

# The Board Talk

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## Sheiks, Sheikettes and Warlords Converge at 6th Annual Houston Holiday Open!

December 26-31 2001

Sheraton Brookhollow Hotel, Houston, Texas

Report by: Don Meehan & Photos Provided By: Steve Edwards

Take care, Taliban; back off, al-Quaida! One hundred eighty-three shufflers landed in Houston after Christmas, launching their own assortment of missiles, "smart bombs" and "daisy cutters"! This year, the "staging area" was the Sheraton Brookhollow Hotel, specifically, the Grand Ballroom, where twenty seven shuffleboards were smartly lined up for action.

Let's see... there was Hitt bin Hittin', Nelson bin Laggin', Pollock bin Stickin', Shaw bin Slidin', Voorhis bin Placin' and don't forget "Clan" Williams bin Winnin'! Of course, these are only a Few faces in the crowd and we plan to recognize many others who made their mark and Thank Everyone who participated, volunteered or sponsored!

This year's venue was the Biggest ever and there was more than enough room to compete, observe and socialize. Tournament participants

also got a Great Rate on deluxe rooms that made it easier to rest up between activities and stay out of the "nippy" weather.

Tournament events officially commenced on December 26th, so here goes with the winners in chronological order:

### Event 1: Pro/Am Draw

**Notable:** No -1's draw together.



**ABOVE: 1st Place:** Bill Pollock (center) and Bob Shaw (right) pictured with sponsor Kenny Hawkes (left)

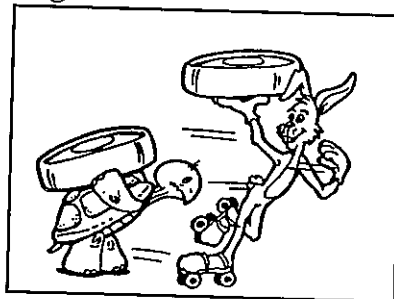


**ABOVE: 2nd Place:** Mike Taylor (left) and Billy Mays (not pictured) with sponsor Chuck Leach (right)

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## **Lenny & Sue Webster thank "Rookies Bar" and San Antonio Players!**

We thought that we would drop a line in the Board Talk to express our thanks for the GREAT hospitality given to us and our daughter (Jaime) and son-in-law (John) while we visited Rookies Bar in San Antonio, Texas recently. Mike Boulanger, the owner and a good 'rated' shuffleboard player too, has a very nice club and we had a great time seeing and playing board with Dave and Debbie Sexton, Angie Snyder, and George Best. We highly recommend this spot to anyone traveling through San Antonio and wanting to play board. Mike Boulanger and his patrons and staff are great people. Mike obviously takes shuffleboard maintenance and play seriously, as the board plays great. We visited and played at another club in San Antonio too. The staff was friendly, but the board needed some TLC (maintenance and supplies.)

-- Lenny & Sue Webster, Omaha, NE

## **Rod Cameron Thanks All!**

Many thanks to players from Danny's Sports Bar and Triple Crown Sports Bar in Houston for the generous donations to help me with my medical treatments. Many thanks to all who have called, sent cards and get-well wishes. It means so much to have so many friends who care and provide support to me through my recovery and treatment period.

-- Rod Cameron, Dayton, TX

### **-- 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 the 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!

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# **Shufflers' Notebook**

*News and Views from The World of Shuffleboard*

## **Indiana, Michigan & Oklahoma "tied" for 3rd!**



Indiana, Michigan, and Oklahoma are exactly tied for the #3 state in volume of subscribers to The Board Talk. Therefore, we are unable to update the back page this month as we had stated previously (December 2001 issue) would be done in February. There are some on grace period who may or may not renew and new subscribers may come in during this next month. Therefore, we will check number of subscribers in each state again before publishing the March 2002 issue and update the back page on the next month that the tie is broken. We would especially like to thank all the Indiana and Oklahoma players for their great efforts to increase support for their communication channel publication by introducing new subscribers. On our first publication (Dec. 2000) the top six subscribing states were: #1 Texas; #2 California; #3 Michigan, #4 Washington; #5 Oklahoma; #6 Indiana. Indiana and Oklahoma have now excelled to a tie position for #3 with Michigan.

Glen Ingram and Jim Long of Indiana have been actively promoting shuffleboard and introducing new subscribers to The Board Talk across the country, not just in Indiana. Their efforts show and are greatly appreciated... when Indiana has moved from #6 to tied for #3 in just a little more than a year! Oklahoma has excelled from #5 to tie for #3 also!

We wish to thank all states and all supporters! Our total subscriber database has increased by almost 100 subscribers over the year and could be much greater if we did not have to drop from 5-30 subscribers per month who have expired their 45 day grace period. Thanks and Happy New Year to All!

-- Tom & Lynda French, Editors

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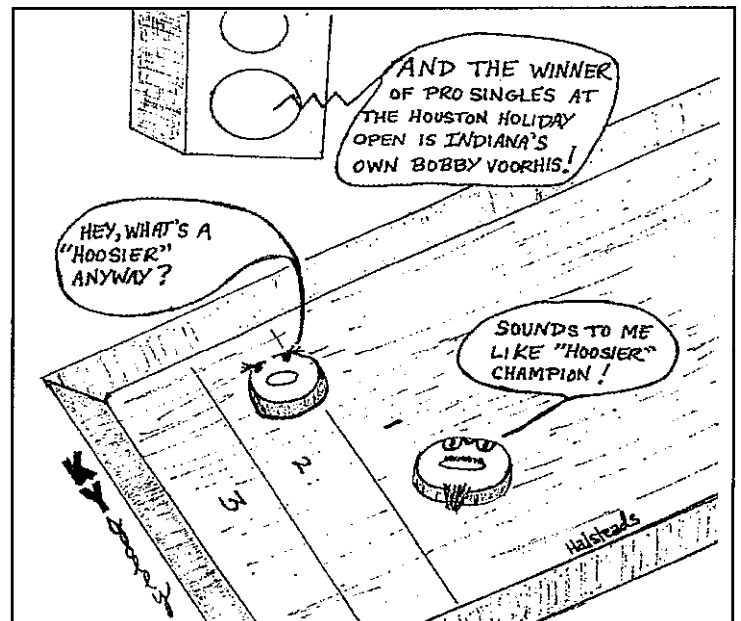
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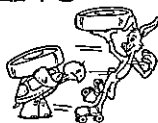
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Events will be played on 6 boards at the Eagles Aeries #2249 (phone#: 361-853-7781), B.Y.O.B., and will have a one-time registration fee of \$15 per person.

Recommended Lodging: Corpus Christi Travelodge (361-289-5666 or 800-578-7878 for reservations) located at Exit #5 on I-37 @ 910 Corn Products Rd.

For more information, contact Tournament Director, Neil Garvin, at: 361-854-3632.

Maryland

**MARYLAND STATE CHAMPS  
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*Y'all come play and join the fun  
in the Alamo City at Fiasco Cocktails!!*

Oklahoma

# HEARTLAND HANDICAP AMERICAN LEGION POST 73 DEL CITY, OK *American Legion Post 73* APR. 19-20, 2002 OCT. 18-19, 2002

P.O. Box 15073  
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Texas

# 4TH ANNUAL TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP DANNY'S SPORTS BAR HOUSTON, TX APR. 25 - 28, 2002



Danny's Sports Bar, 12126 Westheimer, Houston, Texas will be hosting the 4th Annual Texas State Championship tournament on April 25-28, 2002. Bowers 2002 Ratings will be used and a \$20 registration fee. Must be a current resident of the State of Texas.

Thursday, April 25, will be two warm-up draw events, starting at 7:00 PM: Pro Draw (1's thru -1 and no two -1's can draw; \$50/person entry); and Amateur Draw (2's thru 5's; no two 2's can draw, if avoidable; \$30/person entry).

