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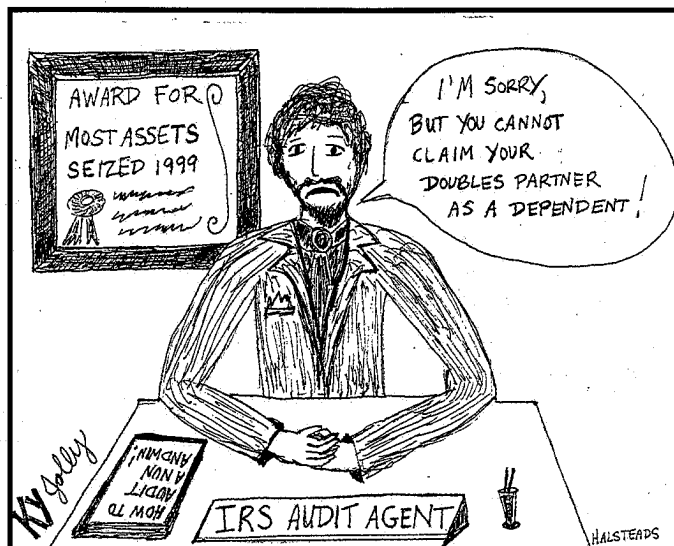
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## April 15th-Halstead's Alert Us!



Above cartoon is an original creation by two of our favorite shuffler cartoon artists - designed and submitted to The Board Talk by Mike & Susie Halstead of KY as a REMINDER that IRS is picky about who you can claim as a "Dependent" on your income tax return!

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## Oklahoma State Championship Tournament Crowns New "Champs"!



Oklahoma  
Capital: Oklahoma City  
46th state  
State bird: scissor-tailed flycatcher  
State flower: mistletoe

February 16-18, 2001  
American Legion Post 73  
Del City, OK

As Reported by: Don Crall

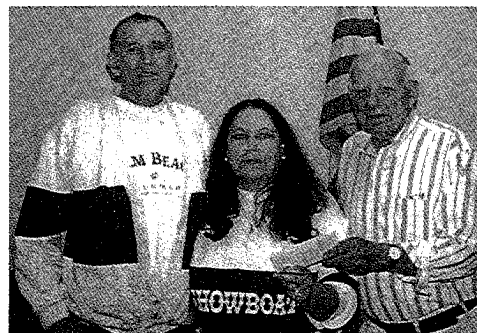
The Oklahoma State Championship tournament was held at the American Legion Post 73 in Del City, OK (Home of the annual SW Open) February 16-18, 2001.

### Draw Partner Event (Feb. 16th) Champs are:

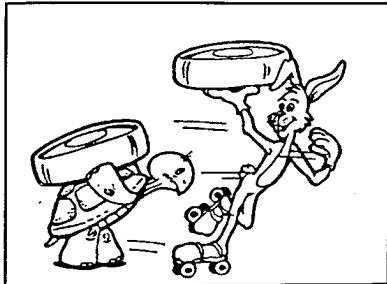


Above: **Draw Partner 1st Place:** Alan Cobb (left) & E.T. Jensen (right) presented award by Don Crall (center)

Right: **Draw Partner 2nd Place:** Bill Holly (left) & Rena Fleming (center) presented award by Don Crall (right)



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# Shufflers' Notebook

*News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard*

## KUDO'S TO THE EDITORS and FRISCO EDDIE!

We would like to take this opportunity to let you know how much we continue to enjoy *The Board Talk* publication and look forward to receiving it each month. The prior Editors, George and Donna Wilber did a great job and Tom and Lynda French you are doing an outstanding job too! If our neighbors get their publication before ours arrives, we get very jealous and even more anxious to get our own personal copy to read. If we get ours first, we rub it in because we have ours and they don't yet!

One of the first things we read in each publication is "Frisco Eddie." We find Ron's "Frisco Eddie" episodes to be so interesting - full of suspense and humor. "Frisco Eddie" is the very first thing we read when each issue arrives. We like the way you [the Editors] put the "Inside Highlights" on the first page so we can quickly go read "Frisco Eddie" first.

So, we wanted to extend our gratitude to *The Board Talk* Editors (past and present Editors) and Frisco Eddie (Balboa Ron)! We love the publication and it is the highlight of our monthly mail deliveries. *The Board Talk* is what keeps all of us shufflers connected! Many thanks to all shufflers who provide the monthly input and to the Editors for pulling it all together! Keep up the fantastic job!

-- By: Cherri Allen & James K. Reed, Oregon

### -- ATTENTION --

**GOOD-BYE "RED CHECK"!** Due to a change in publishers and a new process required to print and ship this monthly publication, the "RED CHECK" expiration notice is NO LONGER inside your issue. Your subscription EXPIRATION DATE is on the back cover's address line. Please use the FORM inside back cover to renew TIMELY to avoid missing issues!  
(See Page 22 for more detail)

## IMPORTANT NOTICES FROM THE BOARD TALK EDITORS!

**Notice #1:** The Board Talk subscription fees increased effective March 2001 (see March 2001 issue Page 10 for details) to \$30/year for US subscribers and \$55/year for Canadian subscribers, which was effective immediately for new subscribers and current subscribers will be effective when their current subscription expires and then becomes renewable at the new rates.

**Notice #2:** The annual "Play Your Way Across the USA - Year 2001" edition will be coming out with the June 2001 issue. We are asking all shufflers to help us to get your favorite places to play into this 2001 edition. In order for your favorite establishments to be listed in this "free" annual edition, they must be a The Board Talk subscriber and/or their establishment must have one of the annual "Shuffleboard Directory Ads" (See Pages 24 & 25 of this issue). Some listed in the "PLAY YOUR WAY ACROSS THE USA - YEAR 2000" edition last year will not be included this year unless their subscription and/or shuffleboard directory ad is current *before May 15, 2001*. We know there are establishments that really should be added, but are not a current subscriber or directory advertiser at this time. So, we are asking the shuffleboard community to help us identify who should be added and help us to get them to subscribe and/or place a "Shuffleboard Directory Ad" *before May 15, 2001*. Your assistance to ensure your favorite places to play are listed in our annual publication of "Play Your Way Across the USA - Year 2001" is needed!

**Notice #3:** *Martha Stewart Show* filming on March 8th had a last minute *cancellation* due to untimely communications between the show and the planned guest. *Any future plans (if any) will be published if/when we get notified.*

-- By: Tom & Lynda French, Editors

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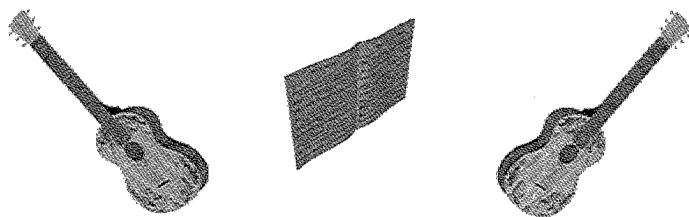
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# SHUFFLERS' HUMOR and FUN

*Humor Series #3 - Please send in your shuffleboard humor, jokes, or funny pictures*

## Shuffleboard Tunes! Be A Star!



Starlight Productions in Nashville, TN has requested The Board Talk to help get shuffleboard players to send them their poems and suggested lyrics for shuffleboard songs. They sent us a sample demo CD and cassette that includes 4 songs, thus far. They need many more to produce a full album.

Their purpose and goal for creation of this new album is to put the album on thousands of juke boxes across the Nation and to promote the game of table shuffleboard. They are seeking shuffleboard songs from talented people who play the game. All songs must be "original" and related to table shuffleboard. Starlight Productions has already contacted several interested artists to assist them with this project.

If you would like to submit poems or song lyric suggestions, you can send them to Woodie Cockrum II, Starlite Productions, 9 Music Square South #145, Nashville, TN 37203. Accepted writers will receive 100% of writer's royalties if any are received.

Woodie Cockrum II is a son of shuffling Woodie Cockrum I of MO and is owner of Starlite Productions in Nashville, TN! He is a great song writer, producer, recently put out his own CD, and has performed on the Grand Ole Opry ... So let's give him some help ... send him your poems and lyrics! Great opportunity! Any accepted songs will be recorded in Nashville, TN! Come on! Be A Star!

**-- T&L, The Board Talk Editors**

## The Shuffleboard Blues!

*---By Bill Kane, Pontiac, Michigan*

As I travel these many roads  
From Florida to Baton Rouge,  
I have this terrible nightmare  
of a weight that I just threw.  
If I could get that shot back,  
Then I could get back on track,  
And get rid of this affliction  
They call "The Shuffleboard Blues."

I really miss those Indy boys.  
We got to be really chummy.  
I can't tell if they really like me,  
Or if they just want my money.  
When we kick back a shot or two,  
I ask them the latest news.  
They say: We're just here to play the game  
And to avoid the Shuffleboard Blues.

I can't wait for Houghton Lake.  
I'll get to see the crew.  
You've got the Lansing Rons, J.R. and Leon,  
And maybe George and Donna, too.  
From the other direction, there's the Co-Kane  
Connection,  
Along with Alonzo, Steve and Magoo.  
Don't forget about Brenda and T.J.  
They say: We're here and we're ready to play,  
No more talk of the "Shuffleboard Blues!"

*(Humor Section is Continued on Page 38)*

***If you wish to purchase a  
The Board Talk  
jersey golf shirt with silk  
screen logo or pique golf shirt  
or one of the NEW high quality  
denim jackets or denim shirts  
with embroidered logo on back,  
contact the Editors!***

***Thanks to all that have been ordering  
The Board Talk shirts and jackets!***

## Upcoming Events Across the Nation

### Michigan

#### **"MIXED DOUBLES/ WOMEN'S SINGLES" STOBER'S LOUNGE LANSING, MI APRIL 6-8, 2001**

Stober's Cocktail Lounge, 812 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, MI will host a "MIXED DOUBLES" and "WOMEN'S SINGLES" tournament on April 6-8. Action will start on Friday with round robins, starting at 7 PM sharp. The "MIXED DOUBLES", \$40/team entry, is on the agenda for Saturday, sign-up by 12 NOON and sponsor sale at 1 PM, with play immediately following the sponsor sale. The "WOMEN'S SINGLES", \$20/person entry, is scheduled for Sunday, sign-up by 12 NOON and sponsor sale at 1 PM, with play immediately following the sponsor sale. For further information, call tournament director Carrie Clifton, 517-482-1190. This will be the first mixed doubles and women's singles held at this location for many years. Come on, ladies, support this event. The men can participate in the mixed doubles and cheer you on in the women's singles. This could be the beginning of something new in Michigan!



### Texas

#### **2001 SPRING FLING! EAGLES AERIE # 2249 CORPUS CHRISTI, TX APRIL 6-8, 2001**

Get ready to hit the Texas coast and attend the annual Corpus Christ 2001 "Spring Fling" sponsored jointly by the Coastal Bend Shuffleboard Association and Eagles Aerie #2249 at 2429 Johanna, Corpus Christ, TX held at the Eagles #2249 on 6 shuffleboards! Mike Taylor will be the auctioneer. Friday will be an A-B Draw, \$25/player, no handicap, double elimination. Sponsor sale starts at 7 PM; Saturday will be a 4-Person Draft Team, \$35/player, 2/3 Double Elimination. Sponsor sale starts at Noon; and Sunday will be Handicap Singles, \$50 entry, 2 pt. max. negative spot, double

elimination. Sponsor sale starts at Noon. Bowers 2001 Rating System used. B.Y.O.B. Lodging: Corpus Christi Travelodge - Double room \$46 - free continental breakfast and cocktails: Call Local# 361-289-5666 or 1-800-578-7878 for reservations. Contact Neil Garvin 361-854-3632 for more details.

### Indiana

#### **INDIANA PLANS "BATTLE OF THE BARS" TOURNEY APRIL 13-15, 2001**

Indiana is issuing a national challenge to all bars and clubs in the U.S.A. and Canada to see what team and the bar they represent will be crowned "The Champion of Champions" for 2001. The big event is planned for April 13-15 at the AMVETS Post 26 in Pendleton. All bars and clubs may sponsor no more than two 2-person teams. In this challenge, bar owners or bartenders may be the sponsor of their best team or teams. At a cost of \$200 per team with a \$25 registration fee per team, this event will be limited to 64 teams. The format will be 2 out of 3 double elimination.

