



AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE UNIT 106

NEWSLETTER

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Spring 2024

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I am very pleased to be the new president of Unit 106. I want to thank Pat Rogers Linnemeyer for the guidance she has provided so far as I have transitioned into this position. I'm sure I speak for everyone in saying that her hard work and dedication to the Unit 106 are greatly appreciated. She will be a hard act to follow.

I also want to welcome the new board members to Unit 106 – Martin Becker, Marlene Case, and Chris Thorn – and also to thank Sam Ghosh, Gale Mirro and Susan Koster for their service these last few years as they leave the board. Their work has been critical to the Unit and has helped to ensure the success of our events.

Our first two events of the year - the Annual Bruch in January and the Sectional in April - were very successful. New for this year was the addition of newcomers to the April event. We look forward to continuing increases in turnout at the remaining tournaments in 2024.

One of our goals for this year is to increase Unit membership, both through the retention of players whose memberships have lapsed and the recruitment of newer players. Watch this space for more updates on that as well as other new initiatives for this year.

Carole Gelfer

Upcoming Events for 2024-2025

Event flyers are available at local clubs and on the web

July 7-11	Fairfield Regional	November 8-10	Unit Sectional
August 23-25	Unit Sectional	January 12	2025 Annual Brunch
October 5	NAP Finals	January 19-23	2025 Winter Regional
October 26	Reitman Teams	New date	

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In Memory of:

Paulette Azouri
James Michaelis
Ginny Noe
Loretta Wilson

Alvin Frohman
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Sarah Wiener



**2024/2025 District 3 Final
Saturday, October 5, 2024
Trinity Episcopal Church
55 George St., Allendale, NJ**

2 sessions: 10:30am and TBD

Bagel Bruch at 10am

Flights A, B and C (open/2500/500NLM)

\$30 per person/\$60 per pair for 2 sessions



**DISTRICT 3
Winter Regional
January 19-23, 2025**

**Crowne Plaza Hotel
3 Executive Boulevard
Suffern, NY 10901 (845)357-4800**

Sunday, Jan 19

11:30 & 3:00 **Fast Pairs** (open/3000/1500)

11:30 & TBA **A/X Swiss Teams** (open/5000)

B/C Swiss Teams (No Player
over 3000)

Monday (MLK Day) – Thursday, Jan 20-23

10:30 & 3:00 **A/B/C Pairs** (open/3000/1500)

Golden Opportunity Pairs (750/
300/150) no player over 750

10:30 & TBA **Bracketed Round Robin Teams**

Pairs \$22 per session/per person, \$176 per team

Club Directory

JCC on the Palisades

Kaplen JCC on the Palisades
411 E. Clinton Ave., Tenafly, NJ 07670
Deborah Williams (914-329-3637)
Pre-Registration required
Friday 10:30 am

New Bridgers

The Reformed Temple of Rockland
330 N Highland Ave., Upper Nyack, NY 10960
Marlene Case (845-942-1182)
Tuesday 10:00am Supervised game 0-150 MP
Thursday 10:00am Duplicate game 0-400 MP

North Jersey Bridge Center

Christ Episcopal Church
105 Cottage Place, Ridgewood, NJ 07450
Pat Linnemeyer (551-427-6753)
www.njbridgecenter.com
Monday-Friday 12:30pm Open and 499er Games
Wednesday 12:30pm Supervised play
Friday 12:30pm Supervised play/Beginner Game

Sparta Duplicate Bridge Club

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
246 Woodport Rd, Sparta, NJ 07871
Fred Shubert (973-903-9713)
<https://site.pianola.net/sparta-dbc/home>
Monday Noon Open Game
Thursday 10:15am Intermediate Clinic
Thursday Noon NLM Game
Friday 11:00am Open Game
Saturday Monthly Swiss (see website)

Tenafly Duplicate Bridge Club

The Tenafly Senior Center
20 South Summit St, Tenafly, NJ 07670
Betty Ann Smith (201-394-5754)
Tuesday 6:30pm Open Game

