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80—Jim Tuning (WA)

80—Obie Weeks (CA)

80—Gerald Hahn (OR)

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- Bill Klem (Auburn WA)

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President's Column



Adopted Son

In 2004 I had traveled to Missoula MT for the Montana Open. Several players, including myself and Roy and Jeanne Hofbauer were staying at Sharon "the Shark" Hejtmanek's house. At that time, I did not know the Hofbauers well other than the standard greetings with casual conversation. What I did know was that Jeanne had achieved a new ACC twenty-two-game record for her outstanding card at the Washington State Open tournament a year or two earlier. As well as Roy always willing to take \$5 or \$10 off of me every time we played.

I overheard Roy mention how he did not want to play in the doubles tournament. I asked Jeanne if she would like to play doubles with me. I can still see the look of surprise on her face when she replied, "You want to play doubles with me?" Followed by a warm smile and, "Sure, we can play." I did not know if she already had someone else in mind that she was planning on playing doubles with, but she was stuck with me.

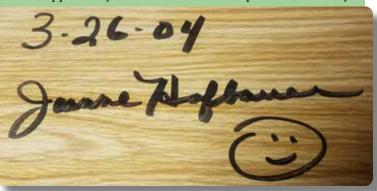
I noticed how everyone seemed to know Jeanne, and throughout the night our opponents kept commenting on what a nice son she had. After multiple times explaining that I was not a Hofbauer, she gave up. Instead of repeating herself again and again, it was "thank you" if they said anything.

In between games she smiled and said, "You are now my adopted son." From then on that is how I was known to her.

Nine games later Jeanne and I were the doubles champions! After being given the champion boards, I requested that she sign the back of my board, and I signed the back of hers.

It is funny how things work out. If Roy had wanted to play doubles that night, I may have never gotten the opportunity to become an extended part of their family.

Thank goodness for cribbage. Without it, how would we know all our friends and family that we did not know before?



My Deal



"How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our lives." —Annie Dillard

eanne Hofbauer liked to preface her monthly presidential columns with a quotation relevant to her topic, and so in acknowledgment of both her style and substance, I am doing the same thing this month.

This quotation not only matches Jeanne stylistically, but it exactly describes the substance of her life. She spent her days helping others—family, friends, ACC members, people she hardly knew—and the cumulative effect of spending her days that way was that she spent her entire life in service.

Anyone who follows in her footsteps as president would do well to copy both her actions and attitudes.

Jeanne and I did not see eye to eye on everything. As any two strong-willed humans tend to do, we had disagreements on any number of issues—both ACC and otherwise. But in the long run, we agreed on the important things in life and cribbage and politics.

When Jeanne was elected ACC president in the fall of 2008, she immediately volunteered to revive an old *Cribbage World* tradition: writing a President's Column. This ritual stretched back to Joe Wergin, but it had been followed only intermittently by presidents since then.

Jeanne's first column was published in the January 2009 CW, and it exhibits a key theme that resurfaces in her column many times over the next nine years: the ACC must be user friendly, and it is incumbent on current members to welcome new members with open arms. If we would take this simple instruction to heart, the ACC's future would look very rosy.

When I became CW editor in January 2007, I learned one key thing from DeLynn Colvert, my immediate predecessor: people love to see their name in print. Given the technology available to me, I upgraded this rule of thumb: people love to see their picture in print.

And that led to my first disagreement with Jeanne, even before she became president. She did *not* want her picture in *Cribbage World* when she earned her Life Master (*) in early 2007. No amount of reasoning or cajoling on my part could change her mind, so in the end I stole a

picture off the internet and passed it off as Jeanne. To this day, no one has ever questioned me about that photo. Nor, to my knowledge, has anyone figured out who it really is.

Jeanne loved



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that photo, but when I asked for a photo to use with her monthly column she realized that a real photo of her was more appropriate. She okayed a photo taken in Reno, and this photo was subsequently used with every one of Jeanne's 103 columns—all the way up to her last one in the September 2017 *Cribbage World*—but now printed in color for the first time ever.

In 2012, I decided to run against Jeanne for the office of ACC president. The vote was very close (12–11), but she prevailed. As disappointed as I was at the time, there were many times in the succeeding years when I thanked my lucky stars that I did *not* win that election. It was better for me as I was undergoing some personal stuff and—more importantly—it was better for the ACC, as Jeanne was a *much* better president than I ever would have been.

A few years later, while attending the Oregon Coast Classic that Jeanne and Roy ran for a quarter century, I had the opportunity to tell her this very thing—that she was, in my opinion, the best president the ACC ever had. I sincerely believed that, and I know that the ACC is a much better organization



because of her steady leadership over the course of a decade.

There is no better way to lower the curtain on Jeanne's earthly life than by quoting her final words in her very last presidential column:

Be good to one another. For, more than anything else, your behavior toward each other will determine the future of the ACC.

It is my sincere wish that every ACC officer, director, and member follow these simple words. What better way to honor Jeanne's life. CW

CRIBBAGE IS ALIVE!

by Patrick Barrett **Central Region Tournament Commissioner**

Canceled. How many times have we heard this word lately relating to our favorite cribbage tournament? In our last full season before the Covid pandemic the ACC held over 150 sanctioned tournaments. In the 2020-21 season the ACC held a mere 18 tournaments going into the Deadwood cluster, with 8 of those held in Wisconsin. The only other states with tournaments this season were New Hampshire, Montana, Idaho, and Oregon, and attendance was lower than past tournaments in most states. None of us saw this coming.

The late ACC President David Campbell called me last fall and said, "I hate my job!" as he was very concerned about losing most of the tournaments sched-

took pride in promoting the ACC, and it hurt him terribly to see this happen. Then David and Lana Newhouse took

a trip to Mount Rushmore last fall and stumbled across The Lodge in Deadwood, South Dakota. He looked at the venue and proceeded to schedule a weekend full of cribbage. Three main tournaments, three consolation tournaments, as well as satellites here and there. David was hoping for 100 players in the main tournaments.

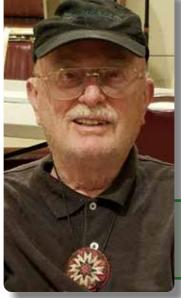
uled, including the huge JPW/ACC

Open weekend in Reno in March. David

Fast forward to April 2021. The first tournament drew 176 players, the second drew 182, and the final tournament on Easter Sunday drew 149! Twenty-four states were represented by some of the highest ranking players in the ACC. Is the ACC coming back? You bet!

The recent Black River Falls WI tournament drew 115 players, breaking the previous high attendance by 33 players. Thank you, David Campbell, for believing in the ACC and keeping cribbage alive! The pandemic isn't done yet but it sure looks promising for the ACC!

See you at a tournament in the near future!



Many years ago Jeanne did beadwork and made peg holders for players to wear around their necks. DeLynn Colvert wore his for many years.

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Covid Policy

The following Covid policy was approved by the Executive Committee on April 30, effective immediately:

Tournament directors must adhere to all governmental regulations in effect at the playing location on the date of the tournament. TDs may adopt a stricter stance but they cannot be more lax. Should any Covid case be reported to the TD that could have exposed players at the tournament, the TD should notify all participants as quickly as possible.

In addition, the sanction fee for tournaments was restored to its former level: \$3 per player in mains, and \$1 per player in consolations.

A similar policy is also in effect for Grass Roots clubs:

Grass Roots clubs must adhere to all governmental regulations in effect at the playing location. Directors may adopt a stricter stance but they cannot be more lax. If there should be any Covid- 19 cases reported to the director that could have exposed players during a club event, the director should notify all participants as quickly as possible.

The Magedanz Chronicles

Stories from the Tournament Trail by Dale Magedanz CW's Milwaukee Correspondent



The Frosty/Steinmetz Shuffle in Black River Falls WI on April 23–25 was attended by 115 players from sixteen states. Even the consy had an impressive 82 cribbers. Three 28-hands were posted. **Dan Sand** from Grey Eagle MN had one, but, the greedy ol' veteran from Wisconsin Rapids had two of them. Congrats to **Jerome Tork**.