All entry fee money will be evenly split with first place team and sponsor. The first-place winning team will also receive first-place trophies, paid entry fee for Bourbon's (Indiana) Spring Doubles, and complimentary two days and two nights stay at the Super 8 Motel in Warsaw, just 20 minutes away from Bourbon. The winning sponsor will also receive a special hand-designed sponsor jacket, a specially-made trophy to proudly display in their club or bar, 25% of all registration money to be donated to their state Hall of Fame, and a year's subscription to The Board Talk. The sales money will be split by regular percentage breakdowns.

The Pendleton AMVETS will have over an acre of land for free R.V. parking and camping right behind the tournament site. An in-town motel only minutes away will also be available (phone 765-778-7679) and other motels are available just minutes away from the club. Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be available at the club throughout the tournament.

For more tournament information, contact Sonny Harris at 765-778-7224.

For a guaranteed spot in the event, send advanced registration and entry fees (**checks or money orders made payable to: Amvets Post 26, 939 S. Broadway, Pendleton, IN 46064**). Along with your advanced registration and entry

fees, please send the team sponsors' name and team members' names. Include the state, city, and name of the bar you're representing. If time permits, there will be a singles event on April 15, \$100 entry, double elimination. Join the fun!

### Arizona

## **6th ANNUAL BILL GIBBS FAMILY BILLIARDS GLENDALE, AZ APRIL 27-29, 2001**

Family Billiards, 5814 W. Camelback Road, Glendale AZ, will once again host the 6th Annual Bill Gibbs Tournament for the Phoenix, AZ area. Three events, with at least 4 boards, will be held April 27, 28, 29. An A-B, handicapped, draw will start at 7:00 PM, Friday night with a \$20 entry for single game, double elimination. The A-B-C draw will start immediately after the 10:00 am Auction. This is also a single game double elimination event. Entry will be \$20.00 per person. The open doubles auction will begin at 6:00 PM, Saturday night, with play beginning immediately after. \$100 per team, 2 of 3 double elimination. The Bowers ratings will be used for all rated events. For more information contact Bob Lewis at 602-242-6782, Alice Arredondo, at 480-763-0127, or Al Salazar at 623-583-7035.

### California

## **"MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND" 133 CLUB MANTECA, CA MAY 25 - MAY 28, 2001**



This Memorial Day Weekend tournament starts at 8 PM on Friday with an ABC DRAW (\$20/player). Then on Saturday starting at 8 PM will be a DOUBLES event (\$50/player) and on Sunday starting at 10 AM will be SINGLES event (\$100/player). Events will be played on 4 Boards at the 133 Club, 133 West Yosemite Ave., Manteca, CA (Phone #: 209-823-4877). Contact Tournament Director: George Camara at 209-464-5410 for questions or additional tournament details.

**SEE "MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND" tourney at 133 CLUB tournament flyer inserted in this April 2001 The Board Talk issue for more details.**

### Washington

## **20th ANNUAL "MEMORIAL DAY EXTRAVAGANZA" THE SEASON TICKET MAY 25 - MAY 28, 2001**



Bangham, Lagg & Wynn are promoting the Northwest's "20th Annual Memorial Day Shuffleboard Extravaganza" and Car Giveaway. The Season Ticket, 1221 N. Howard, Spokane, Washington will again be hosting this grand affair. After last year's success, the promoters are confident of another smooth running, organized, and abundantly festive tourney.

A group package is in the works with nearby hotels. It looks like rooms will be in the \$50 to \$60 range and all are close to The Season Ticket. There's plenty of RV parking at The Season Ticket.

Two traditions have been established from last year's tournament. The first is that of our Developmentally Disabled Adult event. Last year was our maiden voyage. It turned out to be a blessing for all involved. It really was an outright blast! Not only are the participants anxious to play again, but those who helped and those who watched are just as eager. If you can make it by Thursday, we would love to share this experience with all.

Next, is to qualify for the Car drawing you must play in at least one of the weekend events. For each event played, you receive a ticket for the drawing. You can also receive up to 4 additional bonus tickets. That's a total of 7 possible chances to win the car. The bonus tickets can be bought. They must be obtained by purchasing up to two promotional items. 2 ticket limit. The ONLY way to get all 7 chances is to PREREGISTER (preregistration gives you 2 more tickets). Take 2 minutes to fill out the little form and get 2 free tickets! 2 minutes, 2 more chances! Win ... and then you can drive the car home!

**SEE "20th ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY SHUFFLEBOARD EXTRAVAGANZA" tourney flyer w/ preregistration form inserted in this April 2001 The Board Talk issue for details!**

[Note: The Season Ticket and Bangham, Lagg & Wynn are "Shuffleboard Directory" Advertisers in The Board Talk - See page 25 in this issue!  
Thanks for your support! --T&L, Editors]

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New York

# ANNUAL "MEMORIAL WEEKEND TOURNAMENT" HONKY TONK SALOON MAY 24 - MAY 27, 2001

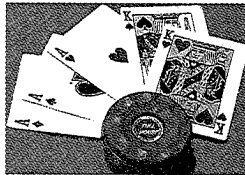
The Honky Tonk Saloon, 20 Classic Street, Sherburne, NY will be hosting another annual memorial weekend tournament May 24-27, 2001. There are 5 Boards, alot of good food, and plenty of parking. Bring you camper or RV as there is plenty of room to park it.

**Thursday, May 24th** will kick off with a **Round Robin** event (no calcutta) at 7 PM. **Friday, May 25th** the **MIXED DOUBLES** event will start at 7 PM (\$40/team & calcutta). **Saturday, May 26th** the **DRAW PARTNER** event will start at 1 PM (\$40/team, calcutta, and \$100 added pot). **Sunday, May 27th** the **BRING PARTNER** event will start at Noon (\$40/team, calcutta, and \$100 added pot).

For further details, you may contact Brenda Posser at 607-674-4810 (home#, leave msg) or at the Honky Tonk Tavern (607-674-9717) or contact Dick Losee at 315-691-2708. Come join us for a great tournament, good food, and lots of fun!

Oklahoma

# 3rd ANNUAL "WASHITA HANDICAP" FULL HOUSE BAR & GRILL MAY 24 - MAY 28, 2001

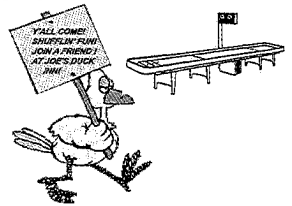


The Full House Bar & Grill, 111 W. Robert S. Kerr, Wynnewood, OK will hold it's 3rd Annual Washita Handicap tourney over Memorial weekend May 24-28th and hope to have a "full house."

Play begins on Thursday at 7 PM with the Sweetheart Draw event, \$20/player. On Friday, an Open Draw, \$30/player is scheduled at 7 PM. Then on Saturday, starting at 5 PM there will be a Bring Partner, \$40/player. Sunday will be a Singles event, \$30/player and will start at 2 PM and conclude on Monday. Seven (7) Boards will be available. A one-time registration fee of \$10 will be charged. R.V. parking is available in a nearby park. For further information, contact Starr Kinard at the FULL HOUSE BAR & GRILL 405-665-2715 or at home 405-665-1084, or E-mail: fullhousetav@yahoo.com

Nebraska

# 1st ANNUAL "JOEL (PAPPY) RAHN" OPEN SINGLES TOURNEY AT PICCOLO's & JOE'S DUCK INN OMAHA, NE JUNE 6 - 10, 2001



The 1st Annual Memorial "Joel (Pappy) Rahn" OPEN SINGLES tournament in memory and honor of Joel (Pappy) Rahn will be held at Piccolo's and Joe's Duck Inn, June 6th-10th. On Wed., June 6th, the tournament will start with the Calcutta at 7 PM. See flyer inserted into this issue and/or call Len or Sue Webster for more details: (402) 334-7202.

**SEE "JOEL (PAPPY) RAHN" tourney at Piccolo's & Joe's Duck Inn tournament flyer inserted in this April 2001 The Board Talk issue for more details.**

Colorado

# 3rd ANNUAL "BILL ENGLISH MEMORIAL DOUBLES" & TSA HOF INDUCTION! BALLOON INN ARVADA, COLORADO JUNE 22-24, 2001



The Annual "Bill English Memorial Doubles" will be held at the Balloon Inn, 6440 Wadsworth, Arvada, CO on June 22-24. This year there will be a very special addition to the tournament, as Bill English has been posthumously nominated and voted into the Table Shuffleboard Association (TSA) National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. Details of the tournament and the time of the TSA Hall of Fame induction ceremony can be found in Balloon Inn's paid tourney ad on Page 35 of this issue. Mark your calendars now to attend this very special event!

[Note: Balloon Inn is a "Shuffleboard Directory" Advertiser in The Board Talk - See page 24 in this issue! Thanks for your support! --T&L, Editors]

**SEE "Bill English Memorial Doubles" at Balloon Inn tournament's detailed half page advertisement on Page 35 of this April 2001 The Board Talk issue for more details.**

Oklahoma

**SOUTHWEST OPEN 2001!**  
**AMERICAN LEGION #73**  
**DEL CITY, OK**  
**JULY 1 - 7, 2001**



The American Legion Post # 73, 5000 S.E. 24th, Del City, OK is now accepting registrations for their annual *Fourth of July Tradition* - the "SOUTHWEST OPEN 2001" tournament. There are 11 events scheduled (see flyer in this issue for details) with play on 31 Boards this year! Register early and save! For registration or event questions and/or details contact: Kathy Yingst at 918-742-2261 or e-mail: [swopen@swbell.net](mailto:swopen@swbell.net). For any other information, contact: Don Crall at the American Legion at 405-670-9128 or 405-67-9120 or his home or e-mail: [doncrall73@aol.com](mailto:doncrall73@aol.com).

***Southwest Open Changes:*** As most of you have noticed, we have made a couple of changes in the Southwest Open this year. Our objective for the Southwest Open is to continue to have a great tournament that everyone wants to come to, but we also want to listen to your comments and make the changes that are necessary. One of the biggest complaints that we have heard is there was only one bring event. We decided to somehow incorporate bring events for all participants into the tournament. To do that we had to eliminate events to be able to fit these events in. Therefore, we have made Monday our Singles day and have added a Bring Event for everyone starting Saturday. We have put a lot of hours into trying to make changes that would be fair for everyone. For the ones of you that run tournaments you understand that you can't please everyone. As this tournament involves 350+ people we had to take a broad look at what was best for everyone and this was what we came up with. We look forward to seeing everyone in July and are open to any comments or suggestions you may have regarding our new format.

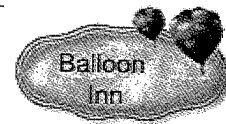
Also note that the flyer in this issue has a few changes from the original flyer in the February and March 2001 issues such as the time for Events 10 and 11 have changed.