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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.

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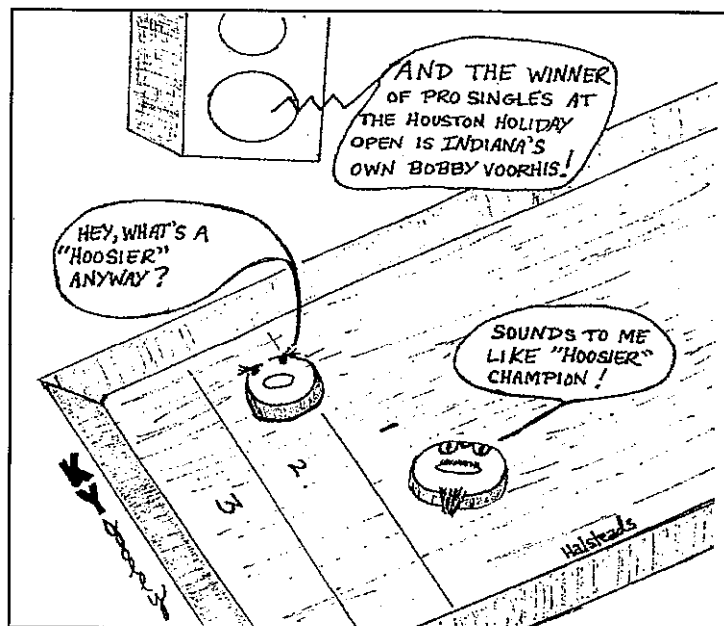
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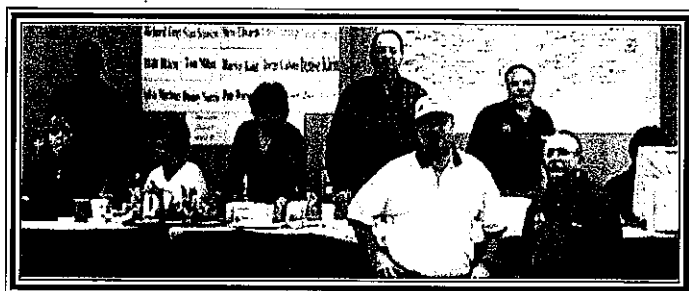
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New York

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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.

# 6th Annual Houston Holiday Open 2001!

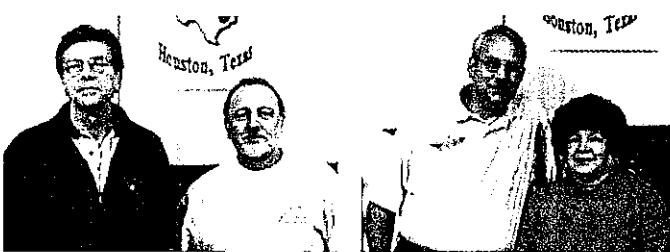
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## Event 10: Bring Partner (add to 4)

**Notable:** Nobles / Williams stay undefeated.



**LEFT: 1st Place: (L-R)**  
David Williams,  
Jr. and Mahlon  
Nobles



**ABOVE: 2nd Place: (L-R)** **ABOVE: 3rd Place: (L-R)**

Del Ammerman/Danny Norris David Sexton/Lilly Kidd

Not pictured Winners: 4th Place: Frank Huffman / Gary Ridgeway; 5th / 6th Phil Gardner / Al Sanchez; and 5th / 6th Sammi Stringer / Carol Peach

## Event 11: Bring Partner (add to 4)

**Notable:** Arafa and Assad stay undefeated.



**LEFT: 1st Place: (L-R)**  
Kevin Arafa and  
Mohammad Asad, the  
tough Austin, Texas  
team were the  
undefeated winners!



**LEFT: 2nd Place:**  
(L-R) Chris & Mike  
Regan



**LEFT: 3rd Place:**  
Lane Tate (left) and  
J.T. Thames (right)  
pictured with Chuck  
Leach (Sponsor -  
center) and not  
pictured 4th  
Place: Jim McGee/  
Gary Mahaffey

All of you out there in "SHUFFLEBOARD LAND" who have participated in hosting a tournament know it takes a lot of preparation, co-operation and just

plain HARD WORK! Another less tangible ingredient, but ultimately just as important is INTEGRITY.



**LEFT:** Tournament Director Jack Scott has strived over the last six years to establish a reputation for fairness and friendliness. Whether you're from across the street or across the nation, shuffleboard tournament decisions will be made that are fair for everyone. That's not to say everyone will be pleased, but they'll know that fairness will always out-rank favoritism!

The HOUSTON BUNCH for this year's HHO6 is a large one. Especially prominent were Bill Rice on the bracket boards, Harvey Kidd, auctioneer, and Steve Edwards, photography. Director Jack Scott extends special thanks to Gilbert Baird, Sue Griffin, Danny Green, Wayne Hammond, James and Darlene Cummings, Tom Milan, Richard Grey, Stan Stinson, Jorge "el jeffe" Galvan, Silvia Martinez, Danny Norris, Pete Worsnop and Denise Klein. Honorary members of "the bunch" are Dan Hitt, Phil Gardner, Harvey Walden, Pete Craven and Johnny Wayne Crawford. There were also three "cuties" from Danny's Sports Bar who moonlighted at various times during the tournament. Sisters Marianne and Maggie along with Shauna waited tables and helped improve service noticeably. Thanks, Ya'll!

Champion Shuffleboard, of Richland Hills, Tx. provided 24 boards and financial support, while the Shuffleboard Federation, Northville, Mi. provided dust and silicon as well as financial support (See their ads in Board Talk). Replay Amusements of Houston, Tx. provided 3 boards, a juke box and video games. Tom/Lynda French loaned the Board Talk Open 2002's board wipes. Through our good friends, Ronnie and Mahlon Moore two Houston based air freight forwarding companies, Freight Diversified Logistics and Omni Logistics provided financial support. **--Submitted by: Don Meehan**

# 3rd Annual Houston Warm-Up Held

November 30-December 2, 2001

VFW POST 9095, Little Rock, Arkansas

Results & Photos Submitted By: Joyce Pelton



The 3rd Annual Houston Warm Up was held November 30 - December 2 at the VFW Post 9095 in Little Rock. There was a great turnout, strong shuffleboard playing, and a good time had by all.

The first event held was the Draw Partner. The husband and wife pairing of Tony and Joyce Pelton proved to be a strong one and they took home the well-deserved 1st place trophy. The 2nd place honors went to Charlotte Curtis and Russell Canerdy who did some great shuffling. Barry Hollowell and Lorene Sparks proved to be a strong team and brought in 3rd place. Ronnie Curtis and Gerald Wood (Wynnewood, OK) played hard and came in 4th.

The Bring Partner event was next which always proves to be tough. The 1st place trophy went to Ronnie Curtis and Jimmy Wallace who played hard and finished undefeated. Pairing up to the last minute were Peggy Hodge and Julie Hartman (Houston, MO). They played great board and came in 2nd. The husband and wife team of Barry and Karla Hollowell played hard and took home 3rd. Dan and Carol Ussery, another husband and wife team, hung in and finished 4th.

Making any tournament successful takes work and requires the efforts of many people. Helping to keep food in our stomachs were Aurbury and Linda Secrest, and Bill Waldron. Many thanks for such a great job!! As usual, Tony and Joyce Pelton were right there making sure everything ran smoothly. Thank you! More thanks go to Gerald Wood (and his new friend, Ralph) for taking care of some of the auctioning for us. A very special thanks goes out to all of the out-of-town players who made the trip to support us.

