

The Board Talk

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12th Annual NASC(tm) Tourney - Great Success!!

Held October 28-November 4, 2001 - at the Sands Regency Hotel/Casino, Reno, Nevada
Reported By: John McDermott, Tournament Director; Photos By: Lorraine Bingham-Olson, CA

The 2001 NASC(tm) got off to a memorable start when the greatest singer in the game, Joannie Millar, who opened the tournament by singing the U.S. and Canada national anthems. Her stirring performance was followed by a very loud and long sustained ovation.

Although the tragic events of September 11 certainly had a significant impact on the tournament there was still a very substantial turnout, with 201 registered players. We always appreciate the support of our participants, but even more so this year when so many have been understandably nervous about traveling. To all of those who came this year and made the tournament a success, we would like to extend our sincere thanks.



**Joannie Millar
Opens Tournament With
U.S. & Canada National Anthems**

Three Canadian provinces, Alberta, British Columbia and Manitoba and seventeen states, AZ, CA, CO, DE, ID, IN, KY, MD, MI, MO, NE, NY, OK, OR, TX, WA and WY. California led the way with 48 players, followed by Washington with 34, Oregon with 21 and Nebraska with 19.

The leadoff event was the Pro/Am Draft. The Captains are shown below studying their player lists and selecting their teammates:



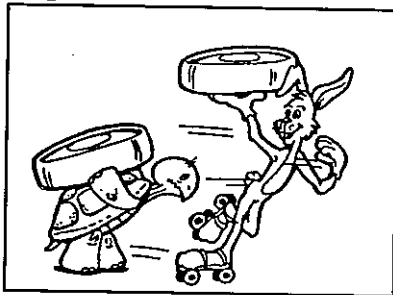
[NOTE: Kathy Yingst wanted to make sure we mentioned that this was the best (fastest) group of Pro-Am captains she has ever worked with.]



ABOVE: Pro/Am Draft Team 1st Place: The 25 team field began play on Sunday afternoon and concluded Monday night when the team (pictured left to right above) of Bill Melton (captain-OK), Jim Payne, Jim Kosiske and Ray Pont (all 3 from NE), and Jack Davis and Lyndon "Coach" Baize both of TX captured **1st Place honors**.

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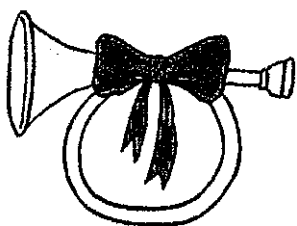


Siebert Congratulates Skip's Lounge & Tourney Staff for a Great 12th Annual Tournament!

Congratulations again go out to the Kaness', Brenda and Bill, for running a great tournament. The 12th Boardtalk tourney held at Skip's Lounge in Houghton Lake, Michigan was a huge success. There were competitors from Michigan, Indiana, and Donna and Jim Dunn, Frank Edelen, and Super Sam from Missouri. It was also nice to see former Michigan resident, Many Lane, who is now trying to establish shuffleboard tournaments in Arkansas. Throughout the weekend there were tournament events for all levels of players, and the competition was fierce. Skip provided unique trophies for the winners of the events. Thanks to everyone, the competitors and the tournament directors for a successful tournament!

-- Jerry Siebert, MI

[Editors Comment: (See the November 2001 issue for the tournament report and photos.) Wish we could have been there again this year too. We attended it last year during our training trip and it truly is a great tournament! --T&L French, Editors]



-- 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 used (since Dec. 2000 issue). Your subscription

EXPIRATION DATE is on the back cover (top of address line.) Please use the FORM inside back cover to renew **TIMELY** to avoid missing any issues!

(See Page 29 for more detailed information)

Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard

Race is on Again: The Board Talk Top #12



Subscribers (U.S. & Canada)

Status on The Board Talk subscriber base by state follows. The Top #6 will be tallied, updated, and updated on the back cover (bottom left) again in the February 2002 issue (originally planned as a January 2002 update, but we forgot to put a status report in the November issue.) Thanks to all those who have been aggressively promoting to introduce new subscribers to The Board Talk and to help ensure that current subscribers renew timely... those efforts are reflected below. A final tally will be done on January 14, 2002 and updates to the Top#6 states will be reflected on the back cover of the February 2002 issue. As of November 7th, the interim tally reflects the following states' ranking status ("Top 12" only reflected in below tally):

- #1 --Texas (leads California by 41 subscribers)
- #2 --California (leads Oklahoma by 40 subscribers)
- #3 --Oklahoma (leads Indiana by 1 subscriber)
- #4 --Indiana (leads Michigan by 1 subscriber)
- #5 --Michigan (leads Washington by 11 subscribers)
- #6 --Washington (leads Missouri by 7 subscribers)
- #7 --Missouri (leads Nebraska by 3 subscribers & needs 7 more to tie for #6 placement)
- #8 --Nebraska (leads Arizona by 13 subscribers)
- #9 --Arizona (leads New York by 1 subscriber)
- #10--New York (leads Colorado by 2 subscribers)
- #11--Colorado (leads Oregon by 1 subscriber)
- #12--Oregon (leads Florida by 1 subscriber)

Notable: Oklahoma, Indiana, and Michigan are near a *dead heat*. Texas has lost some of its lead on California since the last tally. Thanks to all who are actively subscribing, advertising and promoting the growth of The Board Talk!

--T & L, Editors

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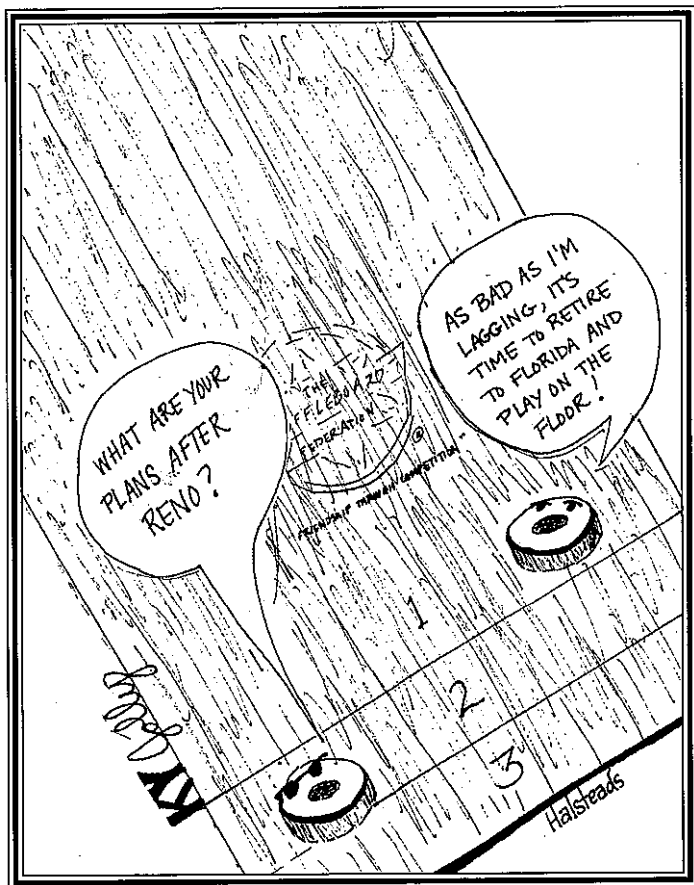
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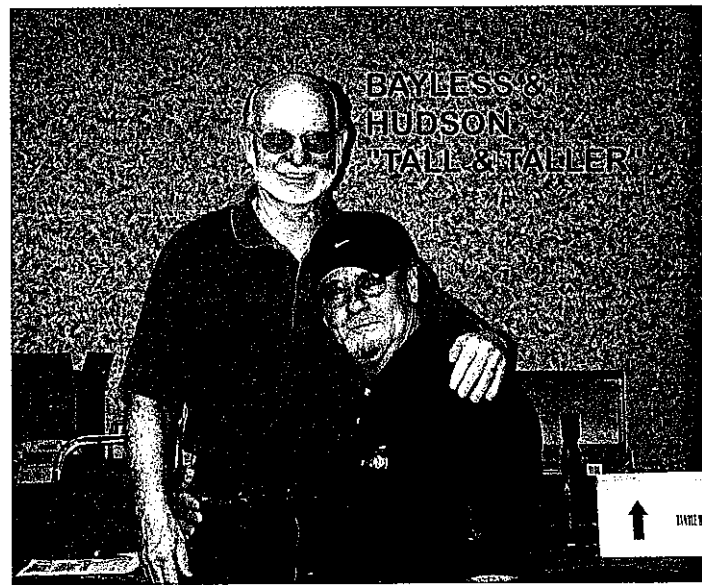
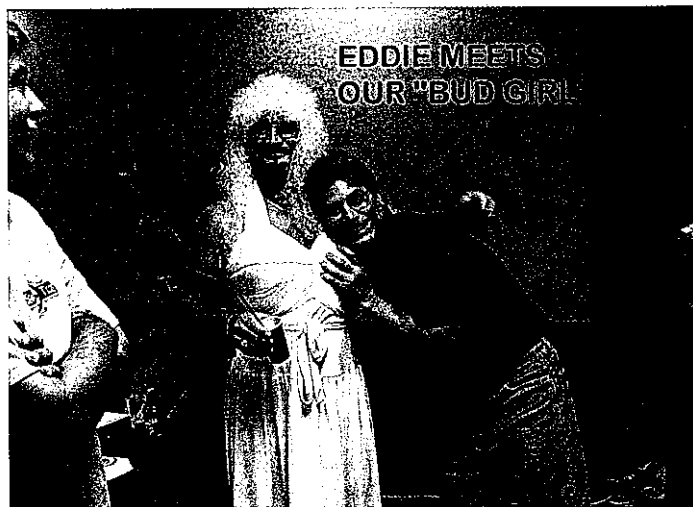
SHUFFLERS' HUMOR and FUN

Humor Series #13 - Please send in your shuffler humor, jokes, or funny pictures

Halloween Bash & More Fun... During 2001 NASC Reno Tourney!



ABOVE: Mike & Susie Halstead (our KY "duo") share some thoughts on what to do if those lags just aren't working!



Maryland

HOLIDAY CLASSIC HARVEY'S PLACE STREET, MD DEC. 7 - 9, 2001

Harvey's Place, 3403 Conowingo Rd., Street, Maryland will be hosting their Holiday Classic Tournament on Dec. 7-9. Friday at 6:30 PM is a Draw Partner event (\$10 entry / 40 entry limit); Saturday at 1 PM is a Bring Partner event (\$25 entry per team / no entry limit); and Sunday at 11 AM is an Open Singles event (\$25 entry / 40 entry limit). All events are 15 point games, straight, double elimination (Payoff 1 in 4) and handicaps are based upon the current Bowers Rating System. Trophy jackets will be awarded to Singles and Bring Partner winners. For more information, contact Harvey Comer at Harvey's Place: (410) 836-8881.

Texas

HOUSTON HOLIDAY OPEN - "QUALIFIER" TOURNEYS DANNY'S & TRIPLE CROWN SPORTS BARS HOUSTON, TX DEC. 8, & DEC. 10, 2001



If you are planning to attend the Houston Holiday Open 2001, you may want to participate in one or more of the upcoming "Qualifier" tournaments where winners may get their entry fee paid for the Houston Holiday Open on December 26-31, 2001.