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Pacocha came from Loveland CO to Black River Falls WI to teach a class in Cribbage 101. At the lunch break, she was perfect with 26/12. Her closest game was a two-point win over me. Lunchitis did not faze her at all, running her streak to 15–0. She finally lost her first game to that meanie Don Flesch. Ron Morgan's national record of 46/21 was still in sight until Kathy dropped the last two games to Henry Brandner. 41/19 ★ is a score most players can only dream about. After a run like that, many times a player's cards turn cold, but not Kathy's. She continued with Cribbage 102 on day 2 and took down the field for first place. Great teaching.

Sad Moose What is a moose without Teri Murdy

on its back? Answer: just another orange moose.

Aces In my effort to write odds-defying stories, here is another. This occurred while Jane Vander Loop and I were playing doubles against Frank and Ginny Danielski. Ginny played an ace to make the count 28. I ended up playing the fourth Ace for 31-for-14 for a total of 16 pegs.



Now for the double! In a later game, Jane makes the count

28 with an Ace, Frank pairs it, I triple it, and Ginny says go! Jane plays the last Ace for 31-for-14, this time for a total 20 pegs.

Cribbage Lane Challenge

The Cribbage Lane Challenge is complete! For months the last cribbage-themed road in the wild has eluded capture on film, but Wally Williams—a friend of ACC member **David Suhr** (Boise ID)—snapped this photo last month, bringing our search for all such lanes to a close. David knew we were looking for this road, so he asked his old high school buddy to scope it out. This Cribbage Lane (Allée Cribbage for our French-speaking friends) is located just off Route 19 near Wally's home on Prince Edward Island in Canada, Thanks to both David and Wally for tracking down this road (pun intended).

If anyone finds another Cribbage Circle/Court/Lane/Road/ Way/Terrace not on the list below, please let *Cribbage World* know.

	city/state	models
√	Houston TX	Charles Hall
√	Maricopa AZ	Art Collins June Fordham
√	Oroville CA	Nina Plowman
√	Prince Edward Island	[Wally Williams]
√	San Marcos CA	Joe Schuck
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The Inside Track by Rob Medeiros





My grandfather would always tell me: "Robbie, your eyes are too big for your belly" as I heaped scoops of ice cream to my bowl. (Yes, Robbie!) In cribbage we can sometimes get overly ambitious too.

You are dealing at 110 and the pone is at 103. You are dealt A-A-A-2-3-8; what do you keep? It seems like either A-A-2-3 or A-A-A-8 with 2-3 to our crib should get us safely home, but are they the best two options here? The pone needs eighteen with first count, so we should try to defend any potential 16-point hands from pegging two. So hands such as 5-X-X-X, 5-5-X-X, 4-5-5-6, or 6-7-8-9 must be defensed. The best hand to accomplish this goal is A-2-3-8. This prevents the pone from pegging if they have the pictures and 5 combinations, and it gives us the flexibility to avoid the 6-7-8-9 combo.

So in end-game scenarios always take small bites and think twice about how you can possibly lose—not how you should probably win.

Contact Robbie at mrob2199@aol.com if you always hold the wrong cards.



- 1. Joan Rein (WI): Wisconsin State Championship (Oct. 17)
- 2. Charlene Cohen (FL): North Pole Open (Oct. 24)
- 3. Dan Selke (IL): Calamity Jane Open (Apr. 4)

New Members

39 last month

Arizona

Miles Johnson (El Mirage) Alan Talacek (Sun City West)

California

Barbara Erysian (Roseville) Pat Gilbertson (Chico) Shella Kircher (Paso Robles) Carly Tuzzolino (Glendora) Cristina Tuzzolino (Glendora) Nick 2 Tuzzolino (Glendora)

Florida

Mark Cosgriff (Port Charlotte) Bruce Kingsbury (Venice) Diane Kingsbury (Venice)

Georaia

Sharon Gemza (Woodstock)

Joseph J. Wallace Jr. (Osburn)

Davis Merced (Chicago) Jacqueline Zavala (Chicago)

Michigan

Dave Robl (Ewen)
Paula Saubert (Bergland)
David Spruit (Grand Rapids)

Minnesota

Neil Constine (Lakeville) Owen Constine (Lakeville) Quintin Constine (Lakeville) Al Foss (Saint Cloud) Bridget Vee (Sauk Rapids)

Montana

Hanna Ronish (Missoula)

Nevada

Monte Lunde (Pahrump)

James Walsh (Reno)

New Jersey

Derek Speedy (Chester)

New York

Hayden Sierra (Buffalo)

Oklahoma

Lee Murphy (Norman)

South Dakota

John Jassman (Deadwood) Sarah Peterson (Valley Springs)

Washington

Karen Dunn (Malaga) Stan Dunn (Malaga) Karl B. L. Miller (Puyallup) Mike Pivec (Lynnwood) Timothy Rood (Walla Walla)

Nikki Shirreff (Lake Tapps) Wisconsin

Andy Court (Bonduel)

Wyoming

Dawn M. Sievers (Casper)

Jeanne Hofbauer

"Now I know why you always told me to be strong. You knew that one day I would need the strength to bear your loss." (anonymous)

My mother—what can I say about her? So many things come to mind. She was the president of the ACC at one time and did a hell of a job at it. She was what all of us should model ourselves after in this game. Before, during, and after her time as president, she would field many phone calls, text messages, and emails for advice on many different things. Whether it was about cribbage or life she would always make the time for the person who had the question or needed advice. She built numerous friendships across the country because of this game, and that was apparent when I reached out and asked people to write tributes. The response was overwhelming. People said they were honored to be asked and would love to write up a memory of Jeanne.

She opened our house here to many cribbage players, whether it was playing



local tournaments, passing through, or coming and going from the airport. Always having meals for them and friendly conversations. She would also help when she could with local players from our Grass Roots Club 28. If they needed a ride to a doctor appointment, going to lunch, or helping them with whatever. It was never "I don't know if I can." Rather, she'd respond: "When do you need me to come by or come get you and help out?"

As many of you knew, my mother was a collector of skunks, whether it was a playing card, a sucker, or a figurine: she probably had them all thanks to her cribbage-playing friends and family. I remember one time we went to a huge flea market at our local fairgrounds. I always seemed to be a booth ahead and for good reason, I would look through what the vendors had for sale and would try to find any skunk they had, big or small. I would buy them before she could get to the booth. After heading back to the car, she said that she couldn't find any skunks and asked what I had bought. I handed her a grocery bag full of skunk collectibles. She cherished every one and put them in her skunk chest, which you see immediately when you walk in the door at our house.

By far this is the toughest thing I have ever had to write. I thank James Morrow, my adopted brother, for being there for me and helping me get this memorial letter started.

I will lastly say that I love you, Mother, and always will and thank you for the life lessons. In my heart and mind forever. I love you very much.

-Your loving son Jason

Player, President, Inspiration



I feel very blessed to have had Jeanne as a good friend for many decades. I served as codirector with Jeanne and Roy at the JPW/ACC Open in Reno for twenty consecutive years, full of awesome memories. This included dealing with expulsion of cheaters, sickness and death, a serial killer, and a fan blowing playing cards all across a room during a qualifying round. Jeanne handled everything in stride and was so wonderful to work with. The overall memories are incredible with all the terrific cribbage players and the incredible family of volunteers and of course everyone at the Sands! I will truly miss everything about Jeanne, including that little laugh and chuckle. Thank you, Jeanne, for everything you did for the American Cribbage Congress for all those years and for being such a warm, caring, hard-working, and fun person to be around!

