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January 8-11, 2015
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From Unit President, Joan Kushner

FALL 2014

I would like to thank the Unit 361 membership for a challenging and exhilarating beginning to my Presidential term. There are so many people that contribute to the successful running of our unit that I am fearful I will inadvertently leave off a name. So, before I forget, I would like to start by thanking SHELBIE BASTIAANS, PENNY COFFMAN, and FLO NEWLIN for again co-chairing our PRO AM event at this year's Regional tournament. Not only did our table count increase but we also attracted 9 of the top 12 national players !!!! These ladies were assisted by a cadre of volunteers too numerous to name. Despite the tornado warnings, we enjoyed 7 days of quality bridge.

The entire Regional was run by BILL BEARD and his committee and speaks well to his organizational skills. We are sad to see him retire from the board this year and thank him for exceeding his job description every year he held office. He delivered and picked up all of our supplies at all venues, cheered everyone on and jumped in to help at every turn. CAROLYN NEWCOMB wrote her usual stellar daily bulletin until the wee hours of the morning. JOAN MAGER organized the refreshments contributed by our "village" for our opening Charity event.

Other retiring members include LORI BEARD who consistently amazed me with her financial records and skills. JOHN GALLAGHER, who headed Partnerships, retired when he moved to Colorado Springs with SHIRLEY HEINSOHN stepping smoothly into his role.

None of this year's events could have taken place without capable members of the Board. BONNIE SMITH kept us organized and up to date; MARILYN BALLON coordinated our caddies; JIM CALHOUN was in charge of sectionals and new members and found the time to mentor new young players as well; PAT HENKE ran our IN tournaments; JEANNE ACHZIGER expanded our gastronomic vistas; and 'person extraordinaire' MARGARET DEVERE was in charge of most of communications, including the web site, directory and publicity.

FOREST CLARK, SUSAN GRAUER, and PENNY COFFMAN ably consulted us at every step; SHERYL SIEGEL photographed our winners; and for ALL sub-committee participants, I am forever in your debt !!!!!

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PLATINUM LIFE MASTER

En Hay



Ever notice the large cat stripes, spots and prints En likes to wear? These are signs that En is competitive, like most felines! En's favorite convention? Maybe it's "6-5, come alive". Playing against top pros in the Denver Regional KO event, we were up 5 IMP at the half against a

PLATINUM LIFE MASTER

Anita Heitler



Anita Novogrod Heitler grew up in Asbury Park, New Jersey with parents who were avid bridge players. Anita played with her mother in a few national tournaments. Anita would say, "Let's try this or that convention" and her mother, Irene, would reluctantly agree and then Irene would misuse the convention to the opponent's disad-

PLATINUM LIFE MASTER Cal Newlin



Cal began his bridge career when he was invited, the summer of 1964, to be a 'fourth' by 3 lovely bikini-clad girls at the neighborhood pool. He decided it was time to learn to play bridge!! He read his mother's "Horse Sense Bridge" and took lessons from the late teacher and director, June Holbrook. He remembers it was 5 lessons for \$10.00. He went to the Bridge

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2014 CANDIDATES FOR DENVER UNIT 361



"I look forward to applying my years of Not-for-Profit accounting experience to provide necessary information to allow the board of directors to make informed decisions. I have enjoyed returning to the bridge table after a long absence and am ready to work for the betterment of the game."

Phil Debus

"I have been playing duplicate bridge in Denver for 12 years. I am happy to support the game and the Denver bridge community. I will do my best to ensure that our players enjoy the game, that our clubs are supported, and that our tournaments run smoothly."

Margaret Devere



"When first approached about being a board member, I had to think about it. I decided to do some research. It never occurred to me that the tournament bridge tables required assembly and disassembly and every one of the regional table surfaces were wiped clean! All the board members perform important work requiring both professional and physical labor and a bit of creativity. I would like to make a difference and this is an opportunity for me — I'm in!"

Shirley Heinsohn

"I believe I should provide a contribution to the great game of contract bridge after so many years of enjoying Denver sectionals and regionals 'free of charge' so to speak. It is about time I did something to help! The current board is obviously doing an excellent job so I am eager to pitch in and lend my services to this great team effort."

