

ACBL GOODWILL COMMITTEE

2010 DISTRICT 10 APPOINTMENTS

By: Bill Cook District 10 Representative to the ACBL Board of Directors

ACBL Goodwill Committee appointees are members who have made the game of bridge more enjoyable for others because of their friendliness, helpfulness, sportsmanship, hard work and exemplary ethical conduct. These are people who attract new members, who go out of their way to make them feel welcome and who assist them in learning to play the game. Being appointed to the ACBL National Goodwill Committee is the highest honor and recognition that I can give to a member of our District. Each one is an outstanding example of the ideals of Goodwill.

It is my real pleasure to introduce you to my 2010 appointees.

LYNN JOHN FEDERICO, KENNER, LA

John has served as a Board member of Unit 134 for the past three years. John also represents Unit 134 on the District 10 Board of Directors and is serving his 2nd term as Vice President of the District 10 Board. He is the tournament chairman for the 2010 New Orleans NABC. John promotes the game of bridge locally by giving kids (ages 10-14) free lessons.

The Unit 134 Board says John exemplifies the attributes that qualify for being on the Goodwill Committee: friendliness, helpfulness, good sportsmanship and making the game enjoyable for others. He is known for his practice of the highest standard of zero tolerance.

MARCELLA GALANIE, LAKE CHARLES, LA

Marcella began playing bridge in 1960 in Wadsworth, Ohio. Her interest in having friends who really knew how to play led her into teaching and she has been teaching bridge ever since. Her family moved to Lake Charles in 1976 and she became actively involved with several groups who played duplicate bridge.

Over a period of time these several groups who played began joining together and in 1998, the Lake Charles Duplicate Bridge Club moved into its own facility. Marcella has been manager of the club since 2000. She is known for her organizational skills and efficiency and is always available to help others with whatever problem they might have. Marcella has been described as kind, friendly, unflappable and a wonderful advocate for bridge in the club, Unit 221 and the ACBL. She really cares about new players, often giving up the opportunity to play with the best players in the club to play with a beginner just to give them an encouraging start.

JUDY KNOX, GERMANTOWN, TN

Judy wears many hats in Unit 144. She is the outstanding secretary of the Unit and has been on the Unit Board for the past 3 years. Judy also serves as secretary of the District 10 Board and is the representative of Unit 144 on the Board. She is an accredited teacher and Easy Bridge presenter and has taught an Easy Bridge class for the last 5 years. Judy is a certified ACBL director and has been directing a

0-99 game since 2004. She also directs a 0-20 game at the same time. She instituted and continues to oversee monthly mentoring game, calling seasoned players and matching them with new comers. This program has been a huge success with 15-18 tables per game. According to one Unit 144 member Judy's main goal is to pump new blood into Memphis bridge by constantly bringing in new members and nurturing them to have fun and learn to play the game.

JAMES TULLOS, BRANDON, MS

James has been a long time member, teacher and director of the Jackson Bridge Association. His passion has been to help players new to duplicate have a good experience and enjoy the game. His Thursday night 0-99 game has been the entry point for most of the club's new players. He nurtures and encourages them and they really hate to leave when they go over 99 points. James is the club manager for the Jackson Bridge Association and has served on its Board. He also is the secretary of the Unit 138 Board. He has been instrumental in bringing electronic scoring "Bridge Pad" and hand records to Jackson Bridge which have been widely received. He also set up the club's website which provides online results of each board for every game.

James exemplifies what Goodwill is all about. He goes all out to make bridge an enjoyable experience. His soft spoken friendly manner make people enjoy being with him. He exhibits the highest ethical standards and is always available to help others.