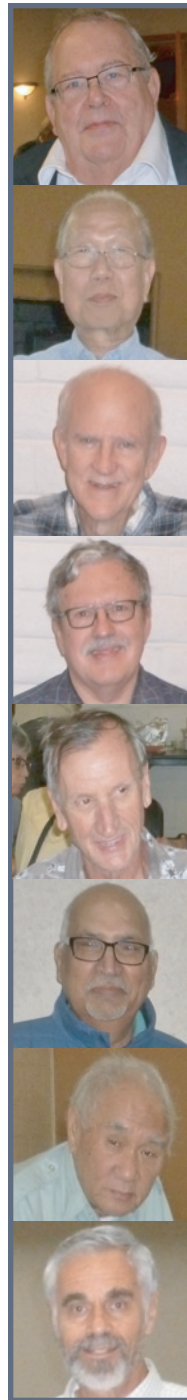




Listed here are the 48 players who frequent our clubs in Lake and Porter Counties, who placed in the top 10 in Unit 154 in the **ACE OF CLUBS RACE** for all of the year 2018. It was a fine representation of players in the 14 categories — 1/3 of the top players were from the Northwest corner of Indiana unit-wide. Larry Dunford, Zafar Khan, Laverne Niksch and Wayne Carpenter placed first in their categories and will be awarded a certificate in the next few months. 40 of the listed players also placed in the top 25 in their category in the district 12 race. (Their placement is noted in blue.) There were 8 players who placed overall in ACBL in the top 100: Larry Dunford — #17; Joe Chin — #67; Wayne Carpenter — #68; Laverne Niksch — #77; Lou Nimnicht — #88; Zafar Khan — #89; Yuan Hsu — #90; and Terry Bauer — #99. (See photos to the right.) These points represent only points earned at clubs (no STaC points).



0 - 5 mp

- 4. Donald Grote — 20.66 #6
- 5. Ram Prasad — 18.08 #10

5 - 20 mp

- 5. Joel Charpentier — 24.97 #7
- 6. Fred Green — 19.31 #13

50 - 100 mp

- 1. Creighton Rawlings — 42.63 #3
- 5. Sally Will — 32.29 #8
- 7. Rich Will — 28.40 #19
- 8. Tom Rea — 26.08 #21
- 10. Dottie Hart — 23.81

100 - 200 mp

- 1. Terry Bauer — 84.99 #3
- 6. Marcy Tomes — 30.21
- 8. Jim Lively — 30.01

200 - 300 mp

- 1. Larry Dunford — 131.45 #1
- 3. Chuck Tomes — 47.32 #15
- 10. Judy Selund — 34.80

300 - 500 mp

- 2. Daryl Fraley — 58.31 #16
- 5. Mary Kocevar — 50.89 #24
- 6. Marilyn Ginzal — 50.58
- 7. Bob Ferguson — 45.60

500 - 1000 mp

- 1. Zafar Khan — 140.34 #1
- 3. Charlotte Abernethy — 96.55 #4
- 4. John Teshima — 91.93 #5
- 5. Alan Yngve — 87.77 #8
- 6. Mike Brisette — 87.17 #9
- 9. Shirley Koch — 78.94 #13

1000 - 1500 mp

- 1. Laverne Niksch — 167.68 #1
- 2. Yuan Hsu — 161.44 #2
- 3. Anna Urick — 153.64 #3
- 4. Lynne Kostopoulos — 152.91 #4
- 5. Trudi McKamey — 109.76 #7
- 7. Indra Gupta — 92.86 #13
- 8. Pat Mikuta — 76.53 #25
- 9. Marci Meyer — 67.45

1500 - 2500 mp

- 1. Wayne Carpenter — 195.34 #1
- 3. Dave Bigler — 142.01 #4
- 4. Don Valiska — 126.30 #11
- 5. Barbara Walczak — 126.19 #12
- 8. Connie Stevens — 108.39 #22
- 10. Pat Valiska — 98.86

2500 - 3500 mp

- 6. Norm Szewczyk — 130.11 #12
- 7. Jim Angell — 111.27 #21

3500 - 5000 mp

- 3. Lou Nimnicht — 233.50 #3
- 6. Barbara Graegin — 181.55 #7
- 7. Tom Hallum — 168.23 #8
- 9. Steve Watson — 143.58 #13
- 10. Jim O'Connell — 137.80 #14

5000 - 7500 mp

- 2. Joe Chin — 248.29 #2
- 4. Carol Osgerby — 81.53 #17

Joe Chin topped the list with 248.29 masterpoints!



Dee VanBebber was from Valparaiso. Chuck and Marcy Tomes remarked, "We lost a very sweet lady who loved to play bridge and who was a good player. Those of us who are regulars in the Chesterton and Valpo duplicate clubs will miss her."

Dee was a high school teacher and girls' golf coach in Ohio and was known affectionately as "Mom" by many of her students. She continued to teach after moving to Florida. She loved playing bridge and golf, and excelled at both. She had about 600 masterpoints.

Here are a few additional comments by Jim Lane — Dee was a class act and great conversationalist, as well as a very skilled bridge player who never faulted partners for low boards. A Tampa Bay fan, she harbored a grudge against manager, Joe Madden, for abandoning the Devil Rays in favor of the Cubs. Either Chuck and Marcy Tomes or Tom and Lori Rea brought her to games, and she had 70% scores with several of us. Her ashes will be spread at her favorite golf courses in Ohio and Florida. And from Terry Bauer — Dee was a good and competitive bridge player who always found a way to make a positive remark to the other participants.