Plans are already in the works for future tournaments. Hopefully, each one will be bigger and better. Keep watching for details.

## Draw Partner Winners:



**LEFT: Draw Partner  
1st Place: (left to right)  
Tony & Joyce Pelton**



**ABOVE: Draw Partner  
2nd Place: (left to right)  
Charlotte Curtis & Russell  
Canerdy**



**ABOVE: Draw Partner  
3rd Place: (left to right)  
Lorene Sparks & Barry  
Hollowell**



**LEFT: Draw Partner  
4th Place: (left to right)  
Gerald Wood & Ronnie  
Curtis (Wynnewood,  
Oklahoma 'boys')**

## Bring Partner Winners:



**ABOVE: Bring Partner  
1st Place: Ronnie Curtis &  
Jimmy Wallace**



**ABOVE: Bring Partner  
2nd Place: (left to right)  
Julie Hartman (Houston,  
MO) & Peggy Hodge**



**ABOVE: Bring Partner  
3rd Place: (left to right)  
Karla & Barry Hollowell**



**ABOVE: Bring Partner  
4th Place: (left to right)  
Carol & Dan Ussery**



# *New Owner & Manager Host the "12th Annual Santa Classic 2001"*

December 7-9, 2001

Balloon Inn, Arvada, CO

Report By: Char Waugaman & Photos By: Candy Lepore



The Balloon Inn's traditional Christmas tournament was carried on by new Owner Russ Brown and new Manager Bill Wolfe. Thanks to their recognition and respect of this long-lived tradition in Colorado and at the Balloon Inn, this "Bring Partner Open Doubles" was again a success.

The nine team field included three out of state players, Jim Payne and Marty Shepard from Nebraska and Pete Craven from California. Formatting 2 out of 3 games in both the winners and losers brackets resulted in close and competitive matches all vying for a purse of almost \$4,000.00.

Morey Balins' original partner dropped out and I (with sweaty hands and shaky knees) was asked to fill in. Morey coached and carried us to a first time, first place win in an open doubles. Thanks partner!

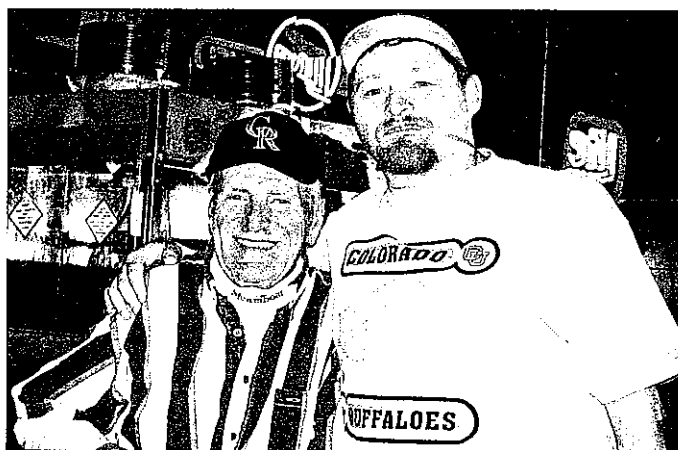
"Gentleman" George Ostrom and Kevin Kelly battled back through the losers bracket to finish in second with "Birdman" (Dennis Bird) and "Caveman" (Jim Ward) following in third.

Thanks go to all the participants and to Candy Lepore for helping with the boards and, as always, for her photos.

All the shuffleboard players would again like to welcome and thank our gracious host and new manager, Bill Wolfe, for the great food and for helping to continue these shuffleboard traditions at the Balloon Inn.



**ABOVE: 1st Place:** (left to right) Morey Balins and Char Waugaman, pictured with Balloon Inn's new manager, Bill Wolfe, and sponsor Paul Frizell



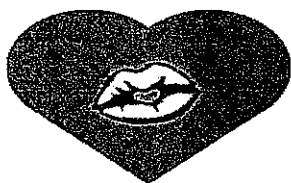
**ABOVE: 2nd Place:** (left to right) George Ostrom and Kevin Kelly (sponsored by Paul Frizell, not pictured)



**ABOVE: 3rd Place:** (left to right) Pete Craven (sponsor), "Caveman" Jim Ward, Bill Wolfe (Balloon Inn Manager), and "Birdman" Dennis Bird



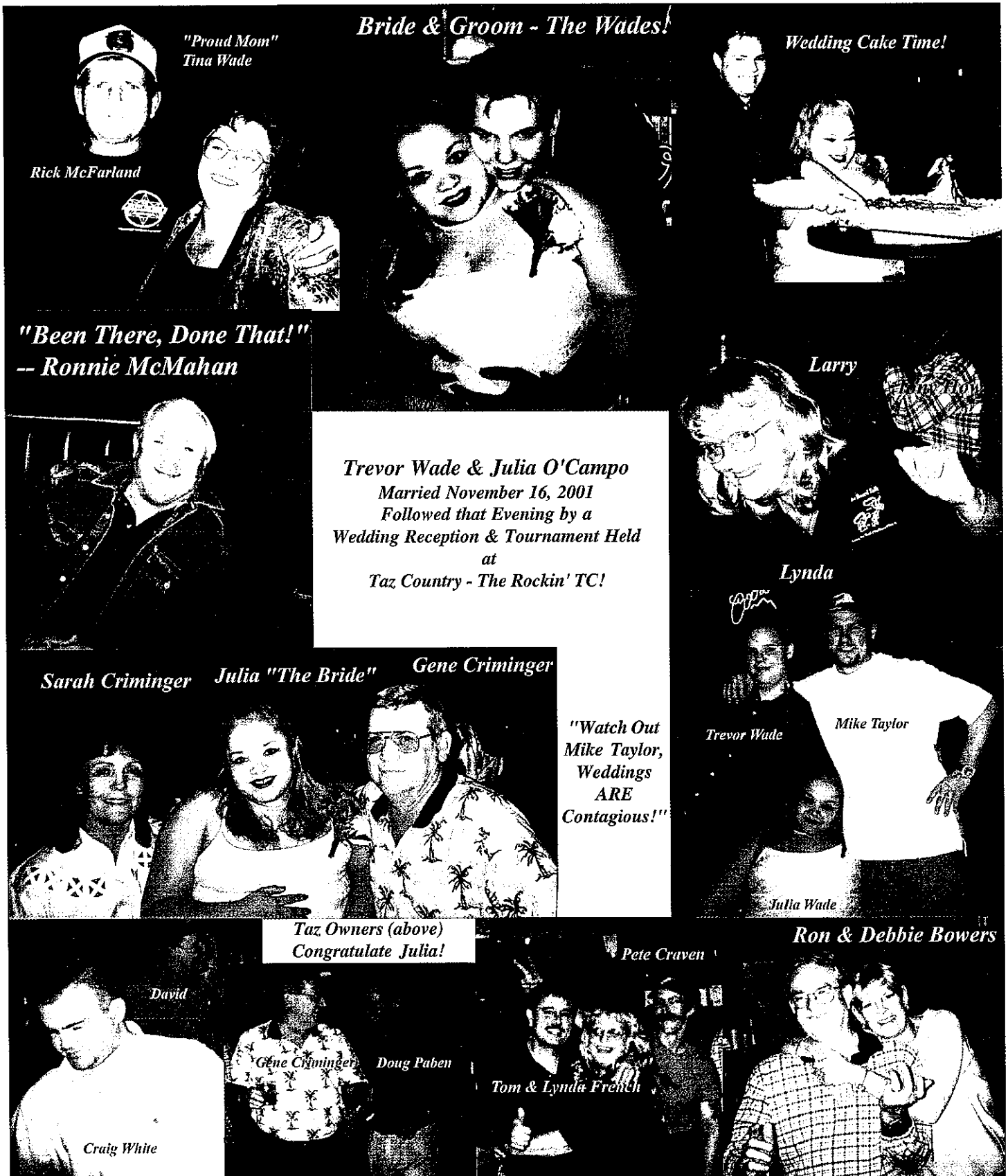
**LEFT: 1st Place:**  
(left to right) Morey Balins & Char Waugaman  
(a congratulatory "kiss" between Morey and Char!)