—Scott Kooistra (Yankton SD)

My first vivid memory of Jeanne was at Grand National 16 in Wisconsin Dells WI in September 1997. We met in the playoffs, and after I narrowly defeated Jeanne, she told me to "go all the way." I listened to her that day and was lucky enough to win that tournament. After that, I caught up with Jeanne at each Grand National BOD meeting and the JPW tournaments each year in Reno. My mother taught me how to play cribbage, but after she passed away in 2013 I thought of Jeanne as my "cribbage mom." Her easygoing demeanor and her advice about life in general was always comforting to me. I never heard a cross word or witnessed any bad tempers from Jeanne; she was such a proud and confident woman. Rest in peace, sweet Jeanne, 'til we meet again.

—Patrick Barrett (Wisconsin Rapids WI)

Let's start at the beginning. We first met Jeanne and Roy in Portland at the Hollywood Bowl in the early 90s. It was the first time they played ACC cribbage. That led to a small tournament in Tillamook OR, which then turned into the Oregon Coast Classic, first at the Lincoln City Elks and currently at Chinook Winds Ca-

Jeanne Hofbauer

sino. Jeanne and Roy directed this tournament, along with Sophie and me as codirectors for close to twenty-five years. Rollie Heath was a codirector for many years too. During these years Jeanne became a trusted and loved friend, not only with cribbage questions but almost anything. She saw the big picture. That's how she became president and Hall of Fame inductee. But she also watched the small stuff. She kept the candy bowls full and kept her eye on Roy and Ron when they stepped outside for a better look at the ocean. We enjoyed and loved all of the many years Jeanne and the rest of the Hofbauer family were able to spend at our Neskowin home during the OCC. Jeanne will be remembered for the many contributions she made to the ACC and to cribbage, but even more for the great, loving, thoughtful person she was and the great family she left behind in Roy, Jason, Steve, and Breanna to carry on for her. She will be missed.

-Bernie & Sophie Nelson (Dallas OR)

We cannot say enough good things about Jeanne in any one publication: Hall of Fame cribbage player; wonderful mother, grandmother, and wife; great cook and

gracious hostess. Because of cribbage we met Jeannie and Roy over thirty-five years ago. We live in Washington State, however we're two hundred miles away from the Hofbauers. Jeannie and Roy provided free lodging and meals, transportation to and from the Portland airport for a great

many players. Our last visit to their house was fantastic. Bill and JoAn Hill and Valerie and I brought Jeannie her favorite Chinese food, which she enthusiastically enjoyed. We departed their home with plans to visit Winthrop, in north central Washington, one of her favorite places. She was in fine spirits when we left. After arriving home, Jeannie called and thanked all of us for the visit. She then chewed me out for not taking any pictures. I regret that. Unfortunately she passed two weeks later. Things will not be the same on the cribbage trail without this kind and beautiful lady. We love you, Jeannie. RIP.

-Valerie & Willie Evans (Kennewick WA)

I was lucky enough to get to know Jeanne while she was president because of David's affiliation on the board. We quickly formed a special bond and even with the twenty-year age difference we related perfectly with each other. Jeanne was the most loving and caring person I have ever known. She cared deeply for every living thing from nature to people. She took a special interest in animals and was a great cat mom to her indoor cats that she saved. She also took good care of the outdoor

cats and raccoons with her nightly task of feeding all of them. I believe she would have brought all the cats inside if Roy would have let her. Jeanne and Roy welcomed David and me into their home numerous times and they were such great hosts. Jeanne was a great cook, and my favorite



- Player, President, Inspiration



was her homemade biscuits and gravy. She took us on day trips to see the sights and experience the nature that she so loved. More importantly, if you ever needed anything, Jeanne was there for you. She called me the day after David passed, and we talked for hours. Even up till the end with her own tribulations she was thinking of others before herself. What I loved most about Jeanne was her sense of humor. The last joke she said to me was the last time I spoke with her. I was all serious and crying and asked her to tell David a few things for me when she got to heaven and she says: "I'm going to tell him that you have a new sugar daddy." So even up till the end she had her sense of humor and was trying to lighten the mood. My favorite memory of Jeanne is when she, David, Mark, and I went to the Smithsonian Zoo in Washington DC. We had such a good time and Jeanne and I both loved seeing the pandas. Jeanne later gifted me a panda charm for my charm bracelet that David gave me. A gift that I will cherish forever and remember the great time we had that day.

—Lana Newhouse (Neenah WI)

Some memorable events with my time around Jeanne. She got her first sanc-

tioned 29-hand against me. Outside of cribbage she was like a second mom to me. When I won the 2007 Grand National in Portland ME and missed my flight, they let me stay with them, no questions asked. Also on Thanksgiving when I couldn't see my own folks, I was always invited over to the Hofbauers for all the trimmings. Even in life when I needed advice, she was someone I would talk to, and she would give me some good fundamental advice.

-Erik Locke (Wood Village OR)

In my mind Jeanne was the ultimate cribbage ambassador. She exemplified good sportsmanship, encouraged and helped new players, and extended assistance wherever needed. She was also very patient when I was slow counting or deciding discards. Believe me, I was very slow when we joined Club 28, but she never made me feel rushed. On the personal side, she was a great listener, caring, and fun. The ladies of Club 28 gathered for luncheons every four to six weeks at local restaurants or at one of our homes. We all had a great time and learned more about each other. These are the memories I will treasure. Rest in peace, Jeanne.

—Junko Larsen (Vancouver WA) continued on page 16

Jeanne Hofbauer

Jeanne served on the board for many years before she was elected president of the ACC. She enjoyed most aspects of the job and always gave 100%. She had so many close cribbage and noncribbage friends. She took interest in their lives and always had time to talk to anyone who called her for however long they wanted to talk. She could have been cooking, having dinner, or playing cards, but she just always took the time to listen. I spent many wonderful weeks at their house, and I knew I found my second home and family. I am truly grateful to have had Jeanne in my life. I have so many good memories. We took so many trips together: Hawaii, New York City, Florida, road trips to Grand Nationals, etc. On one trip with Jeanne and Roy going to Grand National in Maryland, we were taking all the side roads and Jeanne suddenly let out a scream. She got so excited, we were in the town where her mother met her father. It made her so happy, we had to take a grand tour of the small town. I am so glad I was able to go out and say goodbye to Jeanne. Jeanne, you are missed by so many.

—Marlene Lazachek (Franklin WI)

Jeanne was a kind, funny, and formidable cribbage player. Whenever Jeanne was on my tourney table, I never wanted to play her because she always seemed to beat me. I got to know Jeanne because she was a good friend to my mother, Sharon Hejtmanek. They shared many great cribbage experiences and welcomed each other into their homes unconditionally. Beyond the game, our connection was cancer. Years ago, I remember when Jeanne called my

mom with the news of her breast cancer. My mom was devastated and worried about her friend. Luckily, Jeanne caught it early and was successful with treatment. Shortly before attending the Reno Open four years ago, I was diagnosed with breast cancer. I managed to play cribbage that weekend but still lost my mind several times. Jeanne was the voice of reason to help calm my fear. My diagnosis was also an early stage, and Jeanne told me to do what the doctor's recommended, keep a positive attitude and I would get through this. Whenever I saw her at subsequent tournaments, she was always sure to check on my health. In December, I got a call from Jeanne with the news of more cancer. She didn't want me to hear it from someone else. This time I knew the survival chances were low because of the type of cancer. It's difficult to know



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what to say when the news is grim. She was not calling me for sympathy. I heard a voice of acceptance given the reality of the situation. Jeanne said she was going to do her best and fight as long as she could. Despite all she was dealing with, she also reached out to me with a message. She wanted to let me know how important she thought it was for me to do genetic testing. Jeanne will be missed. She was truly a woman with passion, strength, and an unselfish ability to think of others as much as herself.

