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District 16 Dominates 2003 World Championships

By Chris Compton

District 16 added to our glorious World Championship tradition in Monte Carlo November 3-15, 2003. Leading the way, Bob Hamman, ranked as the world's #1 player by the World Bridge Federations since 1985, won his unprecedented 9th Bermuda Bowl Open Championship as a member of USAI. Hamman was joined by fellow District member and Hall of Famer Sydney Lazard who won his second Bermuda Bowl as non-playing captain. The dramatic 128 board final of the Bermuda Bowl featured Hamman playing with Paul Soloway, as well as Jeff Meckstroth-Eric Rodwell and Nick Nickell-Dick Freeman against the Italian line-up of Bocchi-Duboin, Lauria-Versace, and current World Open Pair Champions Fantoni-Nunes.

An exciting final segment saw the Bermuda Bowl bounce back and forth across the Atlantic up to and including the play and bidding of the very last hand. Behind by 21imps with two boards to go, USAI won 22imps on the last two hands to win the closest Bermuda Bowl in history by 1 imp as



Bobby Wolff
Bermuda Bowl



Dan Morse
Bermuda Bowl



John Sutherlin
Senior Bowl



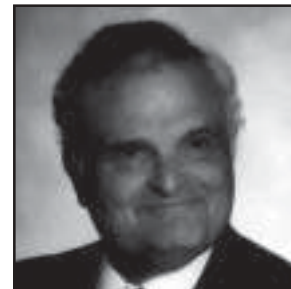
John Mohan
Senior Bowl



Bob Hamman
Bermuda Bowl



Tobi Sokolow
Venice Cup



Sydney Lazard
Bermuda Bowl

5000 spectators watched live online at www.bridgebase.com. USAI in the Bermuda Bowl contained District players Dan Morse and many time World

Champion Bobby Wolff. After losing to USAI in the semi-finals, USAI defeated Norway in the play-off to capture the Bronze medal.

In the Women's premier World Championship team event, Tobi Sokolow, Austin, won her second Venice Cup as a member of USA

Venice Cup I. Tobi partnered Janice Seamon-Molson, and teamed up with Kathie Wei-Sender-Betty Ann Kennedy, and Jill Levin-Sue Picus. USA Venice Cup I finished second in the round robin to China, but gained revenge by defeating China in the final after first defeating USA Venice Cup II in the semi-finals.

John Sutherlin, Plano, and John Mohan, Mexico City, captured the Bronze in the World Senior Bowl as members of USA Senior II. Their teammates were Arnie Fisher-Zeke Jabbour and Dennis Dawson-Clement Jackson. USA Senior II finished behind France by a mere half of a victory point and 5.5 victory points behind Senior Bowl champion USA Senior I.

Malcolm Brachman's squad including Malcolm, Mike Passell and Eddie Wold warmed up for their New Orleans Reisinger win by finishing 3/4th in the Transnational Teams.

The only USA representative not to medal in Monte Carlo, Venice Cup II, finished 4th and contained no District 16 members. Perhaps they will consider this fact and reform their team!

Brachman, Passell & Wold Win Reisinger BAM Teams; Hinze & Kamel Win NA Swiss; Baker Wins LM Women's Pairs; Sokolow Wins Women's BAM; Wolff, Morse & Sutherlin Win Sr KO



Malcolm Brachman



Mike Passell



Eddie Wold



Greg Hinze



Nagy Kamel



Lynn Baker

By David Sokolow

News flash from New Orleans: District 16 players won five of the eight major championships at the Fall NABC! That must be a record for any district. What follows is a chronological account of District 16's successes.

For the first four days of the tournament, the women of District 16 put on quite a show. They did what everyone who visits N. O. wants to do: let the good times roll! First, Lynn Baker of Austin won the Life Master Women's Pairs. Lynn is on a roll: she won the Wagar Women's KO in Long Beach this summer. Second were Robin Klar of Spring and Joan Jackson of Dallas. They were also runners-up in this event three years ago.

Then, recent Venice Cup champ Tobi Sokolow of Austin won the Women's Board-A-Match Teams. After being a "bridesmaid" (i.e., runner-up) in the women's team events at the spring and summer nationals, the victory was sweet. Mildred Breed of Austin and Shawn Quinn of Richmond, who won the Women's Swiss in Philadelphia this spring, finished second. They missed defending their BAM title by a little more than a board.

The net result of these machinations is astounding: District 16 women have been first and second in the last four NABC women's team events, and the

most recent NABC women's pairs. "Brava!" one and all for a bravura performance!

Midway through the tournament, District 16's men took charge. Bobby Wolff, Dallas, and Dan Morse, Houston, bronze medalists in the Bermuda Bowl, teamed with Dallasite John Sutherlin, bronze medal winner in the World Senior Bowl, to win the Senior KO Teams. That was no mean feat: they had to contend with jet lag from their recent sojourn in Monte Carlo as well as the competition! George Rosenkranz and Miguel Reygadas, Mexico, tied for third.

The last two national events at the Fall NABC are three days long. The North American Swiss uses a Swiss team format (duh!) while the Reisinger employs board-a-match scoring. The field in the N.A. Swiss was cut from 106 teams the first day, to 48 teams on the second, to a mere 22 teams in the final. Think that's bad? In the Reisinger, only 20 of 48 teams made the cut for day two, and just 10 teams qualified for the finals! Nonetheless, District 16 players captured both titles! Malcolm Brachman of Dallas, Mike Passell of Plano and Eddie Wold of Houston, won the Reisinger, the most prestigious of all team events. All three players have won multiple national championships; indeed, each has won

the Reisinger before (Wold once, Brachman twice, and Passell thrice). By contrast, Greg Hinze of Grand Prairie and Nagy Kamel of Plano, entered the NABC winners' circle for the first time with their triumph in the North American Swiss. Consistency was their mantra; they led after the second day and never looked back. May this be the first of many for you guys!

Numerous District 16 players had top-ten finishes in national events. In the Reisinger, Shawn Quinn was fifth, and Bob Hamman, Dallas, was tenth. In the North American Swiss, Justin Lall, San Antonio, Hemant Lall, Plano, Ira Chorush, Houston, and Chris Compton, Dallas, finished fifth. In the Life Master Women's Pairs, Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas, tied for sixth. In the Open Board-A-Match, Ira Chorush and Hemant Lall were fourth, and Chris Compton was ninth. In the Women's Board-A-Match, Lynn Baker was fifth, while Petra Hamman, Dallas, Nancy Passell, Plano, Joan Jackson and Robin Klar, finished sixth. In the Non-Life Master Pairs, Elaine Wood, Southlake, was sixth; Sue Gerard, Mexico, and John Taylor, Lago Vista, ended up eighth. Last, but not least, Howard Lindsey and Jane Murtishaw of Dickinson were second in the National 99'er Pairs. Congratulations one and all for a fine showing!

The Spring NABC is in Reno. There's something for everyone there. In the unlikely event you tire of bridge, you can try the gaming tables or slot machines for a chance to win "green points!" And if your spouse trumps your ace or misplays a hand, there's always a quicky divorce, since Nevada residence is *not required* for divorce under Nevada law! [So you better be nice to me in the Mixed Pairs, Mrs. S!]

On that festive note, let me wish each and every one of you a happy, healthy and fruitful New Year! May all your finesses be on in '04!

Congratulations to the following win-

ners: **Education Foundation Prs** A4. Nancy Passell, Plano-Grace Hunt, Dallas A6/7. **Joe Freeman, Flower Mound 1st Fri Strat Open Prs** A4.B2.C2. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound A6. **Alexander Labry, Burnet Harrah's Strat Open Prs** A3.B1. David Robinson, Granbury **1st Fri Strat Open Senior Prs** B6.C1. Puddin Barnes, Brenham C4. Joy Cogburn, Bertram-Mary Weiser, Pottsboro **1st Fri Aft Side Game** A1.B1. Martin Luis Guzman-Moises Ganc, Mexico City **1st Fri Eve Swiss Teams** A3. John Sutherlin-Bobby Wolff, Dallas A5. Jay

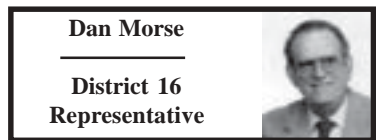
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Dan Morse
District 16
Representative

New Orleans was a great place for a NABC, fabulous restaurants within walking distance, great hospitality and a party atmosphere. 12,402 were in play during the tournament. This was more than usual for a Fall National. ACBL management liked this tournament so much they have already agreed to go back to New Orleans in 2010.

United States teams won the most events at the Monte Carlo World Championships. The Bermuda Bowl: 1st and 3rd place. Women's Venice Cup: 1st and 4th place. Seniors Bowl: 1st and 3rd Place. District 16 members prominent in these wins were - Bob Hamman, Toby Sokolow, John Sutherlin, John Mohan and Bobby Wolff and Dan Morse. Congratulations to all winners!

ACBL's 2004 President is Bruce Reeve from District 7. Bruce will visit our District in February at the Houston Lone Star Regional.

ACBL 2004 Honorary Member is Sidney Lazard of Dallas.

ACBL Disciplinary Committee has appointed Peggy Sutherlin of Dallas to a three-year term.

Good Will and Charity Committees: I am proud to announce my appointments for the 2004 lifetime member-

Compton, Compton Appointed to National Goodwill Committee Bernstein, Schoenhals Selected for National Charity Foundation Committee



Donna Compton



Chris Compton



Marsha Bernstein



Carol Schoenhals

ships to the goodwill committee and the charity committee. Good Will Committee: Chris and Donna Compton, Dallas. Charity Committee: Marsha Bernstein, Houston and Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock. The ACBL will no longer charge for the replacement of lost Goodwill Pins.

Membership: ACBL membership is up about 600 members from December 2002 through December 2003. This is not a great amount of members but it is nice to see a small increase instead of the past decreases. District 16 and Units keep up the good work.

Finance Committee: Financially we are in good shape this year so dues will not go up this January. Our dues were last raised in 2001. Hurray! The finance committee worked hard to produce a break-even budget for 2004 with minimal price increase. One increase will be NABC entry fees which are going up \$1.00 per player per session with 25% of the increase going to the

local organization to be used for hospitality.

Tournaments: New York (summer of 2004) asked for and received permission for alternative starting times for the Spingold & Women's knockout. The new starting times are 10:00 am & 4:00 pm (4:30 pm when screens are in use). The Mini-Spingold will use the same starting times beginning with the round of 8 when the screens are in use.

On July 8, the first Thursday of the NY NABC there will be a two-session regionally rated stratified pair game for the benefit of the International Fund and the ACBL Education Foundation. There will be single session events available for the International Fund in the afternoon and for the Education Foundation at night.