-- Submitted by: Kathy Yingst, OK

**SEE "SOUTHWEST OPEN 2001" tournament details and registration form flyer which is being inserted into 5 issues of The Board Talk (February 2001 through June 2001 issues) - the one in this issue includes above stated updates.**

Colorado (late addition)

**"GENTLEMAN" GEORGE**  
**OSTROM BENEFIT**  
**TOURNEY!**  
**BALLOON INN**  
**ARVADA, COLORADO**  
**APRIL 7, 2001**



**"Gentleman"**  
**George Ostrom**  
**Benefit**  
**Tournament**  
**Balloon Inn**  
**Arvada, CO**  
**April 7, 2001**



The Colorado Shuffleboard community is having a Benefit for one of our beloved players, "GENTLEMAN" GEORGE OSTROM. He recently underwent major surgery and needs our help while he is recovering. Since we missed the deadline for "Board Talk" (late scheduled tournament and most of you may not get your April 2001 Issue before April 7, 2001), we at least want all to know that George Ostrom is ill and that we are having the short notice tournament for his benefit and have sent e-mail notes to those that we have the address. **GEORGE OSTROM BENEFIT, APRIL 7, 2001 @ 1:00 PM, BALLOON INN, Arvada, CO. FUND RAISERS: RAFFLES, SHUFFLEBOARD BLIND DRAW AND DONATIONS. SHUFFLEBOARD BLIND DRAW: 3:00 PM, The Balloon Inn will donate \$100.00 to player's prize money. Entry fee: \$20.00 per person (1/2 to player's prize money & 1/2 to the benefit). Format: To be determined based on number of players. DONATIONS: Please send to Morey Balins, 522 Ellis Ct., Golden, CO 80401. Please join us in helping George thru this time of need. For more information regarding the tourney or George Ostrom, call Morey or Char @ 303-278-3871 or e-mail us at [Moreychar@aol.com](mailto:Moreychar@aol.com). Thanks in advance for any help you can provide!**

**[MORE LATE ADDITIONS: Con't. on Page 33]**

*Spread the word about your upcoming events through the pages of The Board Talk! Ask the establishments where you play to Subscribe & Advertise in The Board Talk!*

# Triple Crown Sports Bar "Draw Partner"

## Results!



February 24, 2001

Triple Crown Sports Bar

Houston, TX

Reported by: Lynda French, Austin, TX

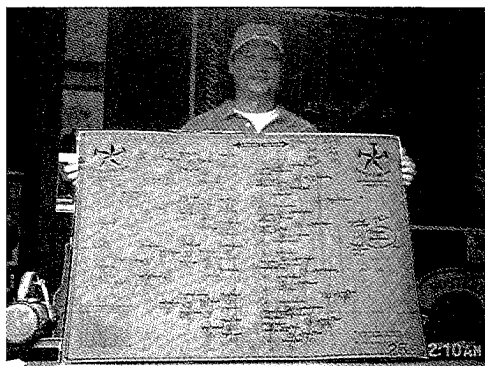
From Results At: <http://www.triplecrownsportsbar.com>

The Triple Crown Sports Bar on Westheimer in Houston, TX hosted another one of their infamous Draw Partner events, on Saturday, February 24, 2001. The tournament dates were changed twice in The Board Talk "Upcoming Events" due to first a conflict with local Houston area league play events and then next due to a conflict of dates with a major tournament at TAZ Country in the Austin/Pflugerville, TX area. The rescheduling worked out well, as many Austin area shufflers showed up to play. The format was Draw Partner (no -1's, 0's, or 1's could draw up), \$20 entry, \$200 Added, and paid 4 places and sponsor sales totaled \$3,640. Harvey Kidd, as usual, was a great tournament director and auctioneer and Bill and Beverly Lindquist, owners of the club, were fantastic and served their usual fantastic food (no way can anyone top one of Bill Lindquist's burgers either!).

There was a cash pot raffle where 1/2 of the raffle money was to be donated to the Table Shuffleboard Association (TSA) and other 1/2 to the raffle winner. Bill and Beverly Lindquist, Triple Crown Sports Bar owners and tournament hosts, won the raffle and donated back their 1/2 of the winnings to the TSA - giving the TSA a nice donation of 100% of the raffle collection! If you have never met the Lindquist's, this just gives you an idea of what wonderful people they are and how supportive they are of the shuffleboard community and growth of the sport. All had a great time!

There was a great turnout with 23 teams (46 players) formed for this event.

Right: Mike Taylor (Austin) pictured holding the bracket board of 23 teams at 2:10 AM after the grueling finals were over with!



Triple Crown tourney winners were:

**1st Place:** Mike Taylor (Austin)/Frank Huffman (Houston)

**2nd Place:** Brian Walker/James Cummings (both of Houston)

**3rd Place:** Nancy Rice/Danny Green (both of Houston)

**4th Place:** Johnny Wayne Crawford (D/FW)/ Doug Paben (Austin)

**NOTE:** See Pictures of 1st & 2nd Below:



Above: Draw Partners Event (1st & Second Place):

1st Place (both right): Mike Taylor/Frank Huffman

2nd Place (both left): James Cummings/Brian Walker

For more tournament pictures & details visit:

<http://www.triplecrownsportsbar.com>

## CLASSIFIED ADS:

**LOST BRACELET/REWARD:** Mike Halstead of Kentucky lost a family heirloom heavy gold bracelet during the "True Round Robin Doubles" tournament held at the American Legion Post 424, Bourbon, IN on March 3-4th. **REWARD:** \$100 to find and return. Contact Mike Halstead: Phone: 502-633-6768 E-mail: [ishmaelmph@aol.com](mailto:ishmaelmph@aol.com)

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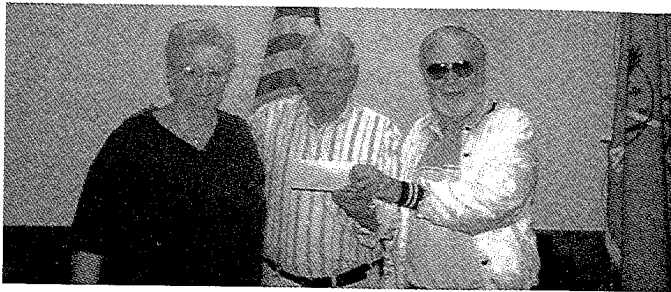
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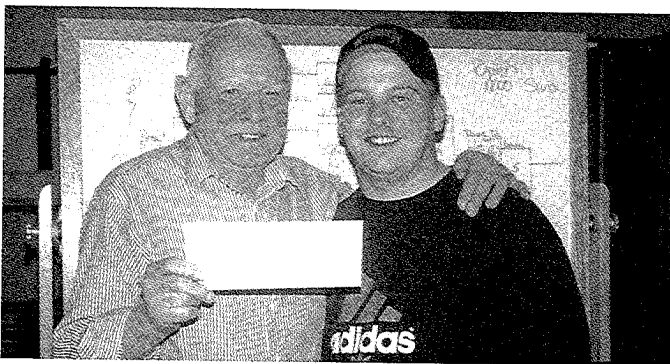
# Oklahoma Champs...

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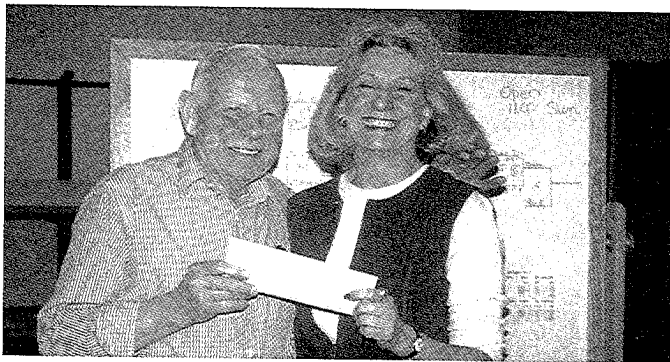


Above: **Draw Partner 3rd Place:** Sue Lewis (left) & Glen Davidson (right) presented award by Don Crall (center)

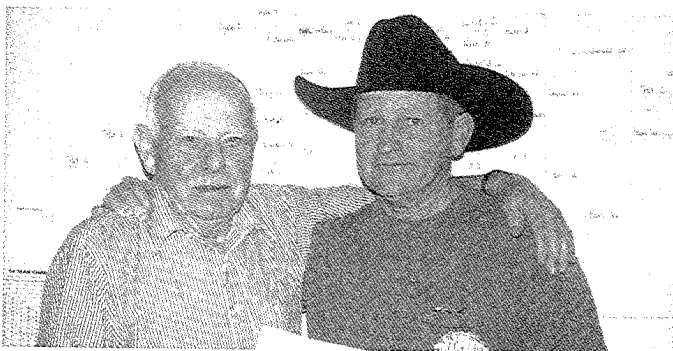
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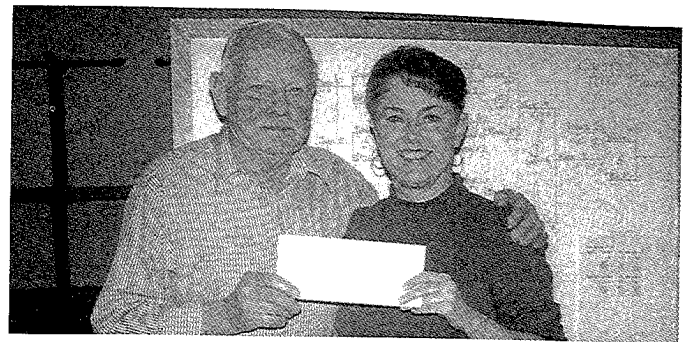
Above: **Division II Singles 1st Place:** Patrick Linville (right) presented award by Don Crall (left)



Above: **Division II Singles 2nd Place:** Pam Worsham (right) presented award by Don Crall (left)

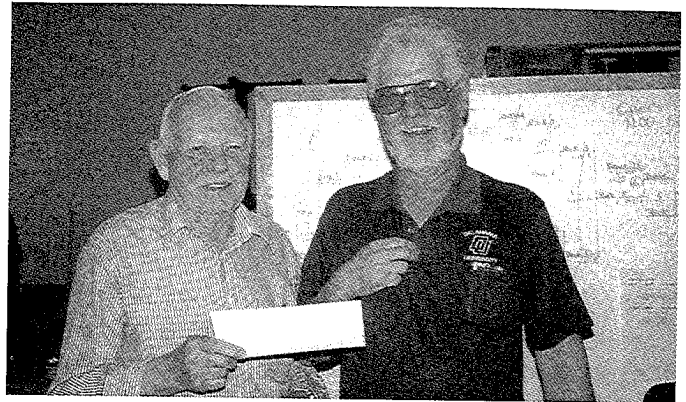


Above: **Division II Singles 3rd Place:** Gerald Wood (right) presented award by Don Crall (left)



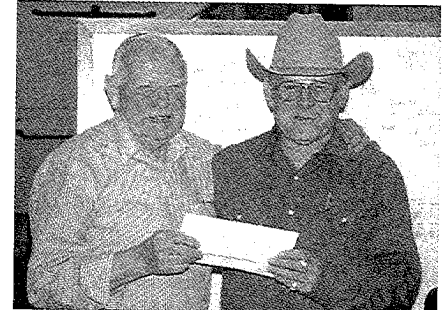
Above: **Division II Singles 4th Place:** Shari Faust (right) presented award by Don Crall (left)

## Open Singles Event (Sat. 17th) Champs:



Above: **Open Singles 1st Place:** Rick Jones (right) presented award by Don Crall (left)

Right: **Open Singles 2nd Place:** Dave Davidson (right) presented award by Don Crall (left)



Left: **Open Singles 3rd Place:** Rena Fleming (right) presented award by Don Crall (left)

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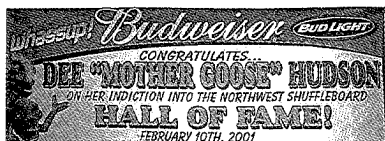
# **Blue Goose Tavern's 24th Annual Sweethearts "Mixed Doubles" and Pacific NW HOF Induction!**

February 10-11, 2001

Blue Goose Tavern

Port Orchard, WA

Reported by: Bill Walker, WA



26 teams converged on Port Orchard, WA. the weekend of February 10th and 11th from as far away as Colorado and Nebraska, to compete in the 24th annual running of the Sweethearts Mixed Doubles. Clark & Clara Kinney at Larry and Rays Tavern in Tacoma conceived this event, in 1978. It later moved to the Acme Tavern in Tacoma, and in 1994 moved to it's present site, the Blue Goose Tavern of Port Orchard, where it has grown into what is believed to be the largest, longest continuous running mixed doubles tournament in the country, with \$1000 added prize money. Festivities began Friday evening with 21 teams competing in a single elimination open draw event. After several heated matches, the team of 'Firehouse Freddy' Johns and Jennifer Jorgenson, both from the Longview/Kelso area, finished at the top of the pack to take the Lion's share of the pot.

