



**Thirteenth Annual
LOUISVILLE – LEXINGTON REGIONAL
2017 BULLETIN**

Welcome from Unit 117

As President of the Louisville Chapter of ACBL, I would like to welcome you to our Louisville/Lexington Regional Tournament. Our committee has worked diligently to create a schedule that will meet all your needs, and fulfill most of your wants. To that end, we hope you will give us feedback, should there be something that would make your experience better in the future.

Our DIC is Charlie McCracken, a wonderful person and a knowledgeable director. Any problems concerning rules or directions may be addressed to him. Our two chairpersons, Hannah Davis and Sondra Holt, are experienced in facilitating the running of the tournament and making sure that your needs are met. You may contact them, if you find that your experience can be improved upon in any way. There are no finer partnership chairs than Terrell Holt and Verna Goldberg. Their knowledge of the game and persons playing it are unequalled and they will do their best to pair you with the perfect partner or partners for a pairs game or team contest.

We are so pleased that you chose to join us and hope to have you here with us for years to come. I will be at the tournament everyday and would love to meet you. Please find me and say hello.

**Vangie Smith
President, Unit 117**

Welcome from Unit 164

Welcome to the thirteenth annual Louisville-Lexington Regional Tournament at Horseshoe Casino!

If this is your first time joining us, we are thrilled you are here! You will enjoy a week of exciting tournament bridge and unbeatable Southern hospitality provided by our outstanding tournament chairs, Sondra Holt and Hannah Davis and their wonderful hospitality room team headed by Judy Banks and comprised of Terri Chandler, Regina Russell, Sandra Kestner and Janet Miller.

If you are one of the many returning players – welcome back! Thank you for choosing to participate in our Regional this year. As always, you will find it efficiently and professionally run by our excellent Directors.

I am sure you will want to put this tournament on your November calendar every year! Best of luck at the bridge table!

**Andra Gyor
President, Unit 164**

Partnerships

The Partnership Desk is located in the Veranda, just outside the playing area. The Partnership Desk will be open prior to the start of each session: 8:30–8:55 AM; 12:15 –12:45 PM; 6:00–6:45 PM and from 9:00–9:45 on Sunday. The Partnership Co-chairs are Verna Goldberg and Terrell Holt.

New Life Masters - Winners Circle Trophy

If you achieve your life master this week, please notify the Partnership Desk so that we may congratulate you by posting your picture on our easel outside the playing area. Also, we are proud to display our new Winners Circle Trophy for the third year!

Anyone making Life Master at our Louisville-Lexington Regional will get their name and year of this great accomplishment engraved on the base of this trophy! The trophy will then travel to our joint regional each year.



Welcome to Bob Heller, our ACBL President



We are honored that Bob and his lovely wife Barbara will be at our tournament Wednesday through Saturday. Please make it a point to introduce yourself to Bob!

Smoking Policy

This is a non-smoking tournament. Per Indiana Law, **NO SMOKING** is allowed in the Bridge Playing Areas, the Rotunda, the restrooms near our playing area or on the second floor near the offices, or in the **Hotel Lobby. SMOKE FREE RESTAURANTS** include The Spread Buffet, The Corner Café, and the Aroma. There are designated smoking areas at the Smoke & Rye and at Binions Restaurants. Smoking is allowed at the Casino, as usual, except on the non-smoking first floor.

Good Luck – Have Fun – Be Kind to Your Partner, Opponents, Caddies, Directors & Banquet Staff

Golf Cart Shuttle Schedule from the Hotel to the Playing Area

Daily 8:00 AM – 11:45 PM, but can be radioed later in the evening, if needed. Motorized wheel chairs are available for rental at the Horseshoe Security Desk directly in front of the Partnership Desk.

Hospitality

Coffee and Iced Tea are provided daily in the playing area. After the evening game on Monday through Friday, please join us in our Hospitality Suite TBA for snacks and deserts and to relax and converse regarding the day's unique hands! The **Hospitality Team Chaired by Judy Banks and comprised of Sandra Kestner, Terri Chandler, Regina Russell and Janet Miller** have worked hard to make the hospitality definitely worth your trip to Hospitality Suite TBA in the hotel!