New Members and Transfers through 5/31/2024

Darlene Adams	Ira Asinofsky
Nick Awad	Laura Brody
Brian Buckley	Annette Burnett
Catherine Castellano	Cheryl Centore
Richard Friedman	Ellen Goldfein
Allan Greene	Warren Greenfield
Kathy Grubb	Fern Lehrman
Barbara Liati	Lois Monahan
Debra Mutsch	Joan Okeefe
Yoko Ohtaka	Sheryl Qualters
Eileen Reda	George Reuter
Jeanette Russo	Sue Scarlettar
Margaret Sfraga	Martha Singer
Miwa Taylor	Mureen Viehmeyer
Ted Wollruch	



New Life Master

Donald Fischer

New Bronze Life Master

Paul Weiner

New Silver Life Master

Fran Altman	Herb Cohen
Barbara Dorfman	Pam Mills

New Ruby Life Master

Daniele Panayotatos	Harriet Stein
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New Gold Life Master

Randi Adelman	Marilyn Jeshion
Peter Szabados	

New Sapphire Life Master

Michelle Lanigan	Patricia Linnemeyer
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Upcoming 2024-2025 Events

Unit 106

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Sectional

Aug 23-25, 2024

Christ Episcopal Church
105 Cottage Place
Ridgewood, NJ 07450

Reitman Teams

October 26, 2024 **New Date**

Trinity Episcopal Church
55 George St. Allendale, NJ 07401

Sectional

Veterans Weekend

Nov 8-10, 2024

Christ Episcopal Church
105 Cottage Place
Ridgewood, NJ 07450

Annual Brunch

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Crowne Plaza Hotel
Executive Blvd, Suffern, NY
Registration – 11:00 am
Brunch – 11:30am
Bridge Game – Following Brunch

District 3

<http://bridge-district3.org/>

Fairfield Regional

July 7-11, 2024

NAP Finals

Oct 5, 2024

Winter Regional

Jan 19-23, 2025

COMPLEMENTARY MORNING COFFEE! ♠ DAILY GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY GAMES!

District 3 Summer Regional July 7 – July 11, 2024

DoubleTree by Hilton Fairfield Hotel & Suites
690 Route 46 ♦ Fairfield, NJ 07004 ♦ (973) 227-9200

Standard room rate: \$152 for Single/Double/Queen/King ♣ Jr. Suite available: \$162

Deadline for reservations: June 15

Reserve online: Specify Special Group Rate Code 90Y ♣ Or call 973-227-9200: Specify 90Y or District-3 Bridge

Tournament Manager / Hotel Issues : Julie Cohan

(973) 568-4864 ♦ jcohan11@aol.com

Partnerships : Lorraine Bellagamba

(570) 618-3066 ♦ itsbella@hotmail.com



Schedule

Sunday, July 7

11:30 *New this year : Single Session stratified 0-99 Pairs
Followed by expert hand analysis
Reduced entry fee \$12*

11:30 & 3:00 Fast Pairs (open/3500/1500)
11:30 & TBA A/X Swiss Teams (open/5000)
B/C/D Swiss Teams (No player over 3000)

Monday-Thursday, July 8- July 11

10:30 & 3:00 A/B/C Pairs (open/3500/1500)
Golden Opportunity Pairs (750/300/150) – no player over 750
10:30 & TBA Bracketed Round Robin Teams
(When possible, top bracket will be played as an Open Swiss – open to all)

4 Golden Opportunity Events

Gold Points for overalls and section tops in top strat. Single-session entries available.

ENTRY FEES ACBL MEMBERS:
ALL EVENTS - Pairs: \$22 per session/per person
(25 Yrs and Under: \$10)
Teams : \$176 per team for both sessions