Saturday morning found 26 teams of Sweethearts fired up and raring to go, each anticipating a share of the Big \$1000 added prize fund. Competition was strong throughout the day with most of the matches in the best 2 of 3 to 15 formats going the full 3 games to determine who moved ahead in the winners bracket. 6:00 that evening a short recess was taken to allow every one to imbibe on the massive potluck dinner which was has become a standard at this tournament and which the ladies of the "Goose" take great pride in serving up.

While competitors and spectators were enjoying their meal, shufflers, friends, and relatives pulled off the surprise of the weekend by catching proprietor and tourney sponsor Dee "Mother Goose" Hudson completely unaware with her induction into the Pacific Northwest Shuffleboard Hall of Famer. The Evergreen Shuffleboard Association (ESA) presented this gracious lady with a potted azalea for

her garden, friends presented her with a bouquet of a dozen roses, and the local Budweiser distributor presented her with a large banner honoring her induction. ESA President John C. Martin then presented her with a plaque honoring her induction, which cited her "2 decades of sponsorship and promotion of the sport of table shuffleboard, which was directly responsible for its survival in Kitsap County and throughout the State of Washington.

Once this ceremony was complete, it was back to the task of naming the 24th Annual Sweethearts with the competition becoming more fierce as the contest wore on with the final outcome in doubt right to the end, until 1999 Champion Larry Pearson, shooting with a new partner, Gwyn Orsi of Nebraska, came out of the losers bracket to defeat perennial finalists Mike and Hazel Thorpe. And to lay to rest the old statement that married couples don't shoot well together, Jim and Michelle Foran who are seen shooting together in most Northwest Mixed Doubles events held on to capture 3rd place. Mike Waters, a shooter who always seems to find a way to finish in the money, teamed up with Cheri Schrum to take 4th place. Rounding out the money bracket was Vern Gonzales-Junelle Schrum tied for 5th place with Jim Nanders-Nancy Johannsen, while Nels Anderson-Vera Brown tied for 7th with the team of Kenny Simmons-Jennifer Jorgenson. Every one who enjoys mixed doubles shuffleboard should put this Valentines Day tournament on their calendar for next year and help us celebrate the Silver Anniversary of the Nations largest and oldest continuous tournament of its class.

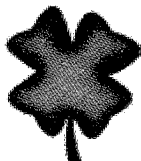


**Dee "Mother Goose" Hudson (center)  
Pacific Northwest Shuffleboard Hall of Famer  
Inducted February 11, 2001 at the Blue Goose Tavern**

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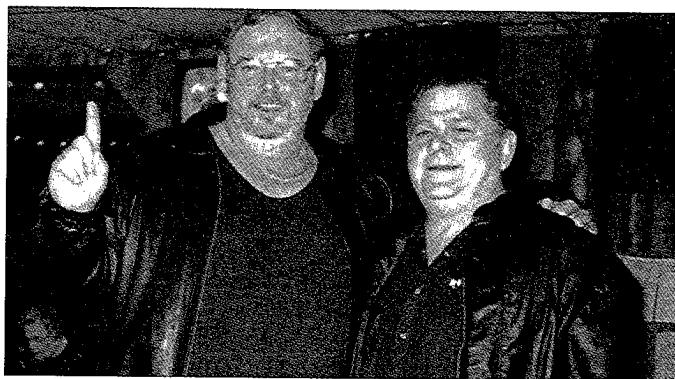
## Shamrock Tavern's Annual "56 and Over" Tourney Champs!

Shamrock Tavern  
Longview, WA



Submitted by: Dino Mako

The annual "56 and Over" Draw Partner tournament was held at the Shamrock Tavern, Longview, Washington. Dean "Dino" Mako and partner Frank Powers went through a field of players across the States of Washington and Oregon to celebrate an undefeated win! Great competition! Another Great "56 and Over" tourney.



Above: **Draw Partner 1st Place:** Dean "Dino" Mako (left) and Frank Powers (right) celebrate their win!

## ANNUAL SWEETHEART TOURNAMENT SILVER SPUR RESULTS!

February 10, 2001

Silver Spur

San Bernadino, CA

By: Jolene Lembke (no winner's pictures available)



The Silver Spur in San Bernadino, California held their annual "SWEETHEART" tournament on Feb. 10, 2001. The winners were:

**1st Place:** Bob Brunskill (Tournament Director) & Anna Brunskill (husband/wife team)  
**2nd Place:** Johnny McGinnis & Linda Wright  
**3rd Place:** Jim & Devonna Golden (from Las Vegas) who beat Ernie Alvarez and Jolene Lembke to take 3rd Place. This was the Devonna's 1st major tournament. *Congratulations Devonna - the first of many more to come!*

Frank and Connie Zavala also made the trip from Las Vegas, as did Balboa Ron Schweikert (author of The Board Talk's "Frisco Eddie" monthly series).

So, despite the California earthquake and rain, 16 teams stayed and played. Many thanks to all the guys and gals for showing up. We enjoyed having all of you there. I'd also like to thank Paul and Hope Weber for coming and a special thanks to Paul for being such a great "auctioneer." We had a full day and night buffet featuring Mexican Food [everyone's special dish, yummy!] along with live country western music - all compliments of Don Pope, Host and Silver Spur owner.

## The Palace Bar Reports Tournament Results!

January 27, 2001 & March 10, 2001

The Palace Bar

Fairmount, IN

Reported by: Bobby & Deb Voorhis, IN (no pictures)



The Palace Bar, 121 S. Main Street, Fairmount, IN, has two more tournament results to report.

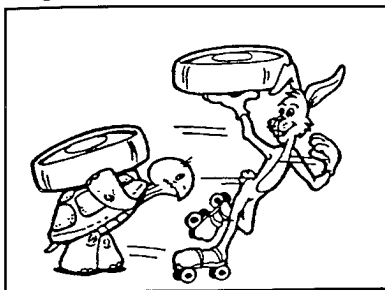
**January 27, 2001:** There were 12 teams vying for the \$2,500 pot. Rick Royal from Muncie and Bobby V. from Fairmount came out on top with Larry Brown from Hometown and Terry Dowell of Mentone trying to come back and double dip them. Taking third (last money spot) was the team of Bud Broka from Bourbon and Fairmount's own Jim "The Hammer" Hamilton.

**March 10, 2001:** There were 16 teams vying for the \$4,190 pot. Blowing away the field was the Summitville team of Tom & Greg Massie. Taking second place was the team of Dave "Fluffy" Boaz of Fortville and Brian Collins of North Webster. Third place went to Beef Camp of Hicksville, OH and Greg Broka from Toledo, OH. The fourth and final spot went to Rick Royal of Muncie and Bobby V. of Fairmount.

Bobby & Deb Voorhis wish to thank everyone that helped make both tournaments a great success!

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# **Shufflers' Notebook** *(Continued from Page 2)*

## **News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard**

### **"Thanks for the Get Well Wishes and Support" by David Veazey!**

I just wanted to thank my shuffleboard family and all that have sent flowers, cards, and messages to help keep my spirits up. I am down to my last few treatments of chemotherapy for my cancer and my blood tests are coming back normal. It's been almost 8 months since I played a game, but I am almost ready to get back into action.

Many thanks to everyone of you that have sent flowers, cards, and calls and messages to keep up my spirits. A special thanks to George and Donna Wilber, The Board Talk, the Rendezvous Club "bunch," Bobby Williams and the Gold Nugget "gang," Jean and Kenneth Turner (owners of the Lonesome Dove Club in Melissa, TX) and last but not least to Leon Black of Michigan and all others that may not be listed individually by name.

**-- Thank you! David Veazey, TX  
a.k.a. "The Van Alstyne Flash!"**

*[EDITOR'S COMMENT: David, we wish you a continued speedy recovery and look forward to seeing you when you are fully 'back in action'! Thanks for sharing this great progress report with your shuffleboard family through The Board Talk! Others wishing to contact David may do so at: David Veazey, P.O. Box 336, Van Alstyne, TX 75495.*

*-- T&L French, Editors]*

### **Mike Redinger's Request to Washington & Oregon (NW area) Tournament Directors!**

I would like to ask all the tournament directors in the NW area to provide more input to The Board Talk in the "Upcoming Events," "Calendar of Events," and "Tournament Results (including winners pictures when available)" sections each month. I have talked with a number of players in the NW area that have the same problem and concern that I have of not always being aware of upcoming

events and dates and the results of tournaments in our NW area.

**-- By: Mike Redinger, Estacado, OR**

*[EDITOR'S COMMENT: Mike and others from NW area, you may want to contact the Evergreen Shuffleboard Association (ESA) and consider joining and/or subscribing to their ESA Newsletters for NW area [See Page 25 for the ESA "Shuffleboard Directory Ad" for ESA contact info.*

*-- T & L French, Editors]*

### **Central Florida Shuffleboard Association (C.F.S.A.)**

#### **"Mission Statement"!**

The new committee members of the C.F.S.A. (Central Florida Shuffleboard Association) are pleased to announce that we are in the "start up stage." "C.F.S.A." Committee members: Charley Thompson, Alvis Ramey, Rusty Nowakowski, and J.T. Swindle will be coordinating future events, local tournaments, and various shuffleboard events on the agenda. Chairman Charley Thompson says "they are eager to get started throughout the State of Florida and welcome your input and support." Charley may be reached at 321-269-3914 or Rusty can be reached at 321-264-1390. Organizing the events will be good for shuffleboard throughout the State of Florida. As tournaments develop, they will be better coordinated with the Northern, Central, and the Southern parts of the State. Again, the C.S.F.A. committee members welcome all comments and suggestions!

**-- C.F.S.A. Committee: Charley Thompson,  
Alvis Ramey, Rusty Nowakowski, & J. T. Swindle**



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**New "Shuffleboard Directory" Advertiser  
(See Page 24)! "Thanks" to Red Dog Saloon  
for their support! --T&L French, Editors**

*(Shufflers' Notebook Continued from Page 12)*

## ***Shuffleboard Rules Discussion!***

*[See The Board Talk, February 2001 issue Page 10 and March 2001 issue Page 11 for additional input on "Making A Weight Safe" and on other "Rules," plus discussions on potentially getting a "Rules Committee" formed.]*

### **Making A Weight Safe**

***Submitted By: Bill Walker, WA***

We, in our NW area, have been having some ongoing discussions since reading The Board Talk February 2001 issue on "Making a Weight Safe." Johnny B stated in his letter that it's the option of the opposing players to have the weight made safe, yet rule 6.B.1. of the Shuffleboard Federation and League and Tournament Rule Book states "this may be done upon request by any player in the game, after all motion of the weight has ceased." My question is ... if a weight is not made safe and falls off while the opponents weight is still in motion it is to come back up as close to it's original position... (Rule 6.C.) ... Now, supposing it falls off and then the opponents weight comes to rest in the position originally occupied by the hanging weight, what happens to the opponents weight? Is it backed up to make room for the fallen hanger, or is it removed from the board? Hope you have someone who can provide us with answers as we're not sure how to handle a situation of this nature.

***-- By: Bill Walker, WA***

## ***Leon Black Polls Shufflers on Pro Event Qualification Rules!***

Who influences and who decides what events and tournaments you are allowed to play in based on the use and/or the abuse of the Bowers Rating System? The answer, to my knowledge, is that the Pro level players strongly influence and tournament Directors decide with some input from amateur players. A bad philosophical direction, in my opinion, is set when amateur players are not allowed to play in Division I/Pro events. There is no other format available for an amateur to challenge the Pro level players in a structured tournament format, especially in Singles. The same concept is true for other divisions. Playing against tougher competition should always be an unrestricted OPEN format, in my opinion anyway.

Here is a suggested self-correcting solution to players playing upward in higher division events - currently irritating amateurs and Pros alike. I am retired and on a fixed income (as Jim Long would say). If I can't win or score many points by playing in a Pro-Singles event in the 2 out of 3 game format, I think I can figure out on my own that it is time for me to return to only playing in my own division.