Al Kane



"I have been kept so busy this year I haven't been able to update my photo. It's been a joy to represent our unit and I would be pleased to be reelected for 2015-16."

Joan Kushner

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The Denver Unit gets its membership data directly from ACBL on January 1, 2015 and we are unable to make changes from the information they provide.

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YOURSELF



UNIT 361
ANNUAL MEETING

On Thursday, November 6, 2014 the annual membership meeting will take place at 6:45 p.m.

Each year we have our Fall Election, selecting candidates to serve on the Denver Unit 361 Board of Directors for two year terms.

In accordance with Unit 361 By-laws, Bill Beard was selected chairman of the nominating committee. His committee included Unit 361 members Flo Newlin and Penny Coffman.

Top 250 Denver Lifetime Master Points

Rank	MP's	Name	Rank	MP's	Name	Rank	MP's	Name
128	1944.00	CURRAN, Joan	170	1474.49	GRAHAM, Marilyn	213	1145.26	STOXEN, Sam
129	1904.55	JANZEN, Bonnie	171	1473.34	WHITMAN, Claire	214	1144.94	BASTIAANS, Shelbie
130	1898.98	WIMER, Sheila	172	1472.54	OSHER, John	215	1138.63	BACA, Frank
131	1885.45	MILLER, Roger	173	1441.97	NELOWET, Beth	216	1137.07	KOLLER, Sandra
132	1874.87	BENEDICT, Nancy	174	1423.78	GREENE, Judi	217	1135.84	GARDNER, Richard
133	1860.27	HARLOW, Irene	175	1423.57	EISEN, Carolyn	218	1135.67	DIVINE, Maxine
134	1841.13	UDE, Judith	176	1416.95	CLARK, Julie	219	1134.82	GAGLIANO, Martha
135	1804.21	PERLMUTTER, Alice	177	1412.05	THOMPSON, Joan	220	1123.70	WALLISER, Lianne
136	1793.99	McCLENAHAN, Ken	178	1392.09	SCHOEN, Eileen	221	1113.02	TRUELL, Gloria
137	1791.23	GENDILL, Eleanor	179	1372.71	PORTER, David	222	1104.29	KLAMUT, Kris
138	1768.53	BEARD, Lori	180	1345.99	MUCCI, Tod	223	1102.13	WOLFE, Jean
139	1762.54	JADIN, Judith	181	1340.10	JOHNSTON, Sheila	224	1101.24	WILSON, Georgia
140	1761.94	STEPHAN, Betty	182	1329.28	COX, Karen	225	1094.68	BRONDER, Carol
141	1748.35	HEINSOHN, Marvel	183	1321.82	DASGUPTA, Sanjoy	226	1079.26	THUNELL, Rosemarie
142	1702.98	AUSTERMANN, Norma	184	1319.86	DUMMER, Virginia	227	1074.12	FLANDERS, Eleanor
143	1697.03	HOLMES, Michael	185	1311.00	BENEDICT, Gerald	228	1072.64	HOLCOMB, John
144	1685.41	LAGER, Valerie	186	1310.84	BREHMER, Bradley	229	1072.27	CUFF, Susan
145	1677.56	GOUDEY, Chuck	187	1293.46	McGINNITY, Eva	230	1059.09	WIEGAND, Norita
146	1676.98	FOLLADORI, Virginia	188	1290.82	BURGER, Thomas	231	1055.22	ARAGON, Maria
147	1668.10	PARIS, Robert	189	1289.30	ADAMS, Sally	232	1052.68	WAINZ, Steven
148	1656.00	MARRS, Jerry	190	1287.06	D'ARCY, Clyde	233	1040.12	BILLINGS, Judy
			191	1272.24	LEFF, Shirley	234	1039.04	NOYES, Suzanne
150	1623.95	YOUNG, Blair	192	1266.32	SCHLEY, Shirley	235	1034.73	McLEAN, Ray
151	1621.03	NEUMANN, Roger	193	1254.97	ADAMS, Steven	236	1034.43	DOVEL, Eileen
152	1612.80	WITONSKY, Lorraine	194	1253.95	STONE, Marvin	237	1030.43	BUCKSTEIN, Sandy
153	1595.87	BUCKSTEIN, Hedy	195	1248.47	KRUEGER, Toni	238	1028.10	KIENKER, Molly
154	1585.43	BROWN, Jeffrey	196	1248.34	ANDERSON, Virginia	239	1025.94	PEARCE, Roger
155	1567.61	BEEZLEY, Ann	197	1242.72	PANA, Ruth	240	998.52	KERN, Edith
156	1559.24	EVERITT, George	198	1240.84	PANA, Rey	241	993.64	DOROUGH, Linda
157	1557.92	SIEGEL, Sheryl	199	1232.38	JALVING, Michael	242	988.46	CABLE, Barbara
158	1549.60	MILLER, Joann	200	1229.77	TOEPFER, James	243	987.32	BASU, Rathin
159	1543.06	WEST, Tom	201	1212.65	EYERLY, Gregory	244	982.72	POWERS, Kim
160	1541.85	JACOBSEN, Rita	202	1211.70	KUTSCHER, William	245	965.47	KING, Victor
161	1511.17	SEWALL, Joe	203	1194.99	ALBERT, V	246	964.49	THOMPSON, Michael
162	1508.42	SILVEIRA, Gregg	204	1192.09	CHARCZENKO, Nick	247	963.98	THORP, Juanita
163	1504.06	YAGER, Elizabeth	205	1184.71	NELOWET, Don	248	963.59	KNAPP, Winnie
164	1496.47	DULAN, James	206	1184.35	GATES, Shirley	249	962.67	MARCI, Kathy
165	1494.60	WINSHIP, Diane	207	1159.67	ADLER, Betty	250	956.89	WHEATON, Larry
166	1492.45	LIMBRICK, Laurah	208	1149.84	CLINT, Sherry	251	955.78	CABLE, Dick
167	1491.74	SCHNEIDER, Michael	209	1148.60	REEVES, Marty	252	945.75	MARCI, Joe
168	1489.23	VENHUIS, Theresa	210	1147.57	GIVNER, Donna			

