

Unit 448 has a new Committee: RECOGNIZING UNIT VOLUNTEERS
MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Members of this committee are Shean Marshall, Virginia Boyles, Margaret Thomas and Kris Motoyoshi. They have been commissioned to develop a program to recognize individuals in our Unit for their willingness and performance as a Unit member. They are requesting short letters of recommendation from the membership highlighting the individual. Some things for you to consider while drafting your recommendation letter: Member in good standing, regular contributor to the Unit, strong promoter of the game, helpful to members, table presence at games and tournaments, and civic leadership. Please do not limit your nomination to just these criteria. For the year 2005, the committee will pick the recipient(s). Future plans are to make available the letters of nominations for membership review and the membership will vote for the recipient(s). Your comments and suggestions are welcome and the committee will start accepting letters IMMEDIATELY. This is your opportunity to support your Unit and its volunteers.

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Unit 448's Saturday Unit Game was highly successful with 7 tables playing in the 0-300 masterpoint range. The Sunday Unit game dates remain the same and are open to ALL players no matter your masterpoint range

Our additional Saturday Unit Games will be directed by Kay Fergie and game time will be as follows:

July 10 12:30 PM one session pairs

Aug 21 12:30 PM one session pairs

For the July Unit Game, please call Kay Fergie 838.3270 to reserve your space.

Rita Andre and Patti Kautz are the front runners for the ROBIN BRINEMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY.

EDUCATION LIAISON:
Brenda Simpson 926-6973

October 17-23, 2005 is District 19's Regional in Spokane which only comes once every 4 years.

Audrey Grant will be here in Washington State for the first time to present a teacher's accreditation course on Monday and her famous Festival Classes on Tuesday and Wednesday.

For more information, contact Brenda Simpson.

I am in charge of the I/N functions for this Regional. There are lots of positions where members can participate and help make this Regional a success. Call me if you can help with hospitality or partnerships for the newcomers. I will need volunteers for each event every day. Do as many as you wish.

How about being a sponsor or having your business be a sponsor for one of the newcomer event. We will use the funds for trophies, prizes, and hospitality for the newer players. Your donation will be appreciated.

The American Bridge Teachers will hold their annual seminar and convention in Atlanta in July. This is held in conjunction with the National ACBL Tournament. Our unit board has approved paying the seminar fees for Kris Motoyoshi and myself. So we will have lots to share at the next sectional in Sept in the way of techniques, books, software, etc.

**DUPLICATE TIPS
Dos & Don'ts**

Types of Pairs Games

STRATI-FLIGHTED PAIRS: The top group of masterpoint holders plays in a game of their own — Flight A. The rest of the field is divided into strats (i.e., Strat B, Strat C and Strat D) and these pairs play in the same manner as they would in a regular stratified pairs.

SIDE GAME SERIES PAIRS (formerly Continuous Pairs)

This is a series of one-session games open to all players. Participants may enter as many sessions as they wish and play with the same or different partners. Overall ranking is done on an individual basis by computing the sum of each player's two best games. At NABC's and Regionals, gold points are awarded to section-top placing players who have competed in at least two sessions of this event (when you win, of course). Each session of a Side Game Series Pairs is also scored as a one-session stratified pairs.

IMP PAIRS: The scoring is based upon International Matchpoints. This type of content reduces the effect on the scoring of one or two big swing boards. The general effect of using IMP scoring is to dampen the value of high scores and to heighten the value of part score contracts.

A chart of conversion points can be found on the inside of the standard ACBL Convention Card.

BRUCE'S beyond the basics...

Dlr:West | 8 5
 Vul:N-S | K 9
 | A 8 4 3
 | A Q J 7 4

7 3 2	A 4
10 7 4 2	A Q J 5
J 9 6 2	Q 10 7
8 5	10 9 3 2

| K Q J 10 9 6
 | 8 6 3
 | K 5
 | K 6

<u>West</u>	<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>
Pass	1 E	1	1
Pass	2 E	Pass	4
All Pass			
Opening	Lead: 2		