Hit, Stick, and Slide Shuffleboard School has coordinating 4 separate Houston Holiday Open 2001 "Qualifier" tournaments - being hosted at two of the best shuffleboard venues in Houston, Texas: Danny's Sports Bar and Triple Crown Sports Bar. Both bars will host two "Qualifier" tournaments each and are great supporters of shuffleboard and The Board Talk. The 1st and 2nd tournaments were held on **Nov. 3** and **Nov. 10**. The 3rd qualifier tournament of this 4 tourney series will be held **Dec. 8 at Triple Crown** with a Singles for 3,4,5; \$10; and the 4th will be held **Dec. 15 at Triple Crown** with a Bring Partner add to 4 for 1,2,3 (\$60/team).

[See flyer that was inserted in the October 2001 issue for more details and contact information.]

Arkansas

N.E. ARKANSAS OPEN AMERICAN LEGION POST 6 POCAHONTAS, AR DEC. 14 - 16, 2001



The American Legion Post 6, 61 Bellevue Rd., Pocahontas, Arkansas will be hosting the N.E. Arkansas Open on Dec. 14 -16. Thursday night will be Draws; Friday will be either an A-B or A-B-C Draw; Saturday a Bring Partner; and Sunday Singles (if there's enough interest.) Bowers 2001 Ratings to be used. **For more information see the flyer that was inserted into the November 2001 issue or contact Manny Lane (tournament director) at: (870) 892-4859 (home) or (870) 892-5166 (Legion)**

Texas

HOUSTON HOLIDAY OPEN SHERATON BROOKHOLLOW HOTEL HOUSTON, TX DEC. 26 - 31, 2001



If you have not yet registered or made you hotel reservations for the upcoming Houston Holiday Open 2001 tournament being held at the Sheraton Brookhollow this year, there is a two-sided flyer inserted into this December 2001 issue (has tournament details on front and registration form on back) where you will find tournament details, contact information and hotel reservation details (including reserving an airport transportation to/from Bush airport - see flyer and reserve before the deadline.) The hotel will be providing van transportation to/from the hotel and the Galleria and other malls, so attendees can shop and take advantage of some of the holiday bargains.

There will be a video game room adjacent to the ballroom. The ballroom will have a super juke box with an auto cutoff for when the microphones are in use (e.g., during sponsor sales and other announcements.) Participants can inform the bracketeer of their room number when taking a rest between play and be notified if they have not returned as their start up time nears. There will be extra staff to assist with round robins when boards are available. There will be a portable bar AND waitresses for players to place orders during play.

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Oklahoma

HEARTLAND HANDICAP AMERICAN LEGION POST 73 DEL CITY, OK

JAN. 18-19, 2002

American Legion Post 73

P.O. Box 15073
DEL CITY, OKLAHOMA 73155



APR. 19-20, 2002

OCT. 18-19, 2002

There are three Heartland Handicap tournaments scheduled for 2002, all being hosted at the American Legion Post 73, 5000 S.E. 24th, Del City, OK on 7 boards. The first will be on Jan. 18-19; second will be on Apr. 19-20; and third will be on Oct. 18-19. All three of the upcoming Heartland Handicap tournaments will kick off on Friday with a *Draw Partner at 7:00 PM* (\$25/player entry; single game/double elimination); and Saturday with a *Bring Partner at 3:00 PM* (\$50/team; 2/3 in winners bracket if time permits depending upon number of entries; single game in losers bracket). Bowers' Ratings will be used; maximum spot of 4 points. For more info. call the American Legion: 405-670-9128 or 405-670-9120; email: doncrall73@aol.com

NOTE: The American Legion Post 73 in Del City will also be hosting the annual **Southwest Open 2002 on June 30-July 6, 2002**. Visit the Southwest Open website periodically for upcoming details: <http://www.geocities.com/swopen>

Florida

CFSA's "WINTER FEST"

KT's

COCOA, FL

JAN. 19 - 20, 2002

KT's, 5150 State Road 520, Cocoa, FL will be hosting the CFSA Winter Fest Tournament (32 player limit, so register early!) on Jan. 19-20 starting on Jan. 19 (Sat.) at 12 Noon with an A/B Draw (\$5/person entry) followed by a Bring Partner (\$20/per team entry-must pay as a team) on Jan. 20 (Sun.) starting at 12 Noon (single game/double elimination). Sponsor Sales before each event with 3 winner spots for each event and 1st Place will also receive a trophy. There will be 50/50's, food available, and lots of shuffling fun! For more information, call Jerry Gray (321-368-8945) or call KT's and ask for Donna (321-639-9877). [Watch for upcoming details on the "Florida Open" to be held at the Moose Lodge, Titusville, FL on March 15-17.]

California

1st ANNUAL PRESIDENTIAL WEEKEND TOURNAMENT E.T.'S SPORTS LOUNGE TEMECULA, CA

FEB. 16 - 18, 2002

E.T.'s Sports Lounge, 27423 Jefferson St., Temecula, California will host the 1st Annual Presidential Weekend tournament on Feb. 16-18.

Sat., Feb. 16th (sponsor sales start at 9 AM followed immediately by play) will kick off with an A-B Draw Partner event. The California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame will also be have a CSHOF Induction ceremony at 5 PM for Ted Zariphes (upcoming inductee). Sat. evening will also feature a BBQ! Sun., Feb. 17th will be an Open Doubles, starting at 12:00 Noon. Current Bowers Rating will be used. For more information, contact E.T.'s Sports Lounge at 909-694-8282.

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Fiasco Cocktails

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Owner: Marilyn Anderson



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January 12, 2002

A-B Draws

6 PM to Closing

*Each A-B Draw will be \$5 Entry with continuous
A-B Draws on two boards from 6 PM to Closing.
Y'all come play and join the fun on Jan. 12th
in the Alamo City at Fiasco Cocktails!!*

Maryland

**MASON DIXON CLASSIC
HARVEY'S PLACE
STREET, MD
FEB. 22 - 24, 2002**

Harvey's Place, 3403 Conowingo Rd., Street, Maryland will be hosting their Mason Dixon Classic Tournament on Feb. 22-24. Friday at 6:30 PM is a Draw Partner event (\$10 entry / 40 entry limit); Saturday at 1 PM is a Bring Partner event (\$25 entry per team / no entry limit); and Sunday at 11 AM is an Open Singles event (\$25 entry / 40 entry limit). All events are 15 point games, straight, double elimination (Payoff 1 in 4) and handicaps are based upon the current Bowers Rating System. Trophy jackets will be awarded to Singles and Bring Partner winners. For more information, contact Harvey Comer at Harvey's Place: (410) 836-8881. *NOTE: There is also a Draw Partner (\$5 entry) at 8 PM every Saturday night at Harvey's Place.*

Washington (late addition)

**22ND ANNUAL MASTERS
FIR CONE TAVERN
SHELTON, WA
FEB. 23-24, 2002**

The Fir Cone Tavern will host the 22nd Annual Masters Open Doubles Tournament Feb. 23 (\$10 A-B Draw; 7 PM) and Feb. 24 (Open Doubles; 11 AM; 2/3 double elimination 15 pt. winner bracket, 21 pt loser bracket.) ESA Sponsored event. For more information contact Jeanette Hohn at (360) 426-2221.

Nevada

**1st ANNUAL THE BOARD
TALK OPEN 2002
PLAZA HOTEL & CASINO
LAS VEGAS, NV
MAR. 26 - 31, 2002**



BOWERS 2001 RATINGS USED... See 1st Annual Board Talk Open tournament flyer and pre-registration form inserted into this issue and Page 38 for details. Make your plans now to attend this 1st year tournament to be played on 24 Champion shuffleboards! Pre-Register before Feb. 14th to get discounted registration and entry fees.

Maryland

**MARYLAND STATE CHAMPS
HARVEY'S PLACE
STREET, MD
APR. 19 - 21, 2002**

Harvey's Place, 3403 Conowingo Rd., Street, Maryland will be hosting the Maryland State Championship Tournament on Apr. 19-21. Friday at 6:30 PM is a Draw Partner event (\$10 entry / 40 entry limit); Saturday at 1 PM is a Bring Partner event (\$25 entry per team / no entry limit); and Sunday at 11 AM is an Open Singles event (\$25 entry / 40 entry limit). All events are 15 point games, straight, double elimination (Payoff 1 in 4) and handicaps are based upon the current Bowers Rating System. Trophy jackets will be awarded to Singles and Bring Partner winners. For more information, contact Harvey Comer: 410-836-8881.

New York

**DEW DROP INN TOURNEYS
WATERLOO, NY
DEC. 2001 - DEC. 2002**

The Dew Drop Inn, 37 Virginia St., Waterloo, New York will be hosting several *Draw Partner/Bring Partner* and *Nationals* tournaments on 4 in-house boards through Dec. 2002 and have provided The Board Talk with the following schedule: The *Draw Partner/Bring Partner* tournaments are to be held on: Dec. 1-2, 2001; Feb. 2-3, 2002; June 1-2, 2002; Oct. 5-6, 2002; and Dec. 7-8, 2002. Each of these tournaments are held on Sat. (Draw Partner-\$20/player) starting at 2 PM and on Sun. (Bring Partner-\$20/player) starting at 12 Noon. Bring Partner events will have sponsor sales. The *Nationals* tournaments are to be held on Apr. 4-7, 2002 and Aug. 1-4, 2002. Both of these tournaments will start on Thursday with \$5 and \$10 Warm-Up Round Robins at 7 PM; Friday at 6 PM with Singles (\$30/player); Saturday at 10 AM with Mixed Doubles (\$30/team); Saturday at 4 PM with Draw Partner (\$15/player); and Sunday at 12 Noon with Bring Partner (\$30/team). Most events of the Draw Partner/Bring Partner and Nationals tournaments will have sponsor sales. For more information, contact Tracie Fridley at Dew Drop Inn: 315-539-5729.

7th Annual Fall Tournament Winners!

Fall Creek Valley AMVETS Post 26

Pendleton, IN

Report By: James "Sonny" Harris

We had a good turnout for our 7th Annual Fall Doubles Tournament, held at Fall Creek Valley AMVETS Post 26, 939 S. Broadway, Pendleton, Indiana. Sixteen teams played Saturday for a share of the \$3,500 prize pot. When it wound down about 2 AM, Jim Long and Glen Ingram came out on top. Steve Hart and Jim Dewitt placed second and 3rd and final place went to Tom and Greg Massie.

Seventeen walkers (Singles matches) started at noon Sunday playing for a piece of the \$3,000 prize pot. There were some very exciting matchups and close scores. Bobby Voorhis came through the loser's bracket to double dip Steve Hart and nab first place and Tom Massie come in third place.

A big thank you to Steve Hart for running the sponsor sales, and thanks to all the players and helpers who made it possible. Winners photos:



ABOVE: (left to right) 1st & 2nd Place "Doubles":

Sonny (left) presents awards to 1st Place Winners: Glen Ingram & Jim Long, and 2nd Place Winners: Steve Hart & Jim DeWitt [3rd Place (no pic) was Tom & Greg Massie]



LEFT: 1st Place "Singles": Sonny (left) presents 1st place award to Bobby Voorhis



ABOVE: 2nd Place "Singles": Steve Hart (right)



ABOVE: 3rd Place "Singles": Tom Massie (right)

Heartland Handicap Winners!

