



**Metropolitan Bridge Unit, Inc.
Annual Membership Meeting
January 21, 2023**

Lynda Straker called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM.

Roll Call – Present: Lynda Straker, Janice McBean, Raye Liverpool, Sharon Fox, Charles Guest, John Demos, Lois Wright, and representatives from the following clubs: Bayview, Brooklynites, Cosmo, Jet Setters, Mount Vernon, Springfield, Triangle, Twilight, and Westbury.

Good and Welfare – Lois Wright stated report was previously distributed via email.

MBU Good and Welfare Report Prepared by: Lois M. Wright Email address: Mystuff1944@netzero.net

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLUB</u>	<u>REASON</u>
<u>December 2022</u>		
Georgina Correa	Mt. Vernon	Get Well Card
Steve A. Bond	Cosmopolitan	Get Well Card
Marjorie Davis	Jetsetter	Sympathy Card-Passing of Former Member
Earnestine Myles	Co-Op City	Sympathy Card-Passing of Former Member
<u>December 2022 (Members & Former Members) W/ Long Term Illnesses</u>		
Rudolph Cummings	Bayview	Get Well Card
Theodore Conliffe	Westbury	Get Well Card
Thomas Holloway	Westbury	Get Well Card
Mercedes Mann	Twilight	Get Well Card
Genesis Washington	Co-Op City	Get Well Card
Evelyn Smallwood	Springfield	Get Well Card
Julius Fields	Triangle	Get Well Card
Lorelei Blackman	Mount Vernon	Get Well Card

<u>January 2023</u>		
Genesis Washington Family	Co-Op City	Sympathy Card-Passing of Former Member

Thank You Cards To Metropolitan Bridge Unit (MBU) Members; August 2022 – January 2023

A Special Thank You To MBU Members From Julia Rinehardt:

To Lynda & The Metropolitan Bridge Unit: “Thank You for your Prayers. May the Joy & Peace of Christmas be with you throughout the New Year.” Julia Rinehardt

A Special “Thank You” from Lois M. Wright:

“Thank You for Brightening My Day” “Your Cards and Calls were really appreciated...Also, helped lift my spirit during my “homebound” period. Thanks for Being Kind, Being Real and Being there for me; when I really needed it. What a Blessing You Are.”



In Appreciation

To: The Metropolitan Bridge Unit

Sending US loving thoughts; from those my Father spent time with and held in high regard, is so comforting. Thank You Sincerely, for sharing our sorrow. Your kindness is deeply appreciated and will always be remembered.

The Family of Kenneth L. Thomas; Jyll, Charles, Brea, Mya & Christopher

Gail Chandler-Myer - Philadelphia Unit, Eastern Section ABA

Subject: Clayton White Memorial

Dear Bridge Family, My husband, Clayton White lived an extraordinary life as father, grandfather, professor, conductor, arranger, Bridge Player and so much more! He will be remembered by many as a music icon within and beyond our community. And by most of you, as a committed teacher and player of the game of Bridge.

I wish to extend a personal invitation to all who were touched by his gift as a teacher, blessed by his artistry as the conductor of the Clayton White Singers & amazed by his skill as a Bridge Instructor and Player to join our family at:

A Musical Memorial Service...January 7, 2023...12:00pm to 2:00pm

Deliverance Evangelistic Church, 2001 West Lehigh Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. 19132

Wishing You All Health, Peace, Love & More Bridge In The New Year!!

Yours In Spirit.... Cheryl White

Metropolitan Bridge Unit (MBU) Final Grand Slammers:

January 2022 thru January 2023

Members:

Phyllis Jones (January)
Lorraine Hinds (January)
Morris Johnson (February)
Helen Williams (May)
Jean Keizs (July)
Kenneth Thomas (August)
Robert Johnson (August)

Bayview
Mount Vernon
Twilight
Cosmopolitan
Mount Vernon
Twilight
Westbury

Former Members:

