

The Board Talk

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Grand Masters PLUS, PLUS!

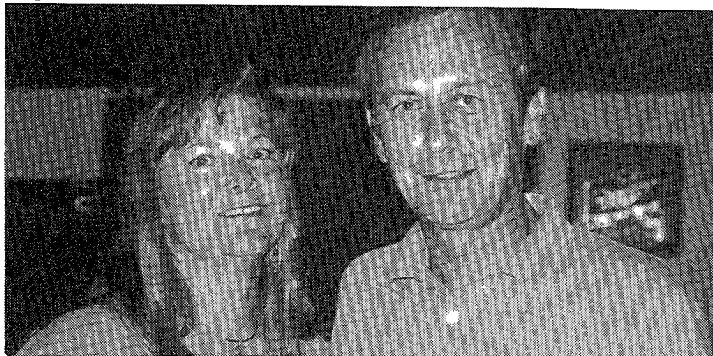
By Bill Bailey

What a tournament -- with 94 players signed up to try and get part of the \$21,000 cash monies offered to the first six places in four main events during the Whistling Oyster's Grand Masters Plus in Quilcene, Washington, on Aug. 2-6.

They started arriving seven days prior to Wednesday afternoon's mixed doubles. We started our practice sessions on July 30 in the form of round robins, which kept on going until Aug. 2, with a total of over 24 first-place winners, with the likes of (just to name a few): Darrol Nelson, Tommy Campbell, Jim Foran, Gary George, Steve Wilson, Chris Danke, Doug Buhl, Bubba Warren, Dave Cowan -- the list goes on and on. By Wednesday, the "pit" in the back was full and local motels and hotels had to hang out their "no vacancy" signs. And the games began.....

Buhl/Danke Take Mixed Doubles

By noon on Wednesday, Aug. 2, we had 20 women and over 30 men signed up to play in our first-ever mixed doubles draw. The only fair way to let all the men have a chance to play was to have a hat draw and take out the first 20 to even up the field. The "excess" players had a couple of \$25 round robin draws on Board 5. On the front four boards the action began and 12 hours later (real good time, by the way), we had our 4th, 5th and 6th place winners. Two hours later, it was over, with Doug Buhl and Chris Danke emerging the victors.

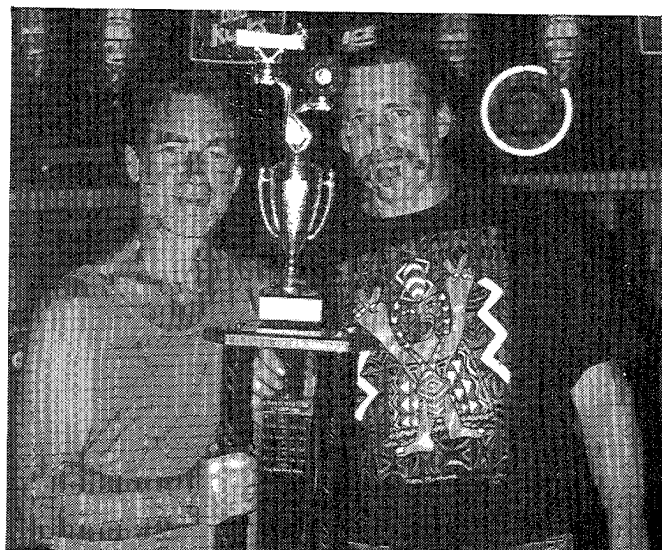


Chris Danke and Doug Buhl were winners of the first-ever mixed doubles draw at the Grand Masters Plus.

Second place team was Dan Hitt and Kim Boyd, with John Lahtala and Jeanette Henry in third. Other winners in this event were: Paul Parks and Linda Steffenson, 4th; John Hyatt and Thais Svetich, 5th; and Gary George and Jackie Anderson, 6th.

Nelson Takes Singles Title

Thursday came too soon! By 1 p.m., we had 32 singles, signed and paid, to vie for a piece of the \$8000 plus monies offered. To nobody's surprise, it was Darrol Nelson of Oregon who came out on top, with Loren Lampley of Washington in a strong second place.



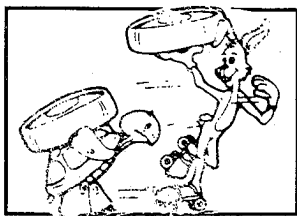
Darrol Nelson (left) takes the singles trophy, while Loren Lampley settled for a not-too-skinny second-place win.

Others in the singles winner's circle were veterans Jim Allis, 3rd; Chuck Norris, 4th; Sparky Sparkman, 5th; and Dan Hitt, 6th.

Danke/Shirley Win Draw Partner Event

The most popular Whistling Oyster event, the Friday draw, drew a field of 58 players. Taking top honors in that event were Bob Shirley and Chris Danke, but not without a very serious challenge from Darrol Nelson and newcomer

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Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views
from The World
of Shuffleboard

Alaska Subscriber Pays Tribute to his Father/Teacher

(Editor's Note: To put a paid advertisement on this page is against our "rules," but we're making an exception with this one. We had just been discussing why some shuffleboard tournament sites, which make lots of profit from those events, expect promotion of their events and coverage of their events, but don't think it's important to buy advertising space. We don't discriminate against them, but it does rankle a bit. Then, along comes a subscriber from far-away Alaska, who is willing to pay for space to pay tribute to his father. We think that's worthy of breaking the "rules." Thank you, Rusty Girdler!)

There used to be a traveling city (Peoria, Illinois) champion trophy in my father's memory. I have lived in Alaska for six years now and have no knowledge of its existence. I still get lots of action on the boards up here. Of course, I had very good teachers years ago, such as my father, Bob Perry, Joe Abraham, Stan Stevens, John Potter, not to mention many more players in Peoria.

I appreciate *The Board Talk* as it keeps me in touch with current "lower 48" activities. Hopefully, during my off-periods of work, I can make a major tournament.

Rusty Girdler, Anchorage, Alaska

Two of our very few Illinois subscribers are Bob Perry and Joe Abraham and we hope they'll let us know about that traveling city tournament in your father's memory so we can pass that information along to you.

You are our lone Alaska subscriber, Rusty, and we're excited to hear there are shuffleboard locations in your state. If you let us know the names and addresses of those locations, we'll send them a complimentary copy of this issue. They may just decide to join the national

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*Rusty Girdler
Anchorage, Alaska
Son/Shuffleboard Student*

shuffleboard network and be listed in our quarterly "Play Your Way Across the U.S.A." We know a lot of shufflers who have either visited or plan to journey your way, simply because Alaska is such a beautiful state. If they find out there are shuffleboard sites there, that would make the trip even more appealing.

We look forward to meeting you at one of those major tournaments. Who knows? It might be in Alaska!

A Word from Dick Gorman About The Hall of Fame

The Hall of Fame Committee has been formed by whatever means. The members in general appear to be properly qualified -- not to say there are not others who may also be qualified. These people have accepted the job so let's let them do their thing (there will always be detractors, but they don't always accept or volunteer for the job).

It will be difficult for the committee to thwart emotional appeals and establish proper guidelines for select-

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**Will YOU be in the winner's circle
at this year's
SKIP'S/BOARD TALK FALL BASH?**

1st Annual - 1991

Draw Partner: 15 teams

- 1st: Tom Meagher /Betty Parrish
- 2nd: Cheryl Collins/Paul Oster
- 3rd: Gordie Collins/Rob Kern

Singles: 16 entries

- 1st: Gordie Collins
- 2nd: Sonny Morgan
- 3rd: Bjerne Sunde

SCHEDULE

- Friday, Sept. 8: Round Robins
- Saturday, Sept. 9, 10 a.m.:
Sponsor Sale for both events
- Saturday, Noon sharp: Draw
Partners, \$20 per player
- Sunday, Noon sharp: Singles
\$40 per player

*Note: Depending upon number of
entries, may be mark 4, play to 15.*

*Single game, double elimination
for both events.*

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2nd Annual - 1992

Draw Partner: 25 teams

- 1st: Skip Sliwa/Frank Parrish
- 2nd: Slick Parrish/Bjerne Sunde
- 3rd: J.R. Lopez/Jerry Cooley
- 4th: Mike Kunik/Jackie Dunn

Singles: 25 entries

- 1st: Larry Creakbaum
- 2nd: Jim Podeski
- 3rd: J.R. Lopez
- 4th: John Myles

4th Annual - 1994

Draw Partner: 35 teams

- 1st: Trish Tolsdorf/Larry Huffer
- 2nd: Chris Passariello/Penny
Morgan
- 3rd: Bobby Voorhis/Chuck Marsh
- 4th: Steve Hart/John McLaren
- 5th & 6th: Chris Danke/Ziggy
Sliwa; Buddy Broka/ Walt Cannell

Singles: 30 entries

- 1st: Bjerne Sunde
- 2nd: John Myles
- 3rd: Jeff Cottrell
- 4th: Larry Huffer
- 5th/6th: J.R. Lopez & Steve Hart

3rd Annual - 1993

Draw Partner: 37 teams

- 1st: Jim Long/Norm Brown
- 2nd: Ken Gay/Jim Rodgers
- 3rd: Bert Lowe/Gene McLeod
- 4th: Chuck Marsh/Mark Holland

Singles: 24 entries

- 1st: Larry Creakbaum
- 2nd: John McDermott
- 3rd: Jim Long
- 4th: Jeff Cottrell
- 5th/6th: Steve Blue & Dave Boaz

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*See further details in
Upcoming Events on
Page 4*

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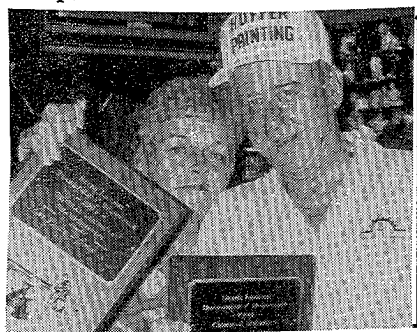
5TH ANNUAL SKIP'S/BOARD TALK FALL BASH, HOUGHTON LAKE, SEPT. 8-10

The 5th Annual Skip's/Board Talk Fall Bash has been set for Sept. 8-10 at Skip's Lounge, 8895 W. Houghton Lake Drive, Houghton Lake, Michigan (the state's vacation wonderland).