—Michelle Barthelmess (Missoula MT)

Jeanne was a class act. She made me laugh. She always had a twinkle in her eye and a welcoming smile. Despite my having come from the east coast to the west coast, Jeanne never made me feel like I didn't belong. I just loved her openness and honesty. When playing the last game in a Salem OR tournament, my opponent, a young lady about half my age, asked if I was going to qualify. I told her I didn't know and wouldn't add up my points until after the game was over. She exclaimed joyfully that she felt the same way. We started giggling about not wanting people to add our points up or look over our shoulders. Jeanne was sitting next to us. I noticed she had a slight frown. When we stopped laughing, she held out her hands and said, "Give me those cards, you b*tches, I'll add em up!" We roared with laughter. I am grateful to have spoken with her shortly before she passed and thank her for her leadership and all her hard work for the ACC. I will miss her.

—Cynthia Wark (Sunnyvale CA)

"There are those whose lives affect all others around them, quietly touching their hearts." (anonymous)

Jeannie was one of those special people who affected all those around her. Besides being president of the ACC, her years as a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, friend, and cribbage player will live on in all of us who knew her. Shortly before she passed, she told me that "we take our friends as they are," and she did that. Bill remembers playing Jeannie in the 80s at Sunnyside WA. He had told her that whoever sat next to him would be the high qualifier. Jeannie ended up sitting next to him and had a fantastic day, a 41-point card! After that she would always tell him she wanted to be next to him. I first met Jeannie at a cribbage tournament in Lincoln City in the 90s. She was friendly and welcoming to the cribbage world. Our friendship grew to traveling to Washington DC and the Virginia Grand Nationals as well as trips to the coast with her and Roy. This was our special time, playing cards, chatting, laughing, and just listening to the waves of the Oregon coast. When she called to tell us of her cancer diagnosis, she said she had lived a good life and was ready for whatever came next. She told us she was so very fortunate to have Roy, Jason, and Steven to care for her. She may have been ready, but we were not ready to let her go. Jeannie, rest well in the arms of the angels.

—Bill & JoAn Hill (Hermiston OR)

Jeanne ran the first tournament I ever played in 2001, and she made me feel welcome right from the start even though

Jeanne Hofbauer

I was brand new. Over the next several years, we got to know each other pretty well and would talk about life and cribbage. At a tournament in Reno we sat next to each other for the day. I was not having a great day and neither was Jeanne. I was acting like my normal self where all I could think and talk about was how bad my cards were or how lucky my opponents were or how bad they played. Meanwhile Jeanne was just playing along, and her opponents and other people around her had no idea she was having a bad day because she wasn't letting it ruin her day like I was. When the day was over she asked if she could give me some advice. What she said changed my outlook on the game and my life for that matter. She told me it is okay to not like to lose, but you can't ruin the other person's experience. This made me realize it wasn't just about me. I took this to heart and started looking at the game differently going forward (yes, it is still a work in progress all these years later). I started having more fun and making more friends, even people who wouldn't have called me that before because of the way I had acted before. Her words made my cribbage experience fun going forward win or lose. Jeanne's advice changed my life for the better, and I will always be grateful to her for that. She was a very special lady who was such an inspiration to me and many more. She will be missed.

-Bryan Gurden (Las Vegas NV)

I am not sure where to start. Like many people, I first got to know Jeanne as someone of influence and power in the ACC. At first, I knew her only by name and face



and that she always seemed to be doing something for the ACC and was really, really busy. After a few years of helping with the Reno tournaments, I got to know the Jeanne that not only worked really hard for the ACC but also the lady who loved her family, including her cribbage family. It did not matter if you were beating her in a cribbage game or if you had a complaint about the ACC, she kept her cool and remained professional at all times. Rick and I were very lucky that Jeanne took an interest in teaching us the ropes and keeping us on track. In more than one occasion, Jeannie counseled and coached us on how to treat others with respect and humility. While we may not have always seen eye to eye on every detail, Jeannie was nothing but a first-class act, and we are better people for having known her. Jeannie will be missed, but never forgotten. Thanks to the Hofbauer family for

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sharing such a wonderful lady with her other cribbage family.

—Peggy & Rick Shea (Eureka CA)

Jeanne was a loving, caring, and compassionate woman. She was a great friend with a heart of gold. Whenever we flew back to Wisconsin, she always made sure we parked our car at their house. She was always interested in you and your family. The one thing we're going to miss at tournaments is her smiling face. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

—Duane & Diana Toll (Sutherlin OR)

When Jeanne first ran for president of the ACC it was against an incumbent. The voting was a tie vote requiring more than one ballot. Someone changed their vote and Jeanne was elected. What a fortuitous decision! Her work as president was so good that Jeanne never had a close election again. She reinstituted having

the president write a column for Cribbage World. Her column wisdom was mainly based on commenting in commonsense ways about cribbage matters. President Hofbauer made certain that each board meeting had a key set of issues we needed to examine. She kept us working toward the overall goal of making the ACC a better organization. She quickly became my favorite leader, as she had a quiet but firm style that produced results. I really enjoyed working with her and missed Jeanne's gentle but effective form of leadership when she stepped down from the role of president. To me, she remained "Madame President" (as I always addressed her), and we will forever miss you, Jeanne!

—Herschel Mack (Gold Hill OR)

There are so many stories to tell about Jeanne. This one is about a conversation I had with Jeanne days before she passed. I called the house to talk to Jeanne. I wanted to thank her for a previous generous act of kindness she showed me. Several years ago my friend Bob Julian died, and Jeanne flew to Wisconsin to attend Bob's funeral. Soon after that I got a letter from Jeanne and enclosed were two copies of Bob's funeral announcement, one for myself and one for Annett Eiffert. Jeanne wrote that she knew how fond we were of Bob and she wanted us to have them. When I spoke to Jeanne I told her how much I appreciated her for that and I appreciated her friendship. Jeanne then told me how lucky she was to have so many good friends, great kids, and a great husband. She said she has lived a good life and was accepting of her fate. I want to thank the Hofbauer family

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for their countless hours of service to the ACC. I hope you find peace and comfort in the love we all have for you.

—Nancy Rojas (Sacramento CA)

I don't want to make this a story about cancer, but rather I want this to be about a connection that Jeanne and I had over a set of pink breast cancer awareness pegs that Jeanne and I shared a common interest in. I had bought some pink pegs with a white ribbon on them from a man who was selling them because his wife had been diagnosed with breast cancer, so the proceeds of the purchased pegs went to the American Cancer Society. I used the pegs to play against Jeanne in Reno probably around 2010, and she said she really liked them. After the game, I handed her the pegs. We both teared up a little bit, but at the time I didn't even know how much that meant to her, because I didn't know the extent of her battle with cancer . . . but somehow I just knew. Jeanne had known I

had lost a brother to cancer in 1998, and she cared a lot for my family, and we had grown to care a lot for her and her family. Again, at the time, I didn't know all that she had gone through or all of her health battles, but she and her family had always been good to me and my family. That's all that mattered to me at the time when I gave her the simple gift of pegs. You are loved by so many and you will be missed, Madame President!

—Julie Felkins (Central Point OR)

We have lost one of the nicest, warmhearted persons in the ACC. I will always remember Jeanne for her unselfishness. Numerous incidents showed this, but one will always stand out to me. It was the Sunday after the 2017 Grand National in Lincoln City. David Campbell, Lana Newhouse, and I were traveling together, and our flight was not until Tuesday. Jeanne and Roy were nice enough to let us stay at their house. When we woke up Monday morn-



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ing, I was not expecting to do anything. First thing Jeanne did was feed us an amazing breakfast of homemade biscuits and sausage gravy. She and Jason then took us to Mount Saint Helens. Though she had seen it numerous times, Jeanne took the time to bring us there. She cited facts regarding the volcano, things you would not know otherwise. We made a day of it from morning to night. I was thinking to myself how lucky I was to have friends like Jeanne, Roy, and Jason. Jeanne made everyone feel at home. Over my years in the ACC, I was lucky enough to do many things with Jeanne. I will miss how she made everyone feel important and her generosity. I will never forget Jeanne.