North American Pairs: In an effort to stimulate renewed interest in the pairs it will be promoted more extensively at all levels and the club level sanction fee will be reduced to \$1.00

per person. Additionally, it will no longer be necessary for a player to be a member of the unit where the NAP is being played.

The Board of Directors accepted Management's recommendations to host the 2009 summer NABC in Washington D.C. and the 2012 summer NABC in Philadelphia. National tournaments are a lot of fun. Start now thinking about Reno, New York and Orlando in 2004.

World bridge: The ACBL Board reaffirmed its commitment to world bridge and will pay dues of .50 cent for all active ACBL members.

The World Bridge Federation changed the senior events age requirements. Beginning in 2005 the age limit will be increased from the age of 55 by one year and increase one year every year-until the age of 60 is reached. This will be on the Board of Directors agenda at the ACBL's next meeting in Reno and it has a good possibility of

passing. **Junior bridge:** The 2005 World Junior Championship will be in Sydney, Australia. A two-session stratified regional junior pair event was approved for the Summer NABC. A fund has been started that will give scholarships to the winners. (This scholarship is not definite but over 90% to happen.)

The first youth challenge competition will take place July 13-14, 2004 in New York during the NABC. Three teams from Europe will play against three teams from the ACBL (2 US & 1 Canadian). Eligibility is defined as being born on or after January 1, 1983.

United States Bridge Federation: Effective 2004, an annual regional will be awarded to a District of the USBF's choice for the purpose of supporting teams representing the US in International Competition.

I wish everyone Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a Great New Year. May 2004 be the best ever.

DISTRICT 16 TOURNAMENTS

JANUARY

Austin	1-4
NAP Finals (Austin)	3-4
Houston Unit 174 STaC	12-18
San Antonio	16-19
Dallas, p.7	29-Feb. 1
Ajjic	29-Feb. 1
Harlingen	30-Feb. 1

FEBRUARY

Richardson	Jan. 29-1
Ajjic	Jan. 29-1
Harlingen	Jan. 30-1
Arlington, p.10	13-15
Longview, p.12	20-22
HOUSTON REGIONAL, p.16	23-29

MARCH

MEXICAN NATIONALS	1-7
San Antonio 299er (Baileys)	5-7
McAllen, p.15	5-7
San Angelo, p.8	5-7
Port Arthur	11-14
Rockport, p.14	12-14
Austin NLM	13-14

APRIL

Temple	2-4
Houston	2-4
Kerrville, p.6	15-18
Dallas 299er	15-18
LUBBOCK REGIONAL	27-May 2

MAY

LUBBOCK REGIONAL	April 27-2
San Antonio (Alamo)	6-9
Austin	13-16
Richardson	24-31

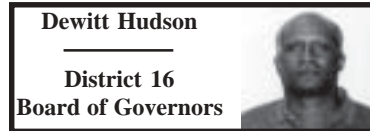
JUNE

San Antonio	3-6
Fort Worth	11-13
Midland	11-13
Bryan	18-20
AUSTIN REGIONAL	29-July 5

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring NABC (Reno, NV)	March 18-28
Cavendish (Las Vegas)	May 5-9
US Women's Bridge Championships (Trials-Raleigh)	May 25-June 1
US Bridge Championships (Trials-Memphis)	June 4-13
US Senior Bridge Championships (Trials-Las Vegas)	June 22-26

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Dewitt Hudson
District 16
Board of Governors

Wow! What a tournament! District 10 did an outstanding job. The table count was 12,402. This ranks above many Fall NABC's but considerably less than the record set by Las Vegas, Nevada in 2001 with 1,600 tables.

If you like red beans, shrimp and oysters, you missed a treat. I understand that fish is a brain food so I hope that will jump start my bridge game.

Goodwill Replacement Pin: Individuals who were honored with a Goodwill pin and no longer have it can contact District 16 Director Dan Morse for replacement pins at no cost. If I can be of any assistance, you can contact me at 817.784.1313.

ACBL Honorary Member: Sidney Lazard is appointed the 2004 Honorary Member of the year.

Charity Foundation: Effective January 1, 2004, Units having charity games will have to pay an increase of 25 cents per person to the ACBL (\$5 per table).

Directors and Officers Insurance Policy offered to Units and District Covers: Claims arising from alleged wrongful acts by directors, officers, trustees, committee members, or employees of the organization. Wrongful acts are defined as any actual or alleged error or misstatement or misleading statement or act of omission or neglect or breach of duty solely with respect to the individual or collective duties within the organization. Does not protect against libel, slander of defamation. Premium: The annual premium for Units is \$475.00 and for Districts is \$1,270.00 with a renewal date of September 30, 2004. Premiums are pro-rated as purchased. Contact Info: Karen Hardin, Lipscomb and Pitts Insurance Company, Memphis, TN, 901.321.1000.

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District 16 Loses Close Friends and Tireless Volunteers We Say Goodbye to Bill Granberry & Louise Freed



Bill Granberry



Louise Freed

Bill Granberry - October 21, 2003
Bill Granberry was a leader. He was the father of the *Scorecard* publication and the Editor in Chief from 1969-1979. He was also one of the first players to recognize and implement computer hands and printouts of the hands played during the sessions.

He was very involved in the future of bridge in our District and supportive of what was known in the beginning as the "Grand National Teams." The ACBL initiated this event to give more grass roots players a chance to participate in National tournaments. This event is now two events named NAPs and GNTs. At one time when our sectionals and regionals were held at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel Unit 174 had 100 tables in play for the unit qualifying round of this event.

Bill was a hard worker for unit 174 serving as its president for the years 1964 through 1969. During his term, he chaired many tournaments, sectionals and regionals, and in 1970 he chaired the Houston Spring National held at the Rice Hotel.

In addition to being a volunteer, Bill was a very good bridge player with

many sectional & regional wins. He was also a 1968 recipient of a Goodwill Pin.

In addition to the above, Bill was a fun person, a great party person with a good sense of humor and was well liked and thought of by everyone. He will be missed by the Unit 174 players and friends that knew him. For the players who were not playing bridge in Bill's era-thank him every time you pick up a hand record, read the *Scorecard* or qualify in a NAP or GNT event.

Louise Freed - November 23, 2003
Louise Freed was the "best friend" to many in the bridge world and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Louise was a North American Bridge Champion by winning the Senior Swiss Teams at the 2002 Summer NABC in Washington, D.C. She was also the Chair of the 1997 Dallas Spring NABC. Her energy was boundless.

She leaves behind her "bridge world family" along with her husband, Gene Freed, former husband, Derrell Childs, two sons and daughter-in-laws, Paul and Tippi Ellis and Mark and Denise Ellis and two granddaughters, Sami and Lexi.

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Diamond Life Master (5000 MP's)
Gonzalo Herrera, Mexico City.

Gold Life Master (2500 MP's)
George Fox, Houston; Greg Hinze,



John Bulloch
Fort Worth

Grand Prairie; Mary Hoger, Ft. Worth; Henry Schroder, Houston.

Silver Life Master (1000 MP's)
Robert Bacon, Odessa; Joe Bailey, San Angelo; Kay Beck, Amarillo; Elinor Fries, Coppell; Cheryl Frizzell, Corpus Christi; Juanell Jones, Beaumont; Kay Jones, Ft. Worth; Shirley Matthews, Lindale; Atsuko Nakamura, Pearland; Judith Northup, Irving; Esther Rhude, Harlingen; Mrs. V. S. Sekac, The Woodlands; Joanne Young, San Antonio.

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Mary Adams, Temple; Tommy Birch, Borger; Joyce Booth, Houston; Eugene



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Gibson, Benbrook-Annette McCarty, Irving-James Bauer, Dallas-Mike Miller, Temple C3/5. Donna Mann-Mary Moore-Sally Floyd, Kingwood-Mary Drew, Spring **Reno Compact KO Bkt IV** 2. Judith Lopez, Houston-Marie-Anne Johnson, Dallas 3. Gary Shepley-M. Sneed Lary, Jr.-Carlys Swenn-Martha Sanders, Houston **Reno Compact KO Consolation Bkt V** 2. Sondra Kae Goar-Hershel Goar, Burleson-Travis King-Lidy King, Joshua **Sat Morn Side Game B3/4.C1**. Patsy Walters-Olive Wood, Ft. Worth C6. Anthony Eckman, Austin-Margot Hirsch, Arlington **Sat Daylight Open Prs A5**. Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley, Jr. Austin B1.C1. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound B3. Brigitte Sandifer, Sugar Land-Wanda Meyer, Houston **Sat Aft Senior Prs A1**. L. Laird, Sugar Land-W. Lease, Houston A3. Alexander Labry, Burnet **Life Master Prs** 11. Sidney Lazard-Bart Bramley, Dallas 19. Justin Lall, San Antonio-Hemant Lall, Plano 20. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio **Life Master Women's Prs** 1. Lynn Baker, Austin 2. Joan Jackson, Dallas-Robin Klar, Spring 6/7. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas 12. Esta Van Zandt-Pat Levy, Houston 16. Tobi Sokolow, Austin 32. Petra Hamman, Dallas-Nancy Passell, Plano 33. Linda Spangler, Ducanville-Pat Cassidy, Arlington 34. J'Neane Huey-Darlene Shirey, Ft. Worth **Ist Sat A/X Prs X6**. George Fox-Carolyne Fox, Houston **LA Bridge Assoc BCD Prs** 1. Shaun Chooi, Dallas **French Quarter KO Bkt I** 3/4. George Rosenkranz, Mexico City-Eddie Wold, Houston-Mike Passell, Plano **Bkt II** 2. Paul Nimmons-Ann Brinker Schwall, Houston 5/8. Michael Walrath, Keller-Gail Wells, Plano-Marion Gebhardt, Richardson-Jack Smith, Dallas **Bkt V** 1. Jan Rubenstein, Sugar Land-Bobby Maynard-Janice Henderson-Charles Markowitz, Houston 2. Libby Boeye-Jim Stephenson-Marilyn MacDonald-Bill MacDonald, Corpus Christi 3/4. William Breslin-Rick Burton-Pat McMullin, Houston-Julian Barr, Missouri City 5/8. Thomas Lennon, The Woodlands **Bkt VI** 3/4. Elton Lipnick-Susan Munn, Houston **Bkt IX** 3/4. Cynthia Keaton, Coppell **Bkt X** 3/4. Patrick Cardullo, San Antonio **Bkt XI** 3/4. Inger Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Jeanette Hughes-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls-Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes **Bkt XIII** 1. Steven Tuggle-Bob Lester-Cheri Staples-Linda Howard, Houston 3/4. Lorraine Little-Shirley Prewitt-Jim Chaffee, Ft. Worth-Dion Dubois, Dallas **Ist Sat Aft Side Game C6**. Shary Watson, Corsicana-Ivan Uys, Ft. Worth **Ist Sat Eve Side Game A7/8**. Pat McMullin, Houston-Julian Barr, Missouri City **Sat Eve Strat BAM Teams A1**. George Rosenkranz, Mexico City-Eddie Wold, Houston B5/7. Dee Berg-Hai Gates,

