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## The OPAL 'GEM'

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inside this Newsletter are "5" more APA Membership numbers just waiting to be discovered—perhaps by YOU!

From the July 2nd Newsletter TWO PEOPLE have called into the league office—just in the nick of time—announcing the fact that they had found their hidden number, and thus will be avoiding the loser's corner on the back page this week. Finding their number was: **Dori Stevens** (97205897) who plays for River Road House's "<u>U Rack 'Em"</u> in the Mid-Valley Double Jeopardy division; AND **Michelle Vargo** (97218987) who plays for Back Alley's "<u>B. A. Attitudes"</u> in the Northern Double Jeopardy division. Still, this means, how9ve7 th2t there's go1ng to be Lo65r Par7y of THREE for your jeering pleasure and ridicule thi2 week—so give it to 'em good!

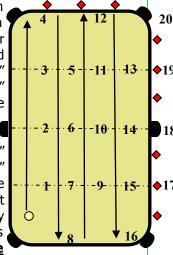
Meanwhile, from the July 9th newsletter, we also had a person call in, and that was: **Jeremy Tanner** (97218880) who plays for Shonna's "<u>Mafia</u>" in the Sunset Double Jeopardy division. So, 4 still at large from the July 9th week plus 5 brand new numbers in this week's newsletter makes for the sum total of 9 numbers out there to be found. Is one of them yours? Better go and look if you haven't yet! No excuses either 'cause they're even published on our web site ( <u>www.pacificnw.apaleagues.com</u> ) if your captain didn't show you the newsletter that he got in the mail! So get with the program and go look to be sure.

REMEMBER, You have only until the writing of the 2nd Newsletter following the one your number is in to call the league office with the magic words "Gimme My Shirt" Otherwise, it's off you go to where everyone can see you and laugh, giggle, snort, snicker, tee hee, ha ha, because they know there'll be a shirt waiting for them seeing how you obviously don't want yours— INSTEAD—BE AN OPAL WINNER — FIND YOUR NUMBER.

## LITE IS EASY It's the freakin' people who make it difficult

ere's a little exercise to improve your stroke, learn the speed of the table and improve your cue ball speed control all at once. You can easily do this exercise alone, or make a fun game of it and do it with a friend. The neat thing is that all you will need is a cue ball which is usually always available even though the numbered balls are all down and out of play unless, of course, you put quarters in the table and drop them.

First you break the table down into quarters (see dashed lines in ' diagram) You always start your shot from the first diamond and shoot toward the top rail. A "4" would be a very soft shot, an "8" would be a lag shot. "12" is the speed that you would stroke the cue ball on 85% of your shots during the course of a game. "16" would be a break shot, and "20" don't worry about it 95% of the people playing the game can't even hit it that hard. If at any time you hit a side rail during this exercise you've messed up. The



**object** is to have your partner call out a number between 1 and 16 and then you stroke the cue ball causing it to come to a complete stop **within** one diamond either way of the number called. If, indeed, you're doing this with a partner then the player to hit 10 points wins. However if you are the first player to shoot and you hit the 10 points then the second player gets one final turn to tie or win.

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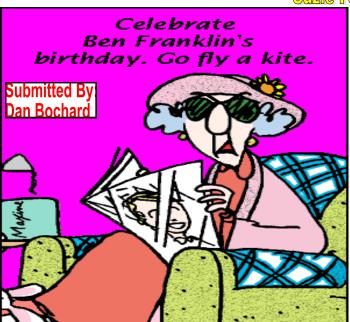


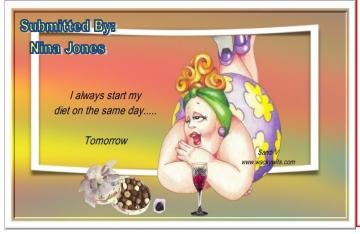




said the employee, "I don't know that there's any down the street proof of there being...Why do you ask? The boss said "Well we have proof now... because after you left work here yesterday to go to your broth- Submitted By: er's funeral, he came here looking for you!"

that there is Life after death? " "No, not really" of the doggy treats and ran









The 3 people person listed below is the only loser from the July 5th Newsletter. If you happen to see either of themgive 'em both barrels Tease 'em relentlessly. Give him the old "L" sign, and be sure and thank them for leaving a shirt in the box for YOU!

1-MARK CHRISTIAN (97211127) who plays for Jo's "Gladiators" in the Willamette Dbl Jeop. div.

**2–BILL RYDER** 97210293 (97213523) who plays for Bink's "F.G.P.P." in the No-Po division

3-ELIZABETH MILLER (97218695) who plays for Pub 181's "Quit Talkin" Start Chalkin" in the Far East Double Jeopardy division.

If you don't want to be caught here for everyone to see, then look to see if your number isn't hidden somewhere. REMEMBER, John, it is possible for your number to come up at anytime. Therefore, pay attention to detail, READ THE NEWSLETTER..!