

premonition as well, and wasn't entirely sure what it meant.

The elevator came to a stop, and Eddie walked over to the entrance of the main room. They were setting up the boards, and he really started to get excited at seeing his "workshop" being assembled. Then an unexplainable sensation came over him and, for some reason, he actually started to tingle a bit. He

knew why this was all happening when he heard the voice behind him that softly said: "Hi, Eddie." He turned around then -- to look directly into those beautiful blue eyes of.....Long Beach Lil.

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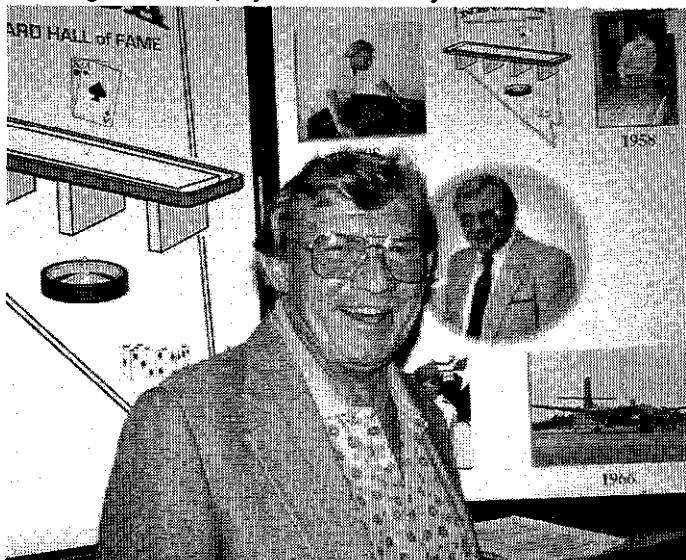
The "inevitable" confrontation is about to take place in Reno. How will this effect the "play" -- on and off the boards? Don't miss the next exciting episode.

Balboa Ron Inducted into Nevada Hall of Fame

By Connie Zavala

"Balboa" Ron Schweikert was inducted into the Nevada State Shuffleboard Hall of Fame at Gabby's Saloon in North Las Vegas on Oct. 10, 1998.

Ron began playing shuffleboard in 1954 at the age of 19. He did most of his early playing at a bar called the "Club Balboa" in El Monte, California. Many of the top players in the nation would come to compete at the Balboa. These included the first inductee into the National Hall of Fame, Bob Miles; Al Stewart, Porter White, Billy Mays, Kid Spooks, Freddie "The Dane," Tommy Workman and Floyd Birch, to name a few. Many exciting, high-stakes games were held there among the best players of that day.



Balboa Ron, first inductee into the Nevada Hall of Fame, in front of signage created by his sister and brother-in-law depicting his career.

Ron's full-time shuffleboard hustling days were interrupted in 1958 when he started his 24-year career with the U.S. Army, the last 19 years as a pilot. He has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Aeronautical Science and a Masters Degree in Human Relations.

Ron has tried to promote our sport in many ways, including teaching newcomers whenever he can. His most significant contribution, however, is his continuing "Frisco Eddie" series which has appeared in The Board Talk for almost five years. "He writes with such sensitivity and knowledge that readers can relate to the thrills of victory and the agonies of defeat experienced by Frisco Eddie. There's not a single

serious shuffler on our subscription list who wouldn't like to share Eddie's 'revenge,'" said George and Donna Wilber, Board Talk publishers.

This was our first induction and everyone had a great time. Our Hall of Fame President, Frank Zavala, was the Master of Ceremonies and gave a great speech. Jolene Lembke, president of the California Hall of Fame, also gave a nice presentation. Ron was very appreciative in his acceptance speech and stressed the importance of all of us to promote our sport in every way possible and to "bring shuffleboard back" to Las Vegas. He thanked everyone involved in his induction "from the bottom of his heart."

The officers of the Nevada Hall of Fame (President Frank Zavala, Vice President Dorothy Johnson, Secretary Connie Zavala, Treasurer Ron Schweikert, and sergeant-at-arms Tom Dixon) thank everyone who attended the induction, especially Jolene Lembke, Charlie Detterbeck, Eileen Eades, Dixie Debbie and Doug Pancerev for making the trip from California. Thanks also to Paul Weber and Dorothy Johnson for each donating \$100 to our Hall of Fame. We apologize to the California Hall for not having the opportunity to thank them for the \$50 they donated at the Billy Chiles Memorial Tournament. Thank you all so much. Thanks, also, to Phil Minney, owner of Gabby's, for all he's done for us.



Winners of the turkey shoot held at the induction were (from left): Rick Quigley and Jolene Lembke, 2nd; Audra Schooley and Frank Zavala, 1st; Connie Zavala and Dorothy Johnson, 3rd.