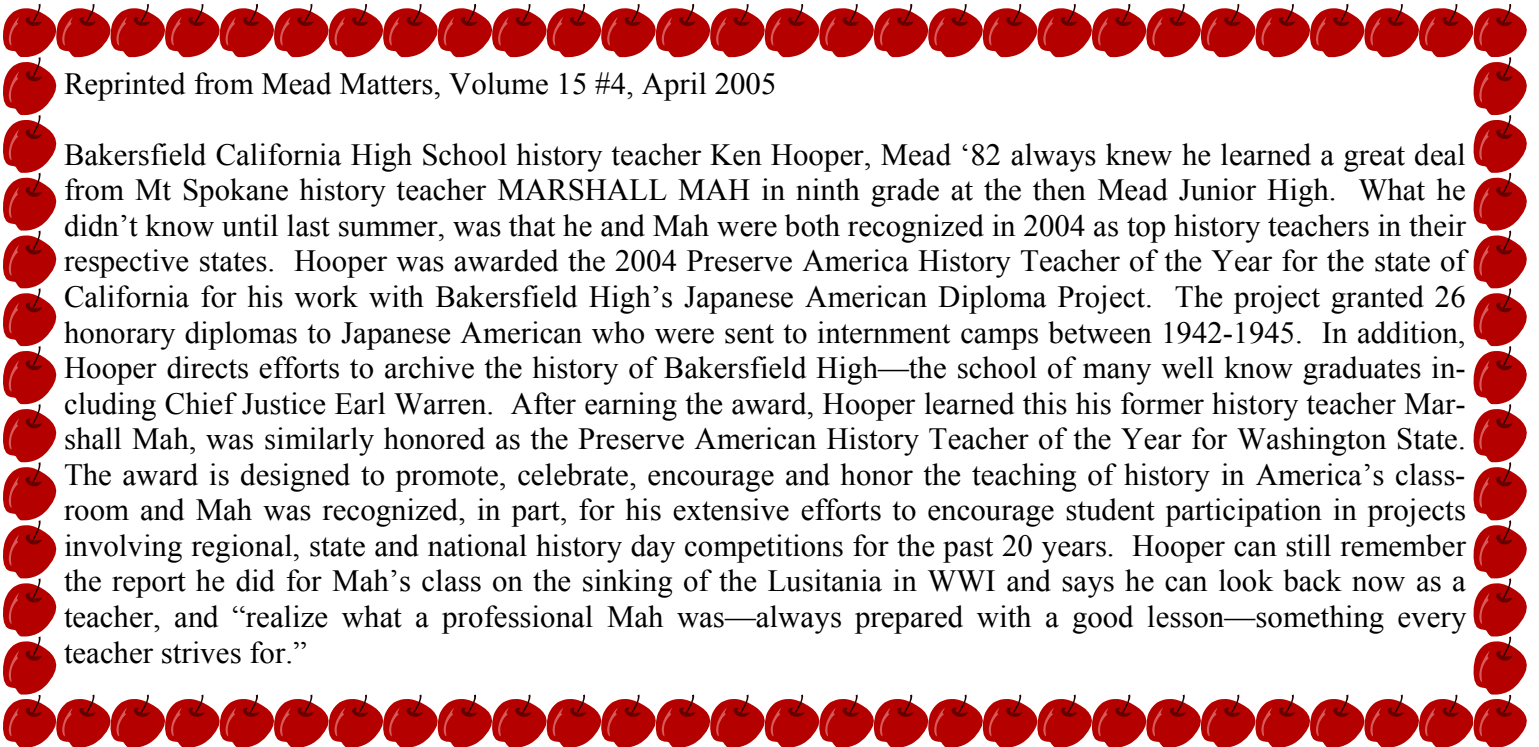
My partner is so blonde—she sent a fax with a stamp on it. She tripped over a cordless phone—she spent 20 minutes looking at the orange juice can because it said ‘Concentrate’.

She asked me to meet her at the corner of ‘walk’ and ‘don’t walk’. She asked for a price check at the *Everything for a Dollar Store*. She tried to put M&Ms in alphabetical order

When she heard that 90% of all crimes occurred around home, she moved. She thought if she spoke her mind, she’d be speechless. She thought that she could not use her AM radio in the evening.

But my blonde partner can defend very well. She was sitting East on this hand, and her gutsy overcall got me off to the best lead for our side. She won her Jack of hearts and shifted to the *four of spades!*

Declarer could not recover. If he continued trumps, my partner would win her Ace and cash two more heart tricks for down one. And if he leads a heart, trying for a ruff, partner will win, then cash the Ace of spades and another heart, for the same down one. Nothing works for declarer.