In the draw partner event which starts at noon on Saturday, pros and players rated 1 and 2 will draw from remaining registered players. \$20 per person entry fee.

On Sunday, there will be an open singles, \$40 entry. In both events, depending upon number of entries, it may be mark 4, play to 15. A change in format this year: **the sponsor sale for both events will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday. That means no late sign-ups! (Thank you, George, say bookkeeper Donna and bracketeer Rob.)**

For tournament information, call George at The Board Talk, 517-371-2538. For lodging recommendations, call Skip, 517-422-5631.



Trish Tolsdorf of Michigan and Larry Huffer of Indiana were not the top-ranked duo in last year's draw partner event, but they collected the trophies and the big cash.

Washington

BRING PARTNER EVENT AT OLD EDISON INN, SEPT. 16-17

The Old Edison Inn in Edison will host its first-ever open doubles tournament on Sept. 16-17. Entry fee will be \$50 a team and hosts Mini and Sandy will add money proportionate to the number of entries. At least four places will be paid if there are 16 or more teams.

Door prizes, a complimentary feed on Saturday, and rural Edison's country hospitality will highlight the weekend event, the last one of the summer sanctioned by the Evergreen Shuffleboard Association's "Tour."

To accommodate late-arriving travelers, the two Edison boards will be open for practice on Friday night. Tournament play gets underway following the 11 a.m. sponsor sale

on Saturday. The format is 2 out of 3 in the winner's bracket and single 17-point games in the loser's.

Some RV parking is available, with a good selection of motels in nearby Burlington and Mount Vernon. For lodging recommendations and more tournament information, call the tavern (360-766-6266) or Phil DePree (766-5301).

Tournament directors Phil and Russ (The Colonel) Miller advise that the Edison's popular draw partner event, previously held annually at this time, will be moved to January of 1996. Watch for the exact date and other details in future issues of *The Board Talk* and the E.S.A. newsletter.

5TH ANNUAL PCSA OPEN DOUBLES, SHAMROCK TAVERN, LONGVIEW, OCT. 21-22

The 5th Annual PCSA Open Doubles will be held at the Shamrock Tavern, 1131 15th St. in Longview, Washington, on Oct. 21-22. Entry fee is \$50 per team. \$10 per team will be added to the pot and the Pacific Coast Shuffleboard Association will award entries in the 1996 PCSA Extravaganza doubles in Las Vegas to the winners (Darrol Nelson and Doug Buhl for the past four years! Can anyone beat them?). Payoff will be 55-30-10-5.

The sponsor sale will start at noon on Saturday. Round robins on Friday night starting at 7 p.m. A highlight of the weekend will again be Bernice's chili.

For information, call the Shamrock, 360-577-7444.

Indiana

3RD ANNUAL BEEF'S SERIES OF FIVE OPENS OCT. 21

Building on a record of success of the previous two years, Beef's, 550 S. Main, Kendallville, Indiana, has scheduled the 3rd Annual Series of Five open doubles, with the first set for Oct. 21. In this unique shuffleboard action promotion, the first four teams to place highest in the series of five matches vie for a percentage of the \$2,000 added money to the entry pot, compliments of Playfair, Inc. and Dale Gushman. In addition to this incentive, "Poor Beef" awards winner's jackets to the first-place finishers of each of the five series, and (new this year) JoAnn and Floyd Stein of Triple Crown will be giving away a set of weights at each tournament.

Entry for each of the double elimination series is \$40 per team, with sponsor sale at 11 a.m. and play on two boards. First-place finishers take 50 percent of the pot and are awarded four points; second, 30 percent and three points;

third, 15 percent and 2 points; fourth, 5 percent and 1 point. Another new feature this year: you will receive one point for every event you participate in!

Your hosts, Beef and Marge, recommend lodging at the Economy Inn, 219-347-3500; or the Days Inn, 219-347-5263.

Please post the enclosed flyer on your refrigerator or bulletin board to remind you of the upcoming dates for this series: Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, and March 23.

In addition to the Series of Five, Beef's will host an open doubles on New Year's Eve, Dec. 30, 1995, \$40 per team entry with sale at 11 a.m., and an open singles on April 27, 1996, \$50 entry with sale at 11 a.m.

For further information, call Beef or Marge at 219-347-9965.

New York

FALL TOURNEY, SHERBURNE AMERICAN LEGION, SEPT. 8-10

The Sherburne American Legion in Sherburne, New York, will host a four-event tournament on Sept. 8-10.

Action will start with a draw partners, \$15 per person entry, on Friday night, with drawing and bidding at 6:30 p.m. If this event is not finished by 2 a.m. Saturday morning, play will stop and resume at 10 a.m.

The next event is the mixed doubles, \$20 per team, with drawing and bidding at 9 a.m. on Saturday. The bring partner, \$30 per team, will start at 1 p.m. Saturday and the open singles, \$25 per person, is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 10, with drawing and bidding at 11 a.m.

The double elimination events will be played on five boards, with no back to back play on the same boards. Open buffet for daily participants, with the kitchen open throughout the tournament.

For information, call Milt Benedict, 607-674-4571.

Maryland

HARVEY'S PLACE SETS '95-'96 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Harvey's Place in Street, Maryland (site of the 11th Annual Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion), has set its schedule of events for the 1995-96 shuffleboard year. The opener will be on Oct. 13-15.

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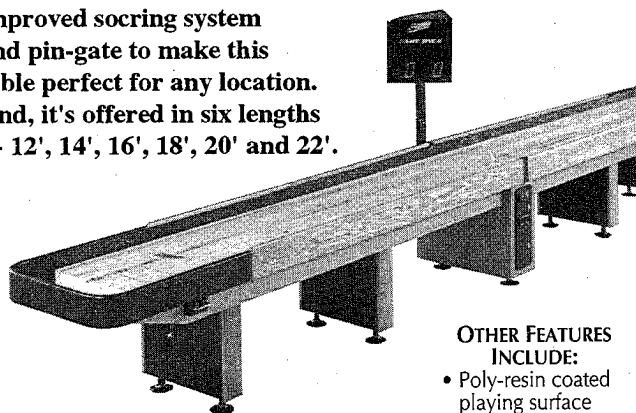
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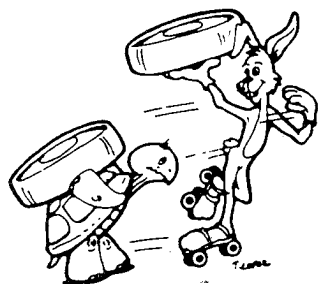


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As the Puck Turns...

By George & Donna Wilber

First, thanks to all of you for your cards, calls, prayers and notes of encouragement during our time of stress and character-building experiences. You have no idea how much that support has meant to us! Just when we felt the challenge was more than we could handle, your good wishes buoyed us up and we made it through another day -- and met another deadline.

After each issue rolls off the presses, we take time to evaluate, from a reader's viewpoint, just how valuable the information we share is to shufflers and supporters, all the time hoping that the little gremlins that creep in after the proofreader has done his and her jobs will be at a minimum. We were especially concerned about the July and August issues, during our most trying times. (One especially naughty gremlin snuck into our computer and put the wrong phone number for Skip's Lounge, site of our 5th Annual Skip's/Board Talk Fall Bash. Our apologies to those who called that wrong number. The correct number is **517-422-5631**.) While we paced the halls of hospitals these past few months and cared for a terminally-ill parent, you carried on, supplying The World of Shuffleboard with information about upcoming events and news of recent action. It made us realize that we're only the vehicle and you are the fuel that makes it run!

Others know, too, that the shuffleboard network is a wonderful source of comfort and strength. Please join us in remembering these shufflers:

Brenda Moore, who recently lost her husband Terry. Send your condolences to: Brenda Moore, 5115 Ivanhoe, San Antonio, TX 78228.

The family and friends of Bill Gibbs, Arizona shuffler who died recently from a massive heart attack at the age of 47. Send your messages to his parents, Bill and Lois, Box 2246, Camp Verde, AZ 86223; Bonnie Watson, 2531 W. Morten, Phoenix, AZ 85051 and/or Bob Lewis, 1919 W. San Miquel, Phoenix, AZ 85015

Sharon Huddleston, who recently lost her mother to heart complications. Send your sympathies to Sharon & Ron Huddleston, 6500 N. Grand #123, Oklahoma City, OK 73116.

Balboa Ron would like to clarify something he said in his tribute to the late Bob Miles in last month's issue. The Hall of Fame plaque displayed at the Rose Vista Care Center is a copy; the original is with Bob's children.

We repeat our suggestion for a good way to remember Bob: make a contribution to the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame in honor of his memory. Send to NSHF Secretary Louise Freer, 189 Barry Ave., Lansdale, PA 19446.

We welcome a new advertiser to this month's Shuffleboard Directory -- Decker Shuffleboard of Toledo, Ohio. We realize, from a reader's viewpoint, that it may be easy to scan the pages of this newsletter for news of upcoming events and results of recent tournaments and bypass the ads. We've said it before and will continue to say it: Don't take them for granted; they make it possible for us to bring you this communications vehicle every month.

We think one of our faithful advertisers, The Shuffleboard Federation, Inc., is due an editorial tip of the hat for a change in the format of their North American Championships -- along with a salute to the pros who support that change. You'll note from the enclosed flyer that the Pro/Division I Doubles event is now blended and that players who were past winners of either the pro singles or doubles at the North American Championships or the PCSA Extravaganza (also see enclosed flyer) may not be partners. That's a brave move on the part of The Federation and a real concession from the pros who have teamed up in past years to consistently take the title and consequently discourage others from challenging them.