Carla Estwick (January)
Peggy Crichlow (April)
Bertha Robinson (April)
Ruthie Alexander (June)
Faye Gasaway (July)
Meyer Wiesen (August)
Mary F. Lewis (September)
Sam Phillips (November)
Leroy Anthony Toran (November)
Marjorie Davis (December)
Ernestine Myles (December)
Genesis Washington (January)

Triangle
Long Island Duplicate Bridge Club
Triangle
Jetsetter
Long Island Duplicate Bridge Club
Westbury
Westbury
Springfield
Westbury
Jetsetter
Co-Op City Bridge Club
Co-Op City Bridge Club



Invocation – Diane Edgerton-Norman

Memorial Service – Led by Diane Edgerton-Norman. Club representatives for 2022 deceased members held lit candles. Poem written by I. Calvin Morris was read by Lynda Straker.

Minutes – Presented by Janice McBean. Minutes of the October 22, 2022 membership meeting were reviewed by the membership. MOTION (Doris White/Charles Guest): Accept minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence – Letter from Paul Watford, Twilight DBC president, read mentioning a \$2,000 AAA donation from Gloria Johnson honoring the Morris Johnson dedicated game at the 2022 AAA.

President's Report – Presented by Lynda Straker

It was a year ago that you voted to extend the tenure of the current MBU officers for one more year in order to work through what we felt was a waning pandemic. Fortunately, we have learned how to manage our lives including bridge during this last year. Most of our clubs are holding regular club games. Our schedule of special games is growing. We held a successful 2022 “AAA.”

There is much to do as we begin 2023 to continue the progress we’ve made. The pandemic has created the need for reevaluation of all of our standard activities – not just in the MBU, but throughout the ABA.

At the summer national, the President of the ABA acknowledged that membership is down and it might not be feasible to continue with seven sections, each section having two sectionals a year and two Nationals a year. He formed a subcommittee to look at a variety of ways the ABA might change its normal operations. The subcommittee recommended to the Board, and the Board adopted its recommendation, that the ABA consist of four sections, Eastern, Western, Southern and Northern. So the Eastern Section and Mid Atlantic Section will be merging by the end of April 2023. The Southern Section and Southwestern Sections will also be merging as well as the Great Lakes and Midwest Sections.

The Eastern Section and MidAtlantic Sections will be merging first by the end of April 2023. An Election Committee consisting of members of both Sections will be conducting an election of officers – Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. You’ll be hearing more about that within the next few weeks.

The Spring National will be held April 15 through the 21st in Elizabethtown, Indianapolis. Our Eastern Sectional will be held May 22 – May 25, 2023 at Resorts. Please plan on attending both of these events.

It has been a pleasure serving the MBU and working with a team of efficient and dedicated officers as well as everyone who volunteered to make this such a successful year.

Respectfully submitted,



Financial Secretary's Report – Raye Liverpool

**Metropolitan Bridge Unit of NY, Inc.
Quarterly Financial Secretary's Report
October 1, 2022 thru December 31, 2022**

Income	
Annual Dues 2023	\$1,280.00
Entertainment Tax	\$1,061.00
Good & Welfare 2023	\$200.00
Herman Huff 2023	\$400.00
AAA Sponsors	\$3,720.00
AAA Donations	\$50.00
Bingo	\$740.00
Nationwide Game Player Fees 9-30-22	\$280.00
MBU C Game Player Fees 10-22-22	\$168.00
Nationwide Game Player Fees 12-9-22	\$160.00
MBU AAA Player Fees, 50/50, Raffles 12-5 thru 12-8-22	\$7,209.00
Bridge Home BBO Proceeds from ABA	\$594.58
Total Funds Received	\$15,862.58

Expenses	
Nationwide Game 9-30-22	\$318.13
MBU C Game 10-22-22	\$167.90
Nationwide Game 12-9-22	\$247.99
Stop Payment Fee	
Bridge Home BBO Proceeds from ABA	\$594.58
Web Fees	\$43.44
Bank Fees	\$25.36
Memoriums	\$50.00
Consumer	\$364.39
Postage	\$76.49
Bingo Awards	\$130.00
AAA:	
Sponsor Poster	\$129.74
Hospitality	\$93.71
Entertainment	\$500.00
Player of the Year Awards	\$725.00
Hotel, Directors, Sanctions, Playing Furniture, Decorations, etc	\$13,000.17
Herman Huff Scholarships	
ABA Summer National Ad	
ABA Summer National Raffle	
AAA Ad for ABA Bulletin	
Longest Day Donation-ABA	
Total Expenses	\$16,466.90
Net Income/Loss	<u>(\$604.32)</u>

Notes: \$629 scrip used to pay AAA sanction fee.