Daily Door Prizes

Door prizes will be given each day in the playing room. Our thanks to **Caesars Entertainment** for their donation of two room-nights in the hotel and twelve free meals at The Spread Buffet.

Cost Per Session

All paid-up ACBL members pay \$13 per session. For non-ACBL Members and nonpaid-up ACBL players, the fee is \$17 per session. Youth \$6 thru age 19.

Zero Tolerance Policy

All events will enforce the ACBL Zero Tolerance Policy. The policy can be viewed at:
www.acbl.org/play/zerotolerance.html

Cell Phones

Cell Phones should be hidden from sight in the playing area and be set in the OFF or vibrate mode. No texting, e-mailing, or checking messages is allowed during the games. If you are expecting an emergency call, you may leave your phone at a Director's Desk.

Clean Playing Area

Please help us keep our playing area clean by disposing of trash in the large trash containers provided. Thank you!

ACBL Live and Fast Game Results. Daily Electronic Bulletin

You can now retrieve all of your game results via the Internet as a text message or an email. If you already have a current email address registered with the ACBL, you don't have to do anything. If your email address is not registered, you simply send an email message to FastResultsHelpDesk@gmail.com. Type your ACBL number on the Subject Line. No need to write anything in the message, just click "send" OR text your last name and ACBL number to (312) 800-1790. Get your Pair Results, final team results and your Electronic Bulletin delivered to your email and/or mobile device when they are posted (generally 15-20 minutes after completion of all sections during that session) immediately following the game. Get your Bulletin Electronically daily.

Game Prizes

The Desk will be open from 12:00–12:45 and 6:00–6:45 PM daily Wednesday through Saturday and Sunday from 9:15–9:45 to distribute Game Prizes. Game Prizes will be given for all 2 session or more Regional Events. Sunday Swiss prizes will be distributed immediately following the game. **Chair-person is Hannah Davis. Sorry – No Prizes will be Mailed**

To Our Directors:

“THANK YOU!”

Players please have fun this week and add the word **“please” when calling a director (or a caddy).** As always, we especially thank all of our wonderful Directors-- we couldn't play without them!

Charlie MacCracken (Director in Charge), Mike Roberts, David Cotterman, Judy Cotterman, Jackie Merkel, and John Nichols.

Horseshoe Casino

Our sincere thanks to Caesars Horseshoe Entertainment for their contributions toward the presentation of a very successful tournament. They have provided us with a great arena for our games, a Hospitality Suite, and once again, some very nice door prizes. THANK YOU!

2018 Louisville-Lexington Regional Tournament

Make plans for next year's Louisville-Lexington Regional at Caesars Horseshoe Southern Indiana November 5th – 11th, 2018 at the same room rates as this year! Hope to see all of you next year!

GREAT NEWS REGARDING FOOD AT HORSESHOE in 2017!

In lieu of a concession stand in the Rotunda this year, Horseshoe is giving our players a 5% discount at EVERY RESTAURANT on SITE! Just tell your waiter or cashier that you are with the Louisville-Lexington Bridge Group each time you eat or purchase coffee, bottled water, etc. And you will receive 5% off your purchase PLUS your food purchase proceeds go directly to benefit our tournament!

JUST REMEMBER TO TELL YOUR SERVER OR CASHIER THAT YOU ARE WITH THE LOUISVILLE-LEXINGTON BRIDGE GROUP FOR YOUR 5% DISCOUNT!

Tournament Committees:

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL!

Co-Chairpersons:

Sondra Holt and Hannah Davis

Partnership Desk:

Terrell Holt and Verna Goldberg

Hospitality:

Judy Banks, Sandra Kestner, Terri Chandler, Regina Russell and Janet Miller

Opening Day Bulletin: Mike McCann

Daily Electronic Bulletin: Bill Toutant

Game Prizes: Hannah Davis

Door Prizes: Sondra Holt

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