A salute to those pros: Jim Allis, Rick Boyer, Doug Buhl, Billy Chiles, Glen Davidson, Billy Mays, John McDermott, Bill Melton, Billy Melton, Darrol Nelson, Sam Summers, Fred Thumann, David Williams, and Bobby Voorhis. Their "sacrifice" is a plus for expanding The World of Shuffleboard.

We salute all shuffleboard tournament sponsors for including a "Legends" (a nice way to describe senior citizen shufflers) event. Being in that category, we believe that's when life begins! However, we and a few others know that there are some signs that we're getting older when.....

- The gleam in your eyes is from the sun hitting your bifocals.
- You get winded playing checkers (not shuffleboard!).
- Everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt, doesn't work.
- Your children begin to look middle-aged.
- You turn out the light for economic rather than romantic reasons.

- You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.
- You look forward to a dull evening.
- Your little black book contains only names ending in M.D.
- You decide to procrastinate...but you don't get around to it.
- You feel like the night before, and you haven't been anywhere.
- Your belt won't buckle, but your knees do.
- The best part of your day is over when the alarm clock goes off.
- Your back goes out more often than you do.
- You burn the midnight oil after 9 p.m.
- The little old lady you help across the street is your wife.
- You sink your teeth into a steak....and they stay there.
- Your pacemaker makes the garage door go up.
- Your mind makes contracts your body can't keep.

We can't give credit to the author because it was a clipping saved by Donna's 92-old-old Mom, who still retains her humor despite all her problems.

Let's hear it for all the great Legends out there! May they keep on pucking for many years to come.....

G & D

National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame

Ever since the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame was officially formed in early February 1995, the board members have been begging the shuffleboard community for their input, both in person and with written invitations in the columns printed in *The Board Talk*. To date, the board's pleas for input have been largely ignored with the exception of the letters addressed to *The Board Talk* (not the NSHF Board members, as requested) from Ed Galke (6/95) and Nancy Rice (8/95), and it has occurred to me that there just might be a communications problem. Before addressing this problem, let me briefly respond to Ed and Nancy.

If the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame is to ever be an organization that is taken seriously, it must remain fair, impartial, and be reflective of the wishes and beliefs of the entire shuffleboard community. It is not an effort on the board's part to form a "good ol' boy" network." (If it were, how do I, being a female playing the game less than 5 years, fit in?)

The rules that are currently in place are a **beginning guideline** for nominations. To all shuffleboard players: please feel free to direct your suggestions for better guidelines to the board and we will be glad to consider them and possibly vote them into the by-laws. Also, as George and Donna noted after Nancy's letter in the August 1995 issue, if you would like to nominate a player into the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame, all you have to do is gather a petition with at least 20 names on it, provide a history of the player's career (of course, the more detailed, the better), and list the reason(s) you feel this person should be nominated. I know this may sound like a lot of work, but the history and the reason for the nomination in particular are particularly important. The board has anticipated the time in which a nominated player, though worthy of the nomination, may not be especially well-known. In addition, one of the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame's goals is to be responsible for the collection and archiving of shuffleboard information.

The "at least 20 names" rule should provide at least an indication that the person nominated is, indeed, well thought of and deserving of the honor of being nominated. To that effect, self-nominations are not usually as well-regarded as those that originate from a person's admiring peers. And while there is considerable honor

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J & C's First on the Fourth a Long Weekend!

J & C's on the corner of 66th and Lansdowne Ave., in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, hosted a 5-day 4th of July tournament. After the bidding was done and the exhausted players on their way home, over \$4,000 in prize monies and added money was paid out.

On Friday night, June 30, a mixed draw partner event started the weekend on the two in-house boards. At 2 a.m., the winners were finally able to collect their winnings as Mike Kennedy and Rita Yank outlasted the field to take first place honors. Second place went to Louise Freer and Butch Kelly, with Keith Lazos and Diane Dale taking the third spot.

By noon on Saturday, July 1, the shooters were back and ready for the open bring partners. This field was held down as the "B" bring partners was scheduled for the next day. The "B" shooters did not wish to lose their rating before that tournament so they came to cheer their favorite. When the smoke cleared at 8 p.m. that night, Mike Kennedy once again found himself in the winner's circle with Jim Yank Sr. Second place honors went to the team of Jim Yank Jr. and Ed Malano. Third place was taken by Nick Coop and Ed Hammon.

Sunday is called the "Day of Rest," and that is exactly what the "A" shooters did -- resting on the bar stools and cheering the "B" shooters, who were ready to strut their stuff. When the final weights stopped moving, John Hummel and Ben Evens Jr. walked away with the first place cash. Ron Ness and Aimee Clark, first time tourney participants, came in second, with Nick Coop and Chris Stilwell (another first-timer) taking the last money spot.

Monday, the 3rd, was a work day for some people. Time was a factor, so the schedule called for an open draw partner event without a sponsor sale. Once again, the shufflers shot late into the night with John Hummel and Louise Freer taking all the prize money. With the Orfanelli family adding some cash, Ed Hammon and Jim Yank Sr. at least doubled their money for taking second place.

On Tuesday, the 4th of July, the outside fireworks were not the only ones scheduled for the City of Brotherly Love. The singles event was a tough field and the incentive of added money started the action to heat up early. Most of the favorites hit the loser's bracket in the opening round and it looked to be anyone's tournament. By the time the city's skyline started lighting up, the boards at J & C's were doing the same. When it was all over, Jim Yank Sr. had come all the way through the loser's bracket to take first place. Steve (Ski) Lacinski took second place and Jim Wolf picked up the remaining cash for third place.

Tournament director Jim Yank Sr. thanks the Orfanellis once again, especially Joe Sr. and wife Carol for all they did for the shooters over the long weekend. Joe Jr., also

doing his share, helped to maintain the boards and keep the wax cans filled.

"To the three people who kept the tournament running as smoothly as possible, thank you, Louise Freer, Jimmy Jr. and Rita Yank for helping to make it a success," said Jim.

Philadelphia area shufflers send their best wishes for a speedy recovery to Ben Evans Jr., who was in a serious auto accident over the 4th of July weekend. All of his friends and fellow shufflers hope he continues his recovery.

Whoops! Winners at "Reunion" Missed -- but Not Forgotten!

Some winners at the 11th Board Talk Shufflers' Reunion/Mickey Mickens Memorial Tournament at Harvey's Place in Street, Maryland, were inadvertently left out of the report in the July issue. When a short sign-up for the draft team scheduled for Friday forced cancellation of that event, it was replaced with two A-B draw partner tournaments.

The winners of the first event were Glen Davidson of Oklahoma and Jim Wolf of Pennsylvania. Wendy Davis of Delaware and Arlow Johnson of New York finished second, with Blaine Douglas of Maryland and "Ski" Lacinski of Pennsylvania in third. Judy Gartland of Pa. and her partner finished fourth.

Arlow Johnson and Rick Greidner took top spot in the second event, with Judy Gartland and "Ski" taking second place honors. Penny Cottrell of Michigan and Lindsay Hall of Maryland took third, with Jeff Cottrell of Michigan and Joe Tomchik of New Jersey in fourth place.

Our sincere apologies for this oversight.

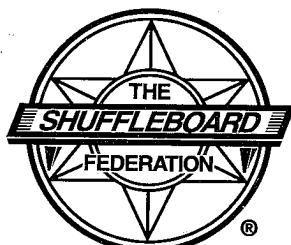
Gold Nugget Hosts Cookout

For those "unfortunates" who could not attend the Southwest Open in Del City, Oklahoma, over the 4th of July weekend, the new owner of the Gold Nugget Club in Arlington, Texas, Tom Johnson, hosted an "alternative."

And a fun alternative it was, with Tom charcoaling 170 pounds of steak, brisket and burgers and hosting a long weekend of round robins.

The big one with the sponsor sale was won by J.D. Sweet and Bobby Williams, with second place going to Keith Finley and Harold Carter.

"One of our favorite people -- Lisa Taylor of California -- was here attending flight school and was able to play in some \$20 robins and she won two of them," reports Bobby Williams.



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Here's all the latest information for the 1995 **NORTH AMERICAN SHUFFLEBOARD CHAMPIONSHIPS**.

Please note that several small changes have been made in the enclosed flyer. Look at the date which appears in the bottom right corner of each page to find out if you have the most current information. The date on the final flyer is 08/01/95.

We are grateful for the fact that there will be so many first-time participants at this year's tournament. All indications are that this will be by far the biggest turnout ever at one of our tournaments. This brings a sigh of relief because anything short of that would probably have meant an end to the **NORTH AMERICAN SHUFFLEBOARD CHAMPIONSHIPS**.

Our sponsor, the Sands Regency Hotel & Casino, has bent over backwards to support this tournament, providing a first-class facility in all respects. They have also added more than \$30,000 to the prize money in the last four years, and are contributing at least \$6,000 to the 1995 tournament. That total can go as high as \$13,000, depending on the turnout.

In addition to that, they don't care how you get there. If you can find a package that includes room and airfare -- which is certainly the least expensive way you can make the trip -- that is just fine with them and us. We just want you to come. The Sands Regency has 1,000 deluxe rooms in three towers, so there is no need to worry about what kind of room you will get. The price is very reasonable, only \$44.69, including tax. To make reservations, call the Sands Regency direct at 1-800-648-3553 and tell them you are with group number SHU1029.

If you are coming to this tournament for the first time, you will be pleased to see that bracketing and scheduling run like clock work, thanks to our long-time bracket man, Rob Kern, with the help of several full-time officials/board waxers.