# Congratulations to Trevor Wade & Julia O'Campo!

Married November 16, 2001

Followed By Wedding Reception & Tournament Held at  
Taz Country - "The Rockin' TC!" (collage follows of some of the reception photos)



*In Fond Memory of...*  
**Charles E. "Chuck" Norris**  
 December 10, 1941 - January 3, 2002  
 Portland, Oregon



Above is the most recent picture which I could find. Unfortunately, Chuck's only living child predeceased him in death on July 2, 2001. Chuck had been extremely ill the weeks prior to the NASC Reno 2001 tournament, but no way could I keep him home. Our family is now happy he was able to attend since it was his last major tournament.

Shuffleboard was one of his biggest loves and he gave it all he could. I met Chuck 22 years ago playing shuffleboard and it was the largest part of our lives. I would like to send my appreciation and thanks to all of his many, many friends who have expressed their condolences. A memorial service is being planned by the family for everyone, at a future date. Everyone will be notified, the shuffleboard way, when a date is decided.

**-- Carolyn C. Bunch, Portland, OR**

Another sad day has come to us again... it seems as though they are coming too often. In this case, I felt it compelling to write the wishes of dear and close friends of Chuck Norris. He meant so much to all of us from the East to the West Coast. He was a kind, gentle man. He was not only a big part of our shuffleboard family, but such a great inspiration to us all. He never hesitated teaching a beginner and always complimented the professional. He was an example to set our standards by, not only in the shuffleboard world but in our homes as well. I know I am speaking not only for all of us, but for Chuck as well... "Time is short and precious. Let us not cheat ourselves by depriving precious time with our families and shuffleboard friends and extended family... love and understand all, don't wait until it is too late."

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Chuck and to his very special lady... Carol. We will miss him dearly and the memory of him will never be forgotten.

**-- Freddie and Lois Thuman, Auburn, CA**

My heart is sad today as I write this note because shuffleboard has lost one of its brightest stars and a wonderful human being. Chuck Norris left us on Wed. morning, Jan. 2nd. His heart just gave out. I'm sure his soulmate, Carol Bunch, of 22 years would appreciate your words. Her email is: charles.norris@attbi.com  
 Chucky will be greatly missed! **-- Ruthie Miles, OR**

*In Fond Memory of...*  
**Kenny Van Zile**  
 Passed Away On: December 22, 2001  
 Haskell, New Jersey

Kenny Van Zile passed away on December 22, 2001. A service was held in Oxford, New York and burial was in New Jersey.

I was saddened to hear of the death of Kenny Van Zile a few weeks ago. Kenny was a dear friend, an excellent partner and a fine human being.

A little over a year ago, Kenny found out he had cancer. The way he handled the news was pure Kenny--- he did not blink, he just kept doing the things he always did like playing shuffleboard and being around his friends. In fact, Kenny and his brother Earl played a week before he died. Nothing seemed to slow him down. A month ago, he also played with his son Kenny JR. at the Dew Drop Inn in Waterloo, New York, where they finished third.

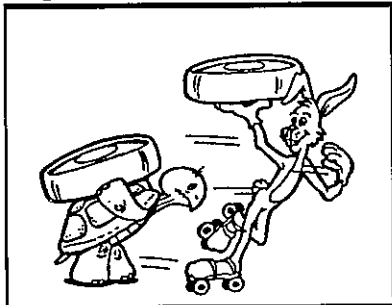
Everyone liked Kenny because he was very competitive and fun to be with. If you had him as a partner you were lucky because he played to win. One of his trademarks was making a tough combination shot and then letting out with a big E-E-E-E---that was Kenny and we all loved him for it. It may not be a bad idea after you make a combo shot to yell E-E-E just to honor Kenny for his love of the game and his enthusiasm to win.

Kenny died at the age of 68. For about the last twenty years he has told me how difficult it becomes as you get older to play this game. Wait until you hit the 50 mark or the double nickel you will see what I mean. Kenny was saying the one player he feared most was Father Time for he would gradually rob you of your skills and force you to compensate by being a smarter player.

North Jersey was where Kenny learned to play shuffleboard. The boards he played on were long and slow so you needed to shoot hard and fast and outwit your opponent because they would not switch hammers and still played 3,2,1. Anyone who watched him play, could see that he had a fast accurate shot. That is how he survived on slow boards. When he retired to New York State ten years ago, he saw faster shorter boards that had speed wax that he had not encountered before. On top of that, he saw players come with their own sets of weights so they could choose which weights held the table best. At first he balked at this, but he eventually purchased his own set because it helped his game. His weights were very unusual in that he inserted a small facial picture of each member of his family on a given weight, in this way, his family was always with him.

If there is a shuffleboard heaven, we know Kenny is up there yelling E-E-E with a big smile on his face. For all of us who knew you well thanks for being such a good friend--- we will miss you but will never forget you. E-E-E

**-- Dennis Leehive, NJ**



# Shufflers' Notebook

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

## America Unites!

"Americans all over the nation have been coming together to help the victims of the September 11th terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Dallas, Tx. area shuffleboard players met on Sunday, October 7th at One Nostalgia Place to do our share.

Donations came in from all over: a 1991 Ford Taurus, a new armoire, jewelry, microwaves, Dallas Mavericks tickets, maintenance coupons from Steakley Chevrolet, gift certificates from Gorman's Meat Market, Campisi's, The Palm Restaurant, Harbor Point Club & Grill, Bailey's 1st and 10, The Shady Side Cafe, along with gifts from Budweiser, Miller Brewing and Coors. In all, 43 items were donated including Dave Ewing himself, bought at Auction by Alma Fancher, who immediately sold half to Michelle Chavoya. Jerry Lee Kerr was auctioneer, and brought in \$3,975 for his efforts, a fine job. The Blackjack table was there, and dealer Sal Mancuso brought in another \$240. Together with donations from bar patrons, One Nostalgia Place raised a total of \$4,260 which was turned over to the American Red Cross to aid disaster victims.

Back Country Bar-B-Cue catered a great lunch for all. Of course, being shufflers, we had a tournament. First and Second Place was split between the teams of Sal Mancuso & Ruben Alvarez, and Vonnie Bailey & Jerry Lee Kerr.

Thanks to all of the participants and the companies that donated items. Special Thanks again to Ron Chapman of KLUV (98.7 FM) radio for his generous donation of air time to promote the event. Kudos to Jerry Lee Kerr for his auctioneer skill. A standing ovation for Michelle Chavoya and Alma Fancher of One Nostalgia Place for masterminding the event. You all did a spectacular job, and have again shown what shuffleboard players can do when they get together in a common cause. Hang in there, New York and Washington."

*-- Above Excerpt is from a Greater Dallas Shuffleboard Association article written by Lajana Story and submitted for re-print to The Board Talk by Sal Mancuso, one of The Board Talk League Play Reporters*

## Greater Dallas Shuffleboard Association (GDSA) Raises \$29,921 for Childrens' Medical Center!



**ABOVE:** Sal Mancuso along with Lajana Story, GDSA Secretary/Chairman present \$29,921 to Bridget Heath of Childrens Medical Center (See p. 22 for details)

*-- Provided By: Sal Mancuso (GDSA), TX*

## "Got to Go To Houston HHO!"

"Houston, Houston! Got to go to Houston!" Why? Well, here's just a glimpse... Jack Scott puts on one of the BEST shuffleboard tournaments ever! Bill Rice is the BEST Bracketeer in the business! Lots of help coming in from alot of good people! But wait... that's not the best part. This is the only tournament that you will see our beautiful Ladies in the sexy even dresses and the men at their best for New Years Eve... having a great time and the dancing the night away. Hey, I even saw Kenny Hawkes dancing on the tables. Ho' Ho' Ho'.