So, I am polling other shufflers to share their opinions on this subject. It seems any player, in my opinion, should be able to play upward in a structured tournament environment, especially in Singles. Single game side matches in a non-structured environment are not the same to me as it is playing upward in a structured, organized, major tournament (OPEN format) Pro Singles event.

***-- By: Leon Black, MI***

## ***George & Donna Wilber Celebrate their 52nd Wedding Anniversary - How? Shuffling!***

George and Donna Wilber, founders and retired publishers of The Board Talk (1984-Nov. 2000), recently celebrated their 52nd Wedding Anniversary on Feb. 25th while attending the Club Car Open held at the Club Car Lounge in Durand, Michigan. Beef and Marge Camp (owners of Beef's in Kendalville, Indiana) gave them a gorgeous and very unique quilt honoring their The Board Talk retirement [See Page 31 of this issue to view a picture of the awesome quilt].

Congratulations, George and Donna on your retirement and your 52nd Wedding Anniversary! We know where your hearts remain by knowing where you were on that very special anniversary day--celebrating with shuffleboard family! Congrats!

***-- Love & Shuffler Hugs, Tom & Lynda French***

# Harvey's Annual "Mason Dixon Classic" Results!

February 23-24, 2001

Harvey's Place  
Street, MD

Reported by: Dick Gorman, Wilmington, DE

The "Mason Dixon Classic," held at Harvey's Place, Street, Maryland on February 23-24, 2001 is physically located about 10 miles from the Mason-Dixon line, so naturally this annual tournament is about competition between the "North" and the "South" and between *shuffleboard players* and the *elements*. Apparently, the weather man didn't read the tournament flyer and dumped 8 inches of snow the day before the tourney which is alot for our area. Shufflers may have read about our area during this time on National News, showing all the car accidents where at least 50 people were taken to the hospital from car accidents and another 114 vehicles involved in accidents due to the snow on the roads, plus many regular accidents. Weather conditions was enough to deter many of our regular tournament players to "pass" on the tournament since many have a 200-300 mile distance to travel. For instance, some attendees from New Jersey spent 7 hours driving to the tournament in what is normally about a 1.5 hour trip. One of our local leagues had to postpone their season playoffs from Thursday night to Saturday afternoon - 8 teams playing... well shufflers prevail and we all played anyway and had a great time with friends (old and new).

Friday night's **DRAW PARTNER** event didn't do much to settle the North-South issue because **First Place** was taken by Curtis Dean (Northeast, MD - South of the Mason-Dixon line) and Mike Miller (Philadelphia, PA - North of the Mason-Dixon line). By the way, this was Mike's first time money finisher in a major tournament. Congrats Mike - we knew it was going to happen! After a tough fight, **Second Place** honors went to Cid Floriani (Beachhaven, NJ and first time at Harvey's Place and maybe first major tournament win) and partner Ryan Fuller (Sherburne, NY) - an all NORTH team! **Third Place** went to Pat Bennett (Sherburne, NY - new shooter: remember his brother Steve and his dad Neil?) and partner Jen Pickett (Rising Sun, MD - remember this rising Star from Reno tourney?).

Fourth Place went to host, Harvey Comer (Street, MD) and his partner Len Dell (Baltimore, MD).

Saturday started with a 'tribute' to George Chamberlain (Perryville, MD), a man whose name graced these pages since the early issues of The Board Talk and our memories for years. George lost his battle with health problems and was buried on Friday afternoon. We will all miss this great competitor and humorous good friend.

Saturday's **BRING PARTNER** event was played on the four house boards. **First Place** was taken by a strong mixed team from the Mason-Dixon line: Dave Shewbridge (Pasadena, MD) and Joe Williams (Ridley Park, PA). **Second Place** was taken by Pat Bennett and Ryan Fuller (Sherburne, NY team). **Third Place** went to Len Dell (Baltimore, MD) and Jim McDaniels (Darlington, MD). **Fourth Place** was taken by Greg Hager and Billy Pollack (both from Philadelphia, PA).

Mason Dixon - North/South just have to call it a draw!

Saturday night's regular Draw Partner started on time and produced the following winners: 1st Place: Darlyne Belcher (Hostess) and Dick Gorman (Wilmington, DE); and 2nd Place: Gene Long (Lancaster, PA) and Dewey Shortridge (Darlington, MD).

## A HOPEFUL REPORT ON HARVEY COMER:

As many of you know, Harvey has been feeling poorly over the past year with no help from doctors and specialists. Recently, Harvey spent a week in the hospital where they ran a battery of tests. The doctors and specialists think they may on to something and Harvey is scheduled to return this week - hopefully to receive some relief. He has put up with this long enough.

The next tournament at Harvey's Place, Street, MD is the SPRING WARMUP and is scheduled for March 23-24 and then the MARYLAND STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS scheduled for April 27-28 (to be played on these popular 4 in-house boards). Call Harvey Comer at (410) 836-8881 and let him know you are coming. Love to have you!

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## Frankie's Sports Bar & Grill Hosted the ESA Championships!

January 13-14, 2001

Frankie's Sports Bar & Grill

Olympia, WA

Results & Pictures Submitted By: Cheri Schnarrs, WA

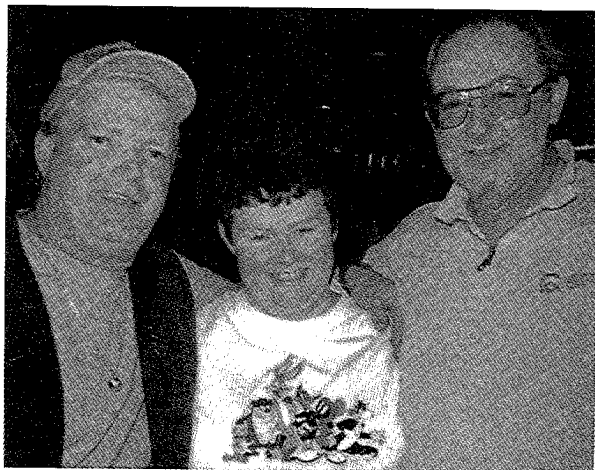
Frankie's Sports Bar & Grill hosted the Evergreen Shuffleboard Association's (ESA) Championship tournament (A-B-C Draw) on Jan. 13-14th. The annual ESA meeting was held and then the tournament play began. There were 13 teams (39 players) joining in this A-B-C Draw ESA Championship event.

Winners of the A-B-C Draw event were:



Above: **A-B-C Draw 1st Place:** Art Elliff (left), Dean Mako (center) and Gary George (right)

EDITORS COMMENT: Gary, you look so different in above picture than on Page 35 of this issue or Page 3 of the February 2001 issue <grin>.



Above: **A-B-C Draw 2nd Place:** Frank Schnarrs - as in Frankie's owner - after that money again! (left), Sharon McDonnell (center) and Chuck Norris (right)



Above: **A-B-C Draw 3rd Place:** Bill Nugent (left), Georgianna Brand (center), and Michelle Foran (right)

EDITORS COMMENT: Michelle, you also look quite a bit different than you did as Farmer Brown (Cow's wife) on Page 3 of The Board Talk's February 2001 issue <grin>!

Fourth Place (not pictured) went to "The Big Lager" Larry Pearson, Joannie Millar, and Robert Wade.

Great playing by all participants - and we had a great time too!

[Note: Frankie's Sports Bar & Grill is a "Shuffleboard Directory" Advertiser in The Board Talk - See page 24 in this issue! Thanks for your support! --T&L, The Board Talk Editors]

## 5th Annual Kozee 2001 Kickoff! (Winner's Pictures)

January 19-21, 2001

Kozee Lounge

Omaha, NE

Results Report By: Char Rahn, March 2001 Issue, Page 16 (Pics submitted for April 2001 Issue)

Below are winner pictures not yet developed and available when Char Rahn provided the tournament results report in the March 2001 Issue (Page 16).

### Doubles Event Winner's Pictures:



(Above - Left to Right): **1st Place:** Randy Nusser/Linda Ritter; **2nd Place:** Jim Kosiske/Jim Payne



(Left): **3rd Place:** Tom Harvat (left) and Mike Roach

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# Market Street Cafe's Nelson Renzo Memorial Tourney Report!

February 9-10, 2001  
Market Street Cafe  
Charlestown, MD  
Ph#: 410-287-6374

Report Provided by:  
Brenda Wallace of  
Port Deposit, MD



Above: Chip Spangler  
Market Street Cafe  
Owner/Host

Participants were blessed with a beautiful day for the Annual Nelson Renzo Memorial tournament held at Market Street Cafe, Charlestown, MD on February 9-10th and some very pleasant surprises. Pat Renzo and her children, Theresa, Mike (who played all weekend - see page 37 for picture), and son-in-law-to-be attended this special event. The owners of Market Street Cafe, Chip (pictured above) and Bobbi Spangler were, as usual, the greatest hosts ever and their food and hospitality was nothing short of fabulous!

Pat Renzo was presented with a dozen red roses from Jim and Brenda Wallace. In turn, Brenda was presented with a dozen roses from Chip and Bobbi! Thank You, Chip & Bobbi!

Russ Smith was great throughout the entire weekend and nothing was too much for him to do! Many thanks to Russ!

Many pictures were taken, memories verbally shared, and tears shed. Testimonials and memories were given by many, including: Jim Yank, Louise Freer, Frank Ouly. We celebrated Nelson's life the way he would have wanted us all to do it, as he was a very versatile man who loved and enjoyed life to the fullest! The pot was nearly \$5,000 with Jim Wallace and Greg Hadkey going undefeated and taking a big chunk of the pot. I did not get into the money, but my reward was worth much more than money could buy.

On Friday evening, Chip and Bobbi gave gift certificates to the winners. On Saturday, the 1st Place winners were presented with 2 Nelson Renzo trophies sponsored by Jimmy and Brenda Wallace (See Page 37 for pictures of Jimmy and Brenda with Mike Renzo, son of deceased Nelson Renzo).

I extend my heartfelt "thank you" to all who made this tournament a great success!

--Yours Truly, Brenda Wallace



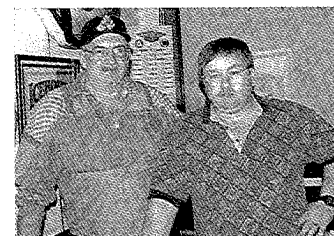
**Renzo tourney DRAW PARTNER:** (Above: left to right)  
**1st Place:** Jimmy Wallace, Port Deposit, MD/Greg Hadkey, Charlestown, MD; **2nd Place:** Chuck Cook, Elkton, MD/Harvey Comer, Street, MD (owner of Harvey's Place - another "hot" shuffling spot)



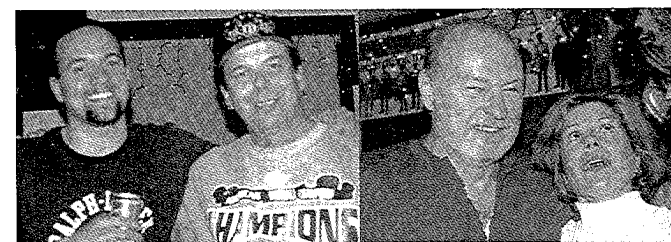
**Renzo tourney DRAW PARTNER:** (Above: left to right)  
**3rd Place:** Shannon Ratledge/Mike Renzo both of Rising Sun, MD



**Renzo tourney BRING PARTNER:** (Left)  
**1st Place:** Len Dell, Baltimore, MD (left)/Rick Niblett, Salisbury, MD(right)



**Renzo tourney BRING PARTNER:** (Left)  
**2nd Place:** Ed Kibbler, Easter Shore, MD (left)/Chuck King, Dover, DE (right)



**Renzo tourney BRING PARTNER:** (Above: left to right)  
**3rd Place:** Curtis Dean/Jim Wallace both from MD; and  
**4th Place:** Jim Yank/Louise Freer both from PA

## Action Lounge's Tourney Results!

February 9-11 and February 24, 2001

Action Lounge

Broken Arrow, OK

Results (w/Pictures) Submitted & Reported By:  
U.J. West, OK

The "Action Lounge" had plenty of "action" during this Draw Partner, Bring Partner, and Bring Sweetheart tournament held Feb. 9-11th and Feb. 24th. There was so much action the Bring Sweetheart portion of the tournament had to be rescheduled to February 24th. The turnout was like 'old home week' with alot of good people showing up. One of the great things about going to tournaments is getting to see old friends and getting caught up on the latest happenings. Some people might call this the latest gossip, but not me!