UNIT 361 TOP MASTERPOINT ACHIEVEMENTS
AS OF AUGUST 1, 2014

Top 250 Denver Lifetime Master Points

Rank	MP's	Name	Rank	MP's	Name	Rank	MP's	Name
1	18479.44	JANITSCHKE, Jan	43	4003.67	HYATT, Irene	86	2660.54	CHARLTON, Gregory
2	16233.97	RANDEL, Judy	44	3963.94	HOLLIGAN, Jeff	87	2630.82	FOX, Bill
3	12701.56	MOSS, Brad	45	3949.38	SWANSON, Eric	88	2623.28	NEWCOMB, Jerry
4	12590.50	CAPRERA, David	46	3938.84	BOYARSKY, Donald	89	2600.34	SCHECHTER, Gerry
5	11219.42	HENKE, Chuck	47	3870.50	LARKIN, Carolee	90	2578.01	BONDS, Geri
6	11188.25	COBB, Bruce	49	3839.01	RASSBACH, Nancy	91	2567.14	EVANS, Steve
7	11183.83	KANE, Allen	50	3808.74	ROOF, James	92	2495.62	HEDLY, Per
8	10543.69	NEWLIN, Flo	51	3787.04	GRAUER, Susan	93	2489.85	BERGER, Richard
9	10204.98	NEWLIN, Cal	52	3760.17	WITONSKY, Paul	94	2435.92	NEWCOMB, Carolyn
10	10137.16	HEITLER, Anita	53	3747.67	DiFELICE, Dom	95	2399.05	SHIOYA, Milton
11	10046.92	HAY, En	54	3743.92	RANNEY, Jane	96	2394.75	LUPTON, Robert
12	9537.05	HEITLER, Don	55	3702.87	HUGHES, Marilyn	97	2348.09	McKENZIE, Robert
13	8760.96	PENNELL, Hachy	56	3688.85	SCHMIED, Tom	98	2313.54	OSSIP, Paul
14	8655.89	GUNTER, Virginia	57	3525.20	WARREN, Paula	99	2307.86	SANDERS, Beverly
15	8358.67	EBER, Marilyn	58	3524.57	WEST, Loie	100	2299.67	DEVERE, Margaret
16	7967.17	GARRETT, Warren	59	3513.57	ACHZIGER, Jeanne	101	2285.73	GOODFELLOW, Lawrence
17	7542.18	PENNELL, Roger	60	3485.13	SLOOP, Joyce	102	2284.42	O'GRADY, Barbara
18	7376.75	BRENNER, Anne	61	3431.97	DREW, Pat	103	2248.54	RABE, Kendall
19	6557.83	PARKER, Steven	62	3422.36	PIXLEY, Mary Ann	104	2227.56	SEWALL, Virginia
20	6178.96	YETTICK, Garth	63	3389.48	BERENBAUM, Harriet	105	2222.27	MILLER, Patricia
21	6161.58	NORMAN, Pat	64	3356.69	SOLOFF, Curt	106	2204.03	GOLDSTEIN, Judy
22	6116.63	SANDS, Norma	65	3309.80	DALE, Nona	107	2199.42	CUMMINGS, Lois
23	5715.17	JONES, Spencer	66	3287.15	ALLEGAR, Bill	108	2194.70	MADRID, Joan
24	5442.96	STUCKEY, Kenneth	67	3276.70	VIDER, Roberta	109	2170.79	MAGER, Joan