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Bakersfield California High School history teacher Ken Hooper, Mead ‘82 always knew he learned a great deal from Mt Spokane history teacher MARSHALL MAH in ninth grade at the then Mead Junior High. What he didn’t know until last summer, was that he and Mah were both recognized in 2004 as top history teachers in their respective states. Hooper was awarded the 2004 Preserve America History Teacher of the Year for the state of California for his work with Bakersfield High’s Japanese American Diploma Project. The project granted 26 honorary diplomas to Japanese American who were sent to internment camps between 1942-1945. In addition, Hooper directs efforts to archive the history of Bakersfield High—the school of many well know graduates including Chief Justice Earl Warren. After earning the award, Hooper learned this his former history teacher Marshall Mah, was similarly honored as the Preserve American History Teacher of the Year for Washington State. The award is designed to promote, celebrate, encourage and honor the teaching of history in America’s classroom and Mah was recognized, in part, for his extensive efforts to encourage student participation in projects involving regional, state and national history day competitions for the past 20 years. Hooper can still remember the report he did for Mah’s class on the sinking of the Lusitania in WWI and says he can look back now as a teacher, and “realize what a professional Mah was—always prepared with a good lesson—something every teacher strives for.”



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CLUB NEWS

Deadlines for Club News
2005: Aug 15, Oct 15, Dec 15
2006 Feb 15, April 15
 Contact Mary Gellner:
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Budget Inn 110 E 4th Avenue Cascade Rm 509/838.6101
Corbin Sr. Ctr. 827 W Cleveland, Lower South 509/327.1584
Deutes Haus 25 W Third Avenue 624-5771 [July 1, 2005]
Paulter Sr. Ctr. 549 5th Street, Clarkston, WA
Stookey's 211 W. D Street, Moscow, ID
Valley Sr. Center 11423 E Mission Lower Level 509/926.1937

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CC Club Championship Game; NAP North American Pairs

MONDAYS:

- 10:00 Non Life Master [1]
- 6:00 2nd & 4th Mondays 0-50 Student Game [4]
 July 11 & 25; Aug 8 & 22; Sept 12 & 26
- 6:00 1st & 3rd Mondays 0-5 Student Game [4]
 July 18; Aug 1 & 15; Sept 26
- 6:30 1st, 3rd, 5th Mondays Open Handicap [4]
NAP 7/18 CC 9/12
- 6:30 2nd and 4th Mondays Open Game [4]
- 6:30 0-149 Novice Game, 6:00 PM short lesson [2]

TUESDAYS:

- 11:00 Open Game [2] **CC: 7/26**
- 12:30 Open Handicap [7] **CC 7/5 No games in August**
- 7:15 Open Game [9] **CC 9/27**

WEDNESDAYS:

- 12:30 Open Game [5] **CC July 20**
- 6:30 1st and 3rd Wednesdays Mentor Game [3] **CC 8/17**
- 6:30 2nd & 4th, 5th Wed Open Game [3]

THURSDAYS:

- 11:00 Open Game [2]
- 12:30 Open Masterpoint Race [6]
- 12:30 1st and 3rd Thursdays 0-50 Student Game [4 or 6]
 July 7 & 21; Aug 1 & 15; Sept 1 & 15
NAP 7/28 CC 9/8

- 1:00 Open Game [8]
- 6:30 Open Handicap Game [7] **CC: 7/7 No games in August**

FRIDAYS:

- 11:00 Open Game [2] **CC: 9/23**

SATURDAYS:

- 10:30 Non Sanctioned Open Game [8]
- 12:30 Open Game [1]

SUNDAYS:

Once a Month various dates Unit Championship Games [6]

NORTH AMERICAN PAIRS

NAP IS A MAJOR ACBL CHAMPIONSHIP WHICH IS STAGED IN QUALIFYING ROUNDS AT THE CLUB, UNIT AND DISTRICT LEVELS. IT CULMINATES IN A FINAL HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 2006 SPRING NABC IN DALLAS. THE EVENT IS RUN AS A FLIGHTED EVENT.

CLUB LEVEL QUALIFYING GAMES WILL BE HELD BY VARIOUS CLUBS THROUGH THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST. THIS GRASSROOTS COMPETITION AWARDS HALF-BLACK, HALF-RED MASTERPOINTS AT THE CLUB LEVEL, WATCH FOR SPECIAL DATES AND PLAN YOUR PARTNERSHIPS NOW.

SAM'S BC JUNE 20 & JUNE 23

SAM'S BC JULY 18 AND JULY 28

**CHECK WITH YOUR CLUB MANAGERS FOR SPECIFIC DATES.

***UNIT QUALIFYING SESSION WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 11 AT 1:00 PM.

****DISTRICT QUALIFYING SESSION WILL BE IN NOVEMBER 12 AT THE VANCOUVER SECTIONAL

THE WINNERS IN EACH OF THE 25 DISTRICTS IN EACH OF THE FLIGHTS WILL RECEIVE ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE AND THREE NIGHTS' LODGING. SECOND PLACE WILL RECEIVE ROUND-TRIP AIR FARE, AND THIRD PLACE WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE.