Cashless Entries
Credit/Debit Cards Only

Mini-McKenney Masterpoint Race 2023

0-5

1	Jonathan Siegel	25.38
2	Zafar Nomani	24.62
3	Ghazala Nomani	22.96

5-20

1	Alan Yeung	20.31
2	Donna Lavill	15.68
3	Reva Wolf	15.36

20-50

1	Valerie Kazhdan	112.04
2	Judy Forrester	29.42
3	Martin Cohen	25.75

50-100

1	Milana Maftsir	45.58
2	Michael Contente	37.60
3	Margaret Scully	33.98

100-200

1	Yury Reznik	47.09
2	Gina Reznik	47.09
3	Kathrina Tamasco	43.54

200-300

1	Inna Brovman	76.87
2	Carol Pastushok	49.77
3	Susan Baxt	49.75

300-500

1	Gregory Menken	137.75
2	Thomas Macdonnell	93.78
3	David Klein	92.94

500-1,000

1	Wally Gebara	169.97
2	Kayoko Nishitani	121.93
3	Steve Highfill	98.68

1,000-1,500

1	Fred Shubert	308.55
2	Daniele Panayotatos	138.04
3	William Whitman	121.32

1,500-2,500

1	Richard Podkowik	281.63
2	Peter Szabados	244.35
3	John Dell'osso	145.35

2,500-3,500

1	Steven Sundheimer	213.01
2	Lynn Mackall	210.53
3	Patricia Linnemeyer	161.36

3,500-5,000

1	Anam Tebha	405.18
2	Subrata Ghosh	277.77
3	Michael Varhalamas	239.42

5,000-7,500

1	Wayne Carr	227.14
2	Doree Sobel	198.03
3	Leonard Helfgott	142.00

7,500-10,000

1	Rena Harris	222.79
2	Burrell Humphreys	100.68
3	Miyoko Boswell	85.28

Over 10,000

1	Mark Cohen	152.70
2	Stasha Cohen	144.32
3	Irina Levitina	122.00

U106 Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs

0 to 5		500 to 1000	
1 Zafar Nomani, Bergenfield NJ	25	1 Wally Gebara, Ho Ho Kus NJ	118
2 Ghazala Nomani, Bergenfield NJ	23	2 Kayoko Nishitani, Ridgewood NJ	93
3 Jonathan Siegel, West New York NJ	20	3 Carole Gelfer, Wyckoff NJ	72
4 Michael Miller, Miami Beach FL	15	4 Beth Batastini, Newton NJ	54
5 Bonnie Christian, Nyack NY	13	5 Elizabeth Sinn, Englewood NJ	48
5 to 20		1000 to 1500	
1 Donna Lavill, Nyack NY	16	1 Fred Shubert, Andover NJ	106
2 Reva Wolf, Valley Cottage NY	15	2 William Whitman, Rutherford NJ	93
3 Ann Singer, New City NY	15	3 Karen Silver, Franklin Lakes NJ	73
4 Ruth Harrison, Mahwah NJ	8	4 Paul Deutsch, Teaneck NJ	65
5 Joan Verdon, Teaneck NJ	8	5 Lois Spagna, Nanuet NY	65
20 to 50		1500 to 2500	
1 Valerie Kazhdan, Fort Lee NJ	72	1 Peter Szabados, Paramus NJ	169
2 Judy Forrester, Sparta NJ	25	2 John Dell'osso, Woodland Park NJ	129
3 Richard Bottelli, Tenafly NJ	22	3 Martin Gilbert, Hackensack NJ	105
4 Arvin Adler, Closter NJ	20	4 Richard Podkowik, Highland Lakes NJ	103
5 Marcy White, Ramsey NJ	18	5 Dan Peters, New City NY	98
50 to 100		2500 to 3500	
1 Michael Contente, New City NY	28	1 Steven Sundheimer, New City NY	180
2 Carole Green, Montvale NJ	14	2 Lynn Mackall, Wanaque NJ	146
3 Chris Thorn, Teaneck NJ	13	3 John Wass, Kinnelon NJ	100
4 Eileen Manheimer, Allendale NJ	10	4 Patricia Linnemeyer, Franklin Lakes NJ	97
5 Wally Manheimer, Allendale NJ	9	5 Barbara Bergen, Fort Lee NJ	93
100 to 200		3500 to 5000	
1 Yury Reznik, Fair Lawn NJ	46	1 Michael Varhalamas, St Petersburg FL	173
2 Gina Reznik, Fair Lawn NJ	46	2 Joseph Pospis, Saddle Brook NJ	155
3 Kokita Patel, Sparta NJ	34	3 Subrata Ghosh, Paramus NJ	146
4 Bertie Smith, Newton NJ	29	4 Myron Rimer, New City NY	127
5 Margaret Ficca, Franklin Lakes NJ	23	5 Roberta Satin, Woodland Park NJ	94
200 to 300		5000 to 7500	
1 Kenneth Koneval, Sparta NJ	40	1 Wayne Carr, Hackensack NJ	219
2 Patricia Ishill, Hillsdale NJ	29	2 Doree Sobel, Fair Lawn NJ	159
3 Linda Shortman, Bloomingdale NJ	25	3 Andrew Lohan, Pompton Plains NJ	109
4 Annette Pomante, Woodland Park NJ	24	4 John Kuharetz, New Milford NJ	100
5 Deborah Williams, Nanuet NY	21	5 Martin Singer, New City NY	83
300 to 500		7500 to 10,000	
1 Melva Cummings, Sparta NJ	66	1 Rena Harris, Hackensack NJ	217
2 Paul Weiner, Wayne NJ	59	2 Miyoko Boswell, Ramsey NJ	67
3 Anne Bendell, Fort Lee NJ	54	3 Burrell Humphreys, Pompton Plains NJ	37
4 Eiko Shimoyama, Wyckoff NJ	36	Over 10,000	
5 James Hundley, Stanhope NJ	32	1 Mark Cohen, Palm Coast FL	83
		2 Stasha Cohen, Palm Coast FL	79