25	5396.47	YOUNG, Ernie	68	3269.94	BRESS, Harley	110	2156.12	MONIKOWSKI, Tom
26	5311.55	WARE, Peggy	69	3225.32	MARTIN, Bob	111	2151.88	CASTRIGANO, Vincent
27	5274.23	WARNER, David	70	3212.86	DALLAS, Debra	112	2136.67	CHARCZENKO, Susan
28	5270.89	SMITH, Bonnie	71	3175.83	WEINSTEIN, Roy	113	2116.39	BERTZ, Carol
29	5216.78	REED, Charles	72	3144.65	KINNINGHAM, Alice	114	2105.06	BALLON, Marilyn
30	5153.91	DUFF, Dick	73	3086.16	DIPAULO, Jeannene	115	2086.53	BLECK, Sung
31	5014.54	VANCIL, Donald				116	2082.52	McKANNA, Donita
32	4974.87	GOTTLIEB, Gail	75	3043.00	HAUGE, Dolly	117	2067.02	IMHOFF, Stanley
33	4861.48	SKOLNIK, Ernie	76	2983.81	COFFMAN, Penelope	118	2057.76	NEWCOMB, Walt
34	4847.96	CARSON, Skip	77	2931.58	RHEA, Frank	119	2011.96	GEROULD, Joan
35	4832.35	HAGERMAN, Edwin	78	2898.93	GSELL, Mary	120	2009.22	BEARD, Bill
36	4830.09	HENKE, Pat	79	2867.56	FRIEDMAN, Richard	121	1999.18	MORRISON, Gary
37	4620.72	RANNEY, Jerry	80	2866.68	SMERJAC, Marie	122	1991.37	HEDLY, Robyn
38	4475.06	QUEEN, Frank	81	2839.75	COX, Ralph	123	1990.96	HELLMAN, Jonathan
39	4343.98	HERRING, Fred	82	2803.18	OSMAN, Haisam	124	1977.92	BRANDON, Jon
40	4172.39	MARTHALER, Dan	83	2798.07	TRUJILLO, Karen	125	1958.20	BOST, Marilyn
41	4147.73	CLARK, Forest	84	2743.25	BORUS, Carolyn	126	1957.85	HYATT, Debbie
42	4054.71	BENNINGHOVEN, Jan	85	2737.52	BECKER, George	127	1957.39	WARD, Carol

Tresurer's Report
For the Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 2014

	2013	2014
ASSETS		
Checking	\$ 30,088	\$ 45,718
Savings	\$ 57,446	\$ 57,506
Total Cash and Bank		
Accounts	\$ 87,534	\$ 103,224
Other Assets		
Accounts Recivable	\$ -	
Tom Lenahan Memorial		
Fund	\$ 1,642	\$ 1,642
Prepaid Expenses	\$ 5,865	\$ 3,536
Total Other Assets	\$ 7,507	\$ 4,799
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 95,041	\$ 108,402
LIABILITIES		
Restricted Funds NABC	\$ 10,880	\$ 10,880
EQUITY	\$ 84,161	\$ 97,522
TOTAL LIABILITY AND EQUITY	\$ 95,041	\$ 108,402