-Mark Soule (Woolwich ME)

I was very fortunate to be one of the many cribbage players to be a guest at the Hofbauer house. Jeanne was an excellent host and cook. Usually, I was there not for a tournament but to go fishing with Roy and their son Steve. Jeanne would not permit fish to be cooked in her kitchen, so we had to cook them outside. Many games of cribbage were played at the Hofbauer kitchen table. Jeanne and Roy taught me how to play Canadian Doubles. Love ya, Jeanne, and I miss you very much.

—James Langley (Red Bluff CA)

Jeanne was many things to me—friend, advisor, formidable cribbage opponent, and sometimes doubles partner. One of my fondest memories is when Team Jeanne came in first in doubles in 2017 in Florence OR, including winning one game by pegging out from 24 holes when our opponents were only seven holes out with first count. What stands out to me most of all, however, was Jeanne's leadership qualities, which I witnessed up close as recording secretary during the latter years of her presidency of the ACC. She worked tirelessly to lead the ACC, herding cats (including BOD members) with dig-

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Dear Jeanne,

You were a true friend to me.

And I'm not saying this because we were friends for what seemed like forever.

I'm saying it because we had a good time when we were together, because we could talk about anything and everything, because we were there for each other to lean on or listen. It's not everyone who could be that kind of friend—but you were.

So, I'd like to say thank you for being that kind of friend, a true friend. I don't know what I would have done without you.

I will miss you forever and always.

—Laurie Logan (Meridian ID)

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nity and respect, and she made sure that everyone got their say, withholding her own opinion until the appropriate time. Like Jim Langley, I also appreciated her warm hospitality. Little did I know that last June when she treated Jim and me to a wonderful salmon dinner – freshly caught that day by Jim and Roy—and beat us all later that evening playing cribbage, that would be the last time I would enjoy her company. I feel so fortunate to have known you, Jeanne, and you will forever be in my heart.

—Jeanne Jelke (Redding CA)

I will remember Jeanne for how much she loved her family—Roy, Jason, and all of us in her cribbage family. She dedicated much of her time to serving the ACC. I spoke with Jeanne the week before she passed away. She wanted to encourage me, and all of us, to please take care of ourselves by taking care of our health. I promised her I would make appointments for all of the recommended exams and screenings that I have been putting off. I also promised her that I would share her message with all of you. Make those appointments today!

-Barbara Woodward (Reno NV)

Such a tremendous loss to the world to have to say goodbye. The reality is that we all have to go, but the legacy we leave behind is what will really matter, and Jeanne was incredible. Amazingly kind, funny, patient, smart, fiercely competitive, and so loving. The first time I met her was in October 2008, the night I joined the ACC. I had literally no idea how much she and this organization would change my life. She believed in me, as she believed

in so many of us. She is the reason I even considered becoming internet commissioner, and ultimately, she is the one who bestowed that honor on me. She asked me to run for the BOD and was so supportive of me. She called me in January to thank me for a funny card I'd mailed to her, and we had a great talk. We laughed and I cried when I hung up because I knew. I knew she'd called me to say goodbye, and it broke my heart after everything else I've lost this year to have this added to it. The bottom line is, she was a magnificent human who touched so many lives in so many ways. She called herself my West Coast mom, and she absolutely was. Jeanne, you are loved more than you could ever comprehend, and you will be missed beyond measure. Ultimately, those



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of us who knew you and loved you are so fortunate to have had that love in their lives. Thank you isn't a strong enough sentiment.

—Tammy Gibbons (Lansing MI)

It is because of Jeanne that my husband, Mike, and I joined the ACC. Mike taught me cribbage after my retirement. After a few years of playing only one another, we found that there was a group that met at a pizza parlor in our area. We had absolutely no idea what the ACC was when we attended the first time! It was a happy accident for our future as ACC members that Jeanne was a part of that group. I was terrified! Jeanne, in what I learned was simply a part of her personality, calmed my fears with her calm, kind, and positive words.



forward Fast couple of years, and I was assisting the club with the Portland Open. After a few tournaments, Jeanne thought it was time that I learned the fine art of tournament payouts. She presented this scary task of dividing other people's money with organization, clear communication, and an abundance of patience. Along with amazing cribbage and

club skills, the best part of having crossed paths with Jeanne is that we found a loving and genuine friend. Being full of humor, cheerful, serious, and diplomatic all at the same time cannot be taught—it comes from the heart. Jeanne not only gave her heart to the ACC, but most importantly to its members. She will always be in my heart.

—Delette Huffman (Canby OR)

I believe the first time I met Jeanne and Roy was at the Napa Grand National in 1996. Over the years we became close friends. We traveled to many tournaments together and shared each other's homes regularly. The good times were too numerous to count and have been cut short way too soon. I served on the ACC board when she was president, and she would always make sure that each person could have their say on any issue that was before the board. Sometimes I would get a little impatient and try to speed things along. That did not happen. She was a formidable opponent and passionate in her love of cribbage. She was a champion of fair play and "playing nice." Jeanne could not and would not tolerate cheating. I was told that once she observed a man secreting a card in his crotch for later play. She did not hesitate but reached down and retrieved the card. We have lost many from our cribbage family. Now one more has been taken from us but when I look up into the night sky I see another star in our ACC galaxy. Shine on Jeanne!

—Ronald Logan (Meridian ID)

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Grand Prize: GN 39 Entry, 2 nights at the Doubletree, Dinner for 2, \$250 towards travel

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Cribbage Board of the Month BY IAY FULWIDER

This month I feature one of the ugliest boards I own. It is also one of my favorites and most sentimental.



This board came to me from Richard Chidgey, a friend in England. I met Richard when he was in Seattle visiting his cousin, Jim Chidaev. Jim was like a second father to me.

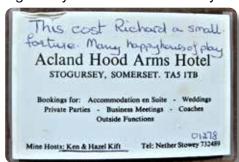
It turned out that Richard was an avid cribbage player. He told how he would stop each night after work at his local pub for a few pints of beer and many games of cribbage. At that time, over thirty years ago, I was relatively new to cribbage board collecting and had no English boards. A few weeks after Richard went home. he sent me a beautiful old English folding box board. I was thrilled.

Unfortunately for Richard, a few years later, the hotel and pub where he played cribbage was sold. The owners, Ken and Hazel, kept the cribbage board. Richard convinced the owners to send the board to

me. Imagine my surprise when the board and a business card arrived. Not only did I have a real pub board, but also verification of some of its history. The handwritten note from Ken and Hazel tells me that Richard lost a small fortune but spent many happy hours drinking beer and playing cribbage.

Nobody knows for sure how old the board is, but it was made from a chunk of Bakelite. Bakelite was invented and patented by Leo Baekeland. The patent date is 12-7-1909.

In doing some research, I found that the Acland Hood Arms Hotel is still in business. I am not sure about the pub. My friends Jim and Richard are gone now, but this board hanging on my TV room wall is always a



warm reminder of two special friends. CW



Jay Fulwider collects cribbage boards from his home in picturesque Washington State, where he also enjoys golf, fishing, and racquetball. His philosophy on the key to life: "Just keep your pegs moving." Ideas for and questions about this column may be sent to him at **budandotis@msn.com** (put "Cribbage Board" in the subject line).

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GAME ON by Dan Zeisler

Youth Teaching Tip

It is important to teach your students that they may encounter players from time to time who practice variations of the rules that they truly believe are the correct way to play the game. The two most common misconceptions I've run across are:

- If you offer your opponent the cut after shuffling you lose your deal and thus the crib. (We all know that cutting the cards is mandatory before every deal.)
- It is a player's prerogative to flip their exposed pegging cards over after a sequence to 31 ends, or stack their cards while being laid down. (The official rules do not allow either of these; all cards laid must be clearly visible for your opponent to see at all times.)