Diana runs the cucumber game each year and runs it very well, if I may say so!

I even saw Bill Rice drinking a real whiskey sour. Now that is some real news!

This is just a glimpse of what really goes on at the Houston Holiday Open as the events wind down and we all bring in the New Year.

To all those that attended the tournament this year, "Great seeing everyone again!"

To those that were not at the tournament this year, "Got to go to Houston HHO next year", right? PS: You can always find a good game in Houston.



So, if you need some money, come on down!

*-- Kathy Orlando, Houston, TX*





# N.E. Arkansas Open

December 14-16, 2001

American Legion Post 6, Pocahontas, Arkansas

Results & Photos Submitted By: Manny Lane and Charlie Riley



The N.E. Arkansas Open was held Dec. 14-16 at the American Legion Post 6 in Pocahontas, Arkansas. Participants came in from multi-state from as far away as California (Pete Craven of San Jose).

Friday was an A-B Draw Partner event and the winners were: first place, Hoot Hodge and Russell Canardy (both from Little Rock, AR); second place, Charlie Riley (Houston, MO) and Paul Dawson (a local Pocahontas novice); and third place, Julie Hartman (Houston, MO) and Ken Dahl (St. Louis, MO). Notable: Paul Dawson and Charlie Riley came out of the loser bracket swinging and took the first game, but couldn't quite pull off the second one, ultimately taking second place honors.

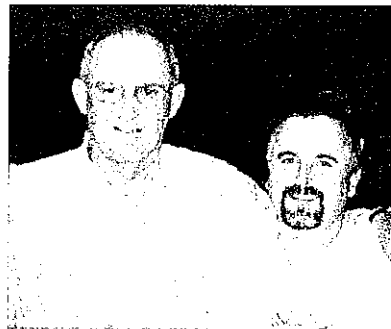
Saturday was a Bring Partner event and the winners were: first place, Hoot Hodge (there's that Hoot again, grabbing another 1st place) and Tony Pelton (both of Little Rock, AR); second place, Pat Gainey (Austin, TX) and Pete Craven (San Jose, CA); and third place, Harvey Walden (Memphis, TN) and Manny Lane (another local novice 😊).

Watch the calendar: Tony Pelton (Little Rock) and Manny Lane (Pocahontas) are planning a "Super Summer Slammer - Southern Style," patterned after Michigan's "Super Summer Slamming Sunday" to be played two games each in Little Rock and Pocahontas. As the details and dates are set, notification will be sent to The Board Talk.

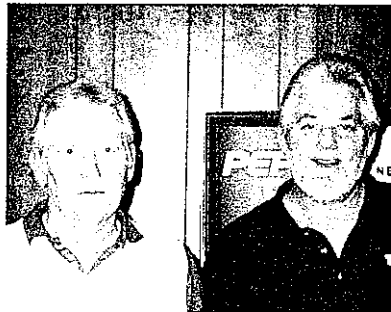
Tournament Director, Manny Lane, and the American Legion Post 6 wish to thank all the participants that came to town to make this a great first year tournament! Hope to see more next year! Many thanks go out to all those that helped pull this tournament together!



**LEFT: A-B 1st Place (Fri.):** (L-R) Russell Canardy & Hoot Hodge (both from Little Rock, Arkansas)



**ABOVE: A-B 2nd Place (Fri.):** (L-R) Charlie Riley (Houston, MO) and Paul Dawson (Pocahontas, AR) & **not pictured: 3rd Place:** Julie Hartman (Houston, MO) and Ken Dahl (St. Louis, MO)



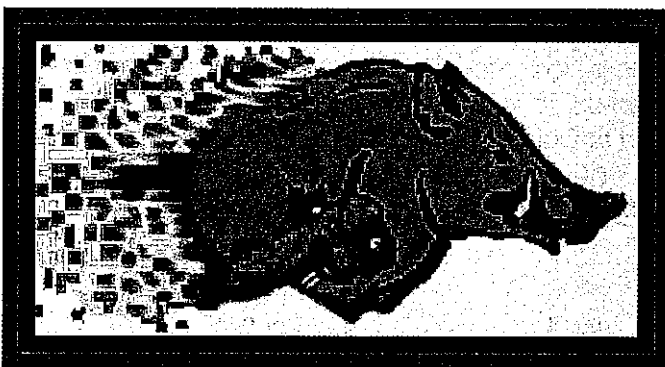
**LEFT: Bring 1st Place (Sat.):** (L-R) Hoot Hodge & Tony Pelton (both from Little Rock, AR)



**LEFT: Bring 2nd Place (Sat.):** (L-R) Pete Craven (San Jose, CA) & Pat Gainey (Austin, TX)



**LEFT: Bring 3rd Place (Sat.):** (L-R) Harvey Walden (Memphis, TN) & Manny Lane (Pocahontas, AR)





Arizona  
Capital: Phoenix  
49th state  
State Bird: cactus Wren  
State Flower: saguaro  
cactus

## 3rd Annual Best of Play

2001

M.V.P., Phoenix, Arizona

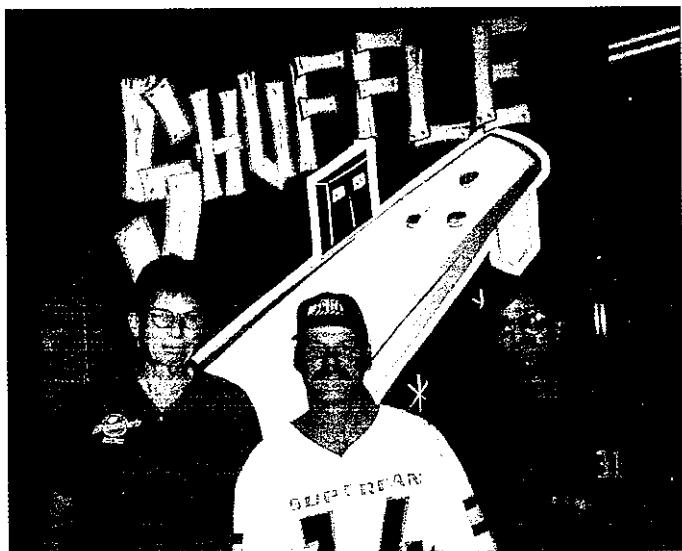
Report & Photos Submitted By: Wendell Herbison, Glendale, AZ



Arizona  
Capital: Phoenix  
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State Bird: cactus Wren  
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cactus

The 3rd Annual Best of Play tournament was held at the M.V.P. Sports Bar, 6001 N. 43rd Ave., Phoenix, AZ (602-973-2018) on 4 boards to keep the play moving along. There were three events played two weeks apart. The first event was 3 & 4 Singles which had lots of upsets and surprises. Gene Clark (81 years young) played a great game, losing 15-14 to Gary Thompson and Hank Dreckman on his 2 losses on the last shots.

### "3 & 4 SINGLES" (Event 1):



**ABOVE: 1st - 3rd Place Event 1 Winners:** All Alexanders Finals 1st Place: Charlie Jordan (right), 2nd Place: Gary Thompson (center); and 3rd Place: Rooster Cary (left)

### "DOUBLES" (Event 2):



**ABOVE: 1st & 2nd Place Event 2 Winners:** 1st Place: Wayne Scott & Al Salazar (l-r, center); and 2nd Place: Bob Jacobson (left) and Phil Gardner (right) **Notable:** Going undefeated were Al Salazar and Wayne Scott with Al getting 7 points on his 1st shot in the finals to set the stage!