There are two major format changes -- in the **AMATEUR TEAM EVENT** and the **PRO/DIVISION I DOUBLES**. We are very excited about both of them and believe that the result will be substantially bigger events in both cases.

In a move that puts an end to all the stress that went with trying to rate players for the team event, we have gone to a draft style format. This method gives every team a chance to win, which has always been one of our goals. It also results in much bigger pots. The Sands will add money to this event based on the number of teams. The breakdown is as follows: less than 24 teams -- none; 24 to 27 teams, \$4,000; 28 to 31 teams, \$5,500; 32 teams, \$7,000.

The other major format change combines the Division I and Pro Doubles. There are several reasons for this. Instead of two medium size events, there will be one big one. The Division I players who have wanted a 2 out of 3 format will get one for this event, and still be finished in time to play in the Amateur Team Event, if they so desire.

We would have not made this change unless we felt it could be done in such a way that a substantial number of Division I players would have a legitimate chance to win. After considering a number of different ideas, we came to a decision that we hoped the players would be as excited about as we were. The response has been overwhelmingly positive.

Under the new format, players who are winners of the pro singles or doubles at the **NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS** or the P.C.S.A. Extravanzas can not be partners. Those players are: Jim Allis, Rick Boyer, Doug Buhl, Billy Chiles, Glen Davidson, Billy Mays, John McDermott, Bill Melton, Billy Melton, Darrol Nelson, Sam Summers, Fred Thumann, David Williams, and Bobby Voorhis. We would like to thank the many pros who have personally offered their support for this idea. It could not have worked without you.

As a result of this change, the Pro/Division I Doubles should become a huge, highly-competitive event -- both in terms of the number of teams and the prize money. Anytime that you have 10-15 teams with a solid chance to win instead of 2 or 3, a much bigger and better event is inevitable.

If you're thinking about coming to Reno, but have not yet made your reservations, why not do it today? There are still many fantastic room and airfare packages available through several of the major airline companies. Hope to see you there. Thank you in advance for your support!

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ion to the Hall of Fame. A proper physical edifice will be more of a problem and could be the undoing of it all. I believe that it is important that the committee limit themselves to The Hall of Fame only -- and not try to appease by branching out to other areas of recognition or authority -- so as not to dilute their efforts or credibility. Time factor and contribution are already becoming controversial -- 25 years or 20 years, local, regional or national participation. We all are aware that written records of shuffleboard results and history are at a minimum sketchy. The Baseball Hall of Fame is now going through the throes of former restrictions, i.e., non-recognition of former black baseball players. This example is meant to be a caution that is worth thinking about -- any hard, fast rule may have repercussions later.

Financing is going to be difficult. Hopefully, it can be raised on a volunteer basis and not a charge basis, i.e., \$10 per tournament, \$1 per player. That is not much, but it should be donated on a desire basis -- not mandatory; that always causes controversy.

I give my full support to the present committee with the wish that all individuals correspond with them about their personal ideas. Let the committee have the time to design a program and announce their findings and results. Let us not confuse the issue with debates about what should or should not be until they announce their results.

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In the meantime, I am sure they are financially responsible and they are going to need some funds. I hope they can somehow come up with a projection of how much they need to get through the first year and how far they expect to get. With that knowledge, hopefully shared through *The Board Talk*, we shufflers can help them raise the needed funds.

I am ready to help. Go Glen, Bob, Louise, Larry and Jim!

Dick Gorman, Wilmington, Delaware

You have raised some very constructive points, Dick, and we're sure the committee will take them under consideration. We hope others will follow your suit and share their ideas for this awesome project. (Please, readers, respond to Secretary Louise Freer's plea for input in the NSHF column on Page 7). We've thought a lot about that "physical edifice" and that's going to be a real challenge -- not just for the committee, but for all of us who have an interest in the Hall of Fame. In a recent phone call with Al Stewart, he indicated he has some items that should be on display; we also have some in our files. There certainly must be others who have artifacts that would be appropriate for a physical Hall of Fame and would gladly donate those items for the enjoyment of others in The World of Shuffleboard. At this point, there's no place to put these historical items. Chief Financial Officer Bob Hunt is a very talented C.P.A. and he probably knows about the feasibility of shufflers willing a portion of their estates to The National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame for the specific purpose of purchasing a site and building a "home" for the NSHF. While we're waiting for that dream to come true, what would be wrong with various locations "bidding" for selection as a temporary home? Something to think about.....

Dick did not want his support of the Hall of Fame caught up with subjects of disagreement, so watch next month's issue for his response to Ed Galke's viewpoints on cranking the boards, rating players, demise of leagues, draw partner events, etc. (June 1995 edition).

Hal Perry Shares a True "Pee Wee" Story

Nick Chaffin and I were headed to San Jose to play Pee Wee Ramos and Mickey Gomez some doubles. Nick had never seen Pee Wee, so I explained the best way to stay out of trouble playing him.

After we had been playing a couple hours, Nick strolled down the board and had this to say: "Hal, I'm not sure I'm ready to play this Pee Wee. Right now I have my

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and prestige in being nominated for induction by others, to my knowledge there is currently nothing in the by-laws that expressly prohibits self-nomination.

In regard to the communication problem, it has been suggested to me that the shuffleboard community may be wary of expressing their opinions directly to the NSHF Board because they feel that their suggestions may be ignored or "buried" if they are sent directly to them rather than the very public forum of *The Board Talk*.

If this is the cause of anyone's hesitation to let us know what they think, rest assured that every bit of input, both large and small, will be seriously considered by the entire board. As secretary, it is my duty to share all such input with the other board members so that they can give it their full consideration. And, according to the by-laws of the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame, the board members are obligated to meet on a periodic basis -- currently a minimum of one time per year -- to discuss all issues pertaining to the NSHF (of course, to date it looks like it will be a very fast meeting). In short, **we want and we need** input from the players in the shuffleboard community. Here's a case when an individual CAN make a difference!

In addition, if you don't feel like taking the time to write your thoughts down, how about calling and leaving your opinion on my answering machine? I will write it down and pass it along to the other board members for their consideration at our next meeting. Once I receive some input, I will periodically inform the shuffleboard community of suggestions offered to the board using column space in *The Board Talk*.

If perhaps you wanted to share your thoughts with one of the board members other than the secretary, please feel free to contact them. The board members are as follows: Larry Creakbaum (244 Spring Court, Indianapolis, IN 46224), Glen Davidson (9021 Moon St., Midwest City, OK 73141), Jim Foran (4025 McKinley Ave., Tacoma, WA 98404), Louise Freer (189 Barry Ave., Lansdale, PA 19446), Bob Hunt (1400 S St. #201, Sacramento, CA 95814), and Hal Perry (942 Dondra, Sacramento, CA 95838).

As a further note of interest in regard to input, to my knowledge, Buddy Brammer, Harvey Comer and several others from Maryland/Delaware, as well as Mike Kennedy and Jim Yank Sr. of Pennsylvania are the only groups of people that have come forth offering their time and input in forming state or regional committees. Bravo! to these caring people who aren't going to wait around for someone else to do the job for them.

By getting involved in the formation of a regional or state committee, there's an excellent opportunity for those who consider themselves "average players" or those who

have followed the development of the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame "with great interest," to further that development and, ultimately, the game of shuffleboard, too.

Of course, we can never mention enough that there have been quite a few generous individuals who have contributed financially to the further development of the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. In addition, two businesses, *The Board Talk* and Playfair Shuffleboard Company, have also made generous contributions to the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. Needless to say, however, there is a long way to go until the Hall of Fame has the financial resources to officially recognize those players inducted. Thanks to all of you for your contributions, but also for your foresight and caring -- and for doing something that you believe in.

In closing, the future of the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame is a dream to make a reality for the **entire** shuffleboard community, not just the handful of people who sit on its board. Get involved in your own future!

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(Details in Upcoming Events and Enclosed Flyer)

American Legion

Post 424

202 S. Main St., Bourbon, Indiana

1995 Calendar of Shuffleboard Events

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 1-4

Labor Day Weekend Tourney
The Dixie Belle
Downey, California

Sept. 1-4

7th Annual Labor Day Tourney
Full House
Wynnewood, Oklahoma

Sept. 1-4

Labor Day Singles/Doubles
Avon's Local 14
Toledo, Ohio

Sept. 8-10

5th Annual Skip's/Board Talk
Fall Tournament
Skip's Lounge
Houghton Lake, Michigan

Sept. 8-10

Fall Tournament
American Legion
Sherburne, New York

Sept. 16

1st Annual Pre-Bourbon
Warm-Up Doubles
Monty's Bar
Chesterfield, Indiana

Sept. 16-17

Bring Partner Tournament
Old Edison Inn
Edison, Washington

Sept. 16

2nd Annual Doubles Shoot-Out
Etna Pub
Etna, Indiana

Sept. 16-17

1st Annual Open Doubles
Old Edison Inn
Edison, Washington

Sept. 22-24

ABC 3-Person Draw
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

Sept. 22-23

A-B-C Draw
Amato's
Huntington Beach, California

Sept. 30

1st Annual Pre-Bourbon
Warm-Up Doubles
Chances "R"
Muncie, Indiana

Sept. 30-Oct. 1

Mixed Doubles
Fir Cone Tavern
Shelton, Washington

OCTOBER

Oct. 7

28th Annual Fall Doubles
American Legion Post 424
Bourbon, Indiana

Oct. 7-8

Octoberfest Doubles Tourney
Corner Tavern
Bow, Washington

Oct. 7-9

Columbus Day Tournament
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

Oct. 13-14

Three-Event Tournament
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

Oct. 14-15

Mixed Doubles Bring Partner
Balloon Inn
Arvada, Colorado

Oct. 21

1st in Series of Five
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

Oct. 21

"Best of Philly" Series
Bring Partner Event #5
Philadelphia Area

Oct. 21-22

Ladies' Singles/Draw Partner
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

