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## GAME SCHEDULE

MONDAY: 12:00 (O) 7:00 (0-299 MP)  
TUESDAY: 12:00 (O)  
WEDNESDAY: 12:00 (0-299 MP)  
THURSDAY: 12:00 (O)  
FRIDAY: 12:00 (O)  
SATURDAY: 12:30 (O)  
SUNDAY: 1:00 (O)

## MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER

MONDAY EVENING	12	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
FRIDAY AFTERNOON	16	ST. PATRICKS DAY PARTY/GAME
MONDAY AFTERNOON	19	ACBL-WIDE SENIOR GAME
TUESDAY-MONDAY	20-26	SILVER POINT GAMES
TUESDAY AFTERNOON	27	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
THURSDAY AFTERNOON	15	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

THE CLUB IS HAVING A ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>. THIS GAME WILL OFFER TRIPLE POINTS FOR THE WINNERS AND RUNNERS-UP. CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE AND ANYTHING THAT IS GREEN WILL BE OFFERED PRIOR TO THE GAME. THE FORMAT OF THE GAME WILL BE AN INDIVIDUAL GAME. INTERESTED PLAYERS ARE ASKED TO SIGN UP AS SINGLES. THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO DONATE DESSERTS AND SALADS. ALSO, THE COMMITTEE IS ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO COOK CORNED BEEFS BOUGHT BY THE CLUB. FEES FOR THIS GAME WILL BE \$15.00 FOR MEMBERS AND \$20.00 FOR NON-MEMBERS, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER ONE EATS OR NOT. THE MEAL WILL BEGIN AT 11:30 AND THE GAME WILL BEGIN AT 12:00. IF YOU SIGN UP PLEASE SHOW UP.

THE CLUB WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE STAC (SILVER POINT) GAMES BEGINNING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>. THE FEES FOR THESE GAMES WILL BE \$12.00 FOR MEMBERS AND \$17.00 FOR NON-MEMBERS.

THE CLUB WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL ACBL-WIDE SENIOR GAME ON MONDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>. THE GAME IS OPEN ONLY TO PLAYERS WHO ARE 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. A NON-SENIOR PAIR MAY BE PERMITTED TO PLAY IN ORDER TO FILL OUT A TABLE. AN ANALYSIS OF EACH HAND WILL BE PROVIDED TO PLAYERS AT THE END OF THE GAME. THE ACBL WILL AWARD BLACK POINTS BASED UPON A SECTIONAL EVENT. FEES FOR THIS GAME WILL BE \$12.00 FOR MEMBERS AND \$17.00 FOR NON-MEMBERS.

THE BOARD HAS VOTED TO REDUCE THE PLAYING FEES FOR MEMBERS TO \$8.00 BEGINNING ON APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>.

DON'T FORGET THAT IF YOU PLAY TWICE DURING THE WEEK, YOU MAY PLAY FOR HALF-PRICE DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE WEEK. THE WEEK BEGINS ON MONDAY AND ENDS ON SUNDAY.

THE BOARD HAS REINSTATED THE FREE PLAYS FOR PLAYER-OF-THE-MONTH, 70% OR BETTER GAMES, AND BIRTHDAY FREE PLAYS. THE BIRTHDAY FREE PLAY MAY ONLY BE USED AT A SATURDAY OR SUNDAY GAME. IF YOU ARE NOT HERE DURING YOUR PARTICULAR BIRTHDAY MONTH YOU MAY USE THE FREE PLAY WHENEVER YOU ARE BACK IN NEW YORK.

THE JANUARY/FEBRUARY OPEN GAMES PLAYER-OF-THE-MONTH WAS PAT MAHNKEN. SHE WAS FOLLOWED BY MAUREEN OTERO, STU EDELSTEIN, SANDY MUCCILLO, SHELLY AMIN, FREDLYN EDELSTEIN, JERRY PINSKER, MARTY FLANZBAUM, ESTHER MICHAELS AND HERMAN ZIEGER. THE 0-299 PLAYERS-OF-THE-MONTH WERE PHIL BLITZ AND MYLES GOLDBERG. THEY WERE FOLLOWED BY ALICE DIAMOND AND PAULA GOLDBERG (TIED), TERRI MARRILLO, SERENA DAY, BETTY KASEGRANDE, OLIVIA BRENNAN, HODA KASSOUF AND SANGITA MEHTA (TIED), AND MEL SCHWARTZ.

ON DAYS WITH INCLEMENT WEATHER, PLEASE CHECK THE CLUB'S WEBSITE FOR POSSIBLE CLOSINGS OR CONTACT THE DIRECTOR OF THAT DAY'S GAME.

FOR ETHICAL REASONS, IT IS NOT PROPER TO ASK ABOUT A PARTICULAR BID DURING THE AUCTION UNLESS YOU OR YOUR PARTNER IS AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE BIDDING. ASKING ABOUT A PARTICULAR BID MAY INDICATE AN INTEREST IN A PARTICULAR SUIT. PLEASE WAIT UNTIL THE LEAD IS MADE BEFORE ASKING. YOU MAY ASK ABOUT ANY BID DURING THE PLAY OF THE HAND BUT YOU CAN ONLY GET A REVIEW OF THE BIDDING AT YOUR FIRST TURN TO PLAY. ALSO, ALWAYS MAKE YOUR OPENING LEAD FACE DOWN SO YOUR PARTNER (AND OPPONENTS) MAY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PREVENT A LEAD OUT OF TURN AND/OR ASK A QUESTION.

AS DUMMY IT IS YOUR OBLIGATION TO PLAY THE CARDS INDICATED BY THE DECLARER. THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD IN NO WAY APPEAR TO INDICATE OR ANTICIPATE WHAT THE DECLARER SHOULD PLAY. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS STRESSED THAT THE DUMMY SHOULD KEEP HIS OR HER HANDS OFF THE TABLE UNTIL A CARD IS CALLED FOR.

NEWER PLAYERS (AND EXPERIENCED PLAYERS) ARE AGAIN REMINDED TO ALWAYS CALL THE DIRECTOR WHEN THERE IS AN IRREGULARITY AT THE TABLE (LEAD OUT OF TURN, REVOKE, HESITATION, INSUFFICIENT BID, ETC.). ALTHOUGH YOUR OPPONENTS MAY APPEAR TO BE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE RULING, THIS IS THE JOB OF THE DIRECTOR.

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY WISHES TO . . . .

TARYN MANDEL	02	JEAN SMITH	16
LEANNE SHULMAN	05	STEVE SOBEL	18
MARRION COOLEN	11	JOAN MEYERS	20