

ALERT!
Lexington Bridge Club News
August 2011

Kudos for new Masters:

- Junior Masters: Marlene Hale and Edgar Iwamoto
- Club Masters: Carolyn Jones, Dr. Karl Persson and Judith Seebach
- Sectional Masters: Dr. Michael Rieser
- Regional Masters: Judy Hess and Russ Whitney
- NABC Masters: Jim Rucker, Ralph Scarce, and Louis Seelbach

“Learn to Play Bridge in a Day” on June 25th sponsored by Sandra Marlin, The Lexington Bridge Club, and Unit 164 was a huge success! **85 potential new bridge players attended** and many have signed up for lessons or are planning to play in our games! **A Big Thanks to Sandra Marlin** for donating her time teaching the class and to the 17 volunteers who assisted her in making the Day highly productive!

Our 7th Annual **Summer Bridge Camp** cosponsored by Unit 164 and the Lexington Bridge Club ended on July 7th with 15 campers registered. Tournament Winners: 1st Place- Pedro Storch, 2nd Place (tie) Amelia Loeffler and Konner Spaulding! Thanks so much to Georgia Ringo who Directed the Camp and to all the teachers and volunteers who participated in making this event successful!

Our **Member/Guest Game** on Tuesday Evening July 19th was again a huge success with 12 tables in play! **Brad Walden** did an outstanding job of recruiting and coordinating this game! Fun was had by all!

A Charity Club Championship **Service Appreciation Day** was held on Wednesday July 6th **honoring all of our Directors, especially Andy Anderson and Max Hoover** who were retiring after 20+ and 10 years of service respectively to our club! The Directors received gifts from the club and were honored with a **“Ode to Our Directors poem written by Sue Distler!** Watch for Sue’s Poem in an upcoming edition of the “Bridge Bulletin!”

Game Modifications:

- Thursday Evenings at 6:30 will be 99’er Pizza Potluck Partners (come without a partner if you wish) with Georgia Ringo Directing.
- Monday Evenings at 6:30 will be a 1,499’er game with Bill McClain Directing. **No player with more than 1,499 masterpoints can play in the game.** Masterpoints will be averaged within the strata.
- Tuesday Mornings at 11:30 will be a 199’er Restricted game. The restrictions are that any two 199’ers can play together or any player with up to 499 points can play with a player with less than 50 pts.
- A highly popular IMP Pairs game is being added to the Calendar once a month . This game is played with the same game tactics as a Swiss Team Game or a Knock Out Game. There is information on strategies for this game in the club foyer beside the calendars.

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Special Games:

- Thursday August 25th: 11:00 Potluck in **Memory of Gene Hodge**; 11:30 Local Charity Game honoring Gene, \$1 more to God's Pantry.
- Thursday August 25th **99'er Pizza Potluck Partners Charity Club Championship**, \$1 more.
- **8 is Enough** Sunday August 21st. 1:30 Potluck, 2:00 Game, \$1 more for Charity Club Championship. 99'ers and youth encouraged to attend. A=1,250+(3); B=300-1,250 (2); C=0-300 (1).
- **Stratified IMP Pairs** Monday Aug. 8th at 11:30 Charity Club Championship, \$1 more.
- **Swiss Team Games: 1,499'er** on Aug. 22 at 6:30; **OPEN** on Aug. 12 at 11:00 AM. Both games \$1 more Charity Club Championships.
- **Open games continue on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday Evenings** at 7:00 PM. The 2nd Tuesday will be **Swiss Teams** and the 4th will be Stratified Pairs.
- **August is the last month for NAP Qualifying Games.** There are 12 NAP games scheduled. Stratifications are A= 2,000+; B=500-2,000; C= 0-500NLM. In the C Flight games, A=NLM<500; B=20-100; C=0-20.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS:

August 13-14 Louisville NLM
August 19-21 Madisonville Sectional
August 30-September 5 Atlanta REGIONAL
September 6-11 Dayton Regional
September 16-18 Baren River Sectional

Please remember to arrive 15 minutes before game time to allow the Director enough time to organize the game.