Metropolitan Bridge Unit of NY, Inc
Annual Financial Secretary's Report
January 1, 2022 thru December 30, 2022

Income	
Annual Dues 2022	\$110.00
Annual Dues 2023	\$1,280.00
Entertainment Tax	\$1,714.00
Good & Welfare	\$520.00
Herman Huff 2023	\$500.00
Chase Bank Fee	\$0.44
Bridge Home BBO Proceeds from ABA	\$2,177.69
Special Games:	
MBU C Game Player Fees 4-30-22	\$190.00
MBU C Game Player Fees 7-16-22	\$216.00
MBU C Game 10-22-22	\$168.00
Nationwide Game 7-13-22	\$234.00
Nationwide Game 9-30-22	\$280.00
Nationwide Game 12-9-22	\$160.00
AAA Tournament 12-5 thru 12-8-22	\$7,209.00
Longest Day Player Fees	\$240.00
AAA Donations	\$720.00
AAA Sponsors	\$5,240.00
Bingo	\$740.00
Web Fee Refund	\$169.98
Total Income Received	\$21,869.11
Expenses	
Consumer	\$677.42
Bank Fees	\$29.80
Bank Check Order & Supplies	\$234.97
Bridge Home BBO Proceeds from ABA	\$2,021.66
Stipend	\$1,250.00
Web Fees	\$781.61

Webcam Purchase	\$65.61
Zoom Fees	\$81.39
MBU Eastern Section Rep	\$117.77
Memoriums	\$200.00
Good & Welfare Supplies	\$24.47
Director Supplies	\$25.00
Point Card Postage	\$17.22
Spring National Ad	\$225.00
Consumer	\$121.62
MBU Charter	\$50.00
Special Games:	
Longest Day Game Expenses	\$272.24
MBU C Game 4-30-22	\$150.80
MBU C Game 7-16-22	\$108.40
MBU C Game 10-22-22	\$167.90
Nationwide Game 7-13-22	\$224.00
Nationwide Game 9-30-22	\$318.13
Nationwide Game 12-9-22	\$247.99
Longest Day Donation	\$200.00
Bingo Awards	\$130.00
Postage	\$76.49
Hotel, Directors, Sanctions, Playing Furniture, Decorations, Entertainment, Player of the Year etc	\$14,625.88
MBU Herman Huff Scholarships	\$1,000.00
Bridge Home Shed Rental	\$210.00
Total 2022 Expenses	\$23,655.37
2021 Expenses Paid	
ABA MBU BBO Director Fee	\$20.00
Total Expenses	\$23,675.37
Net Income/Loss	(\$1,806.26)



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Metropolitan Bridge Unit, Inc.

Treasurer's Report – Shaaron Fox

Metropolitan Bridge Unit of NY, Inc.
Annual 2022 Treasurer's Report
January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022

Checking Account

Opening Balance	\$15,920.20
Deposits	\$18,185.12
Total	\$34,105.32

****Checks/fees paid** \$22,051.54

Closing Balance \$12,053.78

\$0.00 SCRIP ON HAND (mailed to ABA as part of "AAA" sanction)

\$3,240.00 "AAA" Sponsorships

\$2,075.00 "AAA" donations (Jan 2023 \$200.00 from Gloria Johnson)