This turned out to be another super tournament. On Saturday, Bud served up all the hot dogs and chili one could eat and on Sunday the same only serving pizza. Even Larry Barthel got all he wanted.

Bud finally made it official! Bud said that since Zane made it in to take pictures on Sunday (after several phone calls) that Zane would be the official photographer and despite the attendance record of U.J. West (me) that I would be the Action Lounge Reporter. Both Zane and I were highly honored. Bud thanks helpers Terry Leahy, Linda Churchman, and Mike Pernice and Kenny Hawkes (auctioneer).

The 1st event was a DRAW PARTNER (2/3 game in winners bracket; mark 4-single game in loser bracket) and 2nd event was BRING PARTNER (single game, double elimination). Bowers Rating system and negative handicap used. Bud was delighted to have all the out-of-town and out-of-state players. Winner Results of all Events follow:



Above: **EVENT# 1: DRAW PARTNER 1st Place:**  
Ron Gamble (left)/Tony Pelton (right) with sponsor Milford Parker (center - note Milford's big "smile!")



Above: **EVENT# 1: DRAW PARTNER 2nd Place:**  
Dee Downey and Mike Coon (sponsored by Cliff Goff) had a bloody battle with Tony & Ron who returned from the loser bracket and double dipped them to take 1st!



Above: **EVENT# 1: DRAW PARTNER 3rd Place:**  
Kenny Hawkes (left)/Tom Hendricks (center) pictured w/  
Bud Hillburn (right) - sponsored by Bud or Kevin Talley?

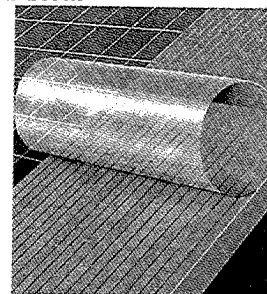
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# Frisko Eddie's Revenge: The Return

EPISODE 78 -- A Series by Balboa Ron Schweikert -- May 2001 Issue

Dear Readers: Balboa Ron has had a bad bout of the flu and thought Episode 78 would be delayed a month, but he got it to us! Thanks Ron!

Submitted Monthly By: Balboa Ron Schweikert,  
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In the last episode 77, we saw Eddie and Shelli getting ready to meet with their friends for a Tournament that was going to be held in a nearby town. A hint had been given that there might be a player resembling Long Beach Lil present.

Eddie had called Jack, just to make sure that everything was still a go - it was, so they jumped into their rental car and headed out. Surprisingly, the rain was almost stopped now. It was about a 40 minute drive to the Surf Rider Tavern where the tournament was going to be held. The sun was beginning to set in the West as they drove, and it was beautiful scenery.

The agenda for the play would consist of open tables (for practice and money games) for tonight, along with the calcutta's for the mixed doubles to be held on Saturday, and then finish up with the singles on Sunday.

It was almost dark out now, and the rain had completely stopped as they pulled into the parking lot of the Surf Rider. There was hardly any room to park, but they finally found a spot. They noticed that Jacks' car was already there as well. They spotted Jack and Annolga as soon as they got inside. They came up, and hugs were exchanged all around. Jack proceeded to introduce them to some of their friends, including the owner. The last one they met was a man named Dave Mackabee.

As they worked their way to their table Jack mentioned that he was the best of the local gentry. After their orders came, they got up and began to throw some practice shots. There were three boards; one on one side of the U-shaped bar, and two on the other. They all seemed to be in excellent shape. They were challenged to a game of doubles for \$20.00. It didn't take long before a list of challenges went up for the board they were playing on. They were really beginning to enjoy themselves. After they won a couple of games, it was suggested that everyone sign up for a \$20 A-B Draw. That sounded great for them. What made them feel even better was the fact that their fears about Lil showing up were once again - unfounded! Just before play was to begin for the A-B Draw, it was announced that they would hold the Calcutta, which had been scheduled for that time.

The tournament director called for everyone's attention so he could start the bidding. The room became quiet - then, just before the bidding started, someone Eddie knew entered the front door. Eddie was really shocked, because the man who was entering wore a large western style hat - and was a shooter that Eddie had played some time ago. His 'handle' was the 'Texas Kid', and Eddie and Lil had to leave Dallas real quick after beating him and his partner because of this guys 'backer'. His backer was none other than "Dollar Dan - the Money Man"!

After a quick look-around, Texas Kid held open the door with his right arm - to let the person who was with him in. It was Shelli who was shocked, as well as Eddie this time, because the person stepping inside was....(TO BE CONTINUED)  
(Oh, Oh - here we go again! Who is this person? Could it be the Dollar Man? or maybe it's Long Beach Lil? or perhaps a Surprise or Mystery person? Don't miss next month - you WILL find out then!!)



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*--Thanks, Tom & Lynda French, Editors*

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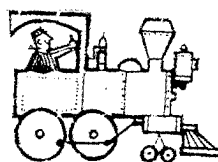
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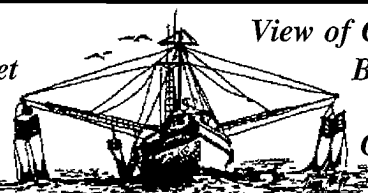


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**April 6-8**

Mixed Doubles/Women's Singles  
Stober's Cocktail Lounge  
Lansing, Michigan

**April 7**

"Gentleman" George Ostrom Benefit  
Balloon Inn  
Arvada, Colorado

**April 27-29**

9th Annual Bill Gibbs Tourney  
Family Billiards (The Bar)  
Glendale, Arizona

**April 6-8**

Handicap Open Doubles  
Musette Bar  
Omaha, Nebraska

**April 7-8**

Rated Doubles (Add to .51)  
BZ's Sports Bar  
Des Moines, Washington

**April 13-15**

Battle of the Bars  
AMVETS Post 26  
Pendleton, Indiana

**April 18-22**

1st World Championship  
Singles Round Robin & Open  
Doubles  
Sands Regency  
Reno, Nevada

**April 20-22**

Heartland Handicap  
American Legion Post 73  
Del City, Oklahoma

**April 20-22**

Nebraska Hall of Fame Tourney  
Joe Banana's  
Omaha, Nebraska

**April 20-22**

Lake of the Ozarks Spring Tourney  
Chances "R"  
Laurie, Missouri

**April 21**

Open Doubles  
Sportsman's Lounge  
Muncie, Indiana

**April 27-28**

Maryland State Championships  
Harvey's Place  
Street, Maryland

**April 27-29**

9th Annual Bill Gibbs Tourney  
Family Billiards (The Bar)  
Glendale, Arizona

**April 28-29**

Rated Doubles (Add to 1.75)  
The Town Tavern  
Sequim, Washington

### **MAY 2001**

**May 4-6**

Annual Denny Busch Memorial  
My Way Lounge & Harold's Bar  
Omaha, Nebraska

**May 5**

Annual Spring Doubles  
American Legion 424  
Bourbon, Indiana

**May 12-13**

Div. I/Div. II Doubles  
Frankie's Sports Bar & Grill  
Olympia, Washington

**May 19**

3rd Annual Bobby Schounce  
Memorial Tournament  
Chances "R"  
Muncie, Indiana

**May 19**

Open Doubles  
Barrata's Bar  
Omaha, Nebraska

**May 24-27**

Multiple Events  
Honky Tonk Saloon  
Sherburne, New York

**May 24-28**

2nd Annual Memorial Day Tourney  
Danny's Sports Bar  
Houston, Texas

**May 25-28**

20th Annual Memorial Day  
Shuffleboard Extravaganza  
The Season Ticket  
Spokane, Washington

**May 24-28**

3rd Annual WASHITA Handicap  
Full House Tavern  
Wynnewood, Oklahoma

**May 25-28**

Michigan OPEN  
Club Car Lounge  
Durand, Michigan

**May 26-27**

Multiple Events  
Tolo Tavern  
Central Point, Oregon

### **JUNE 2001**

**June 2-3**

Forest Festival A/B Bring Partner  
The Fir Cone Tavern  
Shelton, Washington

**June 6-10**

1st Annual Joel (Pappy) Rahn  
Memorial "Singles" Tourney  
Piccolo's Bar & Joe's Duck Inn  
Omaha, Nebraska

**June 8-9**

Bring Partner  
Eulena's Sports Bar  
St. Louis, Missouri

**June 15-17**

Warm Up Tourney  
Bud's Action Lounge  
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

**June 16-17**

Mixed Doubles  
The Shamrock Tavern  
Longview, Washington

**June 22-24**

3rd Annual Bill English Memorial  
Open Doubles  
Balloon Inn  
Arvada, Colorado

**JULY 2001****July 1-7**

Southwest Open 2001  
American Legion Post #73  
Del City, Oklahoma

**AUGUST 2001****August 2-5**

Grand Masters Plus  
The Whistling Oyster  
Quilcene, Washington

**August 17-18**

2nd Annual Amateur Ladies Only  
Tournament  
Eagles Club  
Houston, Missouri

**August 18-19**

Crazy Canucks (Multi-Event)  
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**August 24-26**

Conehead Classic  
A/B/C Blind Draw (\$25/entry)  
Balloon Inn  
Arvada, Colorado

**August 31-September 2**

Labor Day Tournament  
Bud's Action Lounge  
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

**August 30-September 3**

Labor Day Tournament  
Full House Tavern  
Wynnewood, Oklahoma

**SEPTEMBER 2001****September 1-2**

Mixed Doubles  
The Fir Cone Tavern  
Shelton, Washington

**September 7-9**

12th Annual Board Talk Tourney  
Skip's Lounge  
Houghton Lake, Michigan

**September 20-22**

Nebraska State Championships  
My Way Lounge & Harold's Bar  
Omaha, Nebraska

**September 28-29**

4th Annual M.S.P.A. Hall of Fame  
Eagles Club  
Houston, Missouri

**OCTOBER 2001****October 6-7**

ABC Draw  
The Blue Goose Tavern  
Port Orchard, Washington

**NOVEMBER 2001****November 22-25**

7th Annual Thanksgiving Tourney  
Eagles Club  
Houston, Missouri

**November 23-24**

Thanksgiving Tournament  
Bud's Action Lounge  
Broken Arrow, Oklahoma

**November 24-25**

AB Bring Partner  
BZ's Sports Bar  
Des Moines, Washington

**DECEMBER 2001****December 7-9**

Santa's Classic  
Bring Partner Open Doubles  
Balloon Inn  
Arvada, Colorado

**December 8-9**

Rated Doubles  
Frankie's Sports Bar & Grill  
Olympia, Washington

**December 29-30**

Mixed Doubles  
Tim's Timber Tavern  
Kelso, Washington

**March 2002**

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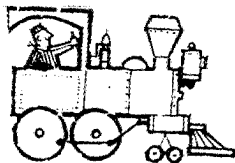


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# Tri-State Shufflers Challenge Mother Nature at Club Car Open!



February 23-25, 2001

Club Car Lounge

Durand, MI

As Reported By: Donna Wilber, Lansing, MI

For once the weatherman was right! He predicted freezing rain, followed by snow showers, then bone-chilling high winds for the Feb. 23-25 "Club Car Open" in Durand, MI, and it all happened. But that didn't stop shufflers from throughout Michigan, plus welcome guests from Indiana and Ohio, from participating in a three-event tournament designed to serve as a prelude to the big Michigan Open over the Memorial weekend. Ten percent of the sponsor sales went toward support of the Michigan Open, which will also be held at the Club Car Lounge, with boards added to the existing three boards.

## Auten/Kassim Tops in Draw Partner

The first event, a draw partner (-1's, 0's, and 1's were not allowed to draw each other) on Friday evening attracted 42 players, forming 21 teams. The hard-fought battle went into the next day, delaying the start of the doubles.