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND CASH FLOWS

	2013	2014
INCOME AFTER DIRECT EXPENSES		
Newer Player Tournaments	\$ 999	\$ 975
November Sectional	\$ 1,115	\$ 2,354
Tournament		
January Sectional Tournament	\$ (1,999)	\$ 1,570
March Sectional Tournament	\$ (1,681)	\$ 9,600
July Sectional Tournament	\$ (1,264)	\$ 1,017
Regional Tournament	\$ 5,814	\$ 8,006
Membership Dues	\$ 4,256	\$ 4,334
Interest Income	\$ 76	\$ 60
Other Income	\$ 3,200	\$ 1,909
Membership Badges	\$ 19	\$ 850
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 10,535	\$ 15,898
INDIRECT EXPENSES		
Administrative and Other	\$ 1,029	\$ - 3,800
Capital Equipment		
Replacement**		
Directory	\$ 1,914	\$ 1,929
District 17 Rep Expenses	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,000
Education	\$ 2,862	\$ 315
Front Range Challenge	\$ 38	\$ 0
New Player Free Plays	\$	\$ 0
Table Talk-1 Issue 2013	\$ 1,106	\$ 1,139
Trophies and Gifts	\$ 479	\$ 261
Membership Badges	\$ 459	\$ 240
New Website	\$ 401	\$ 389
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 9,788	\$ 2,543
NET GAIN/LOSS	\$ 747	\$ 13,355

TABLE COUNTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

I/N October, 2013.....95	March, 2014.....513
November, 2013.....549	I/N April, 2014.....88
January, 2014.....518	July, 2014.....513

Regional, 2014.....2,091

DIRECTORY ADVERTISING

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The unit prints 1,150 directories annually,
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Contact Bonnie Smith 303-797-3572



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Clifford Bebell
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UNIT 361 MILESTONES

Platinum Life Master
(10000)

Cal Newlin
Anita Heitler
En Hay

Emerald Life Master
(7500)

Roger Pennell

Diamond Life Master
(5000)

Dick Duff
Donald Vancil

Gold Life Master (2500)

Geri Bonds
Steve Evans
Jerry Newcomb

Silver Life Master (1000)

Suzanne Noyes
Ray McLean
Eileen Dovel
Sandy Buckstein
Molly Kienker
Roger Pearce

Bronze Life Master (500)

Beverly O'Brien
Carol Hjelte
Harold Sanchez
Eric Mead
Diane Samet
Margaret Berry
Gay Ostrander

Bronze Life Master (500)

Beverly Brilliant
Elaine Roberts
Laverne Darr
David Robinson
Bob Eberhardt
Donna Grant
Sylvia Kerschen

New Life Masters

Tom Barrett
Karen Carlsen
James Culhane
Stuart Davis
Robert Dendinger
Helen Fitzpatrick
Kay Freyer
Jacqueline Gasser
Barbara Hale
Vivian Heggie
Donald Henninger

Janet Jacob
Jennifer O'Neill
Kathleen Porter
Robert Politte
Myra Ricketson
William Shaw
Kevin Stansbury
Robert Stansbury
Annette Woodward

*We attempted to compile a complete list of milestones from December 2013 through August 2014. If we inadvertently omitted your name, we apologize.

2014
DENVER REGIONAL
AWARDS

LOU NEFF TROPHY
(Unit player winning the most master points at the Regional)

Jan Janitschke

FRANK THORWALD
TROPHY
(199er Unit player winning most masterpoints at Regional)

Shirley Moschetti

2013
COLORADO VICTORY
TROPHY
(Awarded to player who won most masterpoints in upper division events at all Colorado Sectional Events)

Spencer Jones
Peggy Ware

UNIT 361 NEWER PLAYER
SECTIONAL AWARDS

2013
DIRECTOR'S AWARD
(299er player winning most masterpoints in 299er events at four Denver Sectionals)

Jim Brand
Dean Porter

I/N SUSAN DITTMER
TRAVELING TROPHY
(299er player sinning most masterpoints at 299er I/N sectionals)