Oct. 21-22

PCSA Open Doubles
Shamrock Tavern
Longview, Washington

Oct. 28-29

2nd Annual Draw Partner
Sportsman Tavern
Stanwood, Washington

NOVEMBER

Oct. 30-Nov. 5

North American Champion-
ships
Sands Regency
Reno, Nevada

Nov. 4

Open Doubles
Sportsman's Lounge
Muncie, Indiana

Nov. 11

Bourbon Singles Championships
American Legion Post 424
Bourbon, Indiana

Nov. 18

2nd in Series of Five
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

Nov. 23-26

11th Annual Thanks Classic
Gold Nugget Club
Arlington, Texas

Nov. 24-26

10th Annual State of Michi-
gan Championships
Wetlands Bar & Grill
Royal Oak, Michigan

Nov. 25-26

55 & Over Draw Partners
Shamrock
Longview, Washington

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1995-96 Calendar of Shuffleboard Events

Nov. 24-26

Doubles Tournament
BZ's Sports Bar
Seattle, Washington

Nov. 24-26

1st Annual State of Florida
Championships
Our Place and Sam's Place
Titusville, Florida

Nov. 24-26

7th Annual State of Indiana
Championships
Chances R
Muncie, Indiana

DECEMBER

Dec. 1-3

Three-Event Tournament
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

Dec. 9

"Best of Philly" Series
Singles Event
Philadelphia Area

Dec. 16-17

6th Annual Santa Classic
Open Doubles
Balloon Inn
Arvada, Colorado

Dec. 30

Open Doubles
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

Dec. 31-Jan. 2

New Year's Extravaganza
Winnipeg Hotel
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

JANUARY, 1996

Jan. 6

Winter Bourbon Tourney
American Legion Post 424
Bourbon, Indiana

Jan. 20

Third in Series of Five
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

FEBRUARY

Jan. 30-Feb. 4

PCSA Extravaganza VIII
Aladdin Hotel/Casino
Las Vegas, Nevada

Feb. 17

Fourth in Series of Five
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

Feb. 24

Open Doubles
Sportsman's Lounge
Muncie, Indiana

MARCH

March 2-4

Three-Event Tournament
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

March 23

Fifth in the Series of Five
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

APRIL

April 12-14

Three-Event Tournament
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

April 27

Open Singles
Beef's
Kendallville, Indiana

MAY

May 11

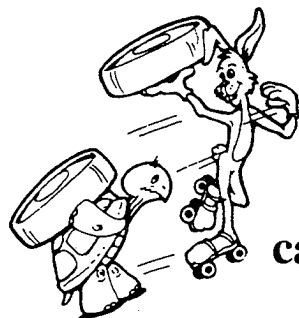
Open Doubles
Sportsman's Lounge
Muncie, Indiana

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Freer/White Tops at Sherburne Bring Partner

The American Legion in Sherburne, New York, hosted a one-day bring partner event on Aug. 12. As usual at this popular site, director Milt Benedict, wife Betty and daughter Debbie ran an efficient, enjoyable tournament.

Action started on Friday night with round robins, and the big winner was Rita Traux from Sherburne, who played very strongly to win both rounds, one with Marv Smith from Waterloo, and one with Steve Bennett of Sherburne.



Rita Traux, shown here with husband Fred (right) and Dale Law, shared first-place winnings in both round robins.

Saturday's bring partner event was not widely-advertised, but the 11 teams entered competed for a pot of almost \$2,000. In addition, the tournament players' entry fees entitled them to enjoy (for free) the chicken barbecue the Legion was also hosting that day.

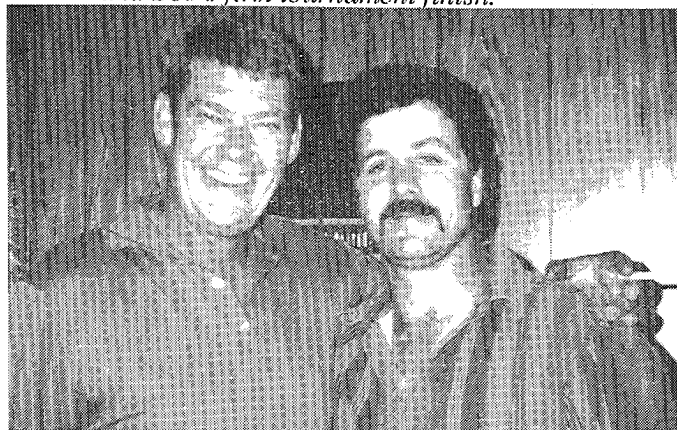
In the end, it was Bob White from Sherburne and Louise Freer of Lansdale, Pennsylvania, who prevailed, taking first place and the healthiest portion of the prize money.

Bob White and Louise Freer were winners of the bring partner event at the Sherburne American Legion. This was Bob's fourth consecutive win at this location.

(Editor's Note: Be sure to read Louise's column on Page 7.)

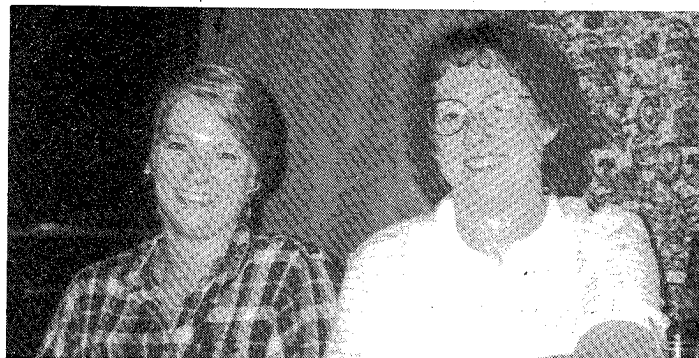


Brian Lounsbury (left) and Bob Brooks, both of Sherburne, finished second after Brian lagged a surprise 4 to win the loser's bracket game, 15-14. This was Brian's and Bob's first tournament finish.



That left tournament director Milt Benedict (left) and partner Steve Bennett in third place in the single game, double elimination event.

"The payoff at Sherburne tournaments is generally three places for less than 16 teams, and then no more than one in four for 16 to 32 teams," said Milt. "The reasoning behind this payoff schedule is that, in addition to pleasing most of the participating players on the East Coast, it agrees with the most recently published Shuffleboard Federation rules, and is also the generally accepted payoff method in most areas of the country. Then, too, it makes it worthwhile for players from other parts of the country to travel to participate in the tournaments."



Helping Milt with Sherburne tournaments are Debbie, who runs the brackets, and Betty, who handles the food.

The next event at the Sherburne American Legion is Sept. 8-10 (see details in Upcoming Events on Page 5) and Milt reports that it looks to be one of the biggest tournaments on the East Coast this year.

Diana Hagen Wins Texas Open Qualifier at Time Out #2

Time Out #2 Sports Bar in Houston held a Texas Open qualifying tournament on July 22. This was a handicap singles with Diana Hagen winning first place, and Sam Lucas taking second. Newcomer Troy Thornton came in third, with Mary Koteras finishing fourth. The players' handicap was based on the Ron Bowers handicap system used in the Texas Open. The first and second place winners have their spots reserved and their entry fee paid in the respective Texas Open singles division. Third and fourth place winners are on hold in the event the first and second place winners are unable to play in the Texas Open.



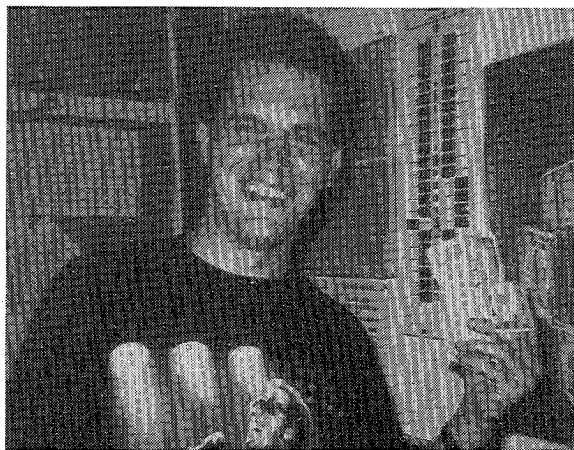
Diana Hagen flashes a winning smile after earning top honors in the Texas Open qualifier at Time Out #2 Sports Bar.



Sam Lucas took second place and earned himself a spot in the Texas Open, scheduled at the Texas Mist in Austin over the Labor Day weekend.

"Diana certainly earned this one the hard way, coming from behind in every game she played," reports Ken Strong. "She was undefeated until Sam, coming out of the loser's bracket, took the first game. Then, in the final game, Diana, after falling behind 6-0 and trailing 14-11, eked out a 15-14 win by scoring four points without the hammer in the final frame. 'Unbelievable!' said Randy Flucker, owner-manager of Time Out #2, and remembering when she beat Billy Mays in one of the other tournaments we put on asked: 'Does she always win your tournaments, Doc?' My response: 'Yes, that's how she makes her house payments.'"

Randy purchased three Texas Open sponsor shirts and awarded two of them to the first and second place winners. "On behalf of the players and the Texas Open officials, I would like to thank Randy and his staff -- Marilyn, Eddie and Angel -- for graciously hosting the tournament and for their support of the Texas Open," said Ken.



A newcomer to the tournament scene, Troy Thornton, took third place in this qualifier.

Royal/Brown Winners at Sportsman's Lounge

Fifteen teams competed for a purse of \$1600 at a double elimination tournament at the Sportsman's Lounge in Muncie, Indiana, on Aug. 5. Rick Royal and Bobby Brown took top honors, with Willis Matthews and Steve Schyler in second place. Larry Vance and Bobby Schounce finished third, and Larry Creakbaum and Steve Blue took fourth.

Upcoming tournaments at the Sportsman's Lounge, which has two boards, include double elimination events on Nov. 4, Feb. 24, and May 11. Use your Calendar of Events each month as a reminder.