American Legion Post 73

P.O. Box 15073

DEL CITY, OKLAHOMA 73155



American Legion Post 73

Del City, OK

Report By: Don Crall

The Heartland Handicap Tournament was held on Oct. 12th -13th at the American Legion Post 73 in Del City, Oklahoma. There was a Draw Partner event on Friday and a Bring Partner on Saturday.

"DRAW PARTNER" (Friday) Winners Were:



LEFT: 1st Place: Glen Davidson (left) and Glenda Nickum



ABOVE: 2nd Place: Clyde Emigh (left) and Milford Parker



ABOVE: 3rd Place: Ruthie Atherton (left) and Ron Underwood

"BRING PARTNER" (Saturday) Winners Were:



LEFT: 1st Place: Rick Jones (left) and Patrick Linville



ABOVE: 2nd Place: Dave Fleming (left) and E.T. Jenson



ABOVE: 3rd Place: Alan Cobb and (no pic) Murl Vermillion

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ABOVE: Pro/Am Draft Team 2nd Place: (left to right) Bobby Voorhis (Captain - IN), Don Hopper (KY), Sharon Canino (NY), Deb Voorhis (IN), Leon Black (MI), and Jim Nicoll (Alberta, CAN).



ABOVE: Pro/Am Draft Team 3rd Place: (left to right-back row) John Kosiske (NE), David Keithahn (Captain - CA) & Rick Meyer (NY); (front row) Barbara Kenney (CO), Danielle Bruggeman (NE) & Paulette McKinney (WA).

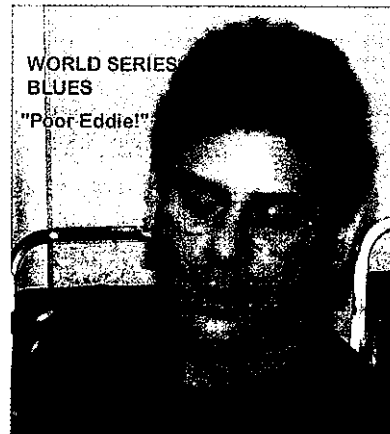


ABOVE: Pro/Am Draft Team 4th Place: Mike Olson (WA), Charlie Gates (Captain - OR), Dru Ensworth (WA), Paul Leacox (NE), Clifford Visel (MI), and Ron Buckley (OR - not pictured). **On behalf of the entire shuffleboard community, we wish to extend our condolences to Dru Ensworth and her family. Dru's husband died while she was at the tournament.**

As the Pro/Am was winding down, the round robin action was heating up. Based on player feedback, we took a much more active role in running round robins and providing challenge boards. Six boards were made available every day for that purpose. Thanks to Linda Ritter and Jack Davis for their help in running the round robins.

The Sands, which always goes the extra mile for us, set up a 50" TV which drew a crowd for games 3 - 7 of the World Series.

The Yankees' main cheerleader, Eddie Brayman (pictured right with the "World Series Blues") needs a rest after the Yankees' were defeated, much to the delight of the overwhelming majority of the NASC(tm) participants. Eddie wasn't shy about telling the large number of Arizona Diamond Backs fans who was the better team when the Yankees won games 3, 4 and 5.



They in turn were not shy in telling Eddie who the better team really was after Arizona won games 6 & 7. Wayne Scott (pictured right) of Phoenix, Arizona knows who's number one and he won't let Eddie forget it either!



Tuesday was Doubles day for all participants as 73 doubles teams in four divisions faced off.

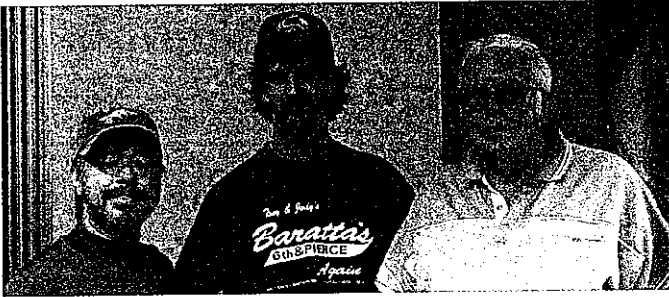
RIGHT: Pro Doubles 1st Place: It was a real crowd pleaser as Al Pease (left) and Jim Foran (right), both of Washington, captured the top spot. It was an emotional win for both. Al wanted to win very badly with his mentor, Jim Foran, who was receiving the 2001 Sol Lipkin Award later in the week (See Page 35 for more on Jim Foran's award ceremony.) Jim taught or influenced many of the players from the Pacific Northwest who cheered them on to victory.



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ABOVE: Pro Doubles 2nd Place: Bill Melton (right - OK) & Jeff Womble (center - TX) pictured with their sponsor Dee Ray Garcia (left - OK).



ABOVE: Pro Doubles 3rd Place: Darrol Nelson (right - OR) & David Keithahn (left - CA) pictured with their sponsor Eddie Brayman (center - CA); and 4th Place (not pictured) was Joe Hudson (CA) & Pat Bayless (CA).



ABOVE: Division I Doubles 3rd & 1st Place: (left to right) **3rd Place** Bob Jacobsen (AZ) and George Main (CA), pictured biting the hand that beat him; and **1st Place top spot** went to Mike Roach and the 2001 North American Champion (NAC Contest & free Jacuzzi Suite for 2002 NASC™ winner), John Kosiske (both of NE)

RIGHT: Division I Doubles 2nd Place:

Nebraska team of Bill Loos (left) and Paul Leacox (right) finishing in the runner up spot; and not pictured: 4th Place



Earl Cole (WA)/Melody Marine (WA); and tied for 5th Place was Ronnie McMahan (TX)/Bud Spier (OR) and Pete Craven (CA)/Jake Jacob (B.C.) Notable: Pete Craven was a big winner on the craps table and shared his good fortune by buying a round of drinks for the house. Thanks Pete for the cocktail and for your support!

RIGHT:

Division II Doubles 1st Place:

tourney auctioneer, Jack Davis (left-TX) & Paul Obermiller (right-AZ) with sponsor Mike Roach (center)



RIGHT:

Division II Doubles 2nd Place:

Canadian team of Don Heaton from Manitoba and Gordie Smith from British Columbia.



RIGHT:

Division II Doubles 3rd Place:

NY team of Sharon Canino (center) and Rick Meyer (right) pictured w/ sponsor Larry Brown (left)



and not pictured winners: 4th Place went to Paulette McKinney (WA)/Joannie Millar (B.C.); and tied for 5th Place were the teams of Art Elliff (OR)/Susan Teible (OR) and Georgeanna Brand (OR)/Jim Nicoll (Alberta).

RIGHT:

Division III Doubles 1st Place:

California team of Erol Otus and Lucian Sprague. This was the first tournament win for both of them. Congratulations!



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**RIGHT: Division III
Doubles 2nd Place:**
Steve Hamilton (NE) and
Sharon Chandler (AZ)



RIGHT:
**Division III
Doubles 3rd
Place:** Texas
team of Mike
Boulanger (left) &
Rick McFarland
and not pictured
winners were:



4th Place Canadian team Sharon Juhlke (B.C.)/Harry Oda (B.C.); and tied for 5th Place were Mike Halstead (KY)/Dee Ray Garcia (OK) and Darold Barritt (OR)/Paul Stallworth (OR).

Wednesday featured the beginning of the amateur singles events, the conclusion of the Pro Doubles and the Pro Draw. A total of 111 players competed in the three amateur divisions. Wednesday was also Halloween (See Page 3, Humor Section), not that some of our participants needed an excuse.

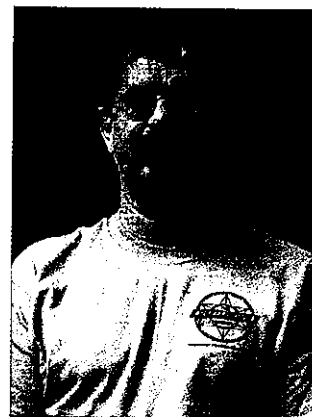


ABOVE: Division III Singles 1st Place: Jason Papa (center - CA) [pictured with Bill Meyer (left) and Jimmy the "Cop" Kampula (right)] - Jason's top spot was his first tournament win! Congrats!



**LEFT: Division III
Singles 2nd Place:**
Mike Boulanger (left-TX)
followed up his strong
finish in the doubles by
taking 2nd place
pictured w/ sponsor Billy
Poole.

**RIGHT: Division III Singles
3rd Place:** Tom Parr
(Alberta); and not pictured
winners were: 4th Place,
Steve Hamilton (NE); tied for
5th Place Bob Simpkins (TX)
& Jeff Loos (NE); and tied for
7th Place Marie Coulter (CA)
& Dwayne Neilson (NE); and
tied for 9th Place was Cliff
Visel (MI), Ray Pont (NE),
Vicki Hunt (CA), & Linda
Walker (OR).



**LEFT: Division II
Singles 1st & 2nd
Place:** Dan Holland
(left-OR) was the big
winner, edging out
Jeff Kersting (right-
WA) who finished
second.

**RIGHT: Division II Singles
3rd Place:** Wayne Scott (AZ);
and not pictured winners were:
4th Place Jim Kosiske (NE);
tied for 5th Place Ryan Devlin
(WA) & Sal Reynoso (CA); 7th
Place Jim Nicoll (Alberta) &
Don Heaton (Manitoba); and
tied for 9th Place was Paul
Obermiller (AZ), Jim Olson
(CA), Glen Redding (OR) &
Tom Harvat (NE).



ABOVE: Division I Singles 1st Place: Larry Sawyer (left-WA) was the big winner in Division I Singles, pictured with sponsor Ken Simmons. Larry Sawyer, after quite a few years away from the boards, is playing shuffleboard again. He used his experience well in defeating John Kosiske (NE) in the finals of the Division I Singles.

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RIGHT: Division I Singles 2nd Place: John Kosiske (left - NE) with sponsor Jim Kosiske (proud dad!)



ABOVE: Pro Draw Winners: (left to right) **1st Place:** Al Salazar (AZ) and Dan Hitt (WA); **2nd Place:** Rick Boyer (CO) & Mike Thorpe (WA).

Saturday saw the conclusion of the Pro Singles (Pro Singles winners pictured in left column) and the Amateur Team Event as well as the Consolation



ABOVE: Division I Singles 3rd Place: Marv Wilbur (right-WA) pictured with sponsor Dan Hitt; and not pictured winners: John Canino (NY) in fourth; Ron Sosovec (CO) & Tom Campbell (WA) tied for fifth; Wendell Herbison (AZ) & Jim Payne (NE) tied for seventh; and Terry Roberts (NE), Jane Mourgos (CA), Bud Spier (OR) and Ed Brayman (CA) tied for ninth.



