



Welcome to our Winter 2016 issue!



BIG WINNERS IN 2015

Congratulations to **Bob Carvin, Arthur Keefe, and Bill Hannon**. Bob won the 2015 New England District 25 and the Eastern Massachusetts Unit 108 Ace of Clubs race in 2500-5000 category.

Arthur, in addition to winning the District and Unit Ace of Clubs races, was also **#1** in the 2015 Mini-McKenney Race (most points won in the calendar year) in the under 5 masterpoints category for Eastern Massachusetts Unit 108.

And, for the sixth time in seven years, Bill Hannon won the Louis Oliari Cup, awarded to the person who accumulated the most masterpoints at our Club in the past year.



Thanks to Betsy Hines for alerting us that Marshfield Country Club was selling its bar & boardroom chairs. **Betsey Paige** jumped on the project, checked them out, negotiated the price, and transported them to the Club with help from her husband and others, spruced them up and donated a big chunk of their cost to the Club. The 23 elegant chairs now proudly reside at tables 1 through 6. **Wowsers, Betsey!**

MAJOR MILESTONES

Congratulations to **Bob Carvin** (again!), **Jim Vierra, Hal Merzon, and Eddie Kelley**.



Bob advanced to Sapphire Life Master (a Life Master with 3500 masterpoints, at least 700 silver, red, gold or platinum, of which at least 350 must be gold or platinum).

Jim advanced to Gold Life Master (a Life Master with 2500 masterpoints, at least 500 silver, red, gold or platinum).

Hal advanced to Ruby Life Master (a Life Master with 1500 masterpoints, at least 300 silver, red, gold or platinum).

Eddie advanced to Silver Life Master (a Life Master with 1,000 masterpoints, at least 200 silver, red, gold or platinum).

MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to our other members who advanced in status: **Wayne Dwyer, Jane Tondorf** and **Barbara Colvin** advanced to Junior Master; **Debbie Hannon** to Regional Master; **Sue Lincoln** to NABC Master; **Marjory Nimberg** and **Mary & Paul Kelley** to Life Master; and **Maureen Bitler** to Bronze Life Master.



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WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS



Barbara Colvin



Bill Zoino



Carolee Coleman



Jennifer Reidy



Jim Buie



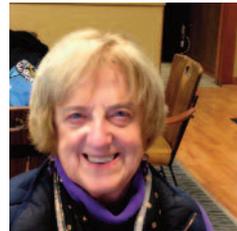
Dan Cotta



Dorothy Palmer



Larry Kellum



Margaret Butteriss



Nancy Banton



Astrid Peisch



Ted and Deb Kelly

VOLUNTEERISM

As we all know, we are a volunteer organization.

We thank everyone who pitches in when the occasion arises. For example, our holiday parties were both hugely successful thanks to our Entertainment Committee including Chair, **Betsey Paige**, **Maureen Cullen** and **Nancy Mullen**. Thanks also, to **Jonathan Guttmacher** who played the piano, and all the cooks who filled the buffet tables with such delicious dishes. You can find a selection of the holiday party recipes on our website at www.puritanbridge.org. We are a great group!

Reminder: If you have a cup of coffee or tea, please be sure to wash your mug at the end of the day.



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Barbara Perkins

Barbara was born in Boston and grew up in Milton, where she lives today with her husband of 42 years.

She started playing bridge while at Trinity College in Washington, DC, but stopped because it was interfering with her studies. After college she attended medical school at Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

She moved to California to complete her residency in psychology. She came back to Massachusetts to practice and shortly thereafter met her husband.

He was also a doctor (ob-gyn) and had two sons. Together they had two daughters. The children and her practice kept her very busy and away from the bridge table. She was Chief of Child Psychiatry at Boston City Hospital for about ten years and then Chief of Psychiatry at Brockton Hospital for another ten years.

Once she retired, she took up bridge. She started playing social bridge with friends in Milton. In 1998 with her children grown, she started coming to The Puritan Bridge Club. She took lessons for beginners with Charlie Muse. She became a Life Master about five years ago.

She is very proud of her children. One daughter is a dentist and the other is a veterinarian. One step-son is a physician and the other is a chef. Barbara and her husband have nine grandchildren.

When asked to share some advice with new players, Barbara says, **"JUST COME TO THE PURITAN CLUB AND START PLAYING."**

Final Notes

Since our last newsletter, longtime member, Bill Tyler, passed away. Please remember, if you know of any significant milestones reached by any of our members or if you have any comments or suggestions about the newsletter, please share them with us at:

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