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Upcoming Events *(continued from Page 5)*

Each of the tournaments will include a draw partner on Friday nights, with drawings at 6:30 p.m., \$12 per person entry; a bring partner on Saturdays, with drawings at 1 p.m., \$30 entry fee; and a "second chance" amateur draw on Sundays, drawing at noon, \$12 per person entry.

The remaining tournaments are scheduled for Dec. 1-3, March 2-4, and April 12-14. Post the enclosed flyer and check the Calendar of Events as reminders of these fun-filled weekends at Harvey's Place, which offers six available boards, good food, and friendly competition.

For further information, contact Harvey at 410-836-8881, or Dick Gorman at 302-994-0004.

Indiana

TWO BOURBON "WARM-UPS" -- MONTY'S, SEPT. 16, CHANCES R, SEPT. 30

Two 1st Annual Pre-Bourbon Warm-ups have been scheduled in Indiana. The first is at Monty's Bar, 28 W. Main St. in Chesterfield on Sept. 16 and the second will be hosted by Chances R, 3421 S. Walnut St. in Muncie on Sept. 30. Both events will be a doubles, \$40 per team,

32 team limit, single game, double elimination, with sponsor sales set for 11 a.m.

Don't miss these opportunities to get warmed up for the big Bourbon Fall Doubles on Oct. 7 (see details below). For further information, contact Steve Hart, 317-683-9603.

28TH ANNUAL FALL TOURNAMENT, BOURBON, OCT. 7

One of the most exciting (and certainly long-lasting) shuffleboard events in the Midwest is "on deck" -- the 28th Annual Fall Doubles at the American Legion Post 424 in Bourbon, Indiana, on Oct. 7. In recent years, it has attracted the top players from throughout the U.S.A. and this year will be no exception, so get your entries in now! It's limited to the first 64 PAID entries, and those (with money) must be in by Sept. 29. Entry fee of \$50 per team should be sent to the American Legion Post 424, Att.: Fritz Broka (make your checks payable to Fritz), 202 S. Main St., Bourbon, IN 46504. You may pay for a spot without a partner, but must call Fritz (219-858-2689) before Sept. 29 and declare who your partner is -- or lose your spot. No entries will be refunded after that date!

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Frisco Eddie's Revenge: The Return

A series by Balboa Ron Schweikert

(In last month's episode, after Frisco Eddie beat the Texas Kid in a 3 out of 5 'one-shot-deal' for \$10,000, Dollar Dan was determined that Lil and Eddie would not leave with the cash.)

Eddie didn't know what the next move would be. The Ape-Man had blocked his exit out of the front door of the Horses Head Saloon. His first inclination was to try and "cold-cock" the giant, but he knew that if that didn't put him down, he would turn into a hockey puck real quick.

Lil was in a similar predicament, as Dollar Dan had placed his hand over the \$10,000 stake. The two were still staring each other down when the Money Man made his proposition: "Here's how this is going to work, Lil. You pick up your purse there and head for the front door, and then you and your hustler partner can walk right on out of here without anyone getting busted up. Of course, the \$10,000 will stay right here in my hand. I'll guarantee you won't like any other option, lady, so I suggest that you and your purse just disappear, O.K.?"

Lil maintained eye contact as she made a move for her purse. Dollar Dan started to smirk, but then almost as quickly got a look for surprise on his face. Lil's hand reached her purse all right, but instead of picking it up, she spread the already opened top and placed her hand inside.

Lil had a very threatening look on her face now. She partly lowered the left side of the purse and showed Dollar Dan something he really didn't expect to see. Lil revealed a very shiny nickel-plated, two-barrel, single-shot 357 Magnum Deringer. After she got his attention, she responded to his threats: "I've listened to what you've said, Dan. Now, you listen to me. Three things are going to happen here. One, you're going to shove that \$10,000 right over to me. Second, you're gonna signal that 'Cave Man' to back way off; and third, the stake, my partner, and Yours Truly are walking out of here and no one will follow. If what I've just said doesn't happen RIGHT NOW, my friend, the first round is going to take about half of your face off. The second round will stay in the chamber 'cause when I'm through with you, that Ape bastard is going to crap his pants at the same time he's trying to get out the front door."

The Money Man had fear written all over his face. He very gently shoved the money over to Lil. She reached over with her left hand and placed it in the purse. She motioned for him to take care of the Ape Man. He turned and signaled him to get out of the way and allow Lil and Eddie to pass. Ape Man didn't hesitate and moved backward, well out of range.

Lil and Eddie passed by the Texas Kid on the way out. He said: "Hey, I really didn't know that this was going to...." Lil cut him off and said: "Don't bother, Kid. You lost on the board, but you're really gonna lose when Dan and that Ape finish up on you. Too bad, Kid -- you used to be straight."

They continued walking backward to the door. They moved quickly once they were outside. Eddie got the engine started, while Lil dove into the front passenger's seat. Everyone inside the Horses Head stayed inside until they heard the car peel out of the parking area. Then Dollar Dan hollered out: "Get out there and see which way they went and get the car started!"

The Ape Man stuck his head out of the front door first, just to make sure they were gone, and then rushed out to get their Jaguar going. He saw which way they were headed.

After the pursuit started, Dollar Dan got on the car phone and began to alert some of his other flunkies. They also had a lot of firepower, and the Money Man wasn't about to be beaten by this woman called Long Beach Lil.

Eddie drove as fast as he thought he could get away with. He zigzagged through the side streets, heading in the general direction of their motel. His adrenalin level was about peaked out and he knew he had just gotten out of the biggest jam of his life....or so he thought, anyway.

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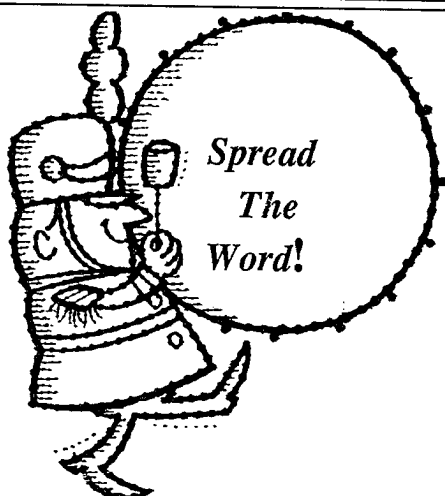
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It will be a single game double elimination event, first available board with no back-to-back games on the same board. The American Legion, which has five in-house boards, will open at noon on Thursday, Oct. 5, and at 8 a.m. on Friday. There will be \$20 draw partners on Friday with sign-up at 1 p.m. All tournament entries will have a chance to win one of Fritz's custom weight cases.

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Oklahoma

COLUMBUS DAY TOURNEY AT DEL CITY AMERICAN LEGION, OCT. 7-9

The American Legion Post 73, 5000 S.E. 24th, Del City, site of the popular Southwest Open, will host a Columbus Day Tournament on Oct. 7-9.

Action will start on Friday night, 7:30 p.m., with an open draw, \$25 per person entry. On Saturday at 5 p.m. (or as soon as possible), there will be a bring partner event, \$50 per team. In this event, the higher handicapped teams will start with an 80% spot of the handicap difference. Both events are single game, double elimination.

The American Legion has six boards and a 5-acre park for RVs and tenters. Other lodging suggestions are the Comfort Inn, 405-733-1339; Holiday Inn Holidome, 405-737-4481; Motel 6, 405-737-8851 or 737-6676.

For information, call Ron Huddleston, 405-843-1615. Please post the enclosed flyer in your favorite shuffleboard establishment.

California

A-B-C DRAW AT AMATO'S, HUNTINGTON BEACH, SEPT. 22-23

Amato's, 18862 Beach Blvd., Huntington Beach, will host an A-B-C three-person team event on Sept. 22-23. The entry fee is \$25 per person and the sponsor sale will start on Friday at 8 p.m. with play immediately following. A buffet will be served on Saturday.

Questions? Call 714-536-0172 or 714-531-4423.

Texas

THANKSGIVING CLASSIC, GOLD NUGGET, ARLING- TON, NOV. 23-26

The Gold Nugget Club, 2602 W. Division, Arlington, will host its 11th Annual Thanksgiving Classic on Nov. 23-26. Action on nine boards will start with previous weekend round robins and continue until Thanksgiving dinner is served on Thursday at 2 p.m.

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hands full with this guy Lenard."

Lenard "Pee Wee" Ramos was a great shuffleboard player and one of the early leaders of the game (author of the widely-accepted Ramos Rules). He came from the days of the 20-30 hour money games. The tournaments in the early days were just a way to get everybody together to play their money matches (I won my first big tournament with Pee Wee, beating Billy Mays and Tommy Gavin.) There was a handful of people in the country who could stand up to the dreaded road players and, believe me, Pee Wee was one of them. No one worked harder and no one played harder. He was the smartest player and had the best right hand I ever saw. And when the game was on the line, he could get out as well as anyone.

This old friend belongs in the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

A Friend and Admirer, Hal Perry, Sacramento, Calif.

We are pleased that you have met the NSHF criteria of 20 signatures on a petition for induction of Pee Wee to the Hall of Fame and assume the board will give your nomination serious consideration. He certainly appears to be a worthy candidate. (See NSHF column on Page 7.) Thanks for sharing your true story, Hal. We are sure others have similar tales about this legendary figure and we'd be happy to share them as well.

So Long, Bill Gibbs.....

Arizona shuffleboard suffered a major loss on the evening of July 26, when William "Bill" Gibbs passed away. Bill experienced heart problems while driving and died almost immediately. He had just finished dinner and was on his way to meet friends and play some board.

Services were held Monday, July 31, at A.L. Moore Memory Chapel and he was laid to rest in Greenwood Memory Lawn Cemetery.