Left: **1st Place:** Taking the largest share of the healthy pot were Steve Auten (right) of Pontiac and relatively new to the tournament circuit, Abood Kassim of Stober's Lounge



Left: **2nd Place:** Second Place Honors went to Jeff Cottrell (right) and Jack Wilson.



Left: **3rd Place:** Jim Kelsey (right) and Mike O'Dell took Third Place.



Left: **4th Place:** Steve Jurik of Saginaw and Dawn Brookins of Bay City took 4th and final money spot.

## "Mayor" Bittner/Bown Winners of Doubles

Saturday's event was a handicapped doubles. Anyone could play with anyone, but the higher-rated teams (according to the Bowers Rating System) had to spot their lower-rated opponents the difference in team handicap. There were 21 determined teams in the competition.



Above: **1st Place:** The congenial host of the Club Car Lounge, Dennis Bittner (left), also known among shufflers as the "Mayor of Durand," teamed up with Ron Bown of Lansing to take top honors.



Left: **2nd Place:** In his second appearance in the winner's circle was Mike O'Dell, who teamed with Tom Schultz to finish second.

Right: **3rd Place:** Michigan veterans Jeff Cottrell (left) and Jerry Bryant took Third Place.



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Left: **4th Place:** The "handicapped team" from Ohio -- Beef Camp (not pictured), recovering from heart surgery, and Greg Broka, recovering from foot surgery -- hung in there to take 4th and final money spot.

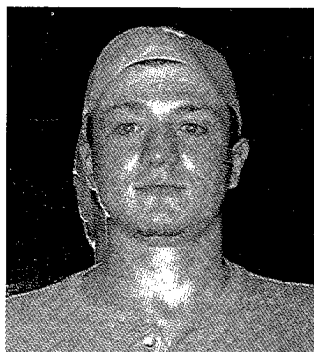
#### Frank Blade Winner of Singles

There were 27 players in Sunday's graduated entry singles, the grand finale of the action-packed weekend in one of Michigan's favorite shuffleboard sites.



Left: **1st Place:** Michigan's Frank Blade showed why he is rated a pro as he prevailed over a tough field of contenders.

Right: **2nd Place:** Second generation shuffler Alonzo Cottrell, Pontiac, who was bumped from a 1 to a 0 (now equal to his dad Jeff) for 2001, took second place honors.



Left: **3rd Place:** Steve Auten, also raised from a 1 to a 0 after his spectacular performance at the NASC in Reno, finished in Third Place.

#### **(Not pictured) 4th/5th/6th Places:**

Mikel Johnson of Indiana, who also served as tournament auctioneer, took 4th Place. Rounding out the winner's circle in the singles was Leon Black of Lansing and Bill Kane of Pontiac, tied for 5th/6th.

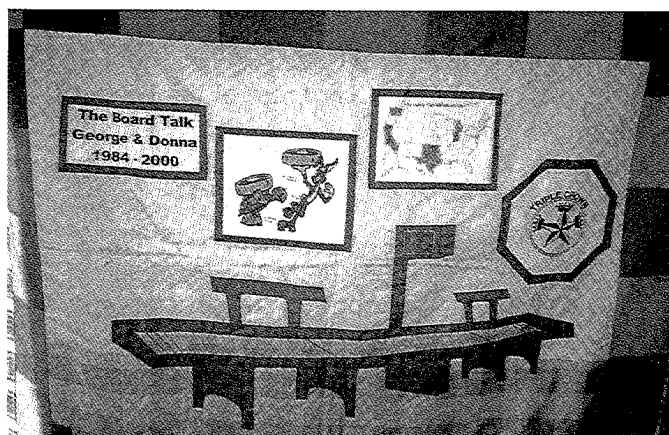
#### Thanks from the Director

Tournament Director Bill Kane extends appreciation to Host Dennis Bittner, personal and professional partner Brenda Kane, bracketeer Rob Kern, key support staff Alonzo Cottrell and T.J. Stephens, and Carolyn Perry, and all the participants for making this event a success. Bill and Brenda and their dedicated crew will also endeavor to provide shufflers with enjoyable competition at the Michigan Open, May 25-28, Club Car Lounge, Durand; and the 12th Annual Skip's/Board Talk Tournament, Sept. 7-9, Skip's Lounge, Houghton Lake.

#### On the Sidelines

Candra and Brian Abbott (See "League Players' Corner," Page 37 of this issue), league players from Flint, MI thought that shuffleboard was exclusive to their league in Flint. This was their first competition in a "major" tournament and now they are looking forward to participating in the Michigan Open and the Skip's/Board Talk Fall Bash.

An awesome retirement gift (pictured below), a quilt honoring former The Board Talk publishers, George and Donna Wilber, was presented to the couple by Beef and Marge Camp (owners of Beef's in Kendallville, Indiana), long-time friends, Board Talk and shuffleboard supporters. George and Donna also celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary on the last day of the Club Car Open tournament.



[Editors Comments: What a BEAUTIFUL retirement gift! How is it that you two had not let us know about this 52nd before now?! Congratulations and may you have many more great years together! --Tom & Lynda French]

[Note: Club Car Lounge is a "Shuffleboard Directory" Advertiser in The Board Talk - See page 24 in this issue! Thanks for your support! --T&L]

## Kozee 2001... (Winner Pictures)

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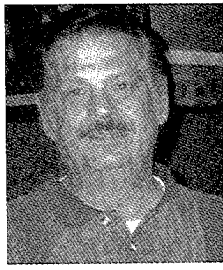
### Singles Event Winner's Pictures:



**1st Place:**  
Mike Roach



**2nd Place:**  
Jim Payne



**3rd Place:**  
Jr. Butler

## 11th ANNUAL MY WAY LOUNGE TOURNEY!

February 23-25, 2001

My Way Lounge

Omaha, NE

Results Reported By: Char Rahn

The 11th Annual My Way Lounge Shuffleboard Tournament was held at My Way Lounge, Omaha, NE on Feb. 23-25. Friday night started off with an A/B Draw of 16 teams where we had something notable happen in that the first place winners were Kevin Highbee (owner of My Way Lounge) and Shelly Hagen (owner of Musette Bar). Musette Bar had been on local TV recently explaining ghosts in the basement of the bar. Was a spell cast on other players, as Kevin and Shelly never lost a game in the A/B Draw event? Saturday night we held the Open Doubles where the winners of the winner's bracket had to be double dipped. We thank all participants, including our friend from Texas, Jeff Womble, for supporting and participating and many thanks to Kevin Highbee for hosting another great tournament. Kevin, the "Host with the Most!" is adding a kitchen to the bar that will specialize in broasted chicken, so he did a greatly appreciated trial run by serving broasted chicken and seasoned potatoe wedges to tournament guests! Also, a big thank you to Don Zahm, tournament director, who always manages to run a smooth tournament and still plays and wins!

We had some great raffles that were drawn on Saturday ... shirts, hats, keychains, etc. were awarded. The big raffle prize was a beautiful wooden Nebraska weight case made by Dave Bruggeman, who is noted for making beautiful works of Washington and Nebraska items. The lucky raffle winner of this weight case was Tom Harvat.

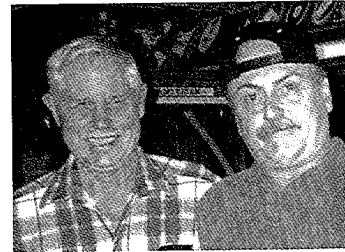
In addition to raffle prizes awarded, event winner trophies with engraved names will be awarded later.

Tournament events that are scheduled through June 2001 in Nebraska are listed in the "Calendar of Events" section of The Board Talk. Come join us!

### A/B DRAW Event Winner's:



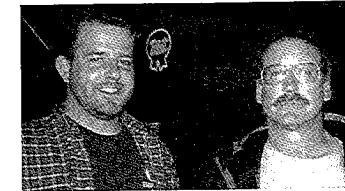
**1st Place:** Kevin Highbee (left) and Shelly Hagen (The "Ghost" team ?)



**2nd Place:** Art Busch (left) and Harold "JR" Newbanks



**3rd Place:** Shaun Gosnell (left) and Don Zahn (Tournament Director)



**4th Place:** Jake Marlin (left - a 1st year tourney player) and Rich Klanderud

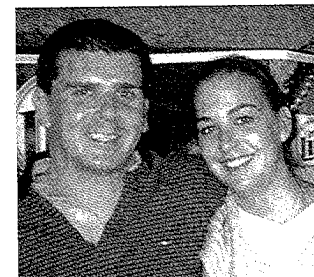
### Open Doubles Event Winner's:



**1st Place:** Randy Nusser (left) and Don Zahn (Tourney Director wins 1st in Open Doubles after already taking 3rd in the A/B Draw!)



**2nd Place:** Dru Frederick (left) and Bill Frederick



**3rd Place:** Shaun Gosnell (left) and Amy Everhart



**4th Place:** "Bring 'em Back" Bob Linder (left) and Tommy Arellano

# 1st ANNUAL BAMBINO'S TOURNAMENT!

February 16-18, 2001

Bambino's Bar & Grill

Omaha, NE

Results Reported By: Char Rahn

Bambino's Bar and Grill, 2236 N. 91st Street Plaza, Omaha, NE hosted it's 1st Annual Open Handicap Doubles, Feb. 16-18. Teams were rated 0-4 points with negative handicap scoring. A total of 24 teams had a good time and some really great games. *[Editors Comment: Bambino's Bar & Grill is a new subscriber to The Board Talk - add them to your places to play! Char has been helping us tremendously to get new clubs & others to subscribe to Board Talk - Thank you Char! -- T&L, Editors]*

Coming out of the loser's bracket and double dipping Randy Nusser and Char Rahn to take first place was the father-son team of Huck and Tom Harvat. Huck Harvat and Char Rahn said that they were getting too old for this much excitement and pressure! *[grin]*

Many "thanks" to Jay Watson and Cyndi Busch, tournament directors, for an excellent job and to John and Starla Italia, owners of Bambino's, for joining the shuffleboard family and hosting such a wonderful tournament, and thanks to all the Bambino's house players who participated (many who were first year tournament participants.) Great food was provided and everyone had a great time both playing and watching the great games. Bambino's location used to be Rooney's where many tournaments had been held in the past. It is so nice to have the new club owners and their Bambino's Bar & Grill establishment joining our shuffleboard family! Welcome & "Many Thanks"!

**Open Handicap Draw Winner's:**



**(Above - left to right) 1st Place:** Tom Harvat & Huck Harvat (double dipping father-son team); and **2nd Place:** Randy Nusser & Char Rahn

**Not Pictured Winners:** **3rd Place:** Gwyn Orsi/Jeff Womble; **4th Place:** Kerry Holmstrom & Jeff Anderson (1st year tourney players); **5th/6th Place:** Chuck Busch/Harold "Jr." Newbanks and Billy & Dawn Simants.

*["Upcoming Events" - 2 Late Arrival Additions: (con't. from Page 7, Column 2)]*

Washington

## FOREST FESTIVAL A/B BRING PARTNER EVENT FIR CONE TAVERN SHELTON, WA JUNE 2-3, 2001



The Fir Cone Tavern, 114 W. Cota, Shelton is hosting its' Annual Forest Festival tournament (A/B Bring Partner) on June 2-3 with sponsor sale starting at 11 AM on Sat. June 2. Entry Fee is \$50 per team and number of places paid will depend upon number of teams participating. The Fir Cone Tavern has 3 very fast boards. Winner bracket will be played out on Saturday and Loser bracket games will be played out on Sunday. Event is double elimination with 2 out of 3 games to 15 points in winner bracket and single game to 21 points in the loser bracket. For those that wish to come in early for a Friday night (June 1st) warmup, there will be a \$10 entry, single elimination A/B Draw starting at 7 PM. The Fir Cone will feature one of the best feeds in the State on Saturday night. R.V. parking is available, but limited, so come early for the best spots! For more information, contact Jeanette Hohn at (360) 426-2221.