Remind your students that should this happen, they should let their opponent know that they were taught by the official rules of cribbage and can back up their claim by going online to the ACC website (cribbage.org) and clicking on the "About Us" thumbnail. Then click on "How to Play Cribbage" and then on the ACC Tournament Rules link. If you have the tech abilities in your teaching setting to demonstrate how to locate the rulebook and find these specific rules, that would time well spent.

So many good things are being done by ACC members. Kudos to expert board maker Rick Pierce (Springfield OR), who donated 100 beautiful boards to be sold at the Deadwood tripleheader in South Dakota, with all proceeds going to support the David Campbell Memorial Fund. In attendance was Bernie Nelson (Dallas OR), who purchased 57 boards and donated them to the ACC Youth Program. This generous contribution will allow each player who plays Youth Grand National 4 in Sacramento this fall to receive a free cribbage board.

With summer right around the corner and travel restrictions easing up, don't forget to pack a cribbage board and cards for your next family vacation.

Are you planning to attend Grand National 39 in Sacramento CA on September 25-26? If so, why don't you consider bringing your children or grandchildren to play in YGN 4? It will be played on Saturday the 25th at the same venue as the adult event. The kids will be under constant supervision throughout the day. What a great opportunity to create a lifelong memory and, as the late Joseph Wergin coined, "The family that plays together, stays together!"

Internet Cribbage

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by Sally Henderson (Internet Commish) accjudgetest@ gmail.com

Live cribbage is coming back to life, slowly

but surely! As this keeps happening, I'm assuming that there will be fewer players as we go back to our Grass Roots club nights, as well as Tournament Trail weekends. This also means that those of us who are ACC TDs will be doing the same thing. With fewer staff available,

internet.leaders

rank	IRPs	name
1	924	Peter Legendre (legend397)
2	912	Sue Edwards (CO434Sue)
3	851	Sam Sinram (IA503)
4	836	Mike Fetchel (mfetchCT425)
5	826	Richard Shea (thirtyonefor14)
6	773	Don Howard (GrumpyDopey3)
7	746	Bob Hanes (ia801)
8	744	Jeff Raynes (jeffraynes29)
9	703	Gregory Gougian (gougie00)
10	701	Daniel Crete (dec)

we may not always be able to offer double "split" tournaments at eCribbage. I am especially concerned about Saturdays since that time slot was approved by the board (thanks, Tammy!) due to the pandemic throwing us all into withdrawal. At Game Colony, there are only three ACC TDs and one is a GC staff member, so there may be cancellations if they can't sub for each other.

Therefore, please be forewarned that the maximum number of tourney players at eCribbage could be limited to the first 48 who check in for best-of-three format and to the first 60 for GR9 format. Check in early in case there aren't two ACC-approved TDs available on any given day to split that tourney! The cutoff number is determined by the software program, not the TD, so asking them to let you in is out of their control. It is in your control to get there early enough. Bear in mind that all players on both sites are allowed to play in ACC-sponsored tournaments, as this is

Player of the Month Gregory Gougian (gougie00) @ 171 IRPs

New Grand eMasters (4,000 IRPs)
Don Howard (GrumpyDopey3)

New eMaster (2,000 IRPs)
Paul Poropatic (pporopatic)
Charles Allen (callen2013)

Internet Grand Slams
Allen Wilson (Gdub)

a requirement of the hosting site. We are guests at their sites and must follow their parameters before our own. At eCribbage, any player who has a Pro membership has tournament priority over those who don't. The TD is required to remove extra players from the bottom of the list up, until the max cutoff number is reached. First-come-first-served. Hope to see you there bright and early—just in case!





Grass Roots

SEASON EXTENSION

GRNT deadline extended to July 11 Grass Roots season ends on August 15

Questions? Contact Grass Roots commissioner Ivan Wells (grcommissioner@gmail.com or 505.600.5747)

29s in Oregon! **John Nyhart** ♣ shows off his 29-hand on April 20 at Club 440 in Bandon (his first during an ACC game), and **Corky Rugroden** ♣ brandishes a rare 29-hand on May 3 at Club 285 in Beaverton.





Club 284 (Eau Claire WI) has a \$5 prize for any 23-point hand. Since there are only two ways to get one, they are rare. However, on May 3 the stars lined up for *three* players; twice with 4-5-5-5-6, and once with the ultra-rare 5-5-J-J with nobs on the 5 cut!

Club 120 (Wisconsin Rapids WI) has been talking poker as much as cribbage lately. Patrick Barrett and Malia Ironside both scored four Queens early. A few games later, Patrick threw a couple of Kings to his crib, his opponent threw one, and then cut a

King. Four Kings in the crib to collect a poker pot! Rhynold Shave kept 10-J-Q-K of Diamonds and cut a 9 for a straight flush; soon after that Patrick Barrett kept 9-10-J-K of Diamonds and cut the Queen to tie that rare hand!

The vibrant crew at Club 354 (Palmer/ Wasilla AK) is hosting an ACC tourney on June 19 along with Club 177 (Anchorage AK). You can even hobnob with ACC Grass Roots Commissioner Ivan Wells that weekend!

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Madison Club 1—for **Ken Nicholls** his luck started a couple weeks ago with a 28-hand. But that wasn't good enough, and on April 15 he bested it with a 29-hand. ■



Club 430 held its first-ever GRNT on May 1. Thirteen players showed. ■ We had a great time. There were only three 24-hands all day.

Penobscot Peggers Club 361—neither rain,

snow, ice, nor Covid could stop Club 361 from playing cribbage! We will complete our Grass Roots season on May 24. On April 26 Linda Kennedy was dealt her first 28-hand!

She was a little excited!



Wayne Steinmetz has a new way to celebrate May 1. At the GRNT in Kenosha WI on May 1, Wayne sat down for game number 10 and pulled a 28-hand. This is not terribly newsworthy, since he has ac-



complished this task many times. What is worth noting is that Wayne lost in the dead hole. Well, not wanting to have this be the only story about him to appear in *Cribbage World*, he took the match against **Harry Tolbert** to the next level. Wayne had the deal and Harry, with 2-2-3-3, decides to lead the 3, hoping to trip Wayne. Unknown to Harry, Wayne had the exact same hand. Disaster strikes when Harry gets quadded not only once but twice. End result: Harry pegs 12, Wayne pegs 29 and skunks Harry. Now, that is the story the Wayne wants to be remembered by.

On April 19 the brother/sister combo Jim Mitchell and Mary Bearss—both of them members of Beer City Peggers Club 71 in Grand Rapids MI—visited Muskegon Club 229. Jim won his first seven games, and in game eight Mary dealt Jim a 28-hand on his way to skunking her. He lost his grand slam in game nine.
♣ The very next night at Club 71, Mary played the



GrassRoots Awards

SILVER

Hazel Carlson (FL), 276 Rick Vee (SD), 96 BRONZE

Juanita Miller (WA), 377 Rick Robarge (AZ), 408

same tune, winning eight of nine games.

Congrats to both on their near slams.

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COOL STUFF ON THE WEB

Meta-Cribbage?

The November *Cribbage World* ran a short article under the "Pop Culture" rubric about the appearance of cribbage in an episode of *Parks and Recreation*:

Cribbage and/in Pop Culture

During the wee morning hours of a fundraising telethon that has gone off the rails, Ron Swanson (played by Nick Offerman) suggests, among other things, that he demonstrate how to make a cribbage board in episode 2.22 of *Parks and Recreation* (@ 20:00).

Nothing comes of the idea, but it would've been fun to watch him try!



On January 16, Nick Offerman—the P&R actor featured in the above-mentioned article—tweeted this to his 1.8M followers:



Without going too meta on this, *Cribbage World* really would like to know how @Nick_ Offerman got his hands on an actual copy of *Cribbage World*. (Look closely and you can see the mailing tabs at the top of the magazine, indicating that it is a printed copy that went through the US mail.)

So, Mr. Offerman: if you are listening/reading/egosurfing, please let us know how you found *Cribbage World*. More importantly, do you play cribbage?