ABOVE: Pro Singles Winners (left to right): **1st Place:** Dan Hitt (WA); **2nd Place:** Darrol Nelson (OR); and **3rd Place:** Fred Johns aka "Firehouse Freddie" (WA) and not pictured 4th Place: Al Pease (WA); and tied for 5th: Bill Melton (OK) and Mike Thorpe (WA)

On Friday afternoon, during a break in the tournament action, nearly every shuffleboard player in the house was on hand to witness the presentation of the Sol Lipkin award to Jim Foran of Tacoma Washington (See Page 35 for more on the Sol Lipkin award presentation).



ABOVE: Am-Team 1st Place: (left to right) The J.C.'s Bar from Omaha, Nebraska Team with John Kosiske, Jeff Volcek, Linda Ritter, Jim Payne, Shelly Hagen and Jim Kosiske



ABOVE: Am-Team 2nd Place: (left to right) M.V.P.'s from Phoenix, Arizona Team: Wendell Herbison, Phil Gardner, Wayne Scott, Cindy Clark, Sharon Chandler, and Bob Jacobsen.



ABOVE: Am-Team 3rd Place: Jason's Jalopies with Jason Papa (CA), Faye Todd (DE), Bill Meyer (MI), Jim Madary (MI), Marion Bailey (CA), and Dottie Bastanchury (CA)

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12th Annual NASC(tm) Tourney - Great Success!!

(Continued From Page 11)



ABOVE: Am-Team 4th Place: 4th Place: (3 Guys 2 Gals & We Hope He Shows Up: Eddie) Anna Brunskill, Eddie Brayman, Jane Mourgos, Rick McFarland, Jeff Womble, and Jack Davis

The Consolation Draw was won by Fred Thumann & Mary Brown, followed by Deb Voorhis and Char Waugaman in second, Chuck Norris and Jim Kumpula in third and Al Pease and Rick McFarland in fourth. Mike Keevil and Candy Lepore tied with Ken Simmons and Anthony Todd for fifth place and Eddie Brayman and Terry Roberts tied with David Keithahn and Rob Kern for seventh.

In Crazy Eights, there was a pro division and two amateur divisions, one for 0's and 1's, and the other for 2's, 3's and 4's. The Pro Division was won by Chuck Norris, with Bill Melton in second and Al Salazar in third. In the 0's and 1's, it was Jim Payne in first, Eddie Brayman in second and Ron Sosovec in third. Steve Hamilton finished first among the 2's, 3's and 4's, with Pete Craven in second, Linda Walker in third and Faye Todd in fourth.

In the North American Champion Contest, the top finishers and points were as follows. Pro Division: Bill Melton (71), Dan Hitt (50) and Al Salazar (42). Division I: John Kosiske (76), Jim Payne (74) and Bob Jacobsen (36). Division II: Jack Davis (59), Jim Kosiske (57) and tied for third with 36 points were Wayne Scott and Sharon Canino. Division III: Steve Hamilton (55), Sharon Chandler (40) and Jason Papa (36).

Our co-sponsors play an important role in making this tournament possible and we greatly appreciate their support. This year our Platinum Sponsors were the Sands Regency Hotel and Venture Entertainment. Mike and Susie Halstead were our lone Gold Sponsors, Jason Papa and Pete Craven were Bronze Sponsors and Board Sponsors were American Legion Post #73, The Board Talk, the Houston Holiday Open and the Southwest Open.

Although we have had bigger turnouts, I don't know that we have ever had a better tournament. Our staff did an outstanding job in all respects, especially setting up the boards.

We received many compliments on the boards and without question, the boards played better than they ever have in the twelve year history of the NASC™. Credit for this goes to our setup crew, Rick Boyer, Lyndon Baize, Dennis Bird, Dennis Cardenas, Candy Lepore, Bill Maxwell, Rick McFarland, Al Pease and Fred Thumann.

Kathy Yingst did her usual outstanding job, especially in the area of organizing teams for the Amateur Team Event. Many participants in that event had team members cancel because of the events of September 11. Kathy's work in finding players for the partial teams and organizing the remaining players who wanted to play in that event was outstanding. Kathy gives a lot of credit to her new right hand person, Linda Ritter. This was Linda's first year with us and we couldn't be more pleased. She is a great addition to the team.

In keeping a tournament running smoothly, no job is more important than managing the brackets and we are grateful to have the best in the business, Rob Kern who did his usual flawless job.

Jack Davis once again did a fine job of auctioning the hundreds of players/teams, in addition to waxing boards and running round robins. Waxing boards for hours on end, day after day is a tough job and we are grateful to Lyndon Baize, Dennis Bird, Rick Boyer, Candy Lepore and Rick McFarland, for their efforts in waxing the boards, along with spraying them and vacuuming the gutters in the morning.

Special thanks to Lois Thumann for managing the sale of shirts, jackets, raffle tickets and all of the other merchandise. She is also always willing to help any of the rest of the staff with anything else that need to be done. Happy Holidays to all in the shuffleboard community. Stay tuned to The Board Talk for information about the 2002 NASC™.

The photos for the Consolidation Draw and Crazy 8's and winner photos of the Pro Singles had not arrived from Lorraine at the time this report was written, so will include more photos in next month's issue. I have included the pictures we took of Dan Hitt and Fred Johns during the auction, but will include the Pro Single winners photos in next issue also. We also appreciate The Board Talk Editors in working with us to get the NASC results in the December issue. Thanks on behalf of our participants. --John McDermott, Tournament Director

12th Annual NASC(tm) - Tequila Bar & Misc. Photos!

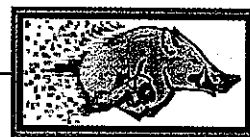
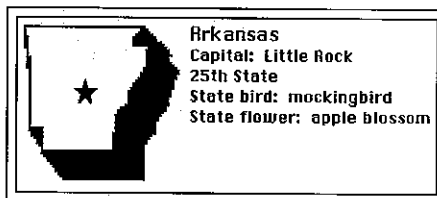
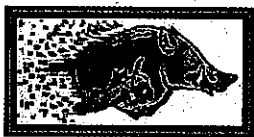


1st ANNUAL ARKANSAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP HELD

November 2 - 4, 2001

VFW Post 9095, Little Rock, Arkansas

Report & Photos Provided By: Russell Canerdy, AR



The first Arkansas State Championship was held November 2 - 4, 2001, at the VFW Post 9095 in Little Rock. There was fierce competition throughout the weekend, which provided fun for not only the shufflers, but the spectators as well.

To get things started, there was a Bring Partner event held Friday night. There were some strong teams, but when all was said and done, Larry Williams and Russell Canerdy took home the first place trophy. Charlotte Bowen and Peggy Hodge teamed up and came in a well-deserved second. (Way to go girls!!) A well-earned third place went to the team of Ronnie Curtis and Jimmy Wallace.

Saturday afternoon was the beginning of the Singles Championship. There were two divisions, one for the women and one for the men. There was some hard fought matches, great friendly competition and a lot of fun.

The men's Singles Champion was Tony Pelton. He had some heavy competition, but in the end, he proved strong enough to finish first. Second place went to Hoot Hodge, who also had to fight his way through some tough matches. Giving these guys some of the competition was Barry Hollowell, who brought in third.

The women's Singles Championship trophy went to Kay Canerdy. She played hard to win, and win she did. Making her work for it were players like Charlotte Bowen (also a winner Friday night!!), who came in second after some serious shuffling. The third place honors went to Stephanie Seligman, who also made her presence known.

The weekend was filled with competition, fun, and most importantly, shuffleboard. Everybody played hard and enjoyed themselves. Arkansas shuffleboard is still in the early stages, but, thanks to Tony and Joyce Pelton, it is constantly growing. There are already some dates set for upcoming tournaments. Be sure to keep your eyes open for details in future issues of The Board Talk.



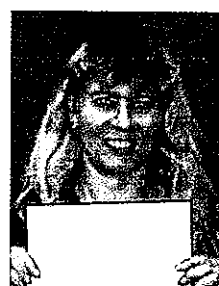
LEFT: Bring Partner 1st Place: (left to right) Russell Canerdy and Larry Williams



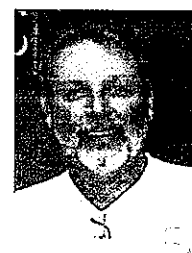
ABOVE: Bring Partner 2nd Place: Peggy Hodge (left) & Charlotte Bowen



ABOVE: Bring Partner 3rd Place: Ronnie Curtis & Jimmy Wallace



ABOVE: Ladies' Singles 1st /2nd/3rd Place (left to right): Kay Canerdy (1st), Charlotte Bowen (2nd), Stephanie Seligman (3rd)

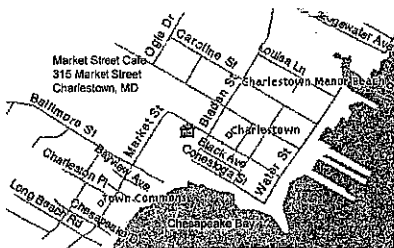


ABOVE: Mens' Singles 1st /2nd/3rd Place (left to right): Tony Pelton (1st), Hoot Hodge (2nd), Barry Hollowell (3rd)



Market Street Cafe Winners!

Market Street Cafe
Charlestown, MD
October 2001
Results By: Joyce Pyle



The weather was beautiful, but our crowd was small, partly due to the NASC Reno tournament. Everyone had a good time. "Thanks" to owners Bobbi and Chip Spangler and tournament director Joyce Pyle.

On Friday evening we had 8 teams for the Draw Partner event. Coming out in the first place was Jen Pickett (a regular shooter at Market Street) with Jim McDaniels of Darlington, MD; second place was Lennie Dell of Baltimore and Tony Todd of Elkton; and third place was Ed Hammon of Philadelphia and Brian Rutherford of Rising Sun. Other team players were Chuck Cook and Brenda Wallace; Greg Hladky and Jim Wallace; Lindsay Hall & Archie Moore; Carol Hampton and Jim Dennis; Joyce Pyle and Kurt Maurer.

For the Bring Partner on Saturday was 7 teams. Taking first place was the team of Lennie Dell of Baltimore and Rick Niblett of Salisbury, MD; and second place was won by Louise Freer and Paul Harvey of Philadelphia, PA. Other teams were Jim McDaniel and Lindsay Hall, Jim Dennis and Keith Leonard; Jen Pickett and Kurt Maurer; Tony Todd and Chip Spangler; and Carol Hampton and Joyce Pyle.

We'll be reporting on our next tournament being held November 17-18 (Bring Partner & Draw Partner & Singles) in a later The Board Talk issue.

The Market Street Cafe has three home boards and access to another one from another establishment when needed. So, we invite anyone and everyone to come on over to Charlestown's Market Street Cafe and join the play and fun!



In Fond Memory of Kay Tripp...

[photos taken from the November 2001 The Board Talk issue (page 22) - with her usual big smile at a late October tourney] has passed away suddenly and unexpectedly. She was a great promoter of shuffleboard (especially for the Florida ladies) and will be greatly missed by all!



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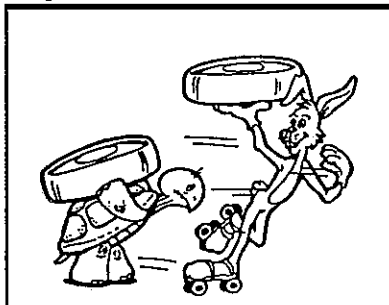
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Shufflers' Notebook

News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard (Con't. from Page 2)

"Speedy Recovery" Messages for Al Stewart, George Wilber, Kathy Orlando & Jim Suiter!