Arlington-John McConnell-Carol McConnell, Desoto **International Fund Swiss Teams B4/5**. Elton Lipnick-Susan Munn, Houston **Cajun Compact KO Bkt III** 3. Donna Mann-Mary Moore-Sally Floyd, Kingwood-Mary Drew, Spring 4. Joe Nance-Elizabeth Ward, Bryan-A. Richard Devaul, College Station-Robert Johnson, Houston **Bkt V** 2. Lorraine Little-Shirley Prewitt-Jim Chaffee, Ft. Worth-Dion Dubois, Dallas 4. Janet Jordan-Diane Washabaugh, Aledo-Katye Kowierschke-Diane Hoksbergen, Ft. Worth **Cajun Compact KO Cons. Bkt I** 2. Michael Walrath, Keller-Gail Wells, Plano-Marion Gebhardt, Richardson-Jack Smith, Dallas **Bkt II** 2. Bert Onstott, III-Katherine Onstott, Stafford-Fred Feigley-Donna Sparks, Houston **Bkt V** 1. Steven Tuggle-Bob Lester-Cheri Staples-John Laehy, Houston **Ist Sun Fast Prs B5/6.C1**. Doug Couchman, Arlington-Joe Clark, Dallas C3. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound **Ist Sun Senior Swiss Teams A2**. Ross Robbins, Port Isabel A6. Derald Keetch, Ft. Worth A8. Esta Van Zandt-Pat Levy-Lew Levy, Houston B2. Joyce Park-Victoria Castleberry-Lynnda Paukune, Houston-Jessie Schoppe, Katy B6/7. Dell Martin, Junction-Joan Crowell, Menard **Ist Sun Strat Open Prs A11**. Beth Stuart, Houston **Education Foundation Bkt I** 3/4. Barry Schaffer, Frisco-Bryan Storey, Plano 3/4. Carolyn Jackson, Sugar Land **Bkt II** 1. Roy Baughman, Pantego-Charles Richards-James Bauer, Dallas-Mike Miller, Temple 3/4. Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-James LaFountain, Temple-Jon Richard Ware, New Braunfels 3/4. Terry Currie-Jeanette Magid, Houston **Bkt III** 3/4. Elton Lipnick-Susan Munn-June Ardoin, Houston-Atsuko Nakamura, Pearland 5/8. Thomas Lennon, The Woodlands 5/8. Pat McMullin-Rick Burton-William Breslin, Houston-Julian Barr, Missouri City **Bkt VII** 5/8. Inger Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Shirley Naumann-Jeanette Hughes, Marble Falls-Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes **Bkt VIII** 3/4. Bill Parrish-Lenora Parrish, Woodway **Flight A/X Swiss Teams A4/5**. Carolyn Jackson, Sugar Land A7.X2. Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-Jon Richard Ware, New Braunfels-James LaFountain, Temple **BCD B3/5**. Josephine Grabow, Helotes-H. Robert Gerberich, Jr. Corpus Christi-Preston Morrow, Dallas-Sheryleen Grothus, San Antonio B9/10. Marilyn MacDonald-Jim Stephenson-Libby Boeye-Bill MacDonald, Corpus Christi C5/6. Tom Moore-Dorothy Moore-Dorothy Bedford-Dorothy Martin, Irving C7. Barbara Nance-Joe Nance, Bryan D2. John Stieber-Glenda Stieber, Houston D3. Anthony Eckman, Austin-Margot Hirsch, Arlington D5. Fouse Ragland-B. Thomas McElroy, Dallas **Enjoy The Jazz KO Bkt I** 1. John Zilic, Hous-

ton-Steve Shirey, Ft. Worth-Tom Peters-Carolyn Peters, Grapeland **Bkt II** 3/4. Terry Currie-Jeanette Magid-June Ardoin-Tosi Liang, Houston **Bkt IV** 2. Martha Wilkins Young-Catherine Tucker, Dallas-Dorsey Shaw, Plano **Bkt V** 2. J. Wiegmann-Pamela Wiegmann, Lewisville-Bruce Brown-Elizabeth Brown, Denton **Bkt VI** 1. Mary Adams-David Pennington, Temple 3/4. Eric Sandberg-Jonathan Holmes-John Monroe, Jr., Houston **Bkt IX** 3/4. Ann Kennemer-Robert Kennemer, Burleson-Virginia Rainier, Joshua **Bkt X** 2. Bill Parrish-Lenora Parrish, Woodway **Bkt XI** 3/4. Karen Alvarado, Kingwood-Kay Humphries-Hugh Humphries, Bellaire-Jayne Davis, Tomball **Sun Aft Side Game B3**. Rose Marie Cleveland-Jere Hines, Houston C3. Shary Watson, Corsicana-Ivan Uys, Ft. Worth C5. William Van Dame-Lesly Van Dame, Houston **Ist Sun Eve Side Game A5**. Mike Miller, Temple-James Bauer, Dallas B4. LaToss Carpenter-Brandon Carpenter, Whitehouse **Ist Sun IMP Prs B5/6**. J. Bachman Nabors, III, Kempner **Sun Midnite Zip KO Blue Bkt** 1. Terry Currie-Tosi Liang-June Ardoin-Jeanette Magid, Houston **Sun Midnite Zip KO Red Bkt** 1. Roy Baughman, Pantego-Mike Miller, Temple 3/4. Alexander Labry, Burnet **Mon 10 & 3 Strat Open Prs A3**. Lew Levy, Houston **Mon Strat Senior Prs A6**. B2. Jere Hines-Rose Marie Cleveland, Houston **International Fund Prs B4.C1**. Lawton Hutchison-Barbara Hutchison, Austin **Baton Rouge Compact KO Bkt IV** 4. Mike Miller, Temple-James Bauer, Dallas-Jay Gibson, Benbrook-Annette McCarty, Irving **Bkt V** 1. Shaun Chooi, Dallas **Bkt VII** 3. John McConnell-Carol McConnell, Desoto-Dee Berg-Hai Gates, Arlington **Bkt VIII** 3. Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-Patricia Lozano, San Antonio-Jessica Roberts, N Richland Hills **Bkt IX** 2. David Robinson, Granbury **Bkt X** 1. Jimmy Hubbard, Wills Point-Shirley Matthews, Lindale 3. Claybourne Waldrop, Jr., Garland-Virginia Sherman-Gerrie Owen-M.O. Crawford, Dallas **Bkt XIV** 1. Barbara Courtright, Houston 3. Linda McDaniel, Denton-Ruth Bracken, Grapevine-Peggy McCormick, Arlington **Bkt XV** 4. Marie-Anne Johnson, Dallas-Judith Lopez-Linda Howard-Cheri Staples, Houston **Baton Rouge Consolation Bkt I** 2. John Zilic, Houston-Thomas Peters-Carolyn Peters, Grapeland **Bkt IV** 2. Terry Currie-John Byrnes, Houston **Bkt VI** 2. Roy Baughman, Pantego-Preston Morrow-Charles Richards, Dallas **Bkt VIII** 2. Henry Schroder-Ed Jennings, Houston **Bkt IX** 2. John Comeau, Burleson-Othella Muzzio-Henry Muzzio, Jr., Flower Mound-Charles Brown, Denton **Bkt XI** 3. Patrick Cardullo, San Antonio **Bkt XII** Janell Miller, Amarillo-Wana Raper, Dumas **Bkt XVI** 3. Alan Johnson, Pharr **Bkt XVII** Ann

Kennemer-Robert Kennemer, Burleson-Virginia Reinier, Joshua-Margot Hirsch, Arlington **Open BAM Teams** 4. Ira Chorush, Houston-Hemant Lall, Plano 9. Mark Lair, Canyon-Chris Compton, Dallas 13. Mike Passell, Plano-Eddie Wold, Houston-Malcolm Brachman, Dallas 16. Justin Lall, San Antonio-Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Nagy Kamel, Plano 17. Bart Bramley, Dallas 20. Joe Quinn, Richmond-Ira Hessel, San Antonio 25. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 30/31. George Pisk, Manchaca **Women's BAM Teams** 1. Tobi Sokolow, Austin 2. Shawn Quinn, Richmond-Mildred Breed, Austin 5. Lynn Baker, Austin 6. Robin Klar, Spring-Joan Jackson-Petra Hamman, Dallas-Nancy Passell, Plano 12. Judy Wadas, Dallas 13. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas **Mon A/X Prs A4**. Eddie Bass, Houston-Ellen Hessel, San Antonio A6.X2. Eva Caplan, Houston A10. James Thurtell, Dallas X6. Carolyne Fox-Paul Nimmons, Houston **BCD B3**. LaToss Carpenter-Brandon Carpenter, Whitehouse C4. Thomas Lennon, The Woodlands **Everybody's Here KO Bkt II** 5/8. Michael Walrath, Keller-Gail Wells, Plano-Marion Gebhardt, Richardson-Jack Smith, Dallas **Bkt III** 4/6. Guss Ginsburg, Houston **Bkt IV** 3/4. Cheryl Evans, Houston **Bkt VII** 1. Donna Sparks-Fred Feigley, Houston-Bert Onstott, III-Katherine Onstott, Stafford 3/4. Doris Bunselmeyer, Lindale-Wanda Hartley, Bullard **Bkt IX** 3/4. Bryan Morgan-Bob Butterfield, Dallas-Gary Shepley, Houston-James Esker, Richardson **Bkt XII** 1. Clemens Struve-Cynthia Struve, Corpus Christi-Maria Guzman, Mexico City 2. Sondra Kae Goar-Hershel Goar, Burleson-Travis King-Lidy King, Joshua **Mon Zip KO Red Bkt** 1. Gail Wells, Plano-Michael Walrath, Keller-Marion Gebhardt, Richardson-Jack Smith, Dallas **Mon Swiss Teams B5**. Marvin Ellis, Tyler C4/5. Inger Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Jeanette Hughes-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls-Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes **Tues Morn Side Game C1**. Birendra Singh, Seabrook-Sherry Greisen, Houston **Tues Strat Senior Prs A1**. John Fisher-Fran Beard, Dallas **Tues Daylight Open Prs C6**. Joy Cogburn, Bertram-Mary Weiser, Pottsboro **Tues Strat Open Prs A10**. B2.C1. Ken Brantferger, Houston B6. Jules Schoenberg-Hazel Schoenberg, Plano B7. Elizabeth Hudson, Arlington **Tues Eve Swiss Teams B2**. Janell Miller, Amarillo-Wana Raper, Dumas C5. Barbara Courtright, Houston **Wed Morn Side Series C4**. Anthony Eckman, Austin-Margot Hirsch, Arlington **Wed Fast Open Prs A4**. Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley, Jr., Austin A8/9. Derald Keetch, Ft. Worth B2/3. LaToss Carpenter-Brandon Carpenter, Whitehouse B6.C2. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound **Wed Strat Senior Prs A4**. John Fisher-Fran Beard, Dallas **Peggy Serpas Open Prs A6**. B1. Puddin Barnes, Brenham-J. Bachman Nabors, III, Kempner **Wed A/X Swiss Teams A2/3**. Guss Ginsburg, Houston X5. Gerrie Owen-Preston Morrow, Dallas **BCD B2**. Thomas Lennon, The Woodlands C5. Donna Sparks, Houston **Dead Turkey Walking Bkt 1** 1. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas-Mike Passell, Plano-Eddie Wold, Houston **Bkt II** 1. Carolyn Jackson, Sugar Land **Bkt III** 5/8. K. Wright, Bullard **Bkt V** 2. Cheryl Evans-Jeremy Dilbeck, Houston 3/4. Henry Schroder-Ed Jennings, Houston-Charles Grimes, Midland-W. Collins, San Angelo **Bkt VII** 5/8. Gloria Rowland, Mabank-Evelyn Schmidt, Gun Barrel City-Mary Knight, Waxahachie **VIII** 1. Gary Shepley, Houston **Bkt X** 2. Dion Dubois, Dallas-Margaret Wallis-Max Jackson, Weatherford-Jim Chaffee, Ft. Worth 3/4. Edwyna Testerman, Longview-Barbara Chang-Colin Chang, Arlington-R. Segerlind, Dallas **Wed Eve BAM Teams B5/7**. Anthony Eckman, Austin B5/7.C2/3. Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Linda McDaniel,

