

ACBL UNIT 239 ANNUAL MEETING
JAMESON'S – SUN CITY, HUNTLEY
APRIL 5, 2025

Marilyn Croft opened the meeting at 10:30am. She gave a shout out to Karl and his team for setting up for the annual meeting and bridge game on Friday Night. She wanted to remind everyone who are board members are: Janet Kruger, our treasurer, Lela Lowe, secretary, Karen Miller, Van Stone, Karl Anderson who is also the Vice President of the board, Kyle Larson, Greg MacCoubrey, Randy Miles and Steve Lowe.

She asked Randy Miles to come up and led those present in singing "God Bless America."

District 8 has discontinued their "Advocate Newsletter". Linda Jacobsen created posters that would have been part of the Advocate Newsletter for display at the meeting. Going forward, we will have the "Pair Faire" directly on our unit website of Unit239.org. A shout was given to Karen Miller who does a lot of Administrative stuff for our unit as well as coordinating our volunteers for the Regional.

Tournament chairs for last year were acknowledged:

For the Rockford regional and sectional it was Dave Jenkins and Kyle Larson. A big shout out to their hospitality team who do a terrific job with snacks, treats, coffee, etc. The 2025 Rockford tournament will again be a non-life master regional and open sectional on September 7, 8 and 9th. Kyle Larson will be the tournament chair and Amy Goldberg will be the Partnership chair.

In 2024, Steve Lowe with help from Lela was the chair for our Turkey Bowl tournament. Greg MacCoubrey was the Partnership Chair (which is always a big job.) We have changed the dates of the Turkey Bowl Sectional to the weekend before Thanksgiving which will be November 21st and 22nd. Steve and Greg will continue as chairs. The Turkey Bowl continues to be held at the Kane County Cougars baseball stadium.

Our Regional will be June 16th to the 20th at the Holiday Inn in Crystal Lake. We still intend to have morning donuts thanks to BJ who orders, picks up and cuts them and takes care of us every day. We will continue with free coffee and the Friday lunch for the Swiss Teams. Remember to bring your green card that was mailed along with your invitation to this

meeting. This will give you \$10 off one session. We need caddies for the regional. If you have grandkids or anyone you know that might be interested in making \$60 for the day. Please let Marilyn know. Mike and Martina Kelley are continuing as Partnership chairs for the Regional.

Our director for the annual meeting was Will Engel and Marilyn thanked him for his willingness to do this. Jameson's was thanked for all the good food for our buffet and their willingness to work with us.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read by Lela Lowe, Secretary. There were no corrections

Janet Kruger placed copies of the treasurer's report for each table. As we have moving to having a calendar year for our financial reports. The statements were for a full year through June 2024 and then through December 2024. Our investments are doing as well which has helped us to pay for some of our tournaments. We need people to attend our tournaments.

Greg MacCoubrey, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the slate for board members to serve a two year term: Steve Lowe, Kyle Larson and Randy Miles all agreed to continue on from July 1, 2025 until June, 2027. As no others expressed interest in running, the slate was elected.

The Virtual Ace of Club, Ace of Clubs and Mini McKinney awards for 2025 were announced and congratulated with recipients receiving their awards.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10am, and was followed by a luncheon and bridge game.

We had 8 tables in the 0- 749 and 16 tables in the open section.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lela Lowe, Unit 239 Secretary
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