Bill gained nationwide recognition for his playing ability and style. He and Bill Thomas recently finished second in the Arizona Spring Tournament. Bill was a fearless competitor, a gracious loser, and a better winner. His strategies helped improve Arizona shuffleboard at all levels of play.

Bill liked gambling, good food, and playing shuffleboard, but most of all, he enjoyed his friends. So long, Bill, your friends will miss you.

Al Salazar, Glendale, Arizona

We received word of Bill's untimely death from John McDermott and immediately called Bob Lewis, one of

Bill's long-time close friends, for information to share with our readers (see As the Puck Turns on Page 6). We feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to meet Bill. Thanks for your tribute, Al.

More on the Hall of Fame From Chairman Glen Davidson

For the benefit of those who are interested in the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame, I will continue to talk about our Board of Directors.

Jim Foran from the state of Washington was picked to serve because if you mention shuffleboard in that area, his name is always there. Jim has served the shuffleboard community for as long as I can recall. I met Jim in the '70s in Washington and even then they all knew him as a great player, promoter and director. He is the guy they call on when they need someone to help run or direct a tournament. He will also know if there is a person(s) in his area that belongs in the Hall of Fame. I think if you will read some of the past *Board Talks*, Jim's name is there quite often.

A couple of years back, all of the players in that area got together and had a surprise party for Jim. He ended up with a gold chain with a shuffleboard emblem on it. He was very surprised and very humbled.

If any of you out there have a story about Earl Kelly or Mickey Mickens, send it to me or Louise Freer. My address is 9021 Moon St., Midwest City, OK 73181.

I'm still waiting for the video of Mickey Mickens to put a film together. Come on Philadelphia -- Jim Yank, Mike Kennedy...Get me that film. O.K.?

Next month, we'll feature the "Red Baron" of Indiana. Don't miss this exciting chapter in the history of shuffleboard.

Glen Davidson, Midwest City, Oklahoma
Chairman, National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame

We're enjoying your "profiles" of the NSHF Board, Glen, and we're sure our readers are, too. It should make them feel confident that they are represented by some very qualified people.

Doc Enrolls Another Location in the National Network

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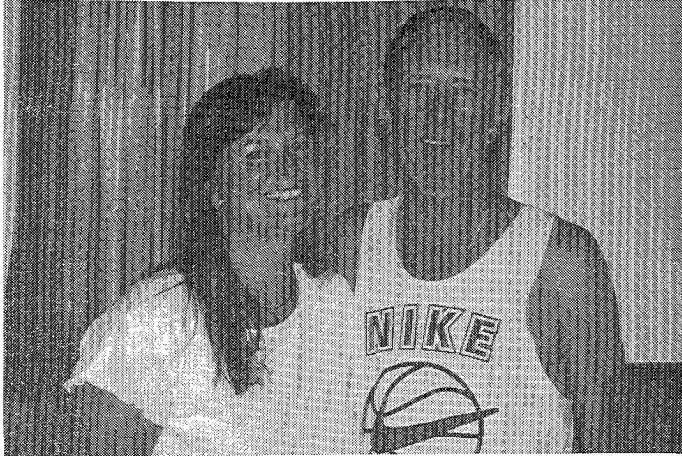
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Grand Masters Plus *(cont. from Page 1)*

to the game, Sharon McDonnel. Third place went to Fred Johns and John Luhtala of Washington. Fourth place went to Steve Perry of California and Bill Holly from Oregon. Dave Cowan of Colorado and Kevin Larkin of Washington finished fifth, with Rick Gindt and Chuck Norris in sixth place.



Once again in the winner's circle was Chris Danke, this time with draw partner Bob Shirley.

Nelson/Hitt Take Grand Masters Crown

Showtime -- with 52 players teamed up for the Grand Masters to try for a piece of the almost \$10,000 pot -- and Washington and Oregon dominated this event. Making it 5 out of 6, Darrol Nelson teamed up with Dan Hitt of Washington to take the crown.



Dan Hitt (left) and Darrol Nelson were winners of the 1995 Grand Masters. This made it 5 out of 6 for Darrol!

Danny McKinnon and Chris Danke came in with a strong second place (Chris collared two 1st places and one 2nd -- not bad for a 4-event tournament). Carl Rousch and Jeff Adams of Washington finished third. Fourth place went to Jim Foran and Rick Gindt, both of Tacoma. Fifth place went to Larry Pearson and Bob Jacobsen, also of Washington, with sixth going to Don Stallsworth and Desi Guches of Oregon.

Heartfelt Thanks

As I state every year, a successful tournament is by no means a one-person job, so my heartfelt thanks go out to so many helpful people. At the risk of leaving someone out, I thank those who played big roles in this year's event

--my partner Sandee for all the before and after book-keeping, cooking, cleaning, etc. -- and for holding me up; bartenders Rose, Dan, Patty, Kris and Carrie; the extra help of Mike Stuber for oyster shucking; Sue Miller and Louis Shirley for helping with the food preparation and the barbecue salmon. We added a special treat this year by barbecuing fresh salmon, traditional Indian style and thank you. Claude and Marv Wilbur (Claude caught the fish in the Skagit River Thursday morning). A standing ovation to Jim Foran for another fine job of the sponsor sales; also thanks to Mitch for helping, and to Dick Martell for the first-class job of bracketeering and thanks to Bubba for the extra help.



The famous Wilbur Brothers -- Claude and Marv. Claude caught the salmon which was enjoyed...



...by all the participants at the Grand Masters Plus.



Even when it rained, there was fun-time in the "pit." Here Jack Steffenson fishes for a cold one amidst the many campers who participated in this year's event.

Thanks to everyone who participated and those who came to watch and just have lots of fun, particularly Paul, Wes and the ladies from the Dixie Belle in Downey, California, Dick and Barbara from Blinky's in Santa Clara, and Paul Parks from the Woodside in San Jose....



....and Colorado visitors Dave and Gail Cowan from Colorado, greeted by host Bill Bailey (right), whose moustache has flourished since last year's Grand Masters!

Dixie Bellers Enjoy Grand Masters Plus....

The Great Northwest is absolutely beautiful -- so many trees, so much water, so many friendly people, so many great shuffleboard players! Quilcene, Washington is truly God's country. Wes and Eileen Eades, Paul Weber, Little Susie Jones, and I were lucky enough to have a chance to visit and participate in the Whistling Oyster's 6th Annual Grand Masters Plus. Wes and Paul played in the doubles event, while Susie entered the draw partner event. Unfortunately, you won't find these three in any of the winning stats unless, of course, they mention the party pracket where the Dixie Belle contingent did quite well with Little Susie Jones getting our Party Animal award. Susie says it's a "jungle" down there and I like it! She also says her husband, Gary, would love the tournament and she is planning to attend with him in the future.

I met Evergreen Shuffleboard Association Secretary Jim Manders who is also editor of their monthly newsletter. What a nice man. To keep abreast of the happenings in Evergreen territory, I joined the ESA and will be receiving my copy of the newsletter each month.

Jim Foran, it was a pleasure meeting you. You did a great deal of work in the Grand Masters Plus and were a wonderful Master of Ceremonies. Bill Bailey and Sandee, you have a wonderful tavern with fine help. Rose was especially helpful and friendly and we would steal her if we thought we could get away with it.

It was good to see the "four amigos," Jim Allis, Gary George, Rick (Achmund) Gindt, and Kevin Larkin. These four are very special to us and we always enjoy being in their company. They are wild men, darn good shuffleboard players and so pleasant to be around. They enhance the competition and the fun.

Louise Freer, I salute you and agree with your views 100 percent. I have observed over the past couple of years that it is not the men telling the women how to shoot; it is more often the more experienced player advising shots and suggesting strategy to the more inexperienced player. We have many new players at the Dixie Belle and many experienced players who help and advise. In both categories, we have men and women players who do their utmost to be courteous to each other. In tournament play, partners discuss shots and strategy. In league play, teams discuss and captains advise shots and strategy. This is team work. This is shuffleboard and it's great!

Dixie Debbie, The Dixie Belle, Downey, California

Deuces Wild is "Wild" at Wetlands in Royal Oak, Michigan

A good time was had by all at the Wetlands Bar & Grill's first annual Deuces Wild Tournament on July 14-15. Deuces Wild is a straight offense game, similar to Horsecollar, that is played with four-person teams.

"The best way to describe the action is WILD -- from the drafting of the teams, right through the final shot of the tournament, which was made by John Egan, in rather dramatic fashion," reports John McDermott of The Shuffleboard Federation, Inc.

"Last call had been given and everyone but the shuffleboard players and the Wetlands staff had gone home. Everyone in the house was gathered around the board, where John stood with one weight left, and needing two more points to win the match and the tournament.


"With what was a truly unique delivery, he rifled the lag (so we thought) and bumped one of his other weights about two feet (between two other weights) where it stopped for a three," John said.

The winning team was Jeff and Alonzo Cottrell, John Egan and Mike Papa. Second place went to Bob Kingston, Patty MacDonald, John McDermott and Phil Watts.

Upcoming action at the Wetlands includes a six-person draft team event on Aug. 18-20, an ABC 3-person draw on Sept. 22-24, a ladies' singles and draw partner on Oct. 21-22, and the State of Michigan Championships on Nov. 24-26. For information, call The Shuffleboard Federation, 810-380-9300.

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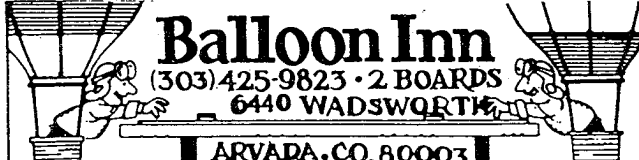


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Shuffleboard Federation, the board is in top condition.

There is daily action and draw beer only 49 cents from noon 'til 6 p.m. and lots of play from noon 'til 11 p.m. Everybody has taken to the game enthusiastically and with several boards in the nearby towns -- Edmore, Crystal, Sheridan and Hubbardston -- we plan to start a league this fall.

