	52.16	Over 10,000 Ace of Clubs Mast	erpoint Race	1500 to 2500 Mini-McKenney Ma	sterpoint Race
		Mr Mark D Cohen	120.35	Patricia M Linnemeyer	311.97
100 to 200 Ace of Clubs Master	point Race	Mrs Stasha W Cohen	117.00	Mr Irwin D Miller	262.43
Mr Robert Heiferman	75.45	Miss Irina Levitina	52.40	Mr David Kuenzler	241.95
Melva A Cummings	67.19				
Beth Batastini	55.46	Final Unit 106 MINI-MCKENN	NEY in 2019	2500 to 3500 Mini-McKenney Ma	sterpoint Race
		0 to 5 Mini-McKenney Master	rpoint Race	Mr Michael P Varhalamas	280.82
200 to 300 Ace of Clubs Master	point Race	Ralph Iturbe	46.80	Mr Serge Aronovich	262.49
Mr Harry Scheiner	52.62	Alessandra Lofaro	18.89	Mrs Marianne Aronovich	262.49
Martin Levine	50.14	Michael Green	17.04		
John J Shari	49.38			3500 to 5000 Mini-McKenney Ma	sterpoint Race
		5 to 20 Mini-McKenney Maste	erpoint Race	Mr David Katzen	491.81
300 to 500 Ace of Clubs Master	point Race	James H Hundley	45.26	Mr Martin H Singer	427.93
Fred Shubert	144.10	Mr Steve A Zelman	41.54	Joyce Menezes	367.63
Yong Ok Son	77.57	Bertie C Smith	40.44		
Ms Daniele F Panayotatos	67.69			5000 to 7500 Mini-McKenney Ma	sterpoint Race
		20 to 50 Mini-McKenney Mast	erpoint Race	Miyoko M Boswell	409.95
500 to 1000 Ace of Clubs Master	rpoint Race	Robert Risholm	111.26	Mr Wayne Carr	384.69
Mr William M Whitman	187.92	Mr John Birchby	67.85	Mr John W Hogan Jr	350.89
Dr Paul G Deutsch	93.24	James McDonald	59.46		
Mr Richard Podkowik	91.74			7500 to 10,000 Mini-McKenney Ma	asterpoint Race
		50 to 100 Mini-McKenney Mast	terpoint Race	Stephen G Nellissen	287.79
1000 to 1500 Ace of Clubs Maste	rpoint Race	Thomas L Macdonnell	65.16	Mrs Sarah R Wiener	76.6
Mr Peter Szabados	172.73	Ms Stephanie A Brand	63.65	Mr Robert E Heitzman Jr	11.99
Kathy Sibi	142.42	Mr Yury Reznik	60.32		
Phil Waxberg	131.26	Gina Reznik	60.32	Over 10,000 Mini-McKenney Mas	sterpoint Race
				Mr Mark D Cohen	334.92
1500 to 2500 Ace of Clubs Maste	rpoint Race	100 to 200 Mini-McKenney Mas	sterpoint Race	Mrs Stasha W Cohen	318.31
Mr Irwin D Miller	215.58	Mr Robert Heiferman	113.19	Miss Irina Levitina	147.48
Mr Steven Sundheimer	200.45	Melva A Cummings	76.93		
Mr David Kuenzler	172.18	Beth Batastini	75.67		