Denton **Wed Zip Swiss Teams A6/7**. Cheryl Evans-Jeremy Dilbeck Houston **Wed Eve Side Game Series A4**. Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley, Jr., Austin **Mon-Wed Side Game Series B4/5**. Carol Ann McGill-Robert McGill, Orange C2. Anthony Eckman, Austin **New York KO Teams Bkt I** 2. Eddie Wold, Houston-Mike Passell, Plano **Thurs Morn Side Game A4**. Derald Keetch, Ft. Worth B4. Thomas Lennon, The Woodlands B6. Randolph Worsham-Helen Worsham, Dallas **Thurs Daylight Open Prs A4**. David Horner, Carrollton-Edward Groner, Houston **Cajun Compact KO Bkt I** 4. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas-Eddie Wold, Houston **Bkt II** Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Nagy Kamel, Plano **Bkt IV** 2. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper-Darlene Shirey-Peggy Hughes, Ft. Worth 4. Pat McMullin-Chuck Germeyer, III, Houston **Bkt XI** 1. Herry Bigler, Austin-Patricia Lozano, San Antonio-John Comeau, Burleson-Jessica Roberts, N. Richland Hills **Bkt X** 4. Cheryl Evans-Jeremy Dilbeck, Houston **Cajun Consolation KO Bkt II** 2. Thomas Hughes, Jr., Ft. Worth-Linda Spangler, Ducanville **Bkt V** 1. H. Robert Gerberich, Jr., Corpus Christi **Bkt VII** 1. Gloria Rowland, Mabank-Evelyn Schmidt, Gun Barrel-Mary Knight, Waxahachie **Bkt X** 1. Anthony Eckman, Austn **Blue Ribbon Prs** 15. Thomas Peters, Grapevine-John Zilic, Houston 26. Justin Lall, San Antonio-Hemant Lall, Plano 52. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring **Senior KO Teams** 1. John Sutherlin-Bobby Wolff, Dallas-Dan Morse, Houston 3/4. George Rosenkranz-Miguel Reygadas, Mexico City **Thanksgiving Open Prs A2**. Steve Shirey, Ft. Worth B3. Puddin Barnes, Brenham-J. Bachman Nabors, III, Kempner **GOBBLE, gobble, WHACK Bkt II** 1. David Sokolow, Austin **Bkt III** 3/4. Thomas Corlett-Ethel Corlett, Waco-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-Tom Fitzgerald, Plano **Fri Morn Side Game B4**. Randolph Worsham-Helen Worsham, Dallas **2nd Fri Senior Open Prs A3**. Bob Friz, Leonard B6. Warren Olson-Annette Olson, Dallas **2nd Fri Strat Open Prs A6**. B1. H. Robert Gerberich, Jr., Corpus Christi **2nd Fri Eve Side Game A3**. Gail Wells, Plano-Michael Walrath, Keller B4/5.C2. Jeff Dater, Dallas **2nd Fri Eve BAM Teams A1/3**. B1.C1. Elizabeth Hudson, Arlington B4/5.C3. Joy Cogburn, Bertram-Cynthia Keaton, Coppell **2nd Fri Zip KO Bkt I** 3/4. Carolyne Fox-Stephen Tuggle, Houston **Bayou Morn Compact KO Bkt III** 4. Christine Malfarlane-Lynn Mix, Houston **Bayou Morn Consolation KO Bkt III** 1. Bryan Morgan, Dallas-Gary Shepley, Houston-Anthony Eckman, Austin **Thurs-Sat Mon Side Game 5/6**. Helen Worsham, Dallas 5/6. Randolph Worsham, Dallas **Sat. Morn Side Game Series B4**. LaToss Carpenter-Brandon Carpenter, Whitehouse **2nd Sat Strat Open Prs B3**. C1. William Jenkins, Amarillo C2. Anne Snider, San Antonio **2nd Sun B/C/D Swiss Teams D3**. Randall Roberts, San Antonio **Sun Open Strat Prs A3**. Ed Groner, Houston B4.C2. Ken Brantferger-Murat Ocalan, Houston **Coffee & Beignets KO Bkt V** 1. Bryan Morgan, Dallas-Anthony Eckman, Austin-Gary Shepley, Houston **2nd Sun Side Game Series A4**. Thomas Lennon, The Woodlands **2nd Sun Aft Side Game Series B2**. C2. Shirley Holland, Austin **Reisinger BAM Teams** 1. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas-Mike Passell, Plano-Eddie Wold, Houston 5. Shawn Quinn, Richmond 10. Bob Hamman, Dallas **William Keohane N.A. Swiss Teams** 1. Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Nagy Kamel, Plano 5. Justin Lall, San Antonio-Hemant Lall, Plano-Chris Compton, Dallas-Ira Chorush, Houston 14. Steve Shirey, Ft. Worth-John Zilic, Houston 21. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas **2nd Sun Senior Swiss Teams A1**. B1. K. Wright, Bullard.

Congratulations to everyone!

Corpus Christi Regional, November 4-9, 2003



Tues Eve Strat Charity Prs ABC
Sue Semple & Charlotte Smith



Wed Strat Open Prs A
Gail Huie & Marilyn German



Wed Strat Open Prs B
Edy Laser & Betty Marriett



Thurs Strat Open Prs B
Norma Tarbet & D. Smith



Fri Strat Open Prs A
Rosemary & Paul Kelley



Fri Strat Open Prs B
Ian Vignale & Jean Hall



Fri Strat Open Prs C
Claude Melton & John Waldron



Sat Strat Open Prs B
Bill Riley & Bob Gerberich



Sun Strat Open Prs AB
Robert Donathan & Larry Davis

District 16 members would like to thank Tournament Chair Martha DeCou for a wonderful regional.

Pair Events

Tues Eve Strat Charity Prs A1.B1.C1. Sue Semple-Charlotte Smith, The Woodlands A2. Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK A3.B2.C2. Christopher Gennick, AL-Mahesh UR Maruvada, Corpus Christi A4. Frances Hillin-Madelyn Loeb, Corpus Christi A5.B3.C3. Pat Kubicek-Adolph Kubicek, Corpus Christi B4. Bill Riley, Corpus Christi-Nancy Brown, Sunrise Beach B5. Helen & Randolph Worsham, Dallas.

Wed Strat Open Prs A1. Marilyn German-Gail Huie, Corpus Christi A2. Gary Powell-Marcia Powell, Austin A3.B1. Edythe Laser, Corpus Christi Betty Marriett, IA A4. Karen Snyder, Houston-Marilou Powell, Round Rock

A5. Paul Kelley Jr, Austin-George Pisk, Manchaca B2. Nancy Brown, Sunrise Beach-Bill Riley, Corpus Christi B3. Naomi Spicer, Dickinson-Marian Osburn, Houston B4. Jimmie Lou Conner, Nacogdoches-Lorean Allen, MS B5. Joyce Ryan, Houston-Charlie Brown, Sunrise Beach.

Thurs Strat Open Prs A1. Ed Rawlinson, Helotes-Paul Kelley Jr, Austin A2. Ralda St Pierre-John Erickson, Houston A3.B1. D Smith, Pampa-N Tarbet, Harlingen A4. Davida Word, Conroe-Cleo Tucker, Nacogdoches A5. Gary Powell-Marcia Powell, Austin B2. Bill Riley, Corpus Christi-Nancy Brown, Sunrise Beach B3. Julia Blancet, West Columbia-Helen Caldwell, Angleton B4. Edythe Laser-Pauletta Myers, Corpus Christi B5. Orpha Sears-William Sears, San Antonio C1. Paula Huber-Alfred

Huber, Harlingen C2. Marvin Stewart-Barbara Stewart, Burleson.

Fri Strat Open Prs A1. Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley Jr, Austin A2.B1. Jean Hall, SD-Ian Vignale, ON A3. Marilyn German-Gail Huie, Corpus Christi A4. Jayne Keleher-Dan Keleher, Mountain Home A5. Karen Snyder, Houston-Marilou Powell, Round Rock B2. D Smith, Pampa-N Tarbet, Harlingen B3. Anthony Eckman, Austin-Linda Young, MT B4. Nancy Tiner-Ann Van Volkenburgh, Lake Jackson B5. Martha De Cou-Ann Crumpler, Corpus Christi C1. John Waldron-Claude Melton, Corpus Christi C2. Bette Daily-Carolyn Brady, Houston C3. Jeane Brittain-Norma Sayles Labarthe, Abilene.