We have at least three more of our shuffleboard family members who could probably use a boost by receiving some "speedy recovery" cards:

Al Stewart (11415 Cherrylee Drive, El Monte, CA 01732) has recently had another heart attack and has undergone heart surgery. See updates from Tina Tuttle (Al's daughter) in the lower right-hand portion of on this page.

George Wilber (503 E. Sheridan Rd., Lansing, MI 48906) recovering from a fall which dislocated his shoulder and caused a head injury. Donna (wife) says he is recovering well. As you recall, last month Donna had kidney stone surgery. She, too, reports that she is making a good recovery.

Kathy Orlando (Audubon Park Condominiums, 15115 Mesa Drive - Unit #139, Humble, TX 77396) player from Houston, TX area and found frequently supporting and attending tournaments across the country including the Houston Holiday Open, SW Open, NASC Reno, and most recently participating in the *3rd Annual Wandering the World Women's Tournament* (tourney photo from last month's issue repeated below) has reportedly just been given a serious medical diagnosis and will be starting chemo treatments as soon as the doctors can get her set up for the treatments at another Houston hospital that has the needed equipment. Her partner/roommate, Flynt Preston, called 911 when she fainted at home - then after almost a week of hospital testing, the doctors provided Kathy with the diagnosis and treatment plan.



Left: Kathy Orlando (3rd Annual Wandering the World Ladies Tournament participant) - Kathy provided all attendees with small American Flags (tourney was weekend following Sept. 11th attacks) and told all the ladies she is designing & making custom sweat shirts (varieties such as one she is wearing in photo) to sell during the HHO 2001 tourney. "Kathy, we pray for you to have a quick treatment recovery! See ya' at the HHO 2001 tourney! Bring those shirts!"



Above: Jim Suiter, Suitco Surface, Inc. (Owner) & The Board Talk Monthly Advertiser Pictured with Patty Suiter (his "favorite wife") Photo taken at hospital after Jim was rushed to ER on Oct. 15th with severe back pain - they were performing back surgery when he encountered some heart problems that halted the back surgery (ultimately found out the heart problems were caused by his pace maker being set too high). So, his back surgery will be re-scheduled soon. He is at home recouping now (they've injected a block, but pain is still bad) and he is just awaiting surgery to be reset. His address can be found on his advertisement on Page 29. "Jim, We all wish you a successful surgery and speedy recovery!" His wife reports: "He is very cute and keeps everyone's spirits up."

Tina Tuttle-Jimenez Reports Al Stewart's Recovery Progress!

On Oct. 4th dad suffered a heart attack which is bad enough in and of itself, but he also suffers from asthma and emphysema, not to mention he has an Aneurysm that the doctors have been keeping an eye on. All of this on top of being 80 years old (40 of which spent lifting 350 lb. shuffleboards by himself) has made dad very ill.

While he is home now, he has not been eating well (finally got him to eat in mid-Nov.), is on many medications which have not yet stabilized, and is scheduled to see many more specialists.

After dad got out of the hospital, I reached out to the few e-mail addresses I had of people in the wonderful world of shuffleboard and the e-mails, cards, and phone calls started pouring in to cheer him up. As a result, he is feeling very loved, honored and respected! Thank you "Shuffleboard Community" for once again reaching out to one of my parents to make their world brighter!

-- **Tina Tuttle-Jimenez (Al Stewart's Daughter)**
(Shufflers' Notebook Continued on Next Page)

Siebert Welcomes Fritzi Back to Running Tournaments at the American Legion in Bourbon !

Fritzi Broka is back running tournaments at the American Legion in Bourbon, Indiana. Welcome back Fritzi! The Fall Doubles at the Legion on Oct. 6, 2001 was the first tournament run there by Fritzi since 1995. Twenty teams is a good start and it shouldn't be more than a couple of years before there are 60 teams entered.

This tournament was my first chance to see Bud Broka since his heart attack. I'm glad to see he's back playing. It was good to see my Oklahoma friends Glen Davidson and Madge Goff. Having them at a tournament always adds something to it. They never seem to change. Congratulations to Glen and partner, Dave Boaz for winning the Open Doubles.

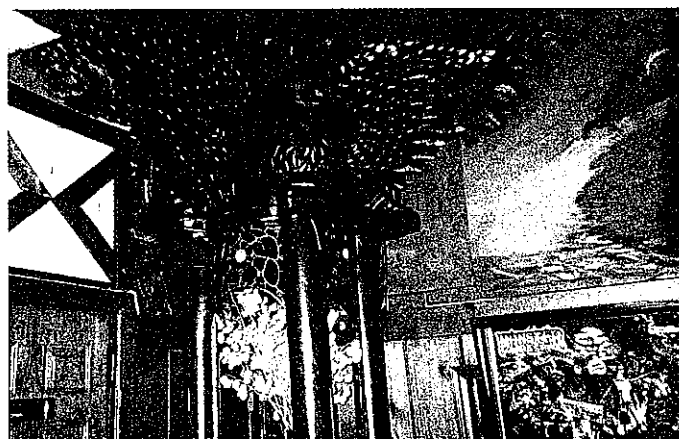
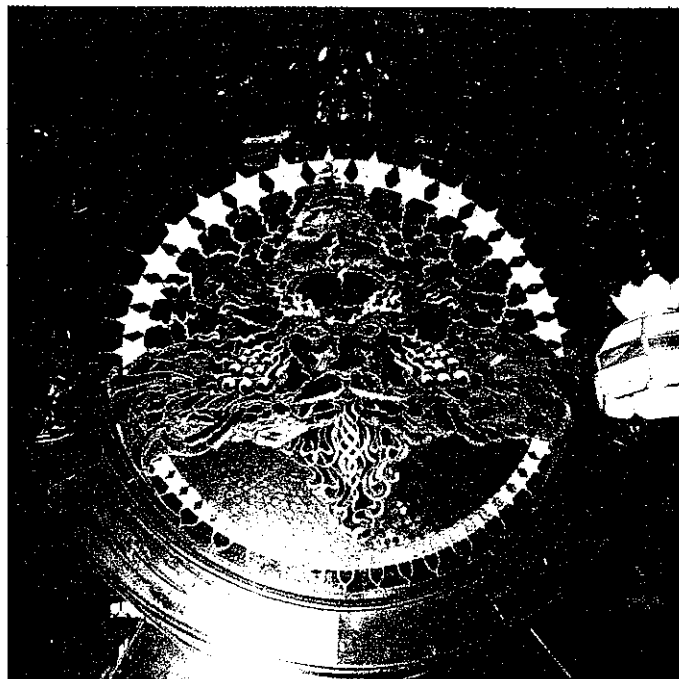
The tournament was very well run, starting with an efficient sponsor sale handled by Steve Hart, with Mike Johnson spotting. It was good to see a printed set of rules for the tournament. The set of rules was distributed at auction time and players were able to look them over and ask questions. I really appreciate having designated board waxers. Consistent wax jobs are much better for all players. Thanks to all the folks that worked with Fritzi.

I am glad to see Fritzi is back running tournaments at the Bourbon American Legion. The best one day tournament in the country is back!

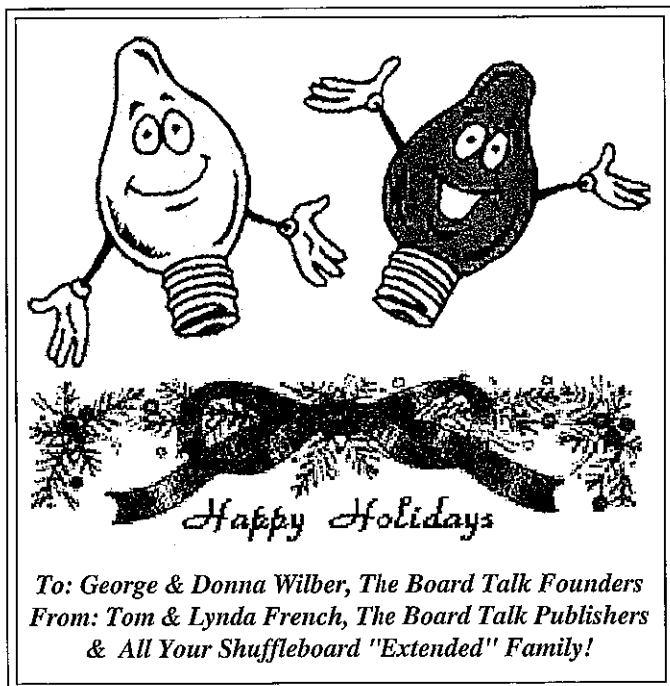
— Jerry Siebert, MI

Glen Ingram of Indiana Shares Some "Stober's Lounge" Classic Photos!

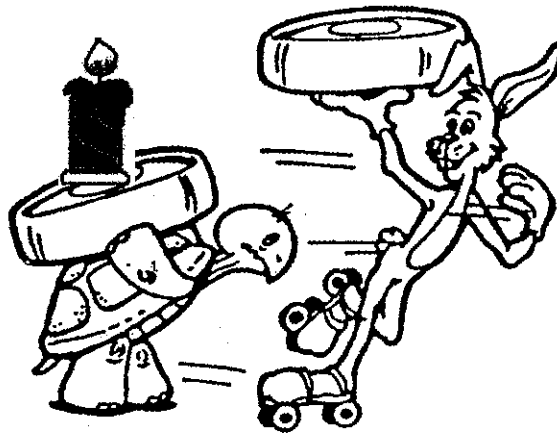
Those that have not yet had the great opportunity to visit and play at Stober's Lounge in Lansing, Michigan don't know what they're missing. This is a club with wonderful owners and great people. It is very unique in that Rudy Stober (deceased) brought in an antique interior from Europe - featuring a Merlin decor of stained glass and carved wood. Below are a few photos taken of the interior of the club (beautiful!).



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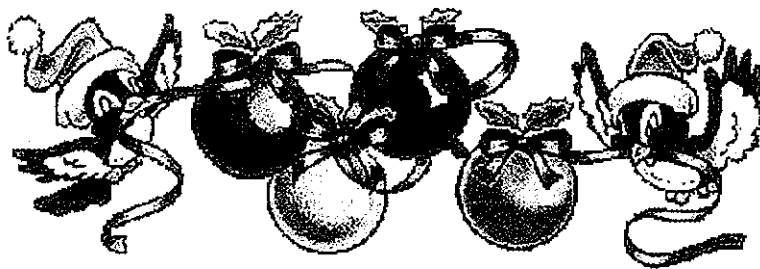


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David L's Hideout - Tourney A Great Success!

October 13-14, 2001

David L's Hideout Lounge, Yorktown, IN

Report By: Glen Ingram, IN

David L's Hideout Lounge finished another successful Double and Singles event tournament in Yorktown, Indiana. David L's has 3 in-house boards and is a great place to play.

We don't know what it will take to get more of the Muncie, Anderson and Noblesville players involved and playing, but if anyone has ideas please let Glen Ingram know.