# **TOP 100 for UNIT 106 in 2019**

2019 Rank		2019 Points
1	Rosalind Elk	12,422
2	Irina Levitina	11,990
3	Stasha Cohen	10,603
4	Mark Cohen	10,398
5	Robert Heitzman Jr.	9550
6	Sarah Wiener	8952
7	Stephen Nellissen	8065
8	Burrell Humphreys	7687
9	Rena Harris	7371
10	John Hogan Jr.	6876
11	Tod Thorgersen	6730
12	Miyoko Boswell	6716
13	Marvin Deneroff	6181
14	Charles Friedman	5646
15	Andrew Lohan	5589
16	Allan Rosen	5514
17	Wayne Carr	5477
18	Samuel Baskinger	5212
19	Joyce Menezes	5180
20	Joan Haussmann	5178
21	John Kuharetz	5066
22	Martin Singer	4949
23	Nicholas France	4940
24	Helen Raleigh	4832
25	Barbara Deutsch	4759
26	William Alexander	4709
27	Blair Seidler	4690
28	David Daly	4689
29	Doree Sobel	4639
30	Lee Ohliger	4613
31	Tina Gordon	4587
32	Rhoda Paul	4504
33	Ron Nelken	4455
34	Leonard Helfgott	4430
35	Fred Weidmann	4369
36	Gerald Goodman	4203
37	Charlotte Davidson	4057
38	David Katzen	4048
39	Lisa Insolera	4048
40	Jean Ludwig	4032
41	Dan Goldstein	3909
42	Gregory Rosoff	3766
43	Joanne Salomon	3749
44	James Metzger	3735
45	Michael Camp	3614
46	Carol Field	3585
47	Joseph Pospis	3567
48	Myron Rimer	3540
49	Roberta Satin	3520
50	Michael Varhalamas	3388

2019 Rank		2019 Points
51	Wendy Bazelow	3328
52	Michael Gellar	3308
53	Edward Landau	3260
54	Serge Aronovich	3257
55	Joyce Landau	3160
56	Glenda Calkins	3147
57	Marianne Aronovich	3128
58	Lynn Mackall	3113
59	Subrata Ghosh	3046
60	Sidney Kanter	2975
61	Stanley Fink	2971
62	Michael Jeshion	2917
63	Geoffrey Manis	2908
64	Judith Fine	2852
65	David Harris	2833
66	John Wass	2811
67	Myra Bachman	2802
68	Lan Go	2763
69	Gruna Selby	2732
70	Ruth Bernstein	2700
71	Phyllis Fuchs	2675
72	Tiger Lili Williams	2661
73	Michael Atkins	2638
74	Abby Brawer	2598
75	Dolores Hodesblatt	2564
76	Irene Schwartz	2559
77	Lawrence Pigula	2556
78	Marvin Brown	2540
79	R Barkley Calkins	2539
80	Lila March	2497
81	Helen Wallach	2456
82	Jan Weber	2441
83	Betty Ann Smith	2417
84	Patricia Linnemeyer	2407
85	Steven Ehrenworth	2344
86	Fredric Cohen	2314
87	James Sundstrom	2292
88	Robert Sterling	2287
89	Randi Adelman	2245
90	David Kuenzler	2233
91	George Weber	2228
92	Steven Sundheimer	2212
93	Beverly Kaufman	2206
94	Mark Goodman	2204
95	Robert Orne	2169
96	John Klaus	2164
97	Ronna Morrison	2149
98	Jo Ann Van Delft	2142
99	Howard Kestin	2130
100	Irwin Miller	2122

# Club Directory

## New Members & Transfers

### **BRIDGE CENTER at RIDGEWOOD**

105 Cottage Place, Christ Church Ridgewood, NJ (201-741-4187) www.ridgewoodbridge.com (see website for game schedule)

#### **GLEN ROCK BRIDGE CENTER**

230 W. Passaic St, Maywood, NJ 201-368-8133 www.glenrockbridge.com (see website for game schedule)

#### SPARTA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Sparta Public Library 22 Woodport Road, Sparta, NJ Chris Schwinger (973-479-7918) spartabridge@optonline.net Thurs 6:30pm Open Game

### SPARTA AFTERNOON BRIDGE CLUB

Shepherd of the Hills Church 246 Woodport Rd, Sparta, NJ Chris Schwinger (973-479-7918) https://site.pianola.net/sparta-dbc/home (see website for game schedule)