## MIXED DOUBLES FIR CONE TAVERN SHELTON, WA



### SEPTEMBER 1-2, 2001

The Fir Cone Tavern, 114 W. Cota, Shelton is hosting the Annual Mixed Doubles tournament on Sept. 1-2 with sponsor sale starting at 11 AM on Sat. Sept. 1. Entry Fee is \$50 per team and number of places paid will depend upon number of teams participating. The Fir Cone Tavern has 3 very fast boards. Winner bracket will be played out on Saturday and Loser bracket games will be played out on Sunday. Event is double elimination with 2 out of 3 games to 15 points in winner bracket and single game to 21 points in the loser bracket. For those that wish to come in early, there will be a \$10 entry, single elimination A/B Draw starting at 7 PM on Friday. The Fir Cone will feature their Saturday night feed. R.V. parking is available, but limited, so come early for the best spots! For more details, contact Jeanette Hohn at (360) 426-2221.

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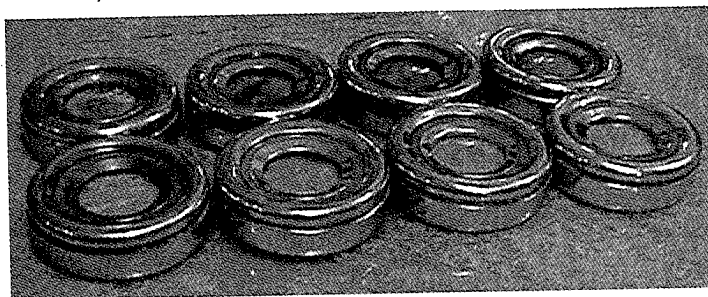
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TSA Directors are trying to acquire pictures and stories about prior generation players (including ones that are not yet inducted in the TSA HOF such as Kid Spooks). If anyone has pictures, articles, etc. on any of our TSA inductees or prior generation great players not yet in the HOF, please send. We will make copies (if you don't have duplicate) and return to you. These items are badly needed for the TSA HOF museum.

**A.Z. Turnbo** (CSHOF Inductee from San Martin, CA) recently donated a set of vintage American Shuffleboard weights to the TSA for placement and display in the TSA HOF Museum - picture and write-up has been placed on the TSA website at:  
<http://www.tableshuffleboard.org> (Museum Donations section) and are also pictured below:



**MANY THANKS TO A.Z. TURNBO from all TSA Directors and Shuffleboard Community!**

*Please note: Bill English will be inducted posthumously into the national TSA HOF during the Balloon Inn tournament on Friday, June 22, 2001 at 6 PM. See the Balloon Inn tournament advertisement in this April 2001 Issue (Page 35). More Details & Biography On Bill English Coming Soon in The Board Talk!*

The TSA Directors also wish to thank the following who have collected and/or donated cash contributions since the last TSA News updates of cash contributions was published in The Board Talk:

- M.S.P.A. (Missouri Shuffleboard Players Association) voted and made a TSA HOF donation!
- BLINKY'S "10th Annual President's Day" (Santa Clara, CA) raffle participants!
- TRIPLE CROWN SPORTS BAR (Houston, TX) raffle participants!
- BILL & BEVERLY LINDQUIST (owners of Triple Crown Sports Bar in Houston, TX)!

Thanks to above 4 recent contributors and all others that have donated previously! Thanks to George/Donna Wilber for donating a Michigan-Play Fair, Dearborn Michigan tourney shirt from May 22-25, 1987 and for the Bill Moore "The Blue's Doctor" cassette tape!

We wish to express thanks to all who have ordered the TSA Sponsorship shirts. If you haven't yet purchased one of the high quality pique golf shirts with the TSA embroidered logo in red/white/blue (shirts are available in Black or White and are of a high quality pique fabric), contact Don Valk to place your order at e-mail: [donvalk@ev1.net](mailto:donvalk@ev1.net) or phone: 512-288-9555. Thanks to all for your continued support!

-- TSA Directors

**If you wish to donate to the TSA National HOF organization, make payable to the TSA and mail to TSA, c/o Lynda French (Secretary), 12710 Red Deer Pass, Austin, TX 78729-6436. Thanks!**

# League Players' Corner

(League Players' Corner - Series #3: New Section First Added In The February 2001 Issue)

## Call for League Play "Reporters"!

We (The Board Talk Editors) asked for League Play Reporter "volunteers" in the The Board Talk's, February & March 2001 issues and have assigned the following volunteers, thus far, as follows:

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### **New Reporter Volunteer!**

Many thanks to Al DiBella of Philadelphia, PA (recently added to our League Players' Corner reporter volunteer list)! Al, I really enjoyed talking with you and look forward to the write-up you will be sending soon (hopefully in time for the May 2001 Issue). Welcome to *The Board Talk's "League Players' Corner"* as our newest volunteer reporter! PS: I am also anxious to hear more about and see some of your forensic artwork. -- Lynda F., Editor

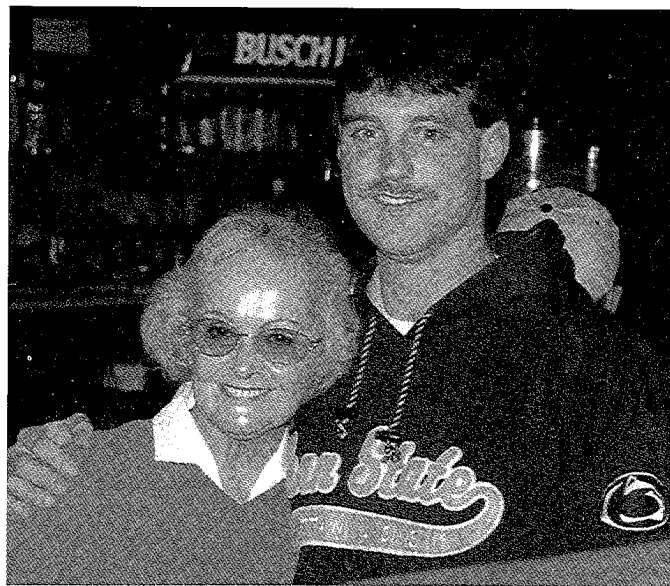


**Candra and Brian Abbott** (above) thought that shuffleboard was exclusive to their league in Flint, Michigan until they recently participated in their **first "major" tournament** at Club Car Open, Feb. 23-25 (See Club Car Open, Page 30) and are now looking forward to participating in the Michigan Open and Skip's Lounge/Board Talk Fall Bash! [Welcome to "major journey play" Candra and Brian!

--T&L French]



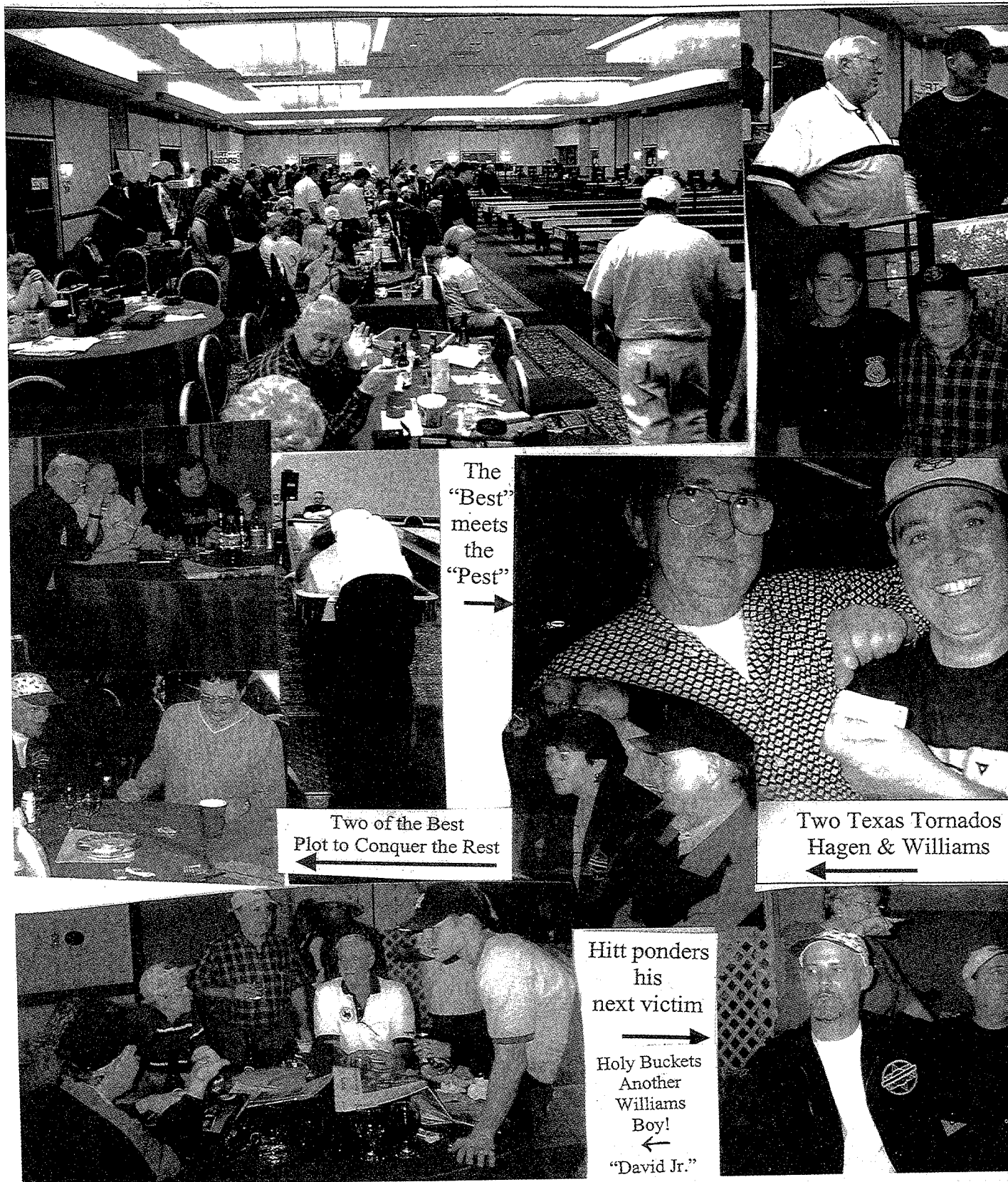
Picture (Above) taken of Mike Renzo of MD (left) who is the son of Nelson (deceased) & Pat Renzo with James "Jimmy" Wallace (right - League Play Reporter, MD) while attending the "Nelson Renzo Memorial Tournament" at Market Street Cafe the weekend of Feb. 9-10th, 2001 (See Page 16). Mike Renzo is a league player on the "Lafayette Inn League."



Picture (Above) taken of Mike Renzo of MD (right) who is the son of Nelson (deceased) & Pat Renzo with Brenda Wallace (left - League Play Reporter, MD) while attending the "Nelson Renzo Memorial Tournament" at Market Street Cafe the weekend of Feb. 9-10th, 2001 (See Page 16). Mike Renzo is a league player on the "Lafayette Inn League."

Below collage from the Houston Holiday Open 2000 Tournament created and submitted for a bit of "humor" for publication in "The Board Talk" by: Nancy Rice, Houston, TX shuffler.

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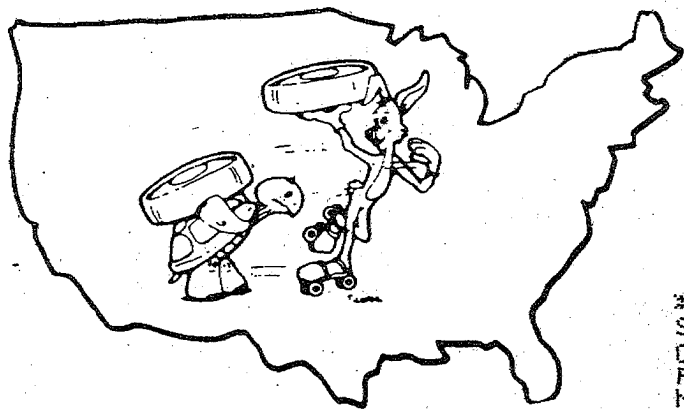
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