Those that play are a bunch of great people and have lots of fun. We have different winners each time we have a tournament at David L's Hideout Lounge, so nobody dominates the boards or tournament wins.

Thanks to Sheryl, Jeri, Bobby V, and Jim and everyone else who helped with the tournament and to all those that came and supported and/or participated in these two events.

"DOUBLES" (Oct. 13th) Winners Were:



LEFT: 1st Place:
Terry Dowell
(left) & Steve
Hart



ABOVE: 2nd & 3rd Place: (left to right) Jim Long/Glen Ingram (2nd) and Beef Camp/Mikel Johson (3rd)



LEFT: 4th Place:
Brackateer Jeri Ingram
(left) and Glen Pritchard

"SINGLES" (Oct. 14th) Winners Were:



ABOVE: 1st/2nd/3rd Place: (left to right) Jim DeWitt (1st); Jim Long (2nd); Bobby V. (3rd); and not pictured: Mikel Johnson (4th)



LEFT: David L's "Ace In The Hole" - Doris:
Doris put up with us until it's over... but she's glad when it is over! Doris says "Bye until next time!"



ABOVE: At David L's, there's not only a winners' bracket and a losers' bracket... but also always a "party bracket"!



ABOVE: Jim Long (left) pictured with Bobby V (right) saying "Damn, the Old Man (Jim) is Still Hard to Handle!"



LEFT: Jeri Ingram, Tourney Brackateer, hard at work? or just being pretty?

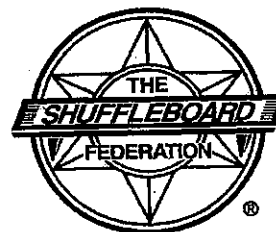


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Date	Event	Time	Format Description	Max #	Bracket	Discounted Entry Fees (add \$5 after Dec. 10 th)
Mon.		6 PM	Draws, Practice and side games			
Tues.		5 PM	Draws, Practice and side games			
Wed.		2 PM	Hall of Fame Inductions)			
12/26	1	3 PM	Pro/Am Draw (No -1's draw together)	96	-1, 0, 1	\$50
	2	3 PM	Amateur Draw (No 2's draw together)	96	2, 3, 4	\$30
Thur. 2/27	3	10 AM	6 Person Draft Team. 4 of 7 Dble Elim. 3 boards. Mark 4 and play to 15.	192	All	\$50 each
Fri. 12/28	4	11 AM	Singles - Handicapped Entry Fees Dble Elim. 2 of 3 Winners, 18 pts losers	32	-1, 0, 1	\$300/200/150
	5	11 AM	Singles - Handicapped Entry Fees	64	1, 2, 3	\$100/80/60
	6	11 AM	Singles - Handicapped Entry Fees	64	3, 4, 5	\$40/30/20
Sat. 12/29	7	NOON	4 Person Bring Team - Add to 3 (1 Pro Max.) 2 of 3 Double Elimination	24	-1, 0, 1, 2, 3	\$400/Team
	8	NOON	4 Person Bring Team - Add to 10 2 of 3 Double elimination	24	1, 2, 3, 4	\$160/Team
Sun. 12/30	9	NOON	2 Person Bring Partner - Add to 0	48	All	\$300
	10	NOON	2 Person Bring Partner - Add to 4	64	1, 2, 3	\$100
	11	NOON	2 Person Bring Partner - Add to 6	48	2, 3, 4	\$60
Mon. 12/31			Completion of Events 9, 10 & 11			
		9 PM	New Years Eve Party and Dance Free buffet			Open play until 7pm
	12	7 PM	Draw - Single Elimination - No auction		-1 0, 1, 2	\$50
	13	7 PM	Draw - Single Elimination - No auction		2, 3, 4	\$20

A one time \$25 Tournament Registration Fee (\$5 Add'l. after Dec. 10th - if slots still available).
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Events: 7. & 8. Bring your own 4-PERSON TEAM (Division I or II). TO BE FILLED OUT BY CAPTAINS "ONLY" WITH COMPLETED TEAM INFORMATION (Players Names & Ratings).

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Player 2:	_____	_____	_____
Player 3:	_____	_____	_____
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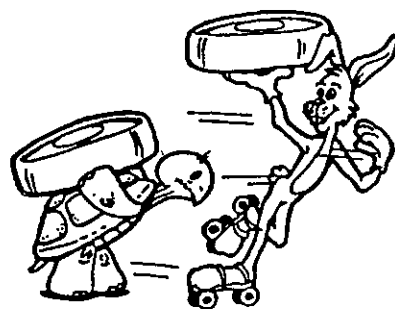
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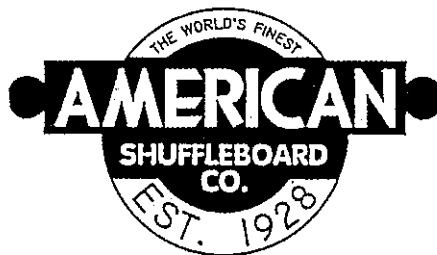
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Pre-State Tournament Winners!

October 26-28, 2001

Fall Creek Valley AMVETS Post 26, Pendleton, Indiana

Report & Photos Provided By: James "Sonny" Harris & Char Harris, Tournament Directors & Host/Hostess



The Fall Creek Valley AMVETS Post 26 in Pendleton, Indiana hosted their "Pre-State Tournament," on Oct. 26-28. Many thanks to all the players, sponsor sale volunteers and all other helpers. Steve Hart called the sponsor sales on Friday and Saturday (lost his voice after Saturday's sponsor sale) and Mikel Johnson called the sponsor sales on Sunday.

Friday, Oct. 26 bought in 15 teams for the A-B-C Bring Team event. When the smoke cleared, the winners were as pictured below:

"A-B-C Bring Team" (Fri.) Winners (15 teams):



LEFT: 1st Place:
(left to right) Rudy,
Sheryl Cockerill,
and Steve Hart



LEFT: 2nd Place:
(left to right) Leon
Black, Beef Camp,
and Brian Collins



LEFT: 3rd Place:
(left to right) Jeri and
Glen Ingram and
Marsha Brown (not
pictured)

Saturday, Oct. 27 bought in 16 teams for the Pre-State Doubles. They were playing for a part of the \$4,000 winners pot. Winners photos follow:

"Pre-State Doubles" (Sat.) Winners (16 teams):



LEFT: 1st Place:
(left to right) Steve
Hart and John
Humes



LEFT: 2nd Place:
(left to right) Milt
and Jim DeWitt



ABOVE: 3rd & 4th Place: (left to right) Jim Hamilton/
Buddy Broka (3rd); Jim Long/Glen Ingram (4th)

NOTABLE: Special thanks to the two Michigan teams who joined us: Martha and Roland Hall and Steve and Scott Auten.

Sunday, Oct 28 there were 9 walkers that found their way to the Post for the Pre-State Singles event and they all played like they really needed a part of the \$3,000 winners pot. Winners were:

"Pre-State Singles" (Sun.) Winners (19 teams):

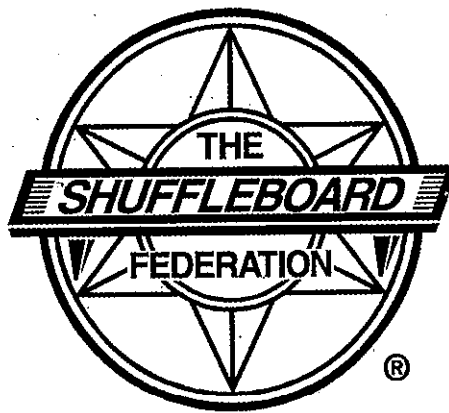


ABOVE: 1st/2nd/3rd/4th Places: (left to right)
Jim Long (1st - who was not going to play, by the way!);
Tom Nolder (2nd); Steve Auten (3rd); Glen Ingram (4th)

The Pendleton AMVETS had a wonderful weekend. A better bunch of players or friendlier people could not have been found.



Tournament Director & Host, Sonny Harris (pictured left) and Hostess Char Harris wish to thank all the players and volunteers who helped and extend a special thanks to the out-of-state players who joined us and to Steve Hart and Mikel Johnson for conducting the sponsorship sales.



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Frisco Eddie's Revenge: The Return

EPISODE 85 -- A Series by Balboa Ron Schweikert -- December 2001 Issue

Eddie and Shelli had a long time to reminisce about all of their recent adventures during their long plane trip from Daytona Beach to home – and San Francisco...and their Tavern, the Blue Moon. Little did they know that a big surprise awaited them upon their return! They finally arrived, and the landing was uneventful. They were picked up at SFO Airport by Jack, the young man that Eddie had hired to fill in while they were gone. He was actually 23 years old – but he looked more like he was 17. Eddie tried to get Jack to fill him in about how things had been at the Blue Moon while they were gone on the ride home. That proved hard to do, because all He wanted to hear about was their trip – especially about the shuffleboard. Shelli butted in at one point, and asked him why he was so interested. All he said was that “he’d been throwing a few weights lately was all.”

The truth of the matter was – that he’d been doing a whole lot more than just “throwing a few weights”. While they were gone, he had become one hell of a player. So good, in fact, that he could take just about anyone in the whole No. California area! He had also picked up a “handle” as well. They called him “Kansas Kid” now, mainly because that was where he was from originally. His plan was to get Eddie tricked into a game, and then hustle him. Everyone at the Blue Moon was in on it too.

After they arrived and got settled in, they checked out the Bar. Shelli went over the books, while Eddie checked the condition of the bar, shuffleboard, and the rest of the area. They were well pleased with what they saw. Jack and the rest of the crew had done an excellent job while they were gone. Jack and the team had even prepared a little homecoming and victory party for them as well. All the customers were eager to see the current “World Champion” and his beautiful Bride. The place was packed to full capacity, and there was a whole lot of laughter, hugging, and story telling to go around. After a while, Eddie went over to shoot a few weights. A crowd gathered to watch him practice. When he had been up and back a few times, Jack strolled up and said: “How about you teach an amateur how to play this game?” Eddie kind of smiled and said: “Ok with me Kid, Lets put some quarters in and wax her down!” After the board was ready, Eddie said: “I’ll go first, and we’ll discuss your shots as we go along, ok?” Jack said that would be fine, and “free-handed” a deep1, in the center of the table. Eddie hit, and slid into a short deuce, almost hanging over the left rail. Eddie mentioned that it was going to be pretty hard to stick that weight with the freehand, and proceeded to “show” him how to shoot

a jersey shot off the right rail.

After the “instruction”, Jack picked up his #2 weight, and shot a perfect right hand “jersey”. He not only hit the weight – he Stuck it as well! Eddie had a puzzled look on his face as he said: “Man, you sure picked that up real quick!” Jack had a little smile on his face as he said: “Yeah, I guess so”. The game continued with Jack “learning” real fast. In fact, when the score got to 11 all, Eddie said: “Hey, that’s it! You’re on your own now.” Jack just said “Ok, Champ”.