**ABOVE: 3rd & 4th Place Event 2 Winners:** (L-R) 3rd Place: Gil Aragon & Grant Manning; 4th Place: Wendell Herbison & Cindy Clark

### "SINGLES" (Event 3):



**ABOVE: 1st - 4th Place Event 3 Winners:** (L-R) 4th Place: Gil Aragon; 3rd Place: Phil Gardner; 2nd Place: Georjean Monarrez; and 1st Place: Wendell Herbison

**NOTABLE (Event 3):** Two time champion, Bill Thomas, was not up to his usual great game which opened the door for some new winners. Georjean Monarrez took second place (two years in row) getting double-dipped by Wendell Herbison. All games were 2 out of 3 and great games!

Wendell Herbison wishes to thank all the players who participated in this 3 event tournament and thanks Frank Monarrez for his sponsor sale help and to Curtis, Joann, Phil and the M.V.P.!

**"We look forward to seeing everyone in Las Vegas at the 1st Annual Board Talk Open!"**

-- By: Wendell Herbison, Glendale, AZ

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**THURSDAY, March 21, 5:00 p.m. DRAWS**  
**TEAM EVENTS - PAY AS A TEAM**

**\*\* FRIDAY MARCH 22, 5:00 P.M. DRAW PARTNER, \$20 PER PLAYER \*\***

**\*\* SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 9:00 A.M. MIXED DOUBLES, \$40 PER TEAM \*\***

**\*\* SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2:00 P.M. SINGLES, \$20 PER PLAYER \*\***

**\*\* SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 12:00 NOON: BRING PARTNER, \$40 PER TEAM \*\***

**32 Max players in each event, Register early to guarantee a spot**

**Single Game Double Elimination, WITH SPONSOR SALE before each event.. 15 points (Straight), PLAYED  
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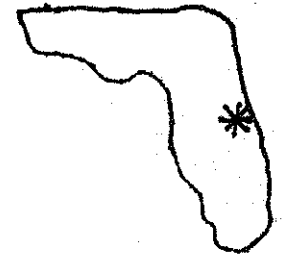
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**FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 6:00 P.M.; DRAW PARTNER: \$25.00 PER PLAYER**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 9:00 A.M.; MIXED DOUBLES: \$50.00 PER TEAM**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2:00 P.M.; OPEN SINGLES: \$25.00 PER PLAYER**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 11:00 A.M.; BRING PARTNER \$50.00 PER TEAM**

**100% PAY BACK (55%-30%-15%) 16 TEAMS OR LESS & (53%-28%-13%-6%) 17 TEAMS OR MORE**

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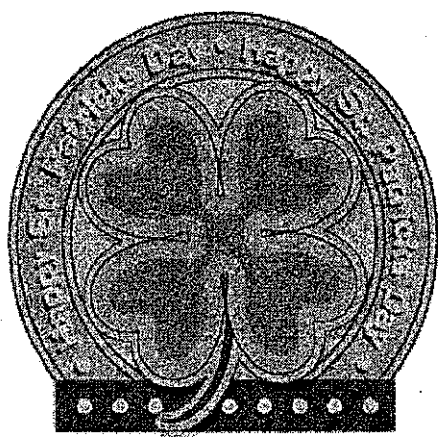
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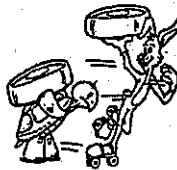
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#	Event Description	Date (Day) Time*	Entry Fee**	Limits*** (Rating)
	WARM-UP & ROBINS (Robins/no sponsor sales)-(Registration Desk Open Noon - 5 PM)	03/26 (Tues.) - 11 AM		ALL REGISTERED (Rated: -1 thru 5)
	RECOGNITION DINNER BANQUET (free to all players registered for tourney & banquet)	03/26 (Tues.) - 6 PM		ALL REGISTERED
1	DRAW DIV. I (Rated: -1, 0, 1), Note: no two -1's can draw up (if avoidable)	03/27 (Wed.) - 11 AM	\$50/player	96 players (Rated: -1, 0, 1)
2	DRAW DIV. II (Rated: 2 thru 5), Note: no two 2's can draw up (if avoidable)	03/27 (Wed.) - 11 AM	\$50/player	96 players (Rated: 2 thru 5)
3	6-PERSON DRAFT TEAM - 4 of 7 games, Double Elimination - 3 boards -Mark 3 and play to 15 pts. (Highest Rated Players entered must agree to be the designated Team Captains)	03/28 (Thurs.) - 10 AM	\$50/player	192 players (Rated: -1 thru 5)
4	PRO SINGLES (Rated: -1 thru 5) - \$2,500 Added Pot 2 of 3 Double Elimination Winner Bracket; 2 of 3 loser bracket (if time allows)	03/29 (Fri.) - 11 AM	\$200/player	48 players (Rated: -1 thru 5)
5	DIV. I SINGLES (Rated: 1 thru 5), 15 pt. Single Game/Double Elimination	03/29 (Fri.) - 11 AM	\$75/player	64 players (Rated: 1 thru 5)
6	DIV. II SINGLES (Rated: 3 thru 5), 15 pt. Single Game/Double Elimination	03/29 (Fri.) - 11 AM	\$45/player	64 players (Rated: 3 thru 5)
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9	DIV. II BRING (Add to 6 or more) (Rated: 3 thru 5) NOTE: SUNDAY. 03/31 complete Events 7-9 (if needed).	03/30 (Sat.) - 12 Noon	\$60/team	32 teams (Rated: 3 thru 5)

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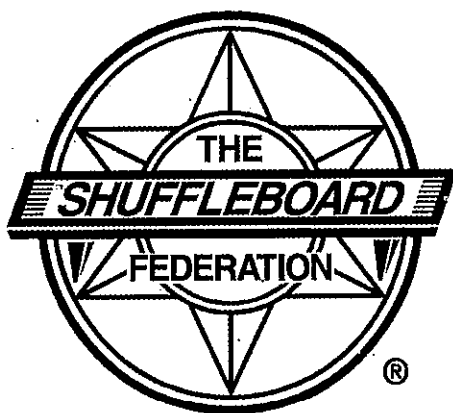
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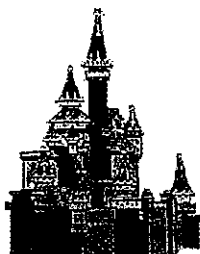
## DOUBLES Tourney

November 17, 2001

The Palace Bar

Fairmont, IN

Results Reported By: Bobby Voorhis, IN



The Palace Bar, 121 S. Main, Fairmont, Indiana hosted a Doubles Tournament on November 17, 2001. There were only 12 teams, but the total purse was \$2,960 (thanks, in part, to the fine job of Terry Dowell who conducted the sponsor sales.)

Coming out on top was Bobby Voorhis (Fairmont, IN) and Ricky Royal (Muncie, IN). Second place winners were Debbie Voorhis (Fairmont, IN) and Terry Dowell (Mentone, IN). Taking third place was Greg and Tom Massie (both of Summittville, IN).

It was nice to see Leon Black and Rich Lilly from Lansing, Michigan show up to join the fun and competition.

Many thanks to Deb Voorhis and Mary Brown for handling the money and, of course, the bartending crew of Joe, Gary, Myra, Skip, and Robin.

## "DOUBLES" Winners (Nov. 17th):



**LEFT: 1st Place:**  
Ricky Royal (left) and  
Bobby Voorhis (right)



**ABOVE: 2nd & 3rd Place: (left to right)**  
2nd Place: Terry Dowell & Deb Voorhis; Greg Massie and  
Tom Massie

We'll be reporting on our January 26, 2002 Doubles tournament in an upcoming issue.