Margaret Maron

Award-winning writer of dozens of mystery books, Margaret Maron, passed away on February 23 at age eighty-two in her native North Carolina. Her most relevant book for cribbage players was *The Right Jack*, a murder mystery set at a cribbage tournament. I had the privilege of meeting Margaret at the 2009 National Open in Raleigh NC. Both Margaret and I wrote about our meeting-mine as an editorial (reprinted below) in the September 2009 Cribbage World, and hers as an amusing blog that she actually posted on the day between

her two visits to the NOCT. Thank you, Margaret, for bring joy to so many readers and cribbage players. RIP.

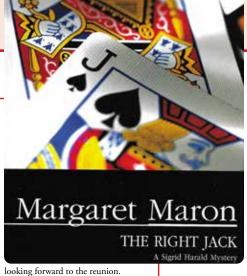
The January 2009 Cribbage World contained Barri Gehrand's review of a murder mystery set at a cribbage tournament in New York: The Right Jack by Margaret Maron. During the run-up to publishing this review, I began corresponding with Margaret, a North Carolina native.

A prolific author with a couple dozen books to her credit-most of them in the Deborah Knott or Sigrid Harald series—it turns out that Margaret had never attended a cribbage tournament before, and so I invited her to the National Open in Raleigh last month.

Margaret dropped in on Saturday afternoon-along with husband Joe (who taught her the game on their honeymoon; he commented, with a wink: "among other things!"), son John (who gave her the idea of the cribbage board containing a bomb in The Right Jack), and granddaughter Julia (who is a cribbage whiz). I introduced Margaret to NOCT director Cathy Perkins, who along with other members of Club 58 in Raleigh had read many of Margaret's books.

Margaret talked to players, took pictures, and asked the kinds of questions that good authors ask. She returned on Monday for another look at the tourney, but even before this she had posted an amusing blog entry entitled "Not Your Mother's ACC" on her website about this prestigious tournament and the ACC.

Margaret plans to brush up on her cribbage so she and granddaughter Julia can play in the National Open next year. I'm



Margaret generously gave me an autographed copy of The Right Jack, along with some extra copies to use as prizes. If you would like to win a free copy of this enjoyable mystery, enter CW Contest #6 on page 19.

To read Margaret's blog entry, go to margaretmaron.com; scroll to the end of the page and click on "Older Posts" until you come to the entry dated July 26. CW

The easiest way to find Margaret's blog entry (dated July 26, 2009) is to google the exact phrase "not your mother's ACC" and it should be the first hit.



IN MEMORY OF CRIBBAGE FRIENDS

Blanche Edwardson



A great cribbage player and a great friend passed away February 22 at nine-ty-five years young. In 1997 Blanche was a founder and board member of the Colorado Rockies Cribbage Association Club 307. She was a formidable cribbage player. When she laughed, she lit up the playing area.

She enjoyed playing four-handed partners prior to the regular Wednesday night games. She always challenged her opponents to play at their best. Blanche moved to Renton WA to be with family, but made many trips back to Colorado Springs to visit family, friends, and play cribbage at *her* club. She is missed by all here.

Tom Edwards —by Larry Collins

My longtime friend and cribbage partner Tom Edwards recently passed away after a short illness. He had been a member of Kenosha Club 197 for many years. Tom gained many friends throughout the cribbage family. Win or lose, he always looked forward to playing Donald Flesch (Milwaukee). Tom won nine weekend tournaments and was also club champion. However, he was very excited to receive a trophy for winning the main at the first Brat Stop Open in 2016. In our club, cutting a 5 to 4-4-6-6 will always be called a "Tom Edwards cut" since he achieved it so many times over the years. Tom was always very competitive in every game he played. However, he will be remembered most for his willingness to explain to his opponent how he might have played that individual's hand. So, my friend, have a safe journey and rest in peace.

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Have you ever tried to make a 28-hand with the 4 of Clubs? Fred Howe (Club 407 in Brookings OR) recently pointed out an interesting flaw in his 28-hand pin: the 5 of Clubs has only 4 pips! Oops! When he pointed this out to Grass Roots Commissioner Ivan Wells, Ivan checked his supply and discovered more such "collector's items"—potentially worth zillions . . . of something. We've pulled these pins from circulation. We don't know how many were manufactured, but if you have a defective pin and want a replacement, contact Ivan at grcommissioner@gmail.com or 505.600.5747.

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	W	estern Region		C	entral Region		E	astern Region
	MRPs	name		MRPs	name		MRPs	name
1	633	Dave Yaeger	1	537	Doug Page	1	496	Keith Widener
2	512	Erik Royland Locke	2	501	Ann Trotter	2	395	Robert Medeiros
3	507	Laurie Logan	3	428	Jeff Shimp	3	322	Donna LaFleur
4	385	Bob Bartosh	4	399	Patrick Barrett	4	201	Henry Douglass
5	381	Sandy Sands	5	367	Wayne Steinmetz	5	185	Mike Fetchel
6	370	Kathy Pacocha	6	360	James McCarty	6	170	David Campbell
7	366	Bryan Gurden	7	345	Kevin Harris	7	167	Pat Llewellyn
8	247	Troy Thorson	8	343	David Aiello	8	163	Jacob French
9	245	Mike McDaniel	9	339	Daniel Pluff	9	155	Phil Martin
10	235	Gordy Wise	10	336	Terry Weber	10	152	Charlene Cohen
11	222	Winona McDaniel	11	334	Richard Frost	11	136	Barry Spadea
12	209	Pamela Pomeroy	12	305	Clay Collier	12	129	Rick Allen
13	204	Dennis Morin	13	288	Henry Brandner	13	105	Albert Miller
14	202	Carole Herron	14	286	Robert Chase	13	105	Robert Baker
15	201	Alice Souza	15	282	Ginny Danielski	15	102	Richard West
16	198	Cy Madrone	16	273	Chad Frischmann	16	98	David Flaherty
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Tournament Trail

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Most tournaments (a) are round-robin format, (b) include a consolation, (c) are singles competition, and (d) have satellite events. Details are fairly accurate at time of publication, but check with the tournament director before making travel plans. For more information, visit cribbage.org.

GRAND NATIONAL SCHEDULE						
date	city/state	TD				
Sept. 21–26, 2021	Sacramento CA	Jeanne Jelke				
Sept. 23-25, 2022	Omaha NE	Scott Kooistra				
Oct. 10-15, 2023	Virginia Beach VA	Jack Howsare				

TOC & ACC OPEN SCHEDULE
@ Sands Regency in Reno NV
March 4-6, 2022
March 3-5, 2023

MT • MONTANA SPRING ROUNDUP

June 1-3, Montana Capital City

Moose, 4750 N Montana Ave, Helena MT 59602. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Roger Mc-Glenn

June 4-6, Montana Championship

Eagles, 2420 South Ave W, Missoula MT 59801. TD: Rex Paddock (406.360.3333) & Sandy Sands

June 8-10, Copper City Classic

East Side Athletic Club, 3075 Dexter, Butte MT 59701. TD: Gary Galetti (406.491.5892) & Joe Peterson

June 11-13, Territorial Prison Classic

Elks, 320 N Main St, Deer Lodge MT 59722. TD: Sandy Sands (406.461.6284) & Bob Stone

WI → June 4-6, America's Dairyland

Wintergreen Resort, 60 Gasser Rd, Lake Delton WI 53965. TD: Ellen Kutz (414.940.7375) & Terry Weber

FL + June 11-13, Treasure Coast Open

Springhill Suites, 2000 NW Courtyard Cir, Port St Lucie FL 34986. TD: Mike D'Elena (772.359.9023) & Esther Rolfe

NH ◆ June 13, Granite State Classic

Brookline Event Center, 32 Proctor Hill Rd, Brookline NH 03033. TD: David Statz (603.247.4335) & Mary Burlington