\$247.00 "AAA" gift basket raffle

\$142.00 "AAA" 50/50

\$610.00 "net" Bingo proceeds

\$6,314.00 Total Fundraising

****Checks paid/misc. expenses**

\$899.34 bank fees/check order/web maintenance	\$100.00 "AAA" ad in ABA bulletin
\$2,118.27 BBO proceeds to bridge home	\$1,000.00 MBU Scholarship awards
\$869.58 Consumer expense	\$9.00 Club game overpayment
\$300.00 "AAA" luncheon decorations	\$65.16 webcam purchase
\$130.00 Bingo winners Amazon cards	\$41.69 good and welfare cards and postage
\$76.49 postage	\$81.89 webinar
\$9,188.66 Resorts payment for "AAA"	\$25.00 computer program
\$294.36 MBU collations	\$1,250.00 MBU Board Stipends
\$1,358.91 "AAA" Director fees	\$1,200.00 "AAA" furniture rental/delivery
\$227.58 "AAA" hospitality	\$117.77 one night Eastern Section hotel
\$225.00 summer national journal ad	\$463.10 sanction fees to ABA
\$50.00 summer national raffle	\$129.74 "AAA" sponsor poster
\$210.00 2022 Bridge Home shed rental	\$50.00 "AAA" band deposit (\$500.00 paid in cash)
\$50.00 2022 MBU Charter fee to ABA	\$375.00 game rent to bridge home
\$20.00 Director fees	\$200.00 memoriums
\$200.00 Longest Day proceeds to ABA	\$725.00 "Player of the Year" awards
	\$22,051.54 total

Respectfully Submitted

Sharon Fox, Treasurer



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Metropolitan Bridge Unit, Inc.

Metropolitan Bridge Unit of NY, Inc.
4th Quarter Treasurer's Report
October 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022

Checking Account

Opening Balance	\$13,473.21
Deposits	\$13,215.62
Total	\$26,688.83

**Checks/fees paid \$14,635.05

Closing Balance \$12,053.78

\$0.00 SCRIP ON HAND (mailed to ABA as part of "AAA" sanction)

\$3,240.00 "AAA" Sponsorships

\$2,075.00 "AAA" donations (Jan 2023 \$200.00 from Gloria Johnson)

\$247.00 "AAA" gift basket raffle

\$142.00 "AAA" 50/50

\$610.00 "net" Bingo proceeds

\$6,314.00 Total Fundraising

**Checks paid/misc. expenses

\$47.08	bank fees
\$447.62	BBO proceeds to bridge home
\$298.75	Consumer expense
\$300.00	"AAA" luncheon decorations
\$130.00	Bingo winners Amazon cards
\$76.49	postage
\$9,188.66	Resorts payment for "AAA"
\$110.72	collation
\$1,358.91	"AAA" Director fees
\$227.58	"AAA" hospitality
\$1,200.00	"AAA" furniture rental/delivery
\$219.50	sanction fees to ABA
\$129.74	"AAA" sponsor poster
\$125.00	game rent to bridge home
\$50.00	Ken Thomas memorial
\$725.00	"Player of the Year" awards
\$14,635.05	total

Respectfully Submitted

Sharon Fox, Treasurer



2022 METROPOLITAN BRIDGE UNIT TREASURER'S RECAP SHEET CHECKING - 2022

MONTH	BEG DATE	END DATE	OPEN BAL	ZELLE AND CHKS PAID	WITH-DRAWAL	SERVICE FEE	ATM ERROR	LOGO & WEB FEES	CREDITS	CLOSING BAL
JAN	1/1/2022	1/31/2022	\$15,920.20	\$1,242.51				\$73.78	\$50.00	\$14,653.91
FEB	2/1/2022	2/28/2022	\$14,653.91	\$536.22				\$35.79	\$60.00	\$14,141.90
MAR	3/1/2022	3/31/2022	\$14,141.90	\$541.42				\$35.79	\$535.80	\$14,100.49
APRIL	4/1/2022	4/30/2022	\$14,100.49	\$896.42				\$65.16	\$490.86	\$13,629.77
MAY	5/1/2022	5/31/2022	\$13,629.77	\$489.43				\$241.56	\$107.00	\$13,005.78
JUNE	6/1/2022	6/30/2022	\$13,005.78	\$309.96				\$193.35	\$1,033.98	\$13,536.45
JULY	7/1/2022	7/31/2022	\$13,536.45	\$1,279.26				\$10.86	\$728.20	\$12,974.53
AUG	8/1/2022	8/31/2022	\$12,974.53	\$177.20				\$14.86	\$358.66	\$13,141.13
SEPT	9/1/2022	9/30/2022	\$13,141.13	\$1,262.06				\$10.86	\$1,605.00	\$13,473.21
OCT	10/1/2022	10/31/2022	\$13,473.21	\$607.33				\$10.86	\$2,556.77	\$15,411.79
NOV	11/1/2022	11/30/2022	\$15,411.79	\$517.99				\$10.86	\$2,108.85	\$16,991.79
DEC	12/1/2022	12/31/2022	\$16,991.79	\$13,462.65		\$3.64		\$21.72	\$8,550.00	\$12,053.78
TOTAL			\$170,980.95	\$21,322.45	\$0.00	\$3.64	\$0.00	\$725.45	\$18,185.12	\$12,053.78