Unit 106 2023 Top 100 Master Point Holders

1	Irina Levitina	12338	51	Ruth Bernstein	3111
2	Stasha Cohen	11431	52	David Harris	3086
3	Mark Cohen	10994	53	Abby Brawer	3022
4	Miyoko Boswell	9043	54	Barbara Bergen	3001
5	Burrell Humphreys	8495	55	Betty Ann Smith	3000
6	Gregory Rosoff	7942	56	Frederick Linnemeyer	2982
7	Rena Harris	7916	57	Stanley Fink	2972
8	Marvin Deneroff	7806	58	David Kuenzler	2967
9	Tod Thorgersen	7053	59	Phyllis Fuchs	2961
10	Wayne Carr	6165	60	Tiger Lili Williams	2922
11	Andrew Lohan	5860	61	Steven Sundheimer	2850
12	Martin Singer	5747	62	Nicky Prell	2648
13	Nicholas France	5607	63	Richard Nathan	2588
14	John Kuharetz	5592	64	Helen Wallach	2571
15	Doree Sobel	5537	65	Hilary Edmondson	2564
16	Leonard Helfgott	5350	66	Lawrence Pigula	2556
17	David Katzen	5328	67	Peter Szabados	2551
18	Barbara Deutsch	5290	68	Irwin Miller	2542
19	Anam Tebha	5248	69	Randi Adelman	2507
20	Rhoda Paul	5181	70	Phyllis Profita	2488
21	Helen Raleigh	4844	71	Richard Podkowik	2428
22	Roberta Satin	4799	72	Dan Peters	2398
23	Geoffrey Manis	4760	73	Mark Goodman	2384
24	David Daly	4692	74	Anthony Szabo	2364
25	Blair Seidler	4690	75	Sandy Johnson	2360
26	Wendy Bazelow	4661	76	Elizabeth Gilbert	2349
27	Ron Nelken	4600	77	Vivian Grossman	2348
28	Gerald Goodman	4545	78	Carol Coan	2347
29	Michael Varhalamas	4369	79	John Dell'osso	2345
30	Subrata Ghosh	4269	80	Marlene Case	2337
31	James Metzger	4258	81	Joanne Klaus	2309
32	Serge Aronovich	4213	82	Paulette Azouri	2283
33	Joseph Pospis	4198	83	Robert Stites	2266
34	Lisa Insolera	4097	84	Eileen Whitney	2242
35	Marianne Aronovich	4081	85	Bruce Humphreys	2226
36	Michael Camp	4065	86	Andrea Luckey	2208
37	Dan Goldstein	4029	87	Kenneth Jacobs	2201
38	Myron Rimer	3950	88	Neil Gordon	2177
39	Howard Kestin	3885	89	Michael Golden	2143
40	Gruna Selby	3746	90	Diane Stites	2131
41	John Klaus	3721	91	Martin Gilbert	2118
42	Lynn Mackall	3684	92	Marilyn Schor	2093
43	Michelle Lanigan	3618	93	Sally Sonne	2086
44	Patricia Linnemeyer	3596	94	Betty McDonald	2053
45	Michael Jeshion	3572	95	Cheryl Fischer	2043
46	John Wass	3547	96	Marie Wolfson	2035
47	Edward Landau	3409	97	Michael Otte	2014
48	Lan Go	3179	98	Mary Beth Birchby	1953
49	Myra Bachman	3159	99	Joann Krey	1888
50	Michael Atkins	3154	100	Judy Levy	1885