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NV ◆ RAMPART DOUBLEHEADER

JW Marriott Las Vegas Resort, 221 N Rampart Blvd, Las Vegas NV 89145

June 17-18, Rampart Casino Midweek

TD: Al & Sharon Schaefer (414.331.0809) & James Milkowski

June 18-20, Rampart Casino Open

TD: David Aiken (616.401.8311) & James Mil-kowski

WI ◆ June 18–20, Steinmetz Frosty Shuffle

Kettle Moraine Bowl, 1021 Commerce Blvd, Slinger WI 53086. TD: Wayne Steinmetz (262.367.9180) & Richard Frost

AK ◆ June 19, Midnight Sun ACC Open

Moose, 1136 S Cobb St, Palmer AK 99645. TD: Doug & Marli Holden (907.631.1933) & C. J. Kim

NV ◆ June 21–23, Carson City Summer Classic

Plaza Hotel & Event Center, 801 South Carson St, Carson City NV 89701. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Beverly Castillo

NV ◆ June 23–25, 2021 Topaz Summer Tourney Topaz Lodge, Hwy 395, Topaz NV 89410. TD: Beverly Castillo (775.453.3715) & Cynthia Wark

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NV ◆ June 25–27, Independence Day Classic

Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501. TD: Peggy & Rick Shea (707.444.3161)

NH → June 27, Live Free or Die

Brookline Events Ctr, 32 Proctor Hill Rd, Brookline NH 03033. TD: Jerry & Laurie Hardy (207.730.3197)

ME ◆ July 9-11, Lobster Pegoff

Season's Grille, 427 Main St, Bangor ME 04419. TD: Dave Leissner (207.848.8050) & Joe Bowen

OR • July 10-11, Shut Up and Deal

Gleneden Beach Community Club, 110 Azalea St, Gleneden Beach OR 97388. TD: Jack Shumate (541.574.7668) & Steve Lewis

IL + July 16-18, Mary Lang Memorial

Cherry Bowl, 7171 Cherryvale Blvd, Rockford IL 61112. TD: Daniel Selke (847.977.3875) & Mike Cavanaugh

WI ◆ The End Doubleheader

SureStay, 600 Oasis Rd, Black River Falls WI 54615

July 24-25, The End Is Near

TD: Joan Rein (952.448.2459) & Al Karr

July 24-25, The End Is Here

TD: Bob Joslin (952.270.3632) & Joan Rein

CA ◆ July 23–25, Northern California Open

Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

WA ◆ Sunnyside Tripleheader

VFW, 615 North Ave, Sunnyside WA 98944. TD: James & Cher Morrow (509.830.2318)

July 29-30, Weekday Challenge

July 31, Summer Classic

Aug. 1, Western Region Championships

NE ◆ Aug. 1, Nebraska One-Day Starter

Comfort Inn, 7007 Grover St, Omaha NE 68106. TD: Scott Kooistra (605.661.7081) & Don Thienel

CT ◆ Aug. 1. Patriot Kickoff

American Legion, 114 West St, Vernon CT 06066. TD: Marty Duchow (860.324.8019) & Carl Deyette

WY . Cheyenne Doubleheader

American Legion, 2001 E Lincolnway, Cheyenne WY 82001

Aug. 6-8, Charlie Douthit Memorial

TD: William & Janice MacMillan (307.638.2398)

Aug. 7, Mountain View Classic One-day

TD: Troy Thorson (303.909.5125) & Kathy Pacocha

NV ◆ Aug. 6–8, Pahrump Open

Pahrump Nugget, 681 S Hwy 160, Pahrump NV 89048. TD: Denise Fortin (775.209.4444)

ID ◆ Sept. 17-19, Gem State Classic

Eagles, 7025 Overland Rd, Boise ID 83709. TD: Laurie & Ron Logan (406.241.5006)

NV ◆ Sept. 20-21, Silver State Midweek

Winnemucca Convention Center, 50 West Winnemucca Blvd #1, Winnemucca NV 89445. TD: Erik Locke (503.754.2979) & James Morrow

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CA • GRAND NATIONAL 39

Doubletree, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento CA 95815

Sept. 22-23, Grand National Midweek

TD: Rick & Peggy Shea (707.599.4605)

Sept. 25, Youth Grand National 4

Grumpy Howard (916.212.2465) & Dan Zeisler. See promo on page 2.

Sept. 25-26, Grand National 39

TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Margaret Fanucchi

NE ◆ Oct. 1-3, Cornhusker Classic

Comfort Inn, 7007 Grover St, Omaha NE 68106. TD: Scott Kooistra (605.661.7081) & Don Thienel

OR ◆ Oct. 1-3, Oregon Championship

Elks, 63120 Boyd Acres Rd, Bend OR 97701. TD: Rick Baird (541.530.1112) & Debra Lucas

OR ◆ Oct. 15-17. Salem Classic

Elks, 2336 Turner Rd SE, Salem OR 97301. TD: Kim & Rick Simmons (503.364.1510)

WI ◆ Oct. 22-24, Octoberfest

Riverfront Inn, 1821 Riverside Ave, Marinette WI 54143. TD: Al Karr (920.639.3546) & Joan Rein

NV ◆ Nov. 5-7, Gold Dust West Fall Festival

Gold Dust West Hotel, 2171 E William St, Carson City NV 89701. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Beverly Castillo

MD ◆ Nov. 12-14, Charm City Classic

Comfort Inn, 8801 Loch Raven Blvd, Towson MD 21286. TD: Michael O'Brien (301.367.3643) & Bruce Sattler

OR • CHINOOK WINDS DOUBLEHEADER

Chinook Winds Casino, 1777 NW 44th St, Lincoln City OR 97367

Nov. 18-19, Chinook Winds Weekday

TD: James Morrow (509.830.2318) & Pete Larson

Nov. 19-21, Chinook Winds Open

TD: Pete Larson (503.724.0605) & Rick Baird

CA ◆ Nov. 19–21, Jerry Montgomery Memorial

Win-River Casino, 2100 Redding Rancheria Rd, Redding CA 96001. TD: Jeanne Jelke (509.521.3153) & Jim Langley

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SEAN MCCARTHY CAPTURES JR CROWN

Fourteen year old Sean McCarthy of Framingham, Mas.ac..setts wins the first National Junior Cribbage Tournannt. He beat out Timmie O'Connor, a 12 year old from Pedham, Mass, in an swotting finals match.

Youngsters were entered in the nine different age groups from nine year-olds up to 17 year new year-olds up to 17 year new year to year the year of ye

Frank & Pat O'Connor were not too displeased with the small turn-out. It's a good begins ring they tell us. A bunch of no-shows were some young boys there were too many girls entered being best by a girl would have been worse than death. A total of seven entry fee checks were returned.

Anyway, the kids that did make it were pleased that they did. They loved the pastries & coft or the plant of the preat American Cribbage Congress. No doubt Frank O'Connor will get a bunch of votes toooo. All is well that ends well.



40 Years Ago

The front cover (incorrectly dated May) reported results of the first National Junior Cribbage Tournament. Decades later the concept was revived as Youth Grand National, and YGN4 will be played in Sacramento in September. A list of states shows Wisconsin as #1 in terms of ACC members, with 244 players. The current #1 is California with 734 members, but in 1981 it was tied for #8 with 52 members. Wisconsin is currently #4, behind the three Left Coast states.

25 Years Ago

The front cover announced the results of the 25th annual World Championship in Quincy CA. Among the winners were Jo and Willie Evans (Richland WA), who won the Friday night doubles. Elsewhere we read that Jim Langley (CA) won the 87-player San Ramon Lions tourney and that Phyllis Roderick (CA), Paul Hatcher (OR), and Jack Barrett (WI) earned their Bronze Awards.



Apparently the **Central Region** leader has his own groupies. Doug Page celebrates his 89th birthday with Bonnie Pacocha and Kathy Pacocha. Eat your heart out, Dan Selke!



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 - Be kind to
- one another •

Hope to see you soon.



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