### JCC on the PALISADES BRIDGE CLUB

411 E. Clinton Ave, Tenafly, NJ Ruth Bernstein @ 201-962-8116 Fri 12:00 Open to Seniors 0-1500 pts

#### **ROCKLAND BRIDGE CLUB**

**BETH AM TEMPLE** 60 E. Madison Ave, Pearl River, NY 845-608-6409 www.rocklandbridgecenter.com (see website for game schedule)

#### THE BRIDGE TABLE

Old Paramus Reformed Church 660 E. Glen Ave., Ridgewood, NJ 201-818-0141 www.thebridgetable.com (see website for game schedule)

#### **TENAFLY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**

The Senior Center South Summit St, Tenafly, NJ Betty Ann Smith @ 201-394-5754 Tues 7:00 Open Game



## **Next Unit 106 Sectional** September 11 - 13, 2020

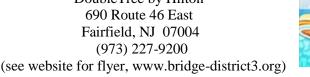
Guardian Angel Auditorium E. Allendale Ave & 320 Franklin Tpk Allendale, NJ 07401 (see website for flyer, www.bridge-njba.org)

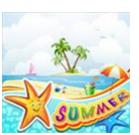
### Unit 106 STaC Week!!! June 8th thru June 14th

Check your local club schedules to play to win those elusive silver points. And you have the opportunity to score even more silver in the overall results! Don't miss out on this week to add silver to your point total!

### **District 3 Summer Regional** July 6 - 12, 2020

DoubleTree by Hilton 690 Route 46 East Fairfield, NJ 07004 (973) 227-9200





#### New Members through March 1st, 2020

Mary Ann Buonadies Edward Fener Madison Gabbidon Robert Havn Nadia Massuda Florence Savage Margo Zomback

Susan Ebenstein Barbara Flanz Marlene Hayn Milana Maftsir Philip Newfield Eva Yazidjian

#### Transfers In

Julie Bernhardt



### **New Life Masters**

Wally Gebara

**Daniele Panayotatos** 

#### **New Bronze Life Masters**

Stephen Jansen Peri Namerow

Alan Oppenheim

### **New Silver Life Masters** Kathleen Lathrop

**New Ruby Life Masters** Barbara Fingerhut Joanne Klaus

Martin Gilbert Jian Wang

#### **New Gold Life Masters** Marvin Brown Lila March

**New Sapphire Life Masters** Roberta Satin



### THIS 'N THAT FROM YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTOR

As you no doubt are aware by now, the Columbus NABC has been cancelled, due to the Coronavirus and the Ohio Governor's consequent banning of meetings involving over 100 people. Several regionals and sectionals also are being cancelled, and the ACBL has recommended cancelling all club and tournament games through May 11, 2020. Obviously, there will be a significant financial impact on many clubs, Units, Districts and the ACBL as a result of these evolving developments over the coming weeks and months, most of which is impossible to calculate at this time.

The ACBL Board has been meeting via teleconference beginning March 10 and continuing at least through March 19 to deal with coronavirus, related financial issues and potential reorganization (possibly by creating 13 "regions" most of which will combine two or three districts for representation, but not organization).

Fortunately, 2019 was a recovery year for the ACBL, with a net gain of \$1.8 million (after a loss of \$1.9 million in 2018), resulting from revenues \$400 thousand over budget (\$900 thousand over 2018) and expenses \$100 thousand below budget.

The other bad news is that membership declined an additional 1.2% in 2019, both nationally and in District 3, and is budgeted to decline by as much as 4% nationally this year. Efforts are underway to reverse this disturbing trend, but those efforts will take a good part of the year to start showing success. It is hoped that a partnership with the Educational Foundation supporting a new website, <a href="trybridge.org">trybridge.org</a>, will attract new members, along with additional incentives for teachers and a free trial membership to be rolled out shortly. Congratulations to Sylvia MacNamara at The Bridge Deck in Scarsdale, who received a \$500 stipend as one of the top ten ACBL recruiters last year.

