



President's Report

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This has been a busy month for District 21. Our California Capital Regional concluded on June 6th with just under a total of 950 tables, approximately 48% of the attendance in 2019. We had hoped for a stronger turnout but considering that the hotel was under construction for renovation and certainly not up to the prior standards to which we had become accustomed, it wasn't bad. We filled our obligation for room sales and your Tournament Committee collectively breathed a sigh of relief. Congratulations to Mark Ralph and Bill Harker who each won 118.69 masterpoints, edging out Ed Nagy who collected 116.67 and Chris Compton's 116.53. I am pleased that two District 21 contestants were among the top 4 masterpoint winners.

Special thanks go to Nancy Boyd for chairing the Tournament Committee. Nancy was assisted by Jackie Ortiz (Prizes), Anne Hollingsworth (Vaccination Proof), Roger Bohl, Anne Wilson, Helen Bohl (Partnership Desk), Evelyn Holtz (Photographer), Jean Barry (Speakers), Ray Yuenger (Eagle Eye Proofreader/General Advisor), Melanie Haddad (Flyers/Communications), Kyle Ruggles (Man of All Things That Need to be Done), Calvin Harper (Supply Administration) and Lynn Yokel (Director in Charge). Many members helped these incredible folks and at the risk of missing someone, I extend thanks to everyone who took the time to help pull this tournament together.

Nancy Boyd has been a gift from heaven as our Tournament Committee Chair. She is about to pursue activities that will enhance her income and demand her time; I tried to talk her out of it but she can't devote her time to us and them and they won...sigh...so we move forward. Anyone interested in being Chair of the Tournament Committee? Sure hope so! Please contact me and we can discuss it.

Grant Robinson is leaving California (even though I begged him to stay) and we are now in the market for a Webmaster. If you know anyone interested in helping to maintain the District's website, please let me know. Grant has been Webmaster for District 21 for many years and kept an eagle eye on the comings and goings in the District, making sure that much needed information is available to us; he will be a real asset to his next district and leave a significant gap here and also in the hearts of his friends. We wish Grant and Teresa safe travels and a good life in Texas!

Believe it or not, our District will be hosting the 2025 Fall Nationals in San Francisco. If it feels as though we just did this, I agree! ACBL in Horn Lake has requested the name of the Tournament Chair...so even though it is three years and a few months away, please let me know if you are interested in taking on this task.

Your District Board of Directors met the morning of June 18th and ploughed through a lengthy agenda. A three-hour meeting is just no fun for anyone, but the business of the District has to be conducted and ratified by the Board. Many issues were discussed, and the various committee chairs will enlighten you in their articles.

We hardly finalize a tournament before moving on to the planning of the next one, in this case the Santa Clara Regional, starting Tuesday, August 30th. Please don't delay getting your reservations as it's a challenge after the hotel cutoff. Go to our [website](#) for links to [partnership assistance](#) and [hotel reservations](#). A link will be provided for volunteers as well.

At the last board meeting I asked for volunteers to make up a Tournament Task Force. The primary purpose of this committee is to determine the future of our regionals and how we should be planning to run them. If anyone is interested in participating, I would really appreciate hearing from you. I can be reached at price.sigrid@gmail.com or 707-486-1517.

Best wishes to everyone for a wonderful Fourth of July...be safe and enjoy it!