Morn Side Series Final 1/2. Randolph Worsham, Dallas 1/2. Helen Worsham, Dallas 3/4. Charlie Brown,

Sunrise Beach 3/4. Joyce Ryan, Houston 5. Ian Vignale, ON.

Aft Side Series Final 1/2. Charlie Brown, Sunrise Beach 1/2. Joyce Ryan, Houston 3/4. Virginia Hamm, Kerrville 3/4. Richard Hamm, Kerrville 5. Stanley Gimpelson, Corpus Christi.

Eve Side Series Final 1/2. Virginia Hamm, Kerrville 1/2. Richard Hamm, Kerrville 3/4. Judith Hawkins, Odessa 3/4. Laverne Etheredge, Odessa 5/6. Carol Manz, Amarillo 5/6. Terry Manz, Amarillo.

Frank Howard Strat Open Prs A1. George Pisk, Manchaca-Phillip Kielpinski, Amarillo A2.B1. Bill Riley-H Robert Gerberich Jr, Corpus Christi A3.B2. D Smith, Pampa-N Tarbet, Harlingen A4. Jamie Bass-Paul Nimmons, Houston A5. David Horner, Carrollton-Ed Groner, Houston B3. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan, Austin B4. Andras Budinszky-Tamas Hausel, Austin B5. Edythe Laser, Corpus Christi-Betty Marriett, IA C1. David Warner-Larry Smith, Austin C2. Laverne Etheredge-Judith Hawkins, Odessa C3. Paula & Alfred Huber, Harlingen.

Sun Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Robert Donathan-Larry Davis, Austin A2. Phyllis Mehrens, Corpus Christi-L Snyder, Richardson A3.B2.C1. Mauro Viale-Tom Henry, MX B3. Andras Budinszky-Tamas Hausel, Austin.

Intermediate/Newcomer Events

Wed Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Rosalind Redfern Grover-Suzy Boldrick, Midland A2.B2. Terry Harrison-Beverly Stevenson, Houston.

Thurs Aft Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette, Van A2.B2. Rosalind Redfern Grover-Suzy Boldrick, Midland.

Thurs Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1.C1. Barbara Dove-Joe Dove, Corpus Christi A2.B2.C2. Les Baker-Russell Montgomery, Corpus Christi A3.B3. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette, Van.

Fri Aft Strat 199er Prs A1.B1.C1. Terry Harrison-Beverly Stevenson, Houston A2.B2.C2. Gloria La Prade, Houston-Faye Warley, Bellaire A3.B3. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette, Van.

Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs A1. Barbara Stewart-Marvin Stewart, Burleson A2.B1.C1. Owen Whitlock, Seabrook-Claudia Parr, Houston A3/4. B2/3. Stephanie Stevens-Homer Stevens, Boerne A3/4.B2/3. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette, Van C2. Barbara Dove-Joe Dove, Corpus Christi.

Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Roy Booth-Connie Booth, Duncanville A2. Francis Blevins, Kerrville-Mary Hair, Medina A3.B2. Becky Mosely-Leonard Cucola, San Antonio.

**Unit 207
Austin**



Clint Schuhmacher

Happy new year, and thanks to everyone who helped with the recent sectional/NAP tournament. There are no more major tournaments scheduled for Austin until the May sectional.

However, capital area players may want to keep in mind the annual unit meeting February 14. Additionally there are several club championships scheduled during January.

Another item of interest for Austin players is the new Saturday afternoon game which begins January 10 at the Northwest Center.

Congratulations to new life masters David Farris and Barbara Hutchison. Congratulations also to John Taylor, who recorded multiple wins at the Puerto Vallarta regional in October.

Closer to home, a number of Unit 207 players earned victories at the Corpus Christi regional.

Paul and Rosemary Kelley won the Friday open pairs; on Sunday Robert Donathan and Larry Davis were open pair winners. Playing with a different partner, Paul Kelley also won Thursday. George Pisk was a winner on Saturday.

In the side games Nancy Brown won once and Charlie Brown had multiple wins, taking top honors in the afternoon side series. David Warner and Larry Smith won the C stratum in a pairs event; additionally they teamed with Nick Jong and Jeff Ford to win C in the Swiss competition. Also Mary Hahn played on a winning knockout team.

At San Antonio's October sectional, Paul and Rosemary Kelley won an open pairs event. James and Pat Griffin formed half of the winning entry in Swiss teams.

In Austin's November NLM sectional, James and Angela Lennon were the top pair, taking first in both Satur-

day sessions. Sunday's game was won by Tamas Hausel and Joe Black. Others who won specific strata were Terry Pierce and Virginia Horsman, James and Joan Glathar, Marjie Webb and Jim Lang.

Finally we congratulate Unit President Mary Anne Laier on her victory in the unit individual championship.

Some may recall that we had a sectional tournament in Austin back in September. Did you know that Janie McAllister, Mark's wife, was responsible for the daily homemade sandwiches? And she's not even a bridge player.

From time to time, those of us who play need to remember to be grateful to the friends and family — especially non-playing spouses — who allow us to enjoy this game.

With Valentine's day coming soon, perhaps it is an appropriate time to say thanks to all of our volunteers.

Donna Compton



**District 16
Education Liaison**

Here is your New Year's Challenge: Every District 16 member introduce our incredible game of Bridge to one friend. You can go slowly...

Step 1. Take the first two months to figure out to which friend you want to introduce the game.

Step 2. Talk about Bridge to a friend.
Step 3. Invite a friend to see how bridge is played on the computer or at a local club game.

Step 4. Contact a local bridge teacher for dates of beginning lessons.

Step 5. Give a friend a gift certificate for free bridge lessons.

Step 6. Take them to their first class.

Step 7. Play with them in their first club game!

Step 8. Have a great time!

Director Course

Director Update Course

Becoming an ACBL-certified Director can allow you to:

1. Begin a new career as a club director.
2. Open your own club as both owner and director.
3. Give you the skills to volunteer your services.
4. Provide you with an understanding of the laws and proprieties so that you can improve your own game and know when to call the director.

Director Course

Where: Adam's Mark **When:** Sun/Mon Feb 22 & 23
Cost: \$50 for members of Unit 174; \$100 for others.
Course Instructor: Guillermo Poplawsky.
Books: Books will be provided.

Director Update Course

Where: Adam's Mark **When:** Mon Feb 23
Cost: \$15 for Unit 174 members; \$30 for others.
Books: Bring your law books; others will be provided.
Contact Bobbi Kauffman at bknotrump5@hotmail.com for information. You will be sent a registration form. Advance registration and payment required.
Director courses are being offered courtesy Unit 174.

Houston Senior Olympics

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March 18 – 28, 2004

WHAT: A multi-sports event specifically devoted to adults aged 50+. Events include: Archery, Badminton, Basketball (Free Throw, Around the World & 3 on 3), Bowling, Cycling, Line Dancing, Golf, Handball, Horseshoes, Racquetball, 5K/10K Road Races, Pickleball, Softball & Football Throw, Squash, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball and Walking. **Plus our two new events: Duplicate Bridge (sanctioned by the ACBL) and Soccer Events.** Medals are presented to the first, second and third place finalists in each gender and age category. These Games are qualifiers for the State Games to be held in Temple, Texas on October 11 – 17, 2004.

WHERE: Venues throughout Houston include: AMF Bunker Hill, Bayland Park, Bear Creek Park, B.J. and Margaret R. Bradshaw Wellness Center, Bear Creek Golf World, Lee LeClear Tennis Center, Fonde Recreation Center, Lamar High School, The Met Business & Sports Club, Memorial Park, Rice University, the Jewish Community Center, Heritage Grand, & Houston Table Tennis Center.

WHY: The Senior Olympic games provides Houston area 50+ adults an opportunity to "champion their athletic spirit" through exciting competition. Promoting the philosophy of "fitness and excellence", this event allows the mature athlete exposure to recreation, fellowship, and fun, in addition to being a tremendous motivator for participants, volunteers and spectators.

ENTRY FEE: \$22.00 (postmarked by 2/21/03), \$25.00 (postmarked after 2/20/04), plus Event Fee of \$3.00 per event up to and including 4 events. **We also have new team fees for those participants who are only competing in one team sport.**

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Corpus Christi Regional, November 4-9, 2003



Bktd KO Teams 1 Bkt II
Patricia Darrett & Vicky Fisher
Terri Redford & Wayne Rector



Bktd KO Teams 1 Bkt III
Peyer Thorne & Phil Brown
Howard Frederick & Chuck Abbott



Bktd KO Teams 2 Bkt II
Laura Lee Miller & Wanda Myers
Milton Flanagan & Jason Kiker



Bktd KO Teams 2 Bkt III
Cherry Schwarz & Rosalie Schwarz
Donna Maddox & Jacqueline Fetzer



Bktd KO Teams 4 Bkt I
Toni Snow & Ed Groner
Eric Snow & Dave Horner



Bktd KO Teams 4 Bkt II
Mary Hahn & Joan Torrance
Joan Miller & Joyce Seite



Bktd KO Team 5 Bkt I
Jim McMullin & Rick Elliott
(NP) Ann & Steve Schwall



Bktd KO Teams 5 Bkt II
W. Walker & Karen Alvarado
Steve Tuggle & Bob Lester



Compact KO Teams Bkt II
Betty Jean Baxter & Betty Fernandez
Carol & Terry Manz



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B
Virginia Wynne & Beula Mae Pearce
Margaret & Ed Higgins

Harlow-Marion Fink, San Antonio-Wanda Blankenship, Carrollton 3/4. Roy & Connie Booth, Duncanville-Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Linda McDaniel, Denton.

Bktd Morn KO Teams Bkt I 1. John Bronson, AZ-Ian Boyd, AB-Alex Hong, ON-Hao Ge, OH-Shi Yan, BC 2. David Smith-Mary Jo Branscomb-Georgene Fuller-Nels Nielsen, Corpus Christi 3/4. Hansa Narasimhan, CA-Billy Miller, NV-Alan Stout, AR-Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Nagy Kamel, Plano 3/4. Diane Dillman, Irving-Virginia Reinier, Joshua-Jim Chaffee-Billie McMahan, Fort Worth.

Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A1. Hansa Narasimhan, CA-Billy Miller, NV-Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Nagy Kamel, Plano-Alan Stout, AR A2. Paul Kelley Jr-Rosemary Kelley, Austin-Ann Brinker Schwall-Stephen Schwall, Houston A3/4.X1/2. Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn, Corpus Christi-Sharon Gaunt-Judith Hyde, WA A3/4.X1/2. Eddie Bass-Jamie Bass-Paul Nimmons-John Erickson, Houston A5. Rick Elliott III-Jim McMullin, Houston-George Pisk, Manchaca-Phillip Kielpinski, Amarillo **Strati BCD B1.** Margaret Higgins-Edward Higgins, Center Point-Beula Mae Pearce, Karnes City-Virginia Wynne, Nixon B2.C1.D1. David Warner-Larry Smith-Nicholas Jong-Jeff Ford, Austin B3.C2. Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny, Cedar Park-Shirley Henry, Austin-Ray Whitmire, Corpus Christi B4. Bill Riley-H Robert Gerberich Jr, Corpus Christi-Karen Snyder, Houston-Nancy Brown, Sunrise Beach B5.C3.D2. Evelyn Weaver, Rocksprings-Delinda Verner, Abilene-Linda Garrett-Kay Karnau, Gonzales D3. Sue Vaughan-Peggy Wyatt, Rockwall-Jo Ann Wolf, Holland-Evelyn Smith, Temple.

**Unit 187
Corpus Christi
Dee Schade**

We had a really great time during the Corpus Christi Regional and hope all our visitors did too! Thanks to each of you for supporting the tournament and we hope to see you again next time. Thanks to Martha DeCou and all her elves who worked to make everything run smoothly. Please mark your calendar for the sectional coming up March 12-14 2004 in Rockport at the Saltwater Pavilion, 810 Seabreeze Drive. Special room rates are available at the Lighthouse Inn, 866.790.8439. Call Betty Hill for partnerships at 361.729.1790.

The unit Christmas party was held at the Rockport Country Club on December 7. There were 14 1/2 tables from area clubs. The big winners were Edye Laser and Georgene Fuller for both Flight A & B. Second place went to Claude Melton and John Waldron for Flight A, B & C. A distant third place went to Dee Schade and Marion Strunk. Fourth place in A and second place in Flight C was taken by Pat Thompson and Bobbie Walker. Following the game a delicious buffet of seafood and roast beef was enjoyed by all! Kingsville has wrapped up their Player of the Year race and the winners are: Tom Hays, A Strat; Gloria Murphy, B Strat; JoAnn Sumney, C Strat; and Dick Hahn, D Strat. Congratulations to all.

Team Events

Bktd KO Teams 1 Bkt I 1. Larry Mohr - Gene Simpson - Michael Shuman-Frances Dickman-Hamish Bennett, CA 2. Hansa Narasimhan, CA-Billy Miller, NV-Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Alan Stout, AR-Nagy Kamel, Plano 3/4. John Bronson, AZ-Shi Yan, BC-Alex Hong, ON-Ian Boyd, AB-Hao Ge, OH 3/4. Cheryl Frizzell-H Robert Gerberich Jr, Corpus Christi-Mauro Viale-Tom Henry, MX **Bkt II 1.** Wayne Rector, Midland-Terri Tedford, Odessa-Vicky Fisher, Big Lake-Pat Barrett, Midkiff 2. Mary Adams-David Pennington-Richard Cunningham, Temple-Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio 3/4. Katherine Gary-Dorthy Rippstein-Beula Mae Pearce, Karnes City -Virginia Wynne, Nixon 3/4. Robbie Tyler, Aransas Pass-Nancy

Weatherly-Colleen Christian-Beverly Moore, OK **Bkt III 1.** Phil Brown-Peter Thorne-Charles Abbott, San Antonio-J Howard Frederick, Windcrest 2. Charlene Goodman, Flint-Edna Duggan-Ola Fay Anderson, Tyler-Elizabeth Smith, Whitehouse 3/4. Milton Birmingham, Fort Worth-Billie Joe O'Quinn-Ralph Parker-Betty Ann Parker, OK 3/4. Diane Dillman, Irving-Billie McMahan-Jim Chaffee, Fort Worth-Virginia Reinier, Joshua.

Bktd KO Teams 2 Bkt I 1. Ed Howard, KS-Paul White-Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK 2. Ricki Perry-Debbie Kemp-Sandra Rea-Agnes Anguish, Midland 3/4. Carole Price-Sally Armstrong-Bette Allen, San Antonio-Bea Williamson, New Braunfels 3/4. James Bagley, Harlingen-Andrea Klein, S Padre

Island-Dorothy Raska-Mary Jo Torczon, Houston **Bkt II 1.** Jason Kiker-Milton Flanagan, Corpus Christi-Laura Miller-Wanda Myers, Rockport 2. Shirley Naumann-Billie Black, Marble Falls-Inger Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Billie Darnell, Von Ormy 3/4. Marie Watson, Dumas-Diane Dunn, Fritch-Ann Reddy-Jo Goen, Floydada 3/4. Jeane Brittain-Norma Sayles Labarthe, Abilene-Patsy Denson-Philip Stagg, LA **Bkt III 1.** Jacqueline Fetzer-Donna Maddox-Cherry Schwarz-Rosalie Schwarz, Houston 2. C Sue Semple-Charlotte Smith, The Woodlands-Sonia Bryant, Spring-Charles Loeffler, Junction 3/4. Horatio & Jacquelyn Aldredge-Marie Lucci, San Antonio-Katherine Pearce-Jean Blilie, Kerrville 3/4. R Saulter-Bobbie Saulter-Cynthia Struve-Clemens Struve, Corpus Christi.

Bktd KO Teams 4 Bkt I 1. Eric Snow-Toni Snow-Ed Groner, Houston-David Horner, Carrollton 2. Hansa Narasimhan, CA-Billy Miller, NV-Alan Stout, AR-Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Nagy Kamel, Plano 3/4. John Bronson, AZ-Ian Boyd, AB-Alex Hong, ON-Shi Yan, BC-Hao Ge, OH 3/4. Larry Mohr-Gene Simpson-Frances Dickman-Michael Shuman-Hamish Bennett, CA **Bkt II 1.** Joan Torrance, Conroe-Mary Hahn, Austin-Joan Miller, Montgomery-Joyce Seitz, Corpus Christi 2. Jo Ann Sumney-Evelyn McKinzie-Audrey Harrison, Kingsville-Wanda Hunter, Allen 3/4. Dorothy Lohn-Cecil Lohn, Richmond-Patricia McDaniel, Missouri City-Odetta Amyx, Houston 3/4. Roy Marsh-June Marsh, The Woodlands-Lucy Terrill-Kenneth Peterson, Houston **Bkt III 1.** Mary Anne Woessner-Nancy Gray, Montgomery-Frances Robbins-Richard Robbins, The

Woodlands 2. Charlene Goodman, Flint-Edna Duggan-Ola Fay Anderson, Tyler-Elizabeth Smith, Whitehouse 3/4. Neva Green-Margie Hill-Jerry Burchell-Dolores Levier, Big Spring 3/4. Diane Dillman, Irving-Virginia Reinier, Joshua-Billie McMahan-Jim Chaffee, Fort Worth.

Compact Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Larry Mohr-Gene Simpson-Michael Shuman, CA-Ian Boyd, AB 2. Stanley Marshall Jr-Roma Marshall-Bobbie Saulter-R Saulter, Corpus Christi 3. Hansa Narasimhan, CA-Billy Miller, NV-Greg Hinze, Grand Prairie-Nagy Kamel, Plano 4. Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel, San Antonio-Joe Quinn, Richmond-Alexander Kolesnik, Austin **Bkt II 1.** Betty Fernandez-Betty Baxter, Odessa-Carol Manz-Terry Manz, Amarillo 2. Belva Barrington, Belton-Kathleen Midkiff-Evelyn Smith, Temple-Jo Ann Wolf, Holland 3. Evelyn Weaver, Rocksprings-Kay Karnau-Linda Garrett, Gonzales-Delinda Verner, Abilene 4. Jason Kiker-Milton Flanagan, Corpus Christi-Wanda Myers-Laura Miller, Rockport.

Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Jim McMullin-Rick Elliott III-Stephen Schwall-Ann Brinker Schwall, Houston 2. Judy Lewis, Atascosa-K Carpenter, San Antonio-Marian Osburn, Houston-Naomi Spicer, Dickinson 3/4. Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn, Corpus Christi-Judith Hyde-Sharon Gaunt, WA 3/4. Henry Caspar, ON-Beverly Santos-Sandra Weber, San Antonio-Cheryl Evans, Houston **Bkt II 1.** Steven Tuggle-William Walker-Bob Lester, Houston-Karen Alvarado, Kingwood 2. Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny, Cedar Park-Ray Whitmire, Corpus Christi-Shirley Henry, Austin 3/4. Margaret Irvine, Plano-Mildred



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San Antonio Election Sectional, October 16-19, 2003



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A
Bette Allen & Carole Price



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A
Diane Olson & Wayne Dow



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Janise Saul & Richard Kiepfer



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs B
Orpha Sears & Madeline Hyman



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Rosemary & Paul Kelley



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B
Sheryleen Grothus & Sandra Weber



Sat Strat Open Prs AB
Patricia Lozano & Justin Lall



Sat Strat Open Prs C
Helen McCrae & Phyllis Giffin



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs BC
Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Paula Warren & Rita deHoyos



Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1/2
Ed Rawlinson & Diane Olson
Gary Anziani, Pat & Jim Griffin
Bill Walker, Ira & Ellen Hessel




Sun Strat Swiss Teams B
Harold Brooks & Jerry Tilles
Roberta Brooks & John Watkins



Sun Strat Swiss Teams C
Barbara Altgelt & Jane Bowers
Jane Maclin & Susie Willerson
Bowers & Willerson also won
Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs C

**Unit 172
San Antonio**



Robbie Borchers

Congratulations to new Unit 172 Board Members, Roger Boeka, Sally Parker, Janise Saul, and Beverly Santos, who will begin three years of service. May they embrace good judgment, pragmatism, integrity, perseverance, and clarity of purpose, in the continued legacy of many of their predecessors. As they begin, unit members would be well served to contemplate and affirm the generosity and constant devoted service given by all Members of the Board. Many thanks go to Patti Beard for her untiring effort as Elections Chairman.

Gonzales area players are saddened at the death of Mary Scheske (fondly known as Goose) who was one of the founders of the Gonzales Club and served as a director for it. Caring thoughts and hopes for strength of spirit are with Betty Hickman, whose husband died and also with Bonnie Place, whose son died. Our jovial Doug Russell, whose cheery greetings brightened the days of many, has also passed on, and we extend our sympathy to his wife Pat who is also a member of long standing. Those whose health issues are improving are Kathy Ribble, Koy Bass, Carol Campbell, and Betty Adkisson. Carm Squires has many well-wishers as she continues to regain strength after lung surgery.

Congratulations to our newest life master, Bill Nickles, of Kerrville.

Unit 172 players should watch their mailboxes for information about the March 31, 2004, San Antonio Senior Olympics, which will include bridge for the first time. The two-session event will award sectional rated master points and a chance for a medal.