Jack had the “Hammer”, and on his third weight he “wrapped” one real tight around, with a left cross. It was a deuce, and was tucked in real nice. Eddie had a perplexed look on his face as he prepared to shoot. He looked at Jack and said: “Now how the hell did you do that Kid?” Jack had a serious look on his face as he replied: “Man, that was just luck...just luck is all”

Eddie missed his shot, taking his back weight off the board in the process. The only weight left on the board was Jack’s deuce – and he had the hammer. He turned to a disillusioned Eddie and said: “Well I guess I’m supposed to lag a 2 now – is that right ‘Coach’?” There was no reply. He set up for a right hand “thumb” shot for his lag. Just before his release, he announced: “Let’s just make it a three – just for good measure, ok”.

Needless to say, he lagged a perfect Deep three, a little left of center! Eddie had the whole message then. He said: “You S.O.B. – you hustled the hustler! How long has this been going on anyway?” Jack explained that he had started playing even before Eddie had left on both of his “long” journeys.

After some time passed, Jack approached Eddie and Shelli with a plan. There was one place that none of them had ever played, and that place was Southern California. He pointed out that no one really knew him there, and it would be the perfect place to pull off a “scam”. Eddie said they’d have to think it over, and he would let him know. He talked it over with Shelli, and she thought it was a great idea. He wanted her to go too, but she explained that someone had to stay back and manage the business...and anyway – she was starting to “show”. Eddie finally agreed, and later told Jack that the trip was on! He started jumping up and down, and hollered that “they were really going to make it big! As Eddie watched his antics, he thought to himself, Dear God, I hope this is the right thing...please let it be the right thing.

POST SCRIPT; So what's going to happen now? Are they just going to sweep through L.A. – or are they going to run into some trouble. What adventures lie ahead? It should be an exciting trip – so be sure to tune in next issue! (TO BE CONTINUED)



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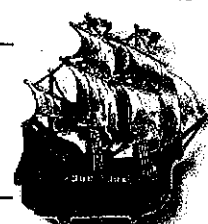
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1st Annual Columbus Day Tourney Results!



October 5-6, 2001
Devonshire Inn, St. Louis, Missouri
Report By: Jack Murphy, St. Louis, Missouri



Devonshire Inn, St. Louis, Missouri was the setting for the 1st Annual Columbus Day Tournament. This being the first and somewhat quickly organized Tournament, the showing of players wasn't as many as we had hoped for, but the tournament play was exciting and chocked full of some strong showings. Thanks to all those who participated and it is hoped that this tournament will just get bigger and better in the future. So, mark your calendars now for next year's tournament to be held on Oct. 11-12, 2002.

Friday night's activities started off with a Draw Partner (single game/single elimination) event. It was decided that teams entered in the tourney would be drawn and play as a team for this Draw Partner event. The 1st and 2nd Place teams (Frank Edelen & Pat Marshall and Steve Sheridan & Jack Murphy) split their prize winnings to allow time for running of the Open Draw event.

Saturday's tournament play was full of some exciting shooting and close games. Taking third place were the fine shooting team of "Super Sam" Eveland and Judy Edelen. They fended off some stiff competition in their first couple of games and made it all the way through the winner's bracket until losing their first game to the eventual tournament champions. It was a tough loss, but with great perseverance and steady play they went on to face their final opponents in the loser's bracket, Jill Hajek and Mike Hill. Sam and Judy were handed another loss, but did get to take home third place honors. Congratulations to them both!

Coming in second was the late entry team of Jill Hajek and Mike Hill (Glad you entered now, huh, guys/gals?). Jill and Mike exhibited some fine, consistent shooting. After losing their first game in their second round of play, Jill and Mike battled back through the loser's bracket defeating all teams they faced. After winning back to back games in the last games of the loser's bracket they went on to face the as yet unbeaten team of Frank Edelen and Pat Marshall. It was an exciting and very tight match-up. However, Jill and Mike were eventually handed their second loss. Nevertheless, this last minute match-up of teammates proved to be a strong shooting team. Congratulations to them both for their second place honors.

Taking first place honors was the team of Frank Edelen and Frank Marshall, who are also long time league teammates in our local shuffleboard league. They stayed strong throughout the tournament, never sustaining a loss. When they faced their final match against Jill Hajek and Mike Hill, Frank and Pat had a very tough match up facing them. After all, Jill and Mike had recently come back all the way through the loser's bracket and were really on a roll. Frank and Pat needed to keep their cool and continue with their tough, consistent shooting if they wanted to defeat these opponents. They did go on to victory, but it was a hard fought battle in a game that, all throughout, could have easily swung to either team's favor. It was a great game to watch as it went down to the wire with a tight 15-14 final score! Both teams played excellent and this game provided an exciting finale to the tournament. A Special "Congratulations" to our First Place Winners: Frank Edelen and Pat Marshall!



LEFT: 1st Place: Pat Marshall (left) and Frank Edelen (right) pictured with their sponsor, "Super Sam" Eveland (center-who also took 3rd place himself, by the way!)



LEFT: 2nd Place: Jill Hajek (left) and Mike Hill (right) pictured with their sponsor, Robert Kasza (center)



LEFT: 3rd Place: Judy Edelen (left) and "Super Sam" Eveland (right) pictured with their sponsor, Frank Edelen (center - who also took 1st Place!)

Thanks to Sofija Pekic (owner of Devonshire Inn), Steve Sheridan (co-director), Nancy Moyle and all players and helpers! Can't wait until next year!

Memorial Tournament Starts 2001/2002

13th Season at Harvey's Place!



October 18-20, 2001
Harvey's Place, Street, Maryland
Report By: Dick Gorman, Wilmington, Delaware



Oct. 18-20th marked the opening of the 13th Season at Harvey's Place, Street, Maryland with the Memorial Day Tournament. This tournament is annually dedicated to shuffleboard players who previously played at Harvey's Place tournaments.

On Sat. afternoon, a short ceremony was lead by Dick Gorman, remembering forever players who are now playing in the Golden Tournaments. The players so honored and remembered included: George Chamberlin, Gene Corry, Jack Gardner, John Grace, Vinnie Killian, Mickey Mickens, Pete O'Neil, Nelson Renzo, Elmer Roberchaud, Brian Russell, Al Ryan, Sam Sech, Scratch Todd and Art Ware.

The gang assembled on Friday amidst a beautiful fall weekend for the Draw Partner event and play they did until the wee hours of Saturday morning. Taking the lions share of the winnings and first place honors were Jim Dennis of Perryville, MD and Jim McDaniels of Darlington, MD; second place winners were Wendy Davis of Wilmington, DE and Kurt Maurer of Conowingo, MD; and third and final place went to Cid Floriani of Long Beach, NJ and Ryan Fuller of Sherburne, NY.

Saturday's Bring Partner event brought more players and a 'prayer' for the new Bowers Rating System to be released! We are waiting for some changes in players ratings (maybe by our next tournament the 2002 Ratings will be out). After the short program for our deceased friends, the event proceeded until late in the evening. Taking the Trophy Tournament Jackets and a large portion of the "pot of gold" were infrequent tournament players of Bob Davis of Corner Ketch, PA and Frank Ouly of Bear, DE [great players - just don't see them enough and apparently neither do all the Bowers' raters (grin)!]; taking second after a two game fight were Kurt Maurer of Conowingo, MD and Jen Pickett of Northeast, MD; taking third place was the Hagerstown, MD (western Maryland) team of Bill Brown and Lonzo Knight; and fourth and final place was taken by Wendy Davis and Dick Gorman, both of Wilmington, DE.

Every Saturday night a Draw Partner event is held at Harvey's Place. This Saturday was no

exception... it was played, sharing the four in-house boards, concurrent with and while the Bring Partner event was being finalized. This week's play was enhanced by those players already eliminated from the Memorial Day tournament's Bring Partner event. Taking first place were Ryan Fuller of Sherburne, NY and Gene Long of Lancaster, PA with second place going to Darlyene Belcher (our Tournament Hostess) and Faye Todd of Newark, DE.

Sunday morning at 11 AM the Singles event players all lined up for one more chance at the "pot-of-gold" and a winner's Tournament Trophy Jacket. After a long and busy afternoon and evening, the Trophy Jacket and a big part of the winnings going to first place winner, Jim McDaniel of Darlington, MD; second place going to a strong challenger, Curtis Dean of Elkton, MD; third place going to Ryan Fuller of Sherburne, NY; and fourth and final spot going to Greg Hager of Philadelphia, PA (and a few more who wished they were in his position).

The next tournament will be held on Dec. 7-9, 2001 with Draw Partner on Friday night, Bring Partner on Saturday, and Singles starting at 11 AM on Sunday.

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"Singles Qualifier Tournament" for HHO 2001!



November 3, 2001
 Danny's Sports Bar & Triple Crown Sports Bar
 Winner List & Photos Submitted By: Steve Edwards



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[See flyer that was inserted in the October 2001 issue for more details and contact information.]



LEFT: Dueling it out for 1st & 2nd Place (1,2,3 Qualifier): David Sexton of San Antonio (shooting) and Wayne Cummings of Houston in their final match



LEFT: 1st/2nd/3rd (3,4,5 Qualifier): (left to right) 1st: Wayne Hammond (Houston); 2nd: Debbie Sexton (San Antonio); 3rd: Ken Pate (Houston)



LEFT: 1st/2nd/3rd (1,2,3 Qualifier): (left to right) 1st: David Sexton (San Antonio); 2nd: James Cummings (Houston); 3rd: Del Ammerman (no picture)



ABOVE: Dueling it out for 1st & 2nd Place (3,4,5 Qualifier): Wayne Hammond (shooting) of Houston and Debbie Sexton of San Antonio battle it out in the singles finals at Triple Crown Sports Bar (3,4,5 rated). Debbie made a great effort, but Wayne was in a zone. Great playing you two!

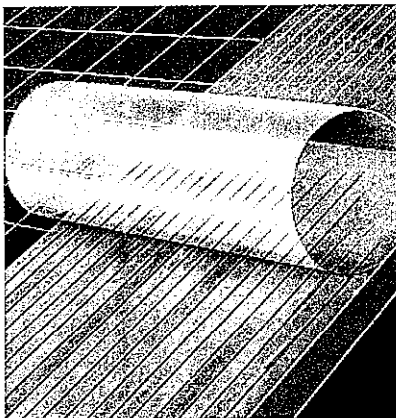
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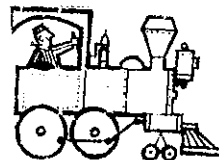
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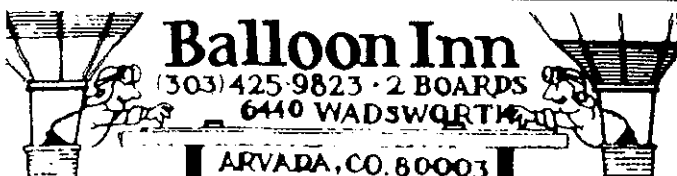
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The annual "Play Your Way Across the USA - June 2001 Edition," was mailed as a 4-page insert in The Board Talk's June 2001 Issue. We have had several inquiries and requests to publish this twice a year instead of annually. We would be more than happy to have two editions per year if there are some subscribers or establishments that would like to help sponsor additional editions. We had no sponsors or cosponsors on the June 2001 edition, so the cost of publishing it was absorbed solely by The Board Talk. We cannot increase the frequency of the "Play Your Way Across the USA" publication insert without some sponsors to help pay for the cost of doing so. So, let us know if any of you would like to sponsor or cosponsor the annual edition and/or donate to help sponsor an additional edition (semiannual, rather than annual.)