ENTERTAINMENT TAX—2022

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Club Name												
Bayview	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$37.00	\$43.00	\$81.00	\$17.00
Brooklynites	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$17.00	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$68.00	\$68.00			
Cosmo	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$34.00			\$76.00		
Mt Vernon	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$261.00	\$42.00	\$74.00	\$95.00	
Jet Setters	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Leisure	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					
Springfield	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12.00	\$36.00	\$34.00	\$32.00	\$30.00	\$49.00	\$54.00	\$67.00	\$17.00
Triangle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$36.00	
Twilight	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Westbury	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00				
Total by Month	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$54.00	\$102.00	\$100.00	\$102.00	\$359.00	\$196.00	\$247.00	\$279.00	\$34.00

	2020 Total By Club	2021 Total by Club	2022 Total by Club	Good and Welfare	Herman Huff
Club Name	PANDEMIC	PANDEMIC			
Bayview	\$137.00	\$0.00	\$248.00	\$40.00	\$100.00
Brooklynites	\$130.00	\$0.00	\$291.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Cosmo	\$139.00	\$35.00	\$170.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Mt Vernon	\$44.00	\$0.00	\$472.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Jet Setters	\$218.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Leisure	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Springfield	\$192.00	\$0.00	\$331.00	\$40.00	\$100.00
Triangle	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$36.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Twilight	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Westbury	\$38.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$0.00
Total by Month	\$1,078.00	\$35.00	\$1,548.00	\$400.00	\$200.00



Point Coordinator Report – Lois Wright

Metropolitan Bridge Unit
“October 2021 to November 2022 Top 25 Men Players”

<u>MBU Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1.	Julius Fields	Grand Life Master	31,455.76
2.	Dr. Errol Grant	Black Diamond	16,020.68
3.	Parvez Mehta	Platinum Diamond	14,597.60
4.	Allen Morton	Platinum Diamond	10,327.64
5.	Alfred Knight	Gold Diamond	7,586.39
6.	Charles Guest	Silver Diamond	3,650.75
7.	William Wood, Jr.	Diamond	2,711.88
8.	Christian Baxter	Diamond	2,516.09
9.	Delius Wilson	Diamond	2,382.05
10.	Larry Gutman	Diamond	2,252.67
11.	Clarence Schmidt	Diamond	2,096.08
12.	Thomas Holloway	Diamond	1,823.03
13.	Willie Fuchs	Diamond	1,321.46
14.	Paul Watford	Ruby	1,223.34
15.	James McKeown	Ruby	1,168.74
16.	John Demos	Ruby	918.88
17.	Herman Francis	Senior Life Master	500.11
18.	Ronald Prester	Senior Life Master	409.10
19.	Lemuel Copeland	Life Master	400.14
20.	Calvin Hewitt	Senior Life Master	376.95
21.	Robert Patterson	Life Master	344.64
22.	Steven Bond	Life Master	298.99
23.	Rudolph Cummings	Life Master	278.15
24.	Philippe Gerdes	Life Master	216.48
25.	Edwin Ward II	Life Master	209.50



“October 2021 to November 2022: Top 25 Women Players”