All NABC and regional tournaments within the U.S. now accept credit card payments, and Canada is expected to be on stream in time for the Montreal NABC. Sectionals run by ACBL directors should be added soon.

On the home front, our Tarrytown tournament achieved break-even performance for the first time, although table count declined slightly. We need your continued support to make that tournament successful in the future, as it suffers from the absence of "snowbirds" who unfortunately but understandably go south to avoid the winter weather.

Congratulations also are in order to Pat Linnemeyer of Unit 106, who was elected to succeed Debbie Wasik as District President, effective May 1. Pat has hit the ground running, having recruited Richard Podkowik to succeed Lynn Chapin as our new webmaster and Fred Shubert to fill the vacant position of Marketing Manager. Our sincerest thanks to Debbie for her years of dedicated service and her willingness to continue as Meeting Planner, and to Lynn, who is devoting her time to service as an ACBL Tournament Director.

The District continues in need of two things: more volunteers and more members. Those of us on the District and Unit Boards thank you for your support and welcome your future help.

Carlos Muñoz
District 3 Director

### Club Event Winners 11/16/19 - 2/15/20

### **GLEN ROCK BRIDGE CENTER**

Junior Fund: Wayne Carr & David Kuenzler (11/19); Paul Deutsch & Charles Friedman (12/28); Andrea Granet & Stephen Granet (12/29); Joyces Menezer & Rhoda Paul (1/3); David Kuenzler & Wayne Carr (1/14); Gerald Goodman & James Metzger (1/18); Lynne Gitkin & Barbara Rizzo (1/23); Michael Murphy & Joan Gutt (1/26)

Charity: Martin Singer & Subrata Ghosh (11/30); Wayne Carr & Rena Harris (12/12 and 12/24); Barbara Deutsch & Paul Deutsch (12/25); Gruna Selby & Mark Whitman (12/26); Gina Reznik & Yuri Reznik (2/5)

Club Championship: Betty Ann Smith & Marilyn Schor (2/7); Marilyn Jeshion & Michael Jeshion (2/9); Lynne Gitkin & Samuel Baskinger (2/10); David Kuenzler & Leonard Helfgott (2/13)

499er Club Championship: Ralph Iturbe & James McDonald (2/9); Roy Weber & John Birchby (2/13)

### **FABIAN BRIDGE CLUB**

Club Champions: Chorng-Hour Yang & Daniel Lubetkin (Mon); Melva Cummings & Beth Batastini (Thu); Chorng-Hour Yang & Chung-Zong Wan (Fri); Frederick Linnemeyer – Patricia Linnemeyer – Wendy Lee – Dave DuBois (Sat)

### **SPARTA BRIDGE CLUB**

Upgraded Club Champions: Fred Shubert & Richard Podkowik (12/12)

Junior Fund: Elson Blunt III & Renee Wolken (11/21); Jim Anderson & John Anderson (12/19); Jim Anderson & John Anderson & John Anderson & John Anderson & Podkowik & William Lambert (1/9); Jan Weber & George Weber (1/16); Elson Blunt III & Margrit Spichiger (1/23); John Anderson & Neeta Mone (1/30)

Educational Fund: Henry Van Handle & Mary Lou Van Handle (12/26 and 2/13); Jan Weber & George Weber (2/6)

### TENAFLY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Inter-Club Champions: Miyoko Boswell & Marty Singer (11/19)
Club Champions: Miyoko Boswell & Marty Singer (12/10)
Junior Fund: Lee Ohliger & Tod Thorgersen (12/7)

Upgraded Club Championship: Miyoko Boswell & Marty Singer (1/28)

Educational Fund: Mike Geller & Edward Landau (2/11)

### **BRIDGE CENTER at RIDGEWOOD**

Upgraded Club Champions: Debbie Tzimoulis & Lori Sundstrom (12/18); John Klaus & Pat Linnemeyer (1/3)

Educational Fund Game: John Klaus & Michael Otte (2/7); Bob Sorce & Phil Waxberg (2/12)