Fall 2013
Dean Porter
Jim Brand
Spring 2014

Vard Nelson
Frances Nelson

En Hay, continued from page 1

team we had lost to the previous day by 60. With three boards left, we felt that our lead had disappeared; therefore, vulnerable against not, En held void in spades, 5 hearts to the 10,8, Q doubleton of diamonds and AQJ six times in clubs. The auction ended in 5 hearts (!) by En, doubled. When the dummy flopped, I kept looking for En's hearts, but all was well. Down 1 for a nice 6 IMP gain – the opponents seemed disheartened. On the penultimate hand En held stiff – stiff in the majors, KQJ10xx in diamonds and 5 clubs to the A. Not vul against vul. En opened 1D and drove the hand to the 5 level against the opponents 4H, even though I kept bidding spades. Down 1 again, for a gain of 11. Good ending, we won the match by nine after surviving a misfit on the last hand. I wonder if En will turn in her cat spots and stripes now that she's platinum? Somehow, I doubt it!!!!
by Al Kane

Anita Heitler, continued from page 1

vantage. She would show the majors with only four cards in each, or invite on a hand that would keep their opponents out of a cold game.

Over the years Anita has played with many partners and even more teammates. Each partner feels like they can win with Anita. She takes great joy outplaying the top professionals by seeing a card combination or a safety play that was not taken at the other table to guarantee a winning result.

Anita won her first Regional in New York playing with Mark Epstein, a fine player now living in Las Vegas. Anita's favorite partner was Jeannie Grunwald, with whom she played for over 30 years. They formed a powerful women's team, and were in the running for the top spot at the Nationals the year Jeannie died. Anita and I represented the United States in the world championships.

I am confident that Anita will attain even greater bridge accomplishments, and through her teaching and mentoring will enable others to reach lifetime milestones.
by Don Heitler

Cal Newlin, continued from page 1

Club and played with pick-up partners and soon became one of the better players in Denver. Roger Pennell, a good friend and bridge partner, said that in the good old days of bridge in the '70s, everyone used to party after events. He said "Cal's stories were the funniest and today he still remembers hands, who played them and how well they were played. Cal served on the Denver Unit board as Vice President and Denver Regional chairman from 2003-2007. He was the I/N chair for the Denver NABC and in 2005 and is going to co-chair the 2015 I/N NABC. Cal grew up in Denver, Colorado. He loves to play golf, bridge and quietly enjoys life. Cal has a Business Management Degree from CSU. He worked in the IT department at Public Service Co, IBM and for Belle Bonfils Blood Bank until he retired in 2004. He is married to his favorite bridge and life partner of over 40 years, Flo.

GAMES IN THE DENVER AREA:

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Monday evening
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Norma Sands 303.850.9403

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720.890.3936

Denver Country Club
Invitational, Tuesday afternoon
Ginger Stookesberry 303.399.4934



Informal Survey Results
By Anonymous Roving Reporters

Our roving reporters wanted to know – Do you prefer to play against some people rather than others, regardless of their skill levels or your chances of securing a good board? Is it a question of their conduct at the table? The overwhelming answer was yes! So, addressing annoying player behavior became the focus of this survey. Some of the results might surprise you!

Coming in, at a tie, were
a- Public humiliation!! people are most uncomfortable when a player criticizes his/her partner's 'line of play' or bidding in front of the opponents.
b- Gloating !! particularly when a sacrifice bid is made and the table is then 'regaled' with the fact that the unsuccessful bidder could have made their game? Hint to gloaters- WE, the losers, can generally figure that out ALL BY OURSELVES!

Bridge partnerships are special because there is a level of trust that is intimated.... That criticism and unsolicited advice chip away at that bond.

Considered rude, by any standards were the refusal of N/S partners to acknowledge the incoming E/W opponents with nary a nod of the head and the continuous discussion of a hand or 'their system' of bidding before the new hands are played.

Annoyance was expressed at those who 'fiddle around' before they pull their hand from the board, thus delaying play; others who claim without stating their line of play; and some North players constant refusal to pass board graciously.

Surprisingly, people who chew gum (yes, with their mouths open!!!) and those who eat lunch throughout the afternoon were mentioned as 'focus breakers' as well.

Upon reflection, it would appear that these issues could be addressed by common courtesy, good sportsmanship and civil manners. Let's all do better!



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