<u>MBU Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1.	Cheryll Jones	Platinum Diamond	12,398.27
2.	Dr. Gloria Hobbs	Gold Diamond	7,973.33
3.	Gloria Johnson	Gold Diamond	7,242.13
4.	Annetta Wallace	Gold Diamond	6,796.94
5.	Doris White	Gold Diamond	6,111.68
6.	Evelyn Smallwood	Gold Diamond	5,756.84
7.	Lynda Straker	Gold Diamond	5,699.83
8.	Janice McBean	Gold Diamond	5,575.30
9.	Edna Boothe	Gold Diamond	5,259.50
10.	Minnie Goka	Silver Diamond	4,533.10
11.	Ermile Stewart	Silver Diamond	3,871.99
12.	Ruth M. Shuler	Silver Diamond	3,743.53
13.	Eleanor Waymer	Silver Diamond	3,507.43
14.	Nathalie McFarlane	Silver Diamond	3,382.22
15.	Dorothy Smith	Silver Diamond	3,150.23
16.	Gladys Smith	Silver Diamond	2,918.47
17.	Jean DeVeaux	Silver Diamond	2,751.71
18.	Beryl Battle	Silver Diamond	2,711.88
19.	Marion Mercer	Silver Diamond	2,630.84
20.	Carole Smith	Diamond	2,517.60
21.	Patricia Jackson-Thomas	Diamond	2,367.53
22.	Alverna Lewis	Diamond	2,358.21
23.	Marcia Demos	Diamond	2,269.48
24.	Valerie Brooks	Diamond	2,241.79
25.	Beanetta Murphy	Diamond	2,218.66



“October 2021 to November 2022 Top 25 Players”

<u>MBU Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1.	Julius Fields	Grand Life Master	31,455.76
2.	Dr. Errol Grant	Black Diamond	16,020.68
3.	Parvez Mehta	Platinum Diamond	14,577.60
4.	Cheryll Jones	Platinum Diamond	12,398.27
5.	Allen Morton	Platinum Diamond	10,327.64
6.	Dr. Gloria Hobbs	Gold Diamond	7,973.33
7.	Alfred Knight	Gold Diamond	7,586.39
8.	Gloria A. Johnson	Gold Diamond	7,242.13
9.	Annetta Wallace	Gold Diamond	6,706.94
10.	Doris White	Gold Diamond	6,111.68
11.	Evelyn Smallwood	Gold Diamond	5,756.84
12.	Lynda Straker	Gold Diamond	5,699.83
13.	Janice McBean	Gold Diamond	5,575.30
14.	Edna Boothe	Gold Diamond	5,259.50
15.	Minnie Goka	Silver Diamond	4,533.10
16.	Ermile Stewart	Silver Diamond	3,871.99
17.	Ruth M. Shuler	Silver Diamond	3,743.53
18.	Charles Guest	Silver Diamond	3,650.75
19.	Eleanor Waymer	Silver Diamond	3,507.43
20.	Nathalie McFarlane	Silver Diamond	3,382.22
21.	Dorothy Smith	Silver Diamond	3,150.23
22.	Gladys Smith	Silver Diamond	2,918.47
23.	Jean DeVeaux	Silver Diamond	2,759.52
24.	Beryl Battle	Silver Diamond	2,711.88
25.	Marion Mercer	Silver Diamond	2,630.84