It was great seeing many of you at the *Houston Holiday Open 2001* tournament. -- By: Bobby "V"

## Mixed Doubles

December 31, 2001

David L's Hideout Lounge

Yorktown, IN

Results Reported By: Mary Brown, Ft. Wayne, IN

David L's Hideout Lounge had a Mixed Doubles event on New Years' Eve bringing in 14 teams ready to party, play shuffleboard, and bring in the New Year. The few men who did not have partners took care of the brackets and kept the party going. After a short break and midnight with all red, white, and blue party stuff. All players would like to thank David Greer (owner) for a great place to play and Jeri & Glen Ingram and Joyce Brown for all the food and homemade cheese balls. *Happy New Year from all the Indiana players and Good Luck in 2002!*



**ABOVE: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place: (left to right)**  
1st: Mary & Larry Brown; 2nd: Glen & Jeri (not pictured) Ingram; 3rd: Diane & Steve with sponsor Glen Prichard

-- Mary Brown, Ft. Wayne, IN

*Happy*  
PS: We an Open Doubles on Dec. 15th at Portside Lounge Fish of Stroh where I work in Ft. Wayne. We only had 6 teams, but had lots of fun! Terry Dowell & Gary Anglin came in 1st Place; and Deb Voorhis and I (Mary Brown) came in 2nd Place.

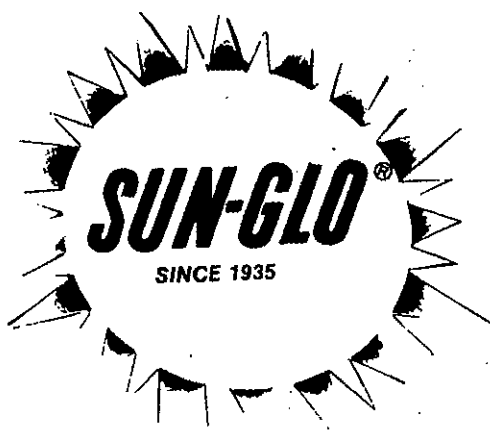
## Frisco Eddie's Revenge: THE RETURN

EPISODE 87 -- A Series by Balboa Ron Schweikert --  
Coming in March 2002 Issue

"Balboa" Ron Schweikert was unable to provide Episode 87 this month due to more knee problems. He is scheduled for surgery. If you wish to send him some "Get Well" wishes: Ron Schweikert, 1140 Coral Desert Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89123.

[Editors Comment: We all wish you a speedy recovery! We miss ya' and are waiting in suspense for Episode 87.

-- T&L French, Editors]



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# 12th Annual Cancer Benefit A Huge Success!

September 7-9, 2001

The Texas Rose Restaurant & Club, Hutchins, Texas

Report & Photos By: Sal Mancuso, Greater Dallas Shuffleboard Association League Play Reporter

The Greater Dallas Shuffleboard Association hosted its 12th Annual Cancer Benefit tournament on Sept. 7-9, 2001 at The Texas Rose Restaurant & Club in Hutchins, Tx.

Held annually since 1990, the original purpose of this tournament was a remembrance for Mr. Bobby Jones, the owner of The Junkyard Club (now The Lone Star Cafe) in Dallas, and a major supporter of this league. The event has been expanded to remember all of our friends that have been lost to us since then through annual donations to our adopted charity, The Cancer & Blood Disorders Unit (The Wadley Center) at Childrens' Medical Center of Dallas.

The event is a 6-man team event, with the teams being formed by blind draw (2A-4B format), in a best-of-five, double elimination match system. For the three days and nights of the tournament, 72 people came to compete and support this cause by donating through the raffle held all weekend, the Blackjack tournament which runs along with shuffleboard, and by play in the tournament itself. Through the efforts and generosity of these people, the league was able to raise \$29,291 for our children. We have a great many people to thank for their generosity. There are a great many individuals that donated the \$5 and \$10 that made such a difference, and we thank them all, as they are too numerous to mention here. Thanks to Tom/Lynda French (The Board Talk Editors/Publishers) who scheduled our loan of 3 Champion Shuffleboard loaners to give us 3 extra boards that we needed, along with Greg Hixson of Harbor Point and C.W. Walker, whose muscle got them boards transported to The Texas Rose, on time and in excellent playing condition. Mr. Bill "Wooley" Woolridge donated 3 boxes of wax, along with the silicone spray for the boards.

We had a real nice set of free spots from our newest supporter, Mr. Ron Chapman of KLUV Radio (98.7 FM). Richard & Judy Wiley of Livingston. Heard this spot on radio and drove up to play. Connie Floyd of JC's Club works for All Promotional Sales Events, and they had a book sale in Rockwall, TX. The sale raised over \$1,100 and was donated at the tournament. Major items for the raffle were given by Ray & Gloria Dickens, Greg & Charlotte Hill, Brenda Pruitt, Connie McCormack and Sal Mancuso, as well as several

items donated by local businesses. Of course, the largest contribution collector with the largest heart, Darcel Chandler, who decided to host a kickoff event at The Bandera Club and raised over \$23,500 of this total herself. Our most sincere thanks go to Allan Clark and Celeste Madrigal of The Texas Rose, who not only hosted the event but also provided shuttle services to two local inns where many players stayed.

My personal thanks to the staff that made this happen - Lajana Story, the First Lady of the GDSA, Vonnie Bailey, Tina Watson, Dena Steverns and Debbie Hannah. Special thanks to the blackjack dealers - Connie McCormack and to Johnny Perez of AMVETS Post 23. While the children were the real winners, let's congratulate the event winners:



**ABOVE: 1st Place** (left to right) Jerry Lee Kerr, Lajana Story, Tracy Sutton, Pam Lee, Johnny Perez, & Vaughn Chavoya (Captain) with sponsor Allan Clark



**ABOVE: 2nd Place** Kevin (Shorty) Caulkins, Sue Ritter, Jay Mayhall (Captain), Brenda Pruitt, & Barbara Balusek



**ABOVE: 3rd Place** Waylon Potter, Allen Clark, Dena Stevens, C.W. Walker (Captain), & Brina (Bones) Rantes and not pictured: Celeste Madrigal (hiding in the kitchen?)

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# ① *Hit Stick & Slide !* ①

## *"Students Enter First Major Tournament"*

Report By: Steve Edwards, Houston, Texas

Three of HSAS students share their story about the Houston Holiday Open and Hit, Stick and Slide Shuffleboard School. Ken Migas, Charma Migas and Mike Regan are hard working shuffleboard enthusiasts and it shows. Hit, Stick and Slide would like to applaud their hard work, progress and commitment to the game. Ken and Charma both gave a valiant effort at the HHO 2001. I had the opportunity to shoot against Charma in a blind draw on New Years Eve. Charma did not give me any leeway. I don't think she missed a single shot that game and had a lag that just wouldn't quit. I am proud to say that Charma and her partner did beat us that game, and if I going to loose I am proud to loose to one of our students.

Mike Regan had teamed up with his brother Chris Regan in the Bring Partner add to 6. By their third game they were knocked into the losers bracket and from there they continued the battle against numerous players all the way to the finals and to win 2<sup>nd</sup> place in that event. Not bad for his first major tournament. Way to go Mike. All of Hit, Stick and Slide are proud of you!

### Ken and Charma Migas – Houston, Texas

(Story told by Ken Migas - below left with Charma)



Charma and I have been playing shuffleboard for about 2 years now. We started playing with the Fun Hangers Shuffleboard League in Houston on Danny's 6 Pack Team. The 2001 Houston Holiday Open was our first experience in a major shuffleboard tournament. It was challenging, educational, a definite character builder and touched on humility all at once. We enjoyed the tournament and the New Year's Eve party.