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Thanks! --T & L, The Board Talk Publishers

League Players' Corner (League Players' Corner - Series #11: New Section First Added In The February 2001 Issue)

There were no special league events to report this month or last issue.

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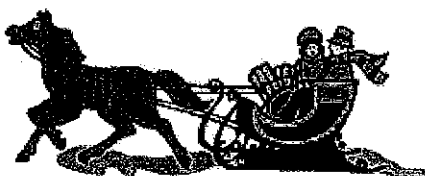
NOTICE: ALL PLAYERS ARE INVITED TO A "TSA OPEN MEETING" and A "TSA HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY" TO BE HELD DURING THE HOUSTON HOLIDAY OPEN ON DECEMBER 26, 2001 (Open Meeting at 1 PM; Induction Ceremony from 2 PM - 3 PM).

OTHER TSA UPDATES/NEWS ITEMS:

1) **MUSEUM:** The TSA Directors wish to thank all that have donated items to the TSA HOF Museum. The museum facility is looking great and ready to start putting up photos and displaying shuffleboards and equipment and ready to put in display cabinets which are not yet purchased. There is one old Rock-ola already installed. We have collected some items for display in the museum, but have them stored until we can get the display cabinets to put them in.

2) **TSA MEMBERSHIPS:** Inserted into this issue you will find a TSA Hall of Fame Associate Membership Application Form. Memberships will help support our museum efforts.

3) **FUND RAISERS:** Harvey Kidd, TSA Director from Houston, TX is planning to donate a shuffleboard and weights for raffle during the Houston Holiday Open (providing it get refinished timely) where some of the raffle proceeds will go toward our fund raising for the museum, such as display cabinets (which is our #1 item needed at this time.) The rooms are completed and one shuffleboard and some other misc. items are in it already.



- 4) **SOL LIPKIN'S SUBMARINE PHOTOS:** As stated in our prior two issues, we were planning to place Sol Lipkin's contribution (his letter and 8X10 Black/White Photos of an Underwater Submarine tournament) in this issue, but again tournament input and ads has us postponing the 8X10 photos until the issue can accommodate 3 or 4 additional pages for these photos.
- 5) **TOURNAMENT CO-SPONSOR:** Another fund raiser effort is TSA Directors will be providing some volunteer help at The Board Talk tournament being held in Las Vegas, NV on March 26-31, 2002 and set up a table there for TSA Sponsorship Shirts and Associate Membership Applications, etc. If/when this annual tournament can more than break even, there will be some proceeds donated to the TSA HOF museum fund raising efforts. Since the TSA does not have any funds to contribute to co-sponsor any tournament financially, we are providing some of the volunteer help in sponsor sales, raffles, board adjustments, etc. Some of the TSA Directors will be attending The Board Talk tournament and assisting with various aspects of it when possible.



Happy Holidays and a Prosperous New Year to All! Some of our TSA Directors will be attending the Houston Holiday Open 2001 tournament and hope that players will attend the TSA Open Session and TSA Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies.

-- TSA Directors

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Joannie Millar brought a lump to many throats as she sang her beautiful song about shuffleboard and the memories of the friendships we have made in this game and the moments we cherish. This was certainly another moment that anyone who was there will cherish.



ABOVE: Steve Fisher of Winston, Oregon (right) expresses his acknowledgment and appreciation for Jim's efforts in promoting the game.



ABOVE: Michelle Foran gives personal tribute to her husband as Sol Lipkin (left) and Jim (center) listen on.

2001-2002 CALENDAR OF SHUFFLEBOARD EVENTS

DECEMBER 2001

December 1

A-B \$5 Draws (6 PM to Closing)
Fiasco Cocktails
San Antonio, Texas

December 1-2

Draw Partner/Bring Partner
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

December 7-8

Pat Marshall's 8th Annual Bring
Partner Holiday Tournament
Ulena's Sports Bar
St. Louis, Missouri

December 7-9

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

December 7-9 (See Sept. '01 flyer)

Holiday Classic
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

December 8 (See Oct. flyer)

Houston Holiday Open "Qualifier"
Triple Crown Sports Bar
Houston, Texas

December 8

Open Doubles
Sportsman's Lounge
Muncie, Indiana

December 8-9

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

December 14-16

N.E. Arkansas Open
American Legion Post 6
Pocahontas, Arkansas

December 14-15

Holiday Classic (Draw & Bring)
Market Street Cafe
Charlestown, Maryland

December 15

Open Doubles
Fish of Stroh - Portside Lounge
Ft. Wayne, Indiana

December 15 (See Oct. '01 flyer)

Houston Holiday Open "Qualifier"
Triple Crown Sports Bar
Houston, Texas

December 26-31 (See flyer insert)

6th Annual Houston Holiday Open
Sheraton Brookhollow
Houston, Texas

December 29-30

ESA Mixed Doubles
Tim's Bar & Grill ("Timbers Tavern")
Kelso, Washington

JANUARY 2002

January 5

Open Doubles
Sportsman's Lounge
Muncie, Indiana

January 12 (See Ad, Page 5)

A-B \$5 Draws (6 PM to Closing)
Fiasco Cocktails
San Antonio, Texas

January 18-19

Heartland Handicap
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

January 19-20

CFSA's "Winter Fest" Tourney
KT's
Cocoa, Florida

FEBRUARY 2002

February 2-3

Draw Partner/Bring Partner
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

February 9-11

Nelson Renzo Tournament (Draw,
Bring, and Mixed)
Market Street Cafe
Charlestown, Maryland

February 9-11

Nelson Renzo's Draw, Bring, Mixed
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Charlestown, Maryland

February 16-18

Presidential Weekend Tourney
E.T.'s Sports Bar
Temecula, California

February 22-24 (See Sept. '01 flyer)

Mason Dixon Classic
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

February 23-24

22nd Annual Masters (Doubles)
Fir Cone Tavern
Shelton, Washington

MARCH 2002

March 9-10

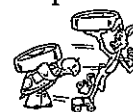
Florida Open Warm-Up
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March 22-24

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March 26-31 (See flyer insert)

1st Annual The Board Talk Open
Plaza Hotel & Casino
Las Vegas, Nevada



** NOTE: See flyer inserted in this issue for more details

March 15-16

Spring Fling (Draw & Bring Partner)
Market Street Cafe
Charlestown, Maryland

March 15-17

Florida Open
Moose Lodge # 2304
Titusville, Florida

March 15-17

3rd Annual O'Harold's
St. Patrick's Tournament
Harold's Bar
Omaha, Nebraska

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April 4-7

Nationals Tournament
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

April 19-20

Heartland Handicap
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

April 19-21 (See Sept. '01 flyer)

Maryland State Championship
Harvey's Place
Street, Maryland

JUNE 2002**June 1-2**

Forest Festival (A-B Bring)
Fir Cone Tavern
Shelton, Washington

June 1-2

Draw Partner/Bring Partner
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

JULY 2002**June 30 - July 6**

Southwest Open
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

AUGUST 2002**August 1-4**

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August 1-4

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August 30-September 1

Washington State Tournament
Fir Cone Tavern
Shelton, Washington

OCTOBER 2002**October 5-6**

Draw Partner/Bring Partner
Dew Drop Inn
Waterloo, New York

October 11-12

2nd Annual Columbus Day Tourney
Devonshire Inn
St. Louis, Missouri

October 18-19

Heartland Handicap
American Legion Post 73
Del City, Oklahoma

NOVEMBER 2002**November 9-10**

14th Annual Mixed Doubles
Fir Cone Tavern
Shelton, Washington

DECEMBER 2002**December 7-8**

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Waterloo, New York



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Bowers 2001 Ratings will be used to determine entry criteria due to new ratings being unavailable until February 1, 2002 and Pre-Registration must start before the Year 2002 ratings are available.

Scheduled events will start on Wednesday morning, *March 27th*, with two divisions of *Draw Partner*: *Div. I*: -1,0,1 and no two -1's can draw partners; *Div. II*: 2,3,4,5 and no two 2's can draw unless unavoidable.

Thursday morning, *March 28th*, starts with a 6-Person Draft Team Event (highest rated will be the assigned Team captains and numbers will be drawn for selection sequence of others on team.)

Friday morning, *March 29th*, will offer three divisions of *Singles Events* (Pro, *Div. I*, *Div. II*), set entry fees (players can play upward, but not downward.)

Saturday morning, *March 30th*, will offer three divisions of *Bring Partner* (Pro, *Div. I*, *Div. II*).

Sunday will be completion of Friday/Saturday events (if needed) and board break down begins.

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A onetime registration fee will be required (Pre-Registration fee through Feb. 14, 2002 is \$25; \$30 Registration fee after February 14th). Wed. through Sat. events will each have required entry fees and will have sponsor sales. 5% of both entry and sponsor sales will go toward the tournament costs and the remainder will be distributed to the winners at a designated % based upon # of registrants which determine the # of places paid.

Above is just an overview of the finalized schedule and events. See Flyer inserted into this The Board Talk issue for Event Details and Pre-Registration Form. Register Early to ensure event slots and to take advantage of the reduced event entry fees available through February 14, 2002.

-- By: Tom & Lynda French, Tournament Directors

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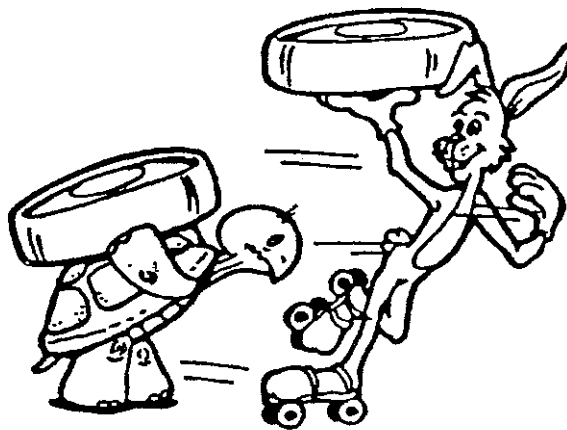
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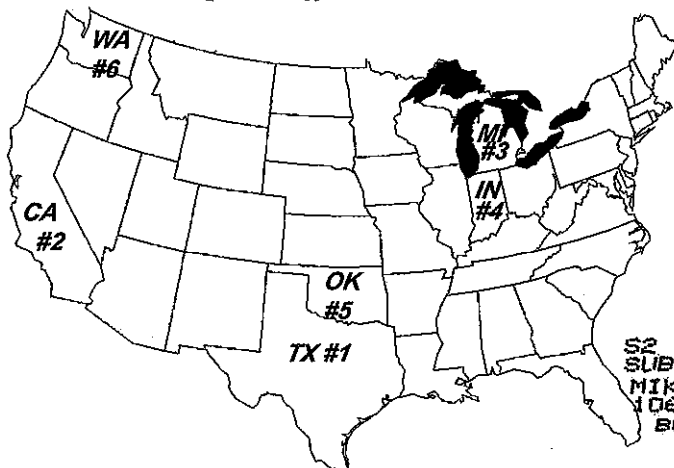
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