2022 MBU: ABA/BBO Player of the Year

November 1, 2021 thru October 31, 2022

<u>Level</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Name</u>
Asterisk.....	1 st Place	(31.46)	Tom Daly
	2 nd Place	(17.19)	Kathleen Marshall
Master.....	1 st Place	(10.66)	Mary Lewis
	2 nd Place	(8.98)	Terence Drayton
Life Master.....	1 st Place	(83.22)	Beverly Session-Kelly
	2 nd Place	(62.76)	Steven A. Bond
Sr. Life Master.....	1 st Place	(102.15)	Raye Liverpool
	2 nd Place	(94.26)	Lemuel Copeland
Ruby.....	1 st Place	(142.19)	Ruth Brennan
	2 nd Place	(126.87)	Patricia Jackson
Diamond.....	1 st Place	(506.99)	Christian Baxter
	2 nd Place	(362.06)	Valerie Brooks
Silver Diamond.....	1 st Place	(128.99)	William Wood Jr.
	2 nd Place	(104.48)	Charles Guest
Gold Diamond.....	1 st Place	(191.65)	Lynda Straker
	2 nd Place	(167.37)	Janice McBean
Platinum Diamond...	1 st Place	(171.95)	Cheryll Jones
	2 nd Place	(157.86)	Parvez Mehta
Black Diamond.....	1 st Place	(142.68)	Dr. Errol Grant
	2 nd Place		N/A
Grand Life Master...	1 st Place / 2 nd Place		N/A

1st and 2nd place level members were acknowledged. Awards distributed. 1st place received \$50 and 2nd place received \$25.

Lois M. Wright
MBU Point Coordinator
Cell: 718-640-7651



Sectional Representative Report - None.

Property – No report.

Constitution – No report.

Scholarship – Presented by Valerie Brooks. Applications due by July 1, 2023. Our email address is MBU scholarship@gmail.com. Donations are always welcome.

Tournament Report – Presented by John Demos

All 2023 sanctions should have been submitted by now. If there are any outstanding sanction requests, please submit ASAP.

Consumer Report – Presented by Rita Thompson

Thank you to our reporters for contributions to the January 2023 issue and to Dolores Watson, not only for this issue, but for her many years working on the publication.

I regret I must report that Dolores has informed me she is resigning from *The Consumer*. When I joined the editing team in 2018, I was a new player and new ABA member. Dolores' tenure of six years working on the publication has been an invaluable asset to me. Not only did she collect submissions from the bridge club reporters, ensuring news was submitted timely, but she also had fresh ideas for each issue and provided an article for the cover page.

The time and effort that editors expend on the publication process is from a belief that the MBU deserves a media to keep its members informed and connected. Her departure leaves a huge void, and her shoes will be hard to fill.

The next scheduled issue is April 2023. Volunteers are needed for administrative tasks and writing. If you would like to work on the publication, contact Rita Thompson at 917.887.5200 or RitaThompsonCLM@gmail.com.

Hospitality Report – None. Thank you Beverly Session-Kelly and Victoria Williams for your hard work.

Website/Facebook – None.

2022 AAA – Presented by Lynda Straker. The financial report was distributed to the membership by email. The ABA President commented that the MBU 2022 “AAA” was the best tournament year.

Unfinished Business – Lois Wright acknowledged a gift to the Bridge Home from Cheryll Jones and George Hudson.

New Business –

Election Committee - Presented by Gwen Leverett

Gwen Leverett asked three times if there were any nominations from the floor for the following positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Point Coordinator, and Section Representative. No nominations were made from the floor and the nomination were closed. MOTION: Cast



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one vote to accept the ballot for officers' term 2023 through end of 2024. MOTION ACCEPTED. Lynda Straker swore in all officers. Lynda Straker and Marcia Demos received flowers from Springfield DBC. Our 2023-2024 officers are:

President – Marcia Demos
Vice President – Charles Guest
Secretary – Janice McBean
Treasurer – Raye Liverpool
Financial Secretary – Sharon Fox
Point Coordinator – Lois Wright
Section Representative – Patricia Jackson Thomas

Marcia Demos, new MBU President, announced:

The new Hospitality Chairpersons: Jane Atlas, Dorene Christmas.

Marcia is looking forward to working with the executive board, club tournament chairs, and new committee chairpersons.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cheryll Jones reminded the membership of the ABA Summer National in New Orleans, 8/5/23 - 8/17/23.

Please continue to play in the BBO Saturday 11 AM Scholarship game. Money goes to the ABA scholarships: 24 - \$1,000 scholarships, each scholarship has a three-year commitment. Please continue to send any personal contributions to the ABAECF, Inc. foundation.

Please continue to have your individual club scholarship games.

AMAZON SMILE stops 2/1/2023.

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 PM
Respectfully submitted by Janice McBean, MBU Secretary