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The Albuquerque Marriott Pyramid Hotel

By Jerry Wellman
Tournament Chair

Come join us for a week of bridge in Albuquerque this winter. We have an exciting schedule of

events, both pairs and teams. The Knockout Teams start every weekday except Thursday, which has a Board-A-Match Teams. There are five days of Daylight and Gold Rush Pairs and numerous 199er contests.

Please see the ad in this issue of *ScoreCard* or check out the Unit 374 web page at abqbridge.com for more details.

The Albuquerque Marriott Pyramid is conveniently located just off I-25 and features plenty of free parking. Free snacks are

available during sessions, and the hotel provides a snack bar just outside the playing area for bridge players to grab a quick meal between sessions.

If you need a break from bridge, you can take a hike or bike ride through our *bosque* (Spanish for riparian forest) or the foothills. For the less adventurous, you can stroll and shop in Old Town, tour our internationally known Hot Air Balloon Museum, or take a short trip to

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2016 D17 NAP Winners



NAP Flight A 1st
Cindy Harris
Joe Harris



NAP Flight B 1st
Fiona Freeseaman
Eric Kronwall



NAP Flight C 1st
Randall Harrison
Elaine Ennis



NAP Flight A 2nd
Varis Carey
Greg Herman



NAP Flight B 2nd
Ed Yosses
Shirley Heinsohn



NAP Flight C 2nd
Michael Renbarger
Lynnette Renbarger



NAP Flight A 3rd
Shirley Scott
Chris Champion



NAP Flight B 3rd
Phil Debus
Jennifer O'Neill



NAP Flight C 3rd
Joseph Freedman
Steven Lockwood



NAP Flight B 4th
Marilee Van Arsdale
John Gallagher



NAP Flight C 4th
Edward Gardner
Mary E. Ruwell



Bon's Mots

By Bonnie Bagley

National Board Representative

I cannot believe that another year has gone by and it's already time to announce my annual selections to the Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee and the ACBL Charity Committee. It bears repeating that while it is such a pleasure to recognize the deserving members of our district, it's also very hard because there are so many outstanding people who equally deserve to be honored.

Goodwill Committee

All four of the appointments for 2017 (yes, we appoint a year ahead) to the Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee are from Arizona:

Steve Reynolds from Tucson Unit 356 became a board member and the Tucson Tournament Chair in 2011. He hit the ground running and has not stopped. His goal is to produce the best tournaments possible – and he does just that. His signature hospitality at tournaments is smoked salmon in the mornings. Steve is constantly striving to provide for the players and is thrilled to do so, as shown in the following email which references the Radisson Hotel, the site of the 2017 February Tucson Regional: “Yea, yippee! The hotel has agreed to the following: If you stay at least Thursday, Friday and Saturday you will get Sunday for *free!*; if you stay for the whole week (from Monday to Saturday) you will get *both* Sundays *free!*”

This makes our tournament one of the least expensive, most accommodating and convenient ever.”

Joan Merrill has been on the Tucson Unit 356 Board since 2010, and has always cheerfully lent a hand to help in any way she could. Joan has a continuous smile on her face and a calm and calming demeanor. She is the epitome of a lady and an example of the adage that still waters run deep.

Adair Karlin has been a dynamo since she joined the Tucson Unit 356 Board in 2007, becoming a board member in 2012 and ascending to the U356 presidency this year. Adair and Joan are bridge partners and travel together to many tournaments. It is always a delight and pleasure to see them, but perhaps not at the bridge table.

Jim Horton is from Mesa Unit 351 and has been on the D17 Board since 2013. Jim has been on the By Laws Committee since joining the board and has been instrumental in helping Robb Gordon revise the D17 Bylaws. Jim has been on the tournament coordinating committee since 2013, took the North American Pairs District Coordinator position in 2015, and is responsible for the NAP ads and the Mesa tournament flyers with their colorful graphics. Jim is one of those persons who might not speak often, but when he does, one should listen.

To view all of the D17 appointments to the Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Committee go to: thewesternconference.com/GDWD17_files/d17goodwill.htm (D17 has many more members of the National Goodwill Committee, but they were appointed while living in other districts and have since moved to D17) and the D17 Goodwill Ambassadors.

Charity Committee

ACBL is an inaugural partner of the Alzheimer's Association fund-raiser The Longest Day. In 2016 ACBL members, clubs, units, and districts raised \$750,000, a fantastic accomplishment. The two appointments for 2017 to the ACBL Charity Committee helped achieve this feat.

James Beatty from the Durango, Colorado Bridge Club (Colorado West Unit 364) was the team captain for this small club in southwestern Colorado close to the New Mexico border, which raised \$6714 for The Longest Day. This was good for 17th for all ACBL teams, and 2nd for D17 teams.

Jo Harris was the team captain for the Sun City Arizona Bridge Club (Phoenix Unit 354) which was 15th ACBL-wide and 1st in D17, raising \$8659. This from a club whose regular game fees are only \$2.00 ... amazing!

To view all D17 ACBL Charity Committee members go to: bonniebagleyd17.com/charitycommitteemembers.htm

Thank you Steve, Joan, Adair, Jim, James, and Jo! You are what ACBL is all about and are so deserving of recognition. I hope to see all of you at the Fall Orlando NABC!

The Holidays

Best Wishes to you and your families for a Happy Thanksgiving and Joyful, Blessed Holidays surrounded by family, friends, and loved ones. I appreciate hearing from you – please contact me by email at bonnie@bonniebagleyd17.com

ScoreCard Deadlines

Steve & Kitty Cooper, Editors

ScoreCard's deadline for District 17 articles and ads is the fifth of the preceding month; However, earlier submissions are encouraged.

Although we welcome unsolicited articles, there is no guarantee of publication.

Articles submitted will be edited, and may be cut; the author will receive a copy of the edited article before publication.

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