Jane Stillabower is to be commended for great work on the Election Sectional. Feedback indicates that players were favorably impressed with the Leon Valley Community Center and with Cisse Horton's super hospitality.

Fifty-one Mentor/Mentee pairings will be in effect for 2004. This critical program, directed by Jacque Tucker, continues to bring a decisive advantage to participants and to enhance bridge in the San Antonio area.

Helen McCrae will begin recruitment of students who want to learn to play bridge at Keystone School. Additionally, Patty Moncus and Jeri Tribo plan to teach a bridge series in a Boerne School. These small splendid path-breaking efforts deserve resounding applause.

As the New Year begins, some events to keep in mind are: 1. The San Antonio Winter Fun Sectional under the guidance of Janise Saul is scheduled

for January 16, 17, 18, 19, of 2004 (includes MLK Holiday on Monday). 2. The first Unit Charity Championship of the year kicks off at the Alamo Bridge Club on Saturday February 7, 2004. 3. Grand National Team Qualifying for B Flight and C Flight occurs Saturday, February 21, 2004. 4. A sanction has been granted for a Unit Split Championship on February 10, 2004, at clubs with scheduled Tuesday afternoon games.

Results: San Antonio Sectional
Diane Olson was the top masterpoint winner with 18.74 masterpoints.

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Carole Price-Bette Allen A2. Peggy Fritsch-Diane Olson B2. Roberta Brooks-Harold Brooks C1. Susie Willerson-Jane Bowers C2. Helen McCrae-Phyllis Giffin.

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Diane Olson-Wayne Dow A2.B1.C1.

Paula Warren-Mary Rita de Hoyos B2. Justin Lall-Patricia Lozano C2. Marie Lucci-Eugene Haddock.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Janise Saul-Richard Kiepfer A2.B1. Orpha Sears-Madeline Hyman B2. Andras Budinszky-Tamas Hausel C1. Adele Rosow-Billie Kite Howlett C2. Helen McCrae-Phyllis Giffin.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Paul Kelley Jr-Rosemary Kelley A2. Alexander Kolesnik-David Hadden B1. Sandra Weber-Sheryleen Grothus B2. Roxana Tom-Roxana Tom C1. Paula Warren-Mary Rita de Hoyos C2. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Patricia Lozano-Justin Lall A2. Carolyn Riely-Terry Riely B2. Beverly Santos-Sandra Weber C1. Helen McCrae-Phyllis Giffin C2. Patrick Cardullo-Betty Knaggs.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1/2. James Griffin-Patricia Griffin-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel A1/2. Diane Olson-R Anziani-Ed Rawlinson-Bill Walker B1. Harold Brooks-Roberta Brooks-John Watkins-Jerome Tilles B2.C1. Susie Willerson-Jane Bowers-Jane Maclin-Barbara Altgelt C2. Linda Lawrence-Rebecca Lu Tanner-Ann Oppenheimer-Betty Knaggs.

Bailey's Christmas Sectional December 4-7, 2003

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Robbie Borchers-Sandra Weber A2/3.B1/2. Jeri Martin-Darleen Abbott A2/3.B1/2. Bette Allen-Carole Price C1. Richard Devaul-Elizabeth Ward C2. Howard Frederick-Raj Nayar.

Thurs Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Judy Carroll Taquino-Olivia Brown A2.B2. Leslie Langhus-Billie Wells C2. Gary Larson-Sherry Johnson.

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Jerry Bigler-Patricia Lozano A2. Marilyn Arnold-Diane Olson B1. Pablo Siegal-Eleanor Siegal B2.C1. Barbara Ridgeway-Clifford Jensen C2. Horatio Aldredge-Jacquelyn Aldredge.

Thurs Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Becky Mosely-Leonard Cucola A2.B2. James Harelson-Glenna Whitmarsh.

Fri Morn Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Raj Nayar-Shirley Brooks A2. Ira Hessel-Alex Kolesnik B2.C1. Linda Lawrence-Rebecca Lu Tanner C2. Clifford Jensen-Barbara Ridgeway.

Fri Morn Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Betty Knaggs-Ann Oppenheimer A2.B2.C2. Jeri Tribo-Bobbi Hale.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel A2. Jerry Bigler-Marilyn Arnold B1. Kenneth

McAllister-Bobbie Jones B2. Jodie McMahon-Doug Cross.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd A2.B2.C2. Sherry Johnson-Judy Carroll Taquino.

Sat Morn Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Cho Mayo-Mary Lou Click A2.B2.C2. John Moore-Kent Heintz.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Jonobie Ford-Jeff Ford A2.B2. Cho Mayo-Mary Lou Click.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Eric Snow-Toni Snow A2. Terry Riely-Al Lochli B1. Raj Nayar-M. Myers B2. Bea Williamson-Carole Price C1. Randall Roberts-Yvonne Hayes C2. Patrick Cardullo-Bert Sheldon.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams Flt AX A1. James Griffin-Patricia Griffin-Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel A2. Greg Hinz-George Pisk-Justin Lall-Patricia Lozano X1. Judy Lewis-Charles Jefferson-Ken Carpenter-Robert Mangas **Strati BCD B1/2.** Everette Lewis-Sheryleen Grothus-Bill Tseng-Beverly Santos B1/2.C1.D1. David Warner-Larry Smith-Jeff Ford-Nicholas Jong C2. Shirley Naumann-Billie Black-Inger Blount-Billie Darnell D2. M. Huiatt-Janet Huiatt-Maggie McWilliams-Mac McWilliams.

Compton Wins 2003 Bridge Pro Tour Individual



Chris Compton

In an unprecedented feat, District member Chris Compton won each of two qualifying sessions and the single final session (no carryover) December 18-20 at the \$12,000 Palm Springs Bridge Pro Tour Individual. All told, Compton pocketed \$5,000 for the three sessions and \$10,000 total for the week: a \$250 award for winning each qualifying session (76 person session), a \$500 award for winning the qualifying

overall, a \$4000 award for winning the final session, and a separate \$5000 bonus award for finishing 2003 as the leading Tour's leading money winner. Compton's record setting 2003 total of \$16,400, in only four events, moved him into first place all time on the Bridge Pro Tour Individual money list. Bridge Pro Tour was started by Larry King in 2001.

Larry is credited with previously bringing Women's Tennis into the modern era by developing the Virginia Slims Women's Tennis Tour. For 2004, Bridge Pro Tour is adding Guppy and Minnow divisions as well as expanding from 9 to 22 events. For full schedule and details go to www.bridgeprotour.com.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2004

1:00 PM STRATIFIED PAIRS (1) session
Seat A 1500, Seat B 500-1500, Seat C 0-500

7:00 PM STRATIFIED PAIRS (1) session
Seat A 1500, Seat B 500-1500, Seat C 0-500

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2004

1:00 PM STRATIFIED PAIRS (1) session
Seat A 1500, Seat B 500-1500, Seat C 0-500

7:00 PM STRATIFIED PAIRS (1) session
Seat A 1500, Seat B 500-1500, Seat C 0-500

SATURDAY APRIL 17, 2004

9:00 AM EARLY BIRD PAIRS

1:00 PM STRATIFIED PAIRS (1) sess.
Seat A 1500, Seat B 500-1500, Seat C 0-500

7:00 pm STRATIFIED PAIRS (1) sess.

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2004

10:30 AM STRATHLIGHTED TEAMS (1) sess.
A TBA (10 A 3000+, 10 A2 1500-3000,
Seat B 750-1500, Seat C 100-750, Seat D 0-300
(Flight A Separate unlimited, B, C,
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APRIL 15-18, 2004

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Dallas Fall Sectional, Richardson, October 23-26, 2003



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs AB
Jules & Hazel Schoenberg



Thurs Eve Strat 199er Prs ABC
Robert & Mary Jo Allman



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
K. Haley & Mark Dumdei



Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs A
Kathy Coleman & Carolyn Marks



Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs BC
Jim Farmer & Jim Harp



Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs ABC
Charles & Frances Tea



Sat Eve Strati-Fltd Open Prs A
S. Kohan & Michael Murphy



Sat Eve Strati-Fltd Open Prs B
Carolyn Thomas & Judy Worden



Sat Eve Strati-Fltd Open Prs C
Cheri Staples & Marie Johnson



Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs AB
Jeff Kaldem & MaryBelle Hoenig



Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs C
Glen Terrell & Helen Nelson



Sun Strat Open Prs AB
Lynne Wood & David Nurenberg



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs AB
Sat Aft Strat Open Prs B
Judith Northup & Kit Campbell



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Helga Brown & Edith Iloni
Janet Borg & Malcolm Barnebey



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Dion Dubois & John Overstreet
Marilyn Hansen & Betty Mayes



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Judy Wadas & Bart Bramley
Justin Lall & Hemant Lall



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Jack Borenstein & Steven Kastner
Aslam Ansari & Jim Clark
Kevin Podsiadlik



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Joanna Kaspar & Carol Nicoud
Milton Aston & Marcia Varel



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt IV
Mary Jones & Pat Rose
Jim Esker & Bob Butterfield



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams A
Petra Hamman & Peggy Sutherlin
Justin Lall & Hemant Lall



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams BC
Lynn Dellangelo & Jean Higgins
Marlene Round & Jan Fisher



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams D
Margot Hirsch & (NP) Charles Gibson
Connie & Roy Booth

Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Bart Bramley-Judy Wadas-Hemant Lall-Justin Lall 2. James Thurtell-Jerry Derby-Gerry McKim-Roy Baughman
Bkt II 1. Jack Borenstein-M. Aslam Ansari-Kevin Podsiadlik-Steven Kastner-Jim Clark 2. Scott Young-Martha Wilkins Young-Bob Scallan-Suresh Agrawal
Bkt III 1. Marcia Joy Varel-Milton Aston-Joanna Kaspar-Carol Nicoud 2. Joy Cogburn-Mary Weiser-Barbara Hadaway-George Davis
Bkt IV 1. Bob Butterfield-Patricia Rose-Mary Jones-James Esker 2. Marilyn Johnson-Suzanne Snavelly-Alice T.J. Hartman-Eva Pharr Dawkins.

Sat Aft Strati-Fltd Prs Flt AX A1.X1. Michael Hout-John Hampton A2. Greg Hinze-Nagy Kamel X2. Marion Gebhardt-Charles Richards
Strati BC B1. Kit Campbell-Judith Northup B2. Jon Browne-D Yoquelet C1. Lee Lunsford-Norma Lunsford C2. Jim Chaffee-Billie McMahan.

Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs A1.B1.C1. Charles Tea-Frances Tea A2. Freddie O'Bannon-Barbara Jones B2. Jeff Kaldem-Mary Belle Hoenig C2. David Sterner-Frank Radack.