Regular players include Doug Cook, Fred Larson, Curley, Pete Girrin, Stella and Terry "Stick in the Mud" Sweet. Megan and I play regularly. Betty, Gordy, Beta, Liz and many others are being groomed. Soon American Legion from Walker "Neil Fongers" will be invited to play.

Food is excellent -- buffet every day and fish every Friday. The Rusty Nail is joining *The Board Talk* "family" with my check enclosed. Players are welcome. All *Board Talk* members get their first drink free.

Megan and I recently travelled 5,000 miles back to Wyoming, Colorado and Montana. I spent a great evening with Travis Anderson, George Ostrum, and Morey Balins at the Balloon Inn, Arvada, Colorado. In fact, Morey and I took first place in the round robins.

I love *The Board Talk* and all it is doing for the game. I appreciate the dedication of George and Donna Wilber. Their perserverance has made this game's future bright.

Kudos to my friend, Glen Davidson, for his efforts on behalf of this game. Hope Madge and Glen come and stay with Megan and me again soon.

I also admire the professional manner in which John McDermott (The Shuffleboard Federation) deals with his customers. The service was superb, courteous and prompt.

Doc Khan, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

A warm welcome to The Rusty Nail and thank you, Doc, for the "advertisement" of this new family member. We encourage others who sign up new subscriber locations to do the same. We also encourage Board Talk subscribers who take advantage of The Rusty Nail's hospitality to say "thanks" for supporting their game. With Hospice relief to care for Donna's Mom, we are granted some 4-hour blocks of time and we're going to take advantage of one of those to travel the short distance to Carson City and welcome them in person.

We thank you, too, for your salute to us, Glen Davidson, and John McDermott. The national shuffleboard network is a team effort -- communications, promotion, service, individual commitment to a cause -- and last, but certainly not least -- players like you who spread the word and strengthen that network!

Your letter reminded us of how far we have come in 12 years. At first, there were suspicions about people only being involved to make a "fast buck," territorialism and

unfriendly competition between service companies, associations and tournament sponsors. Now, we see a new spirit of cooperation, a common goal of the growth of shuffleboard. Of course, there will always be competition -- that's the very root of our American System and long may it live. But a trust is being earned by all the facets of our support system and shuffleboard will be the winner as they are accordingly rewarded for what they supply/contribute.

Occasionally, we have to look back to see how far we (not the editorial we, but the game) have come. In our first issue, January 1984, we had 3 upcoming tournaments (48 in this issue), no tournament flyers (8 in this issue), and no service ads (9 in this issue).

Yes, we've come a long way, Baby! Thanks for reminding us, Doc!

ADDITIONS TO "PLAY YOUR WAY" LISTING

Shuffleboard establishments which have joined (or rejoined) the network this month (after publication of the "Play Your Way Across the U.S.A." listing in the August issue) include the following:

California: The Edgewood, 10122 Rosecrans, Bellflower 90706; phone 310-866-7849

Amato's, 18862 Beach Blvd., Huntington Beach 92646; phone 714-963-8341

Indiana: Henderson's Lounge, 1101 S. Walnut St., Muncie 47302; phone: 317-282-8716

American Legion Post 424, 202 S. Main St., Bourbon 46504; phone 219-342-8100

Etna Pub, Etna Green 46524; phone 219-858-9612

Michigan: The Rusty Nail, 10002 Carson City Rd., Carson City 48811; phone 517-584-3313

Missouri: Magee's Bar, 4500 Clayton Ave., St. Louis 63110; phone 314-531-2663

Ulena's Bar, 5412 Ulena, St. Louis 63116

Oklahoma: Cock O' The Walk, 3705 N. Western, Oklahoma City 73118; phone 405-528-7107

Oregon: Tom's Tapper Tavern, 4095 Franklin Blvd., Eugene 97403; phone 726-8054

Pennsylvania: Gambol's Cafe, 3722 Garrett Rd., Drexel Hill 19026; phone 610-259-2702

Texas: Time Out #2 Sports Bar, 307 Eldorado, Houston 77089; phone 713-480-3444

These establishments will appear in the next quarterly listing in November. In the meantime, please add them to your current list and stop in and welcome them to the national shuffleboard network.

Corrections: Please make the following corrections on your August listing -- **New York:** the correct phone number for the Dew Drop Inn, Waterloo, is 315-539-5729. **Washington:** the area code for the Whistling Oyster Tavern, Quilcene, is 360.

Upcoming Events *(continued from Page 19)*

The first event will be a draw partner, \$50 entry, starting at 7 p.m. Single game, double elimination, with no two pros or O's allowed to draw each other.

On Friday at 7 p.m., the bring partner event will start, \$100 per team, 2 out of 3, double elimination if time allows. In this event, pros must play with players rated 1 or above.

The final event will be a 6-person draft team tournament, best five out of nine games, double elimination, starting at 4 p.m. on Saturday. Entry fee is \$300 per team.

There will be sponsor sales for all three events.

For further information, contact Dave Williams, 817-451-9583 or Tom at the Gold Nugget, 817-277-4029. Please post the enclosed flyer in your favorite shuffleboard location to spread the word about this Thanksgiving Holiday grand event.

Florida

1ST STATE OF FLORIDA CHAMPIONSHIPS, TITUSVILLE, NOV. 24-26

The city of Titusville will be the site of the 1st Annual "Florida Residents Only" Championships. All of the four scheduled events are single game, double elimination, and 15 point games. Entry fee is \$10 per person per event and the schedule is as follows:

Friday, Nov. 24 - Women's Singles at Sam's Place, 1 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 24 - Men's Singles at Our Place Saloon, 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 25 - Open Doubles at Our Place Saloon, 11 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 26 -- Mixed Doubles at Our Place Saloon, 11 a.m.

All payoffs in the four events are based and formulated on the number of entries. In addition, sponsor sales are slated for the Men's Singles and Open Doubles events only.

"We thank, in advance, Sam and Wanda Fitzwater of Sam's Place and Sandi and Emmett Griner of Our Place Saloon for the use of their shuffleboard establishments," said Florida Table Shuffleboard Association official Marty Allen. "Their support is greatly appreciated."

Two additional shuffleboard establishments will be held in reserve and a "shuttle service" plan on an "if needed" basis. Area representatives of the Florida Table Shuffleboard Association will coordinate and officiate this state tournament. They are: Dave Macko, Cass Grubbs, Bill Pelletier, and Jimmy "The Cop" Kumpula.

If you have any questions on rules and regulations, or lodging, addresses and directions, please contact Marty Allen, 407-471-4053.

MORE NOTEBOOK.....

Glen Hosted in Philly

Travelling can be fun! For me, I wish! People have to agree that travelling across the U.S.A. is a great way to see our country. Being a shuffler and owning an RV is even better and I'm sure Glen Davidson from Oklahoma can vouch for that.

Glen arrived in the Philadelphia area the last week of May and his first contact was Louise Freer. She, in turn, called a few shooters and said she was bringing Glen around for some local shuffleboard action. Two of the bars Louise brought Glen to were J & C's Tavern in Philly and Gambol's Cafe in Drexel Hill.

It was just our luck that J & C's Tavern was holding its first tournament that weekend when Glen arrived. The shooters hope they showed Glen some good shooting and a good time so he will remember his Philly connections.

Friday night, June 2, the format was an A-B draw partner, with participants from in and out of Philly competing. Leading the way was the team of Jim Yank Sr. and Bill Polleck, who came in first. Jim Yank Jr. and Kevin Brown (first time tourney winner) placed second, with Phil Newman and Regina Smith (also first time winner) taking third spot.

On Saturday, the bring partner was held with stiffer competition than the previous night. Glen, who showed why he is well-known throughout the country, teamed up with Louise Freer to take first place. The Yank Family took the next two spots with Sr. and Jr. in second, and Mom Rita and Anthony (also first time tourney winner) in third.

The Sunday event was an open singles and when the smoke cleared and the cheering stopped, first place honors had gone to Jim Yank Sr., with Mike Kennedy in second in a hard-fought battle, and Jim Yank Jr. in third.

After the tourney weekend was over, Mike Kennedy, Mary Ann Watson and their friends acted as guides and took Glen on a tour. He saw and touched the Liberty Bell and other historic sites in and around Philadelphia.

Before Glen hit the road for Maryland, I know Mike made sure Glen tried, or took with him, our own Philly Cheese Steaks and Italian Hoagie and our famous Tastykakes.

Glen, all your friends at J & C's hope you have good memories of Philadelphia and its shooters -- minus the heartburn and indigestion.

Rita Yank, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We're sure Glen will remember his Philly connections with fondness. It's folks like you who make our national shuffleboard network so strong and we salute you for rolling out the welcome mat to Glen.

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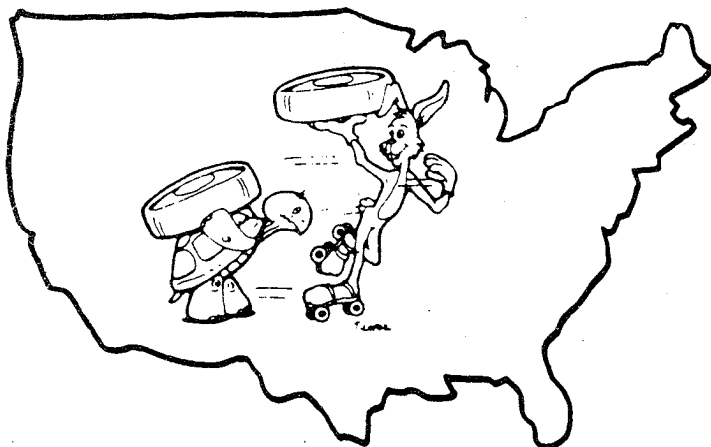
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