Last summer we signed up for the Hit Stick and Slide Shuffleboard Beginner and Intermediate School sessions in Houston. We learned quite a bit about shuffleboard in a short period of time. The Intermediate session addressed strategy which comes in handy for League play but definitely helped in

Tournament play. Prior to the Tournament, the School sponsored several Tournament Qualifier formats similar to the 2001 Houston Holiday Open but on a smaller scale. These matches helped break the ice and prepared us for the real thing.

Many thanks to all the people who managed and worked the 2001 Houston Holiday Open.

-- Ken and Charma Migas

### Mike Regan – Houston, Texas



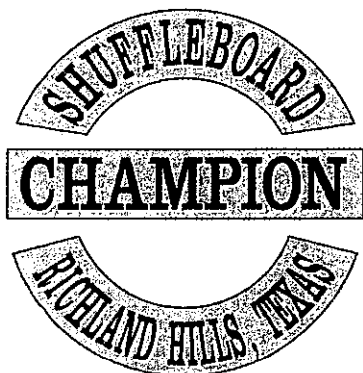
The Holiday Open was my first major tournament and it was a lot of fun. I played in 3 events but the only one I placed in was the bring a partner add to 6. My brother and I got 2nd place. The hardest thing about the whole experience was the amount of time we had to be there. In the add to 6 event Chris and I got there at around 11am

and we didn't finish playing our last game until about 12:30 am. We were both pretty beat by the time it was over. I think a number of things help prepare me for the open. One is that I play in the Fun Hangers Shuffleboard league. That was useful because I get to play on a number of different boards and against different people on a regular basis. Another thing that was helpful is that I try to play in the blind draws at Danny's at least once a week. That gives me the opportunity to play with some of the best players in Houston.

I also took the both the beginner and the intermediate classes of the Hit Stick and Slide shuffleboard class. The most important thing that I got out of HSAS was a better understanding of the strategy involved in shuffleboard. When I took the intermediate class I already knew how to hit weights but I needed work on what shots to throw. After the intermediate class I had a better idea of when to throw a short weight, when to throw a weight off and I also learned that the score dictates everything. I think all of these factors made helped me to have some success in my first tournament.

--Mike Regan, Houston, TX





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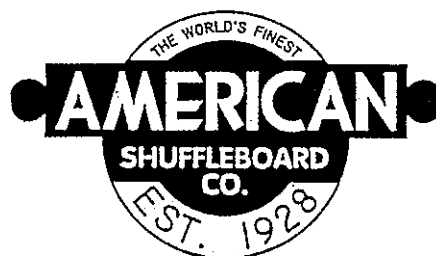
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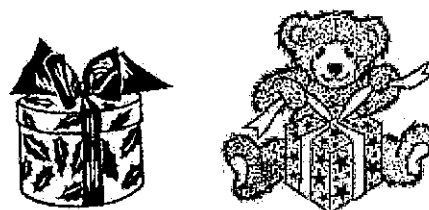
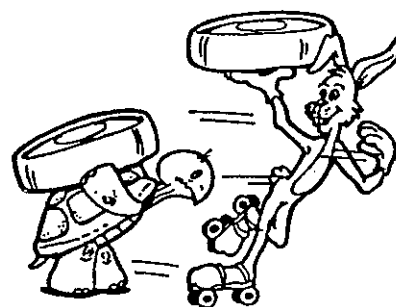
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# HHO 2001 "Bring Partner Qualifier" Tournament



December 15, 2001  
Triple Crown Sports Bar, Houston, Texas  
Report By: Steve Edwards, Houston, Texas



On Saturday, December 15, 2001, the final Houston Holiday Open 2001 "Qualifier" was held at the Triple Crown Sports Bar, Houston, Texas. The two events were Bring Partner (add to 4) and Bring Partner (add to 6). The add to 6 teams were short supply so we all agreed to combine the two events into one and play a handicap Bring Partner instead. This was a tough tournament. We watched the add to 6 teams knock out some of the add to 4 teams right out of the tournament. This was great practice for the add to 6 players. For some, this was the first time to play in an event of this nature who had primarily been playing in the local blind draws in the past. Players came in from Dallas, San Antonio, Clear Lake, Kingwood, and Houston. I am happy to report that we were able to qualify (14) people for the HHO 2001 tournament, (3) of those (14) that qualified were first timers. I would like to thank all that attended this event and a special thanks goes out to Triple Crown Sports Bar, James Cummings, and Silvia Martinez for putting this event together.

If you are interested in joining in on the fun, let us know. Join our e-mail list and keep track of what we have going on at "Hit, Stick & Slide." The interest in our school is growing each month. We welcome any comments or suggestions that you may have.

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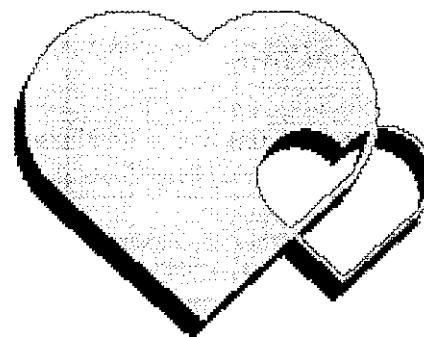
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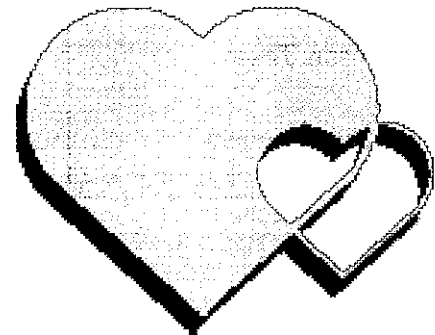
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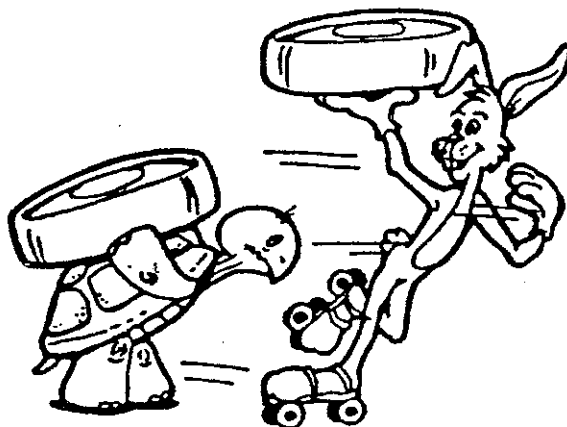
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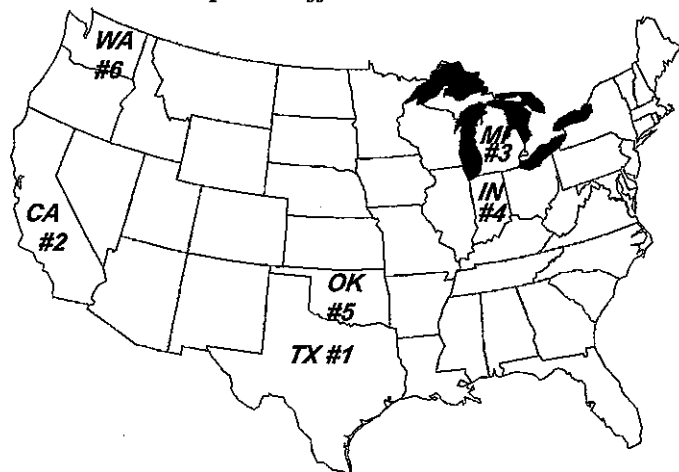
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