

*The Association of Old Crows*  
*Billy Mitchell Chapter*  
**El Grito Del Cuervo**  
*The Cry of The Crow*



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I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

2007 is going to be an exciting year for the BMC-AOC. The St. Patrick's Day party is always a stellar event and expect it to be even more so this year.

Fiestacrow 2007 occurs in April 2007. Gary Henley is putting together an outstanding symposium. Their website is up and running at [www.fiestacrow.com](http://www.fiestacrow.com). It outlines all the events during the symposium which includes a spouses program.

If you have any questions or an issue you want to address concerning the local chapter or national AOC, please send me an e-mail to [President@bmcaoc.org](mailto:President@bmcaoc.org).

Thanks for your support.

Mike Tackett  
President

**2005-06 BMC – AOC Events**

- Dec 14 – BMC Christmas Party
- Jan 13 – Games Night
- March 17 – St. Patty's day party
- April 07 – Fiesta Crow
- AOC Conferences and classes
- Brown Bag Lunch Program
- Game nights

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## GAMES NIGHT STATUS REPORT FOR 11 November 2006

**BRIDGE** (by **Fred Aldrich**) Things started off with a great buffet, preceded of course with some great cocktails. Sweet snacks were provided the games players by **Mary Sfair, Inger Adams, Dorothy Bridgeforth** and **Jeanette Grant**.

Prior to the start of the games, pictures were passed around of **Mary Ann Proctor** receiving her award from both national and local AOC. **Mary Ann** was honored for her 25 years of support in running the monthly games night. What a well-deserved honor! **Fred** and **Ruby Aldrich** were given a recognition award from the bridge players, for their efforts in running the bridge game for this past year.

Players were advised that there will be no play in December, but all AOC members are invited to attend the **annual Christmas party**, which will be held on **Thursday, 14 December 2006** (call **210-732-7697 for reservations**). It has been a very enthusiastic group, and they are all planning on returning next year.

Bridge play commenced with new playing cards on each of the tables. Due to the wear and tear of existing cards, it was deemed necessary to purchase all new cards. The players were very appreciative of the new cards, even though no pair was able to bid and make a grand slam contract (even with the new cards).

Winners for the evening were: **Bobbette Kesner** (6520), **Jose Rodriguez** (5940), **Charleen Schneider** (5900), **Joe Templer** (5880) and **Sandy Templer** (5600). That's correct, the husband ended ahead of his wife (so what's new?). Low score for the evening went to **Polly Crum**, who just had a bad night of cards, scoring only 950 total points, but getting \$1 back to compensate.

I would be remiss, if I didn't recognize **Mark Ashton**, who does so much in keeping the games night going. Each month he coordinates the pinochle and dominoes play and, most important, arranges for the food, room, and gate entry access of those players without a vehicle sticker. Thanks so much for all your effort throughout the year.

**PINOCHLE and CHICKENFOOT/GIN** (by **Mark Ashton**) **Pinochle** The last games night of 2006 made for a very enjoyable night with widely varying fortunes for the pinochle teams of **Shirley Price** and **Mike Cosgrove** against **Mark Ashton** and **Jim Daugherty**. **Jim** and **Mark** started the first game hot and couldn't be stopped with a 306-0 game, which ended early for mercy's sake after just four hands. Game two started with the same lopsided scores on **Mike's** and **Shirley's** side until it got to 352-87, when the cards turned back to **Mark** and **Jim** for a while, but eventually giving the game to **Shirley** and **Mike** at 510-385. In the rubber game, **Shirley** and **Mike** toyed with **Mark** and **Jim** prevailing easily at 512-232.

**Chickenfoot/Gin**. On the chickenfoot side, the bridge folks took one of the players leaving **Karen Cosgrove** and **Trish Ashton** to play gin with each other as they waited for their spouses to finish the pinochle games. Hopefully, we will see more chickenfoot folks available at the next games night in January.

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