Lawson Bridge Studio News January 2013

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Club Games – Rates are for each player

Games: 6:20 pm at Ann Sather's Restaurant, 909 West Belmont Ave, Chicago, SL 773-348-2378

- Jan 2 I/N Pairs—\$10
- Jan 7 Open Pairs Club Championship—\$10
- Jan 9 I/N Pairs—\$10
- Jan 14 Open Pairs STaC Units123—\$12
- Jan 16 I/N Pairs STaC Units123—\$12
- Jan 21 Open Pairs ACBL Sandy Relief—\$11
- Jan 23 I/N Pairs ACBL Sandy Relief \$11
- Jan 28 Open Pairs Grass Roots Fund—\$11
- Jan 30 I/N Pairs Grass Roots Fund—\$11

- Feb 4 Open Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11
 - Feb 6I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11
 - Feb 11 Open Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11
 - Feb 13 I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11
- Feb 18 Open Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11
- Feb 20 I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11
- Feb 25 Swiss Teams ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11
- Feb 27 I/N Pairs ACBL Junior Fund Month—\$11

Thanks:

A special thanks to all the players, some we haven't seen for some time, over the past eight years for your cooperation in making the club what it is. I appreciate the accolades that you have given me concerning the direction of the club; however it is all our parts that have made the club a fun and enjoyable place to play. As in all human relations we have had our times of conflict, and we have been able to work through them successfully for the most part.

Many of you have asked why? My spiritual walk in this plane this time is guided by the Intelligent Spirit of the Universe of which I am a part of, not separate from. Sensing that I will need more of my energy for unknown upcoming events in my life, and not wanting to leave you suddenly without a transition, it made sense to me to retire and transition from active directing of the games to being a player at the games.

Jerry's Retirement Parties

Retirement parties as part of the bridge games are planned on:

- 1. Wednesday January 2: doors open by 5:45 for serving food, eating in the playing area, expecting 11 tables.
- 2. Monday January 7: doors open by 5:30 for serving food, eating in both the front room and the playing area, expecting 18 tables.

Replacement director for Monday is Patt Quinn with Matt Dyer filling in the first two Mondays in January during her prior planned vacation. For Wednesday Phil Lapalio is director.

I am planning on playing both Mondays and Wednesdays in January to be of assistance for a smooth transition to the new directors.

Envelope game fees:

In order to have a consistent reference to game fees on our website as well as at the game and in the newsletter, the envelopes will now state the game fee per player for a given night. That is there will no longer be a fee per pair or per team on the envelopes.

Lawson Bridge Studio Website:

Lawson Bridge Studio, <u>www.lawsonbridgestudio.org</u>, we are nearly there with Jerry S. continuing his efforts with the club as webmaster. The website will have the following features:

- 1. A short repeating slide show from the games.
- 2. For both Monday and Wednesday, the hand records and the results of past games and the calendar of the games for planned for the year. As with any planned calendar of games, it will subject to change.
- 3. Home page will have basic information of where and time of the games with a link to detailed instructions for getting to the games in the area.
- 4. The week's scheduled games with per player cost.
- 5. How to contact the leadership of the club.
- 6. A history of the club.
- 7. Articles on bridge, to be added when written.
- 8. A color code rating of the games according to masterpoint awarding in the schedule.