New Masterpoint Levels: April May 2005

Junior: Mary Liegey, Christa McQueen, Fred Gilbert and Ann Sanders

Club: Jim Trail, Jerry Hensley, Bob Kautz and Chuck Macomber

Sectional: Keri Malone, Shean Marshall, Bob Richards

NABC: Mary Gellner

New Members and Transfer Ins:

NM: Donna Miller, Debby Richardson, Marshall Seely, Garet Simpson

TI: Sandra Travis, Fran Weible, (Othello WA), Steve Hale (Plummer ID)

New Classes are being scheduled. Both Marcia Brineman and Brenda Simpson will start classes in September. Kris Motoyoshi will have a set of classes starting in July. Call for further information. See phone numbers at top of this page.



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Unit Games: 0-300, Saturday July 9
Open Sunday July 10
NAP: Check with club managers for dates of NAP club level qualifying rounds.

UNIT CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES:	
¹ Held at Budget Inn., 110 E 4th Avenue (Cascade Room)	
² Held at Deutesches Haus (German American Society) 25 West 3rd Avenue 624-5771	
2005	
July 9, Sat ¹	12:30 0-300 one session pairs
July 10, Sun ²	5:00 one session pairs
August 20, Sat ¹	12:30 0-300 one session pairs
August 21, Sun ²	5:00 one session pairs
September 11 ²	1:00 NAP Qualifying Game
Sun	4:00 PM Annual member mtg & voting
	5:00 Unit Game
October	NO UNIT GAME OR BOARD MEETING
Nov 13, Sun ²	1:00 & 5:00 PM 2 ses CHARITY GAME
December 4	* Unit Christmas Party TBA

BOARD MEETINGS:	
7/10	3:30 AM
8/21	3.30 AM
9/11	11:30 AM
Oct	No Meeting
11/13	11:30
12/4	No Meeting

UNIT 448, DISTRICT 19 WEB SITE
<http://www.d19.org/units/Unit448>
 Spokane Web Master: Don Gallaher

Spokane River City Labor Day Sectional
 Knights of Columbus 302 East Boone Spokane WA
 Canadian Dollar at Par

<p>Friday, Sept 2 Single Sessions 1:00 Stratified Pairs, One Session 7:00 Stratified Pairs, One Session</p> <p>Saturday, Sept 3 Two Sessions 1:00 & TBA Stratified Swiss Teams</p> <p>Sunday, Sept 4 Play Through 1:00 Stratified Pairs, 1st Session 7:00 Stratified Pairs, 2nd Session</p> <p>Monday Sept 5 Two Sessions 10:00 & TBA Stratified Swiss Teams</p> <p>Stratum: 0-500; 500-1500; 1500+</p> <p>Intermediate/Newcomer Events</p> <p>Friday, Sept 2 One Session 1:00 Stratified Pairs</p> <p>Saturday, Sept 3 1:00 Stratified Pairs, One Session 1:00 0-5 Pairs One Session NO GAME FEES, PLAY FREE</p> <p>Sunday, Sept 4 One Session 1:00 Stratified</p> <p>Monday, Sept 5 One Session 10:00 Stratified Swiss Teams I/N Events Stratum: 0—10; 10-50; 50-100</p>	<p>Tournament Director TBA</p> <p>Tournament Coordinator Jodi Kimbrell</p> <p>Tournament Equipment Mike Coopersmith</p> <p>Tournament Greeter George Bailey</p> <p>Partnership Chairs Sally Grant 509.924.0885 Donna Carter 509.325.9551</p> <p>I/N Partnership Chair Cindy Chase 509.466.5428</p> <p>Tournament Chair Bob Gellner 509.464.4412 robertgellner@msn.com</p>
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Board Meeting Synopsis June 12

June Sectional shows increase of 20 tables and a profit of \$1,272.80. Welcome to first time director Matt Koltnow.

Treasurer shows balance of \$8,630.70 after June Sectional. Extensive discussion regarding D19 wanting to use the Labor Day Dates for a Regional in Eastern WA. The Board RESOLVED THAT Unit 448 of the ACBL formally objects to losing its annual Labor Day Sectional dates.

Sunday Unit games will be held at the Deutesches Haus (German American Society) 25 W Third Avenue (624-5771). This will be the location for the Unit's annual Christmas function.

Committee formed to recognize Unit volunteers and awards will be presented at the Christmas party.