

# May 2019

## Akron Unit 107 Bridge

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### Up the Ladder (*Congratulations*) and New Members (*Welcome*):

- ♦ New Members – Michelle Bisconti, Edward Cobbs, Frank Jacobs and Mary Lyons
- ♦ Junior Masters – Betty Jennings and Linda Liesem
- ♦ Club Masters – James Black and Mark Lawver
- ♦ Bronze Life Master – James Fasnacht
- ♦ Silver Life Master – Judith Taylor

### Tournament Dates (*through Aug 2019*)

5/04-05	Erie GNT/NAP	6/14-16	Toledo RGNL	9/03-08	Pittsburgh RGNL
5/21-27	Independence RGNL	6/21-23	Canton Sect.	9/14-15	Youngstown Sect.
6/3-9	Cincinnati RGNL	7/12-14	Pittsburgh Sect.	<b>9/20-22</b>	<b>Akron Autumn Sect.</b>
6/10-16	District 5 STaC	8/02-04	Rocky River Sect.	9/28-29	Erie Sect.

### Charity Bridge Tournament Thank You (*by Pam Matthews – guest contributor*)

This is a giant "thank you" to all you wonderful, charitable men and women for helping to make the Cuyahoga Falls Woman's Club's Spring project - **Stewart's Caring Place** - such a huge success. Their March 23<sup>rd</sup> Charity Bridge Tournament had a great turnout and an awesome hors d'oeuvres and snacks buffet; and it netted over \$600. In addition, over \$400 worth of pantry, personal use items, art therapy supplies and gift cards were given by the CF Women's Club bringing their total donations to almost \$1100!



We are so fortunate to have **Stewart's Caring Place**, a cancer wellness center, in our community. It offers a variety of free services and support groups for cancer patients and their families. Over 1400 families come and use about 150 different programs -- all at no cost. This is all offered to children, adults, families and even caregivers. **Stewart's Caring Place** is truly a most deserving organization, and the support and donations offered was unbelievable. Kudos to everyone, and thanks again.

**Note from the Editor** – Think this is a good place to mention that the Feb 19<sup>th</sup> Charity Event at the 0-100 game at Quirk raised \$80 for **Caring Bridge** (a website that keeps family and friends connected during health events). Our Unit really supports charitable giving.

### Our Unit's Rotating Trophies – What is their History? (*by Susie Bedall – guest contributor*)

At the May 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, the Hugh Weinberg and the Holland rotating trophies will be awarded. Thought you may like to learn something about their history.

Hugh Weinberg loved the game of Bridge and was a supporter of our local games. He was married, a father, and a hugely successful dentist known for his gentleness as he performed root canals. His favorite partner was Don Monsuer, also a dentist. He joked with his wife that if they divorced, he wanted 'custody' of his mother-in-law, who was a very talented Bridge player in Cleveland. Hugh died in November, 1981 at age 50. After his death, way too soon, his wife wanted him to be remembered by the game that was so important to him. She established the trophy that celebrates our unit's most successful player each year.

Charles and Ann Holland were the founders of Holland Oil and loved to play Bridge. Charles only played evenings and tournaments because he worked full time. Ann played in many day games around town. The Hollands donated pop, chips, beer and wine for our tournaments so we would not have to carry that expense. He bought a storage cabinet when we changed playing sites and needed one. He was very interested in our having a Bridge building, and we explored a few sites but never found the right one. The Holland award was created with a gem on top because Charles collected minerals. It is to honor the person/persons who win the most master points at our Akron tournaments.

### TIDBITS: (*time change for Quirk game & two chuckles*)

- ♣ Effective June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Quirk Center Open game on Tuesday evenings will begin at 6:30 PM.
- ♣ *Years ago, there were only two acceptable reasons for not leading partner's suit: (1) having no cards in the suit; (2) a death wish.*
- ♣ *One advantage of bad bidding is that you get practice at playing atrocious contracts.*