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### **NPA VICE PRESIDENT**

Dear NPA Members,

 Due to personal problems, I am resigning from the position of Vice President of the National Pinochle Association effective September 1, 2014. It has been an honor serving the NPA and I

wish the organization continued growth and success.

 Remember to always have fun

playing the game. Keep the faith.

~~~~Homer “Rick” Rickerson~~~

### **RAINBOW COMMITTEE**



To All NPA Members,

 Mrs. Terri Walker has resigned as Chairperson of the Rainbow Committee. I have accepted the position to be her replacement.

 Please send the name and address of all hospitalized and deceased NPA members and NPA family members to my email address:

rosettamcmurray@bellsouth.net or call me on my cell 706-289-6471 or home phone 706-687-9973 in order for me to send Sympathy or Get Well cards from NPA.

 The Annual NPA Memorial Service will be held on Sunday morning, August 31, 2014, 7:00 a.m. at the annual tournament in Tampa. Please send your deceased club member’s name and name of the person that will light the calendar to my email address no later than August 10, 2014. Only send the names of the members that died after the 2013 Annual Tournament.

 Please send to Lester McCray a copy of your deceased club member’s photo to go on the Slide Show presentation for the Annual Memorial Service.

 I am looking forward to being your Rainbow Committee Chair-person.

~~~~~~Rosetta McMurray~~~~~~

### **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

 The Scholarship Committee has decided to extend the deadline for scholarship applications. The new deadline date is July 31, 2014. The committee has a copy of the application for interested applicants.

 If you have any additional questions concerning the application process, feel free to contact any member of the committee for clarification. The members are: Gwendolynn Harris - 337-324-6191 (Chair-

person), Gayle Franklin – 410-982-2857 and Roberta Johnson – 410-265-7127.

 Thank you.

~~~~~~~~~Gwen Harris~~~~~~~

### **UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS**

2014 SANCTIONED

Aug. 28-31……………NPA Annual

 (Tampa, FL)

Oct. 10-12……………PIPS, Augusta

2014 NON-SANCTIONED

Aug. 8-10……………..NC Sand Hill

Sept. 19-21……..31-19, Richmond

Oct.31–Nov. 2…...Metro Pinochle

Nov. 7–9….……Tidewater Knucks

Dec. 5-7…………….PIPS, Augusta

### **Happy Birthday to\_\_**

### **1st State Pros**

 Lester Riddick – August 29

### **Augusta Pinochle Club**

 Billie Brodie – August 10

###  **Cincinnati Pinochle Club**

 Dora George – August 12

 Jeff Greene – August 6

### **Columbus Pinochle Club**

 Doris Peters – August 12

### **DC Players**

 Deborah Buckman – August 27

 Joseph Story, Jr. – August 27

### **Derby City Qs & Js**

 Benny Jackson – August 23

### **Great Lakes Pinochle Club**

 Michael Schneider – August 25

### **Jacksonville Pinochle Club**

 Larry Coleman – August 4

### **LA Superstars**

 Alford Bloison – August 17

### **Montgomery Pinochle Pals**

 Ricardo Randle – August 17

### **PIPS**

 Suzette Groggans – August 13

 Ruby Postell – August 11

### **Sunshine Pinochle Club**

 Bruce Kunkel – August

### **Title Town USA**

 Frank Brown – July 14

### **USA**

 Belinda Brown – August 17

 Sam Palmer – August 8

### **West Coast Best Pinochle Club**

 Bill Brown – August 27

### **DEATH**

### **1st State Pros**

 Clinton McNair’s wife passed.

### **AMPS**

 Joyce Wilford passed.

### **Columbus Bucks & Does**

 Midge Walker passed.

### **Empire State Pinochle Club**

 Dorothy Sellers’ sister, passed.

### **INSPIRATION**

 Excellence can be achieved if you…risk more than others think is safe, love more than others think is wise, dream more than others think is practical, and expect more than others think is possible.

~~~~~~~~~~~Unknown~~~~~~~~

### **LAUGHTER**

 *Jokes are for individuals who accept them as they are – humor! Make sure and know who is reading them.*

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 I was in the restaurant yesterday when I suddenly realized I desperately needed to pass gas. The music was really, really loud, so I timed my gas with the beat of the music.

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After a couple of songs, I started to feel better. I finished my coffee and noticed that everybody was staring at me… Then I suddenly remembered

that I was listening to my iPod.

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 A woman is having a hard time getting her tomatoes to ripen so she goes to her neighbor with her problem. The neighbor says, ‘All you have to do is go out at midnight and dance around in the garden naked for a few minutes, and the tomatoes will become so embarrassed, they will blush bright red.’ The woman goes out at midnight and dances around her garden naked for a few minutes. The next morning the neighbor comes over to the woman’s house and asks the woman if her tomatoes have turned red. The woman says, ‘No, they’re still green, but I noticed the cucumbers grew four inches.’

### **CLASSIFIEDS**

 Looking for the perfect cruise vacation? Contact Val Culpepper of *Hooked on Cruises* at 770-739-7860.

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 Time for the family reunion? Contact JoAnn Ross for a profes-

sional research and presentation of your family tree…404-768-5698 or [www.familytreescharted.com](http://www.familytreescharted.com)

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 If you need professional pictures for any occasion – wedding, reunion, birthday, etc., Taylor Photography can meet your needs. Contact Roosevelt Taylor at 404-758-0717.

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 Vulcan Princess, Inc. -- Screen printing & embroidery -- Contact Frank Turpin: 404-219-3376 or

tuako3@aol.com

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 Need a caterer for your every need? EDC (Edna’s Delectable Cuisine) is waiting for your call –

404-767-1024 or email brownednaw@yahoo.com

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 Learn the game using the teaching tool - ‘Pinochle Mat’ -developed and distributed by an experienced player. Available on Amazon for $35.00 but will sell to NPA members at $25.00. Con-tact Mrs. Lydia Walker at 305-255-7782 for further info.

### **NPA Website**

All information to be posted on the website should be emailed to webmaster@npapinochle.org.

The web address is:

/http://www.npapinochle.org/



### **NPA Newsletter**

The Gazette is distributed by the Research and Education Com-mittee of NPA for its members.

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