Sat Eve Strati-Fltd Prs Flt AX A1. Michael Murphy-S Kohan A2/3.X1. John Davies-James Bauer A2/3. Greg Hinze-Nagy Kamel X2. Brady Allen-James Woeber Jr
Strati BC B1. Judy Worden-Carolyn Thomas B2. Linda McRay-Mary Anne Moncier C1. Marie-Anne Johnson-Cheri Staples C2. Mark Craiker-Vernon Earl Hodge.

Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Jeff Kaldem-Mary Belle Hoenig A2.B2.C1. Helen Nelson-Glen Terrell C2. Emily Ray-Ken Bickelhaupt.

Sun StratiFltd Swiss Teams Flt AX A1. Hemant Lall-Justin Lall-Petra Hamman-Peggy Sutherlin-Bob Hamman A2. Hua Yang-Michael Dalton-Joe Musumeci-Carl Hultman X1. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper-Marjorie Kidd-Loni Christensen
Strati BCD B1.C1. Marlene Round-Lynn Dellangelo-Janice Fisher-Jean Higgins B2. Marcia Joy Varel-Milton Aston-Carol Nicoud-Joanna Kaspar C2. Bob Butterfield-Patricia Rose-James Esker-Robert Stewart D1. Charles Gibson Jr-Margot Hirsch-Connie Booth-Roy Booth.

Sun Strat Open Prs A1.B1. David Nurenberg-Lynne Wood A2.B2. Patricia Marchman-Bonnie Barker.



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All Pair Events are Single Sessions.
Thursday, January 29

Bktd KO Teams 1 (Continues Friday 1:30 & 7:30) 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Friday, January 30

Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
199er Stratified Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO 1, (Semi Final & Final) 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Saturday, January 31

Bktd KO Teams 2 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Strati-Fltd Open Pairs 1:30 pm
199er Stratified Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs 7:30 pm
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Sunday, February 1

Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams, 2 sessions 10:00 am & TBA
199er Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA

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Stratifications

Stratified Open: A: Unlimited, B: 500-2000, C: 0-500
Stratified 199er: 100-200, 50-100, 0-50
Strati-Fltd: A: Unlimited AX: 0-3000 (together)
B: 500-2000, C: 0-500 (together)

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Entry Fees

\$10/session Friday \$11/session Saturday
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Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Select
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Tom Whitesides

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This is the annual election for
Unit 176 Board of Directors
Please see Election Ad on
page 9 of this issue.
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**Unit 205
Mexico**



Judy McDonald

The 24th Annual Mexican Resort Regional Bridge Tournament recently held at the Hotel Fiesta Americana in Puerto Vallarta drew players from Canada, United States and Mexico for the weeklong event. Included was Bruce Reeves, the upcoming 2004 American Contract Bridge (ACBL) President.

The top five event winners out of the first 100 players were: 1st Dee McDonald of Ajijic; Tied for 2nd & 3rd were Tom Henry and Cheryl Frizzell of San Miguel de Allende; 4th Judy McDonald of Ajijic; Tied for 5th & 6th were Edwin Lewis III and Thomas Hyde of Connecticut. Players passing ACBL masterpoint ranking milestones at the tournament were: Silver Life Master – Tom Gillett of Ajijic and Cheryl Frizzell of San Miguel de Allende; Bronze Life Master – Dee McDonald of Ajijic.

Tournament sponsors Viva Boutique of Puerto Vallarta presented a stunning fashion show for the players while Corona Beer of Puerto Vallarta provided hospitality after evening play. Viva also had trendy accessories on display between playing sessions. Twelve PV restaurants in the Gourmet Dining Guide donated dinners in support of the tournament. The Silent Auction fund raiser was highly successful with players able to purchase great accessories and dinners at very reasonable prices. A 50/50 raffle produced six winners during the week.

Bruce Reeve held an entertaining and informative program on current ACBL topics after play Friday evening and opened it up afterward for questions and answers. Thanks go to Rene Franco for the fund raising and hosting the special dinner Wednesday for Bruce and special guests.

Tom Whitesides, Guillermo Poplawsky and Jack Mehrens produced the usual outstanding work as directors of the tournament.

Thanks to the many volunteers that manned the hospitality, partnership and prize desks, and to Judy and Dee

McDonald for chairing the tournament. The 25th Annual Mexican Resort Bridge Regional Tournament date and place will soon be announced.

The next upcoming ACBL tournament in Mexico will be a sectional rated one in Ajijic at the Hotel Real de Chapala January 29 through February 1, 2004. Contact Don Ross, donaldgross@yahoo.com. For information or hotel reservations direct to luzurclagah@hotmail.com and mention special bridge rates.

**San Miguel Allen
Mexico
December 4-7, 2003**

Thurs Aft Strat Prs A1. Jacobo Podbivich - Eduardo Schultz A2.B1.C1. Jose Carral-Lorenza Carral B2. Sue Gerard-John Taylor C2. Margarita Levy-Nettie Schabes.

Thurs Eve Strat Prs A1. Elena Brucilovsky-Miguel Reygadas A2. Ana Luisa & Gonzalo Herrera B1. Donald Ross-David Hoogenberg B2. Ralph Bieber-Gerald Teldon C1. Concepcion Bueno - Gloria Kreimerman C2. Edith Bramson-Ivette Souchet.

Fri Aft Strat Prs A1. Victoria Paragot-Michel Paragot A2/3. Magy Mohan-John Mohan A2/3.B1.C1. Gifford Moody-Margaret Moody B2.C2. Gloria Kreimerman-Concepcion Bueno.

Soria Strat Prs A1. Enrico Pagani-Mauricio Smid A2. John Mohan-Eduardo Szulc B1. Mauro Viale-Tom Henry B2. Morris Kleinberg-Martha Keinberg C1. Marta Rendon-Mado Martel C2. David Buck-Juanita Buck.

Sat Aft Strat Prs A1. John & Magy Mohan A2.B1. Mauro Viale-Tom Henry B2. Jean Dorr-Helen Rivas Rose C1. Richard Paveling-Charles Rutherford C2/3. David & Juanita Buck C2/3. Manual Jimenez-Paloma Moyano.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. Miguel Reygadas-Dorita Montelongo-Nancy Gerson-Nancy Lira A2. Sonya Resk-Martin Luis Guzman-Maria Cespedes-Angeles Ibarra B1. Carol Potter-Florence Chernin-Luisa Velte-Sandi Merdinger B2. Marylou Galindo-Mickey Edholm-Carmen Stump-Josefina Rodriguez C1. Charles Rutherford-Richard Paveling-Valdemar Olson-Marilyn Olson.

**Unit 233
Central Texas**



Helen Levy

Unit Christmas Party and Election Dec. 7—what a great day! A big “thank you” to David Pennington and Dick Cunningham for preparing and organizing an array of hors d’oeuvres to start the day plus a tasty catered luncheon which was enjoyed by around 90 people in the beautiful new Strasburger Hall at the CAC in Temple.

Mike Miller received the Maxine Tessmer Memorial Tournament Masterpoint Award; Lynn Sykes, the Gordon Dennis Rookie of the Year Award for 2002; Tom Denson, the 299'er Tournament Masterpoint Award; and Helen Levy was presented a very generous gift certificate for 14 years as Unit Secretary-Treasurer. What a nice surprise which is greatly appreciated.

Peggy Kenny, Eiko King, and Kathleen Midkiff were elected to the Board of Directors for a three-year term, with the Board electing Dick Cunningham as Unit President; James LaFountain, Vice President; and Helen Levy, Secretary-Treasurer.

Other Board members are Nell Boone, Sylvia Ferris, Jan McLaughlin, Richard Wall, and Melody Euler, past President.

Special thanks to Melody Euler for serving as Unit President and to Janis McIntosh and Stephen Olson who also completed their three-year terms on the Board.

Winners of the morning Unit Championship were: 1A. Mike Bukala and Melody Euler; 1B. Nell Boone and Helen Reardon; 1C. Dick Cunningham and Mickey Heap. Winners of the afternoon Unit Championship were: 1A. Ethel and Tom Corlett; 1B. Eiko King and Helen Levy; 1C. Pat Johnson and Evelyn Smith. We appreciate Gene Thompson for the fine job of directing the games of 20 and 18 tables, respectively.

The 500 Duplicate Club hosted the District 16 charity game in behalf of the National Hospice Foundation October 22. Winners in 1A&B were Mary Adams and Suzanne Guess; 1C.

Wanda Carter and Carolyn Parker.

Lenora Parrish and Peggy Kenny hosted a Halloween party at Sul Ross BC with great food and decorations. Joe Ellis' costume added the finishing touches. You have to experience one of these ladies' parties to know what a special occasion it is.

Congratulations to James LaFountain who earned enough MP's at the New Orleans NABC to exceed the 2500 MP mark into Gold LM, and to new Bronze LM's Mary Adams and Garnell Cunningham.

Other Unit members who were listed among the many winners in the 10-day NABC in New Orleans were Mike Miller, Mary Adams, David Pennington, Lenora and Bill Parish, Ethel and Tom Corlett, and Bachman Nabors. We are proud of all of you.

We are saddened by the death of Arthur (Red) Leggott Nov. 5. He was an excellent bridge player and a regular at Sul Ross BC where he took up entry fees as well as assisting in other ways. He will be greatly missed.

With the month of Christmas parties over, and as a New Year begins, we pray for your good health and happiness and for peace in the world.

**Unit 204
Fort Concho**



M.J. McCord

Hostesses Vickie Fisher and Pat Barrett did it again! The annual Big Lake Christmas party was the biggest success and most fun yet! Players from San Angelo, Midland-Odessa, Big Spring and beyond converged on Big Lake for the two-section (eighteen

tables each) event.

Players enjoyed playing pre-game games that netted great door prizes, ate a fabulous meal, and then settled in for a wonderful day of bridge. Overall winners were 1st - Becky & Lyle Kinsey of Odessa, 2nd - Norma Walker of San Angelo & Sandra Rhodes of Big Spring, and 3rd - Gloria Robertson and Betty Hester of San Angelo. Special congratulations go to Betty and Gloria, who are C players. Most of their competitors were A and B players, and everyone was delighted with their coming in “in the money.”


Bill Collins, Charles Grimes and Jean and Jack Rochford brought back a ton of points from the New Orleans National and all reported having a wonderful time.

The annual Christmas party at the Sue Barber Bridge Center was simply great! Many members, including our club director Sue Henry, were recognized for their efforts during the 2003.

Of course the meal and camaraderie were fantastic. Every year, the Christmas party reflects the unit membership's genuine affection we share for one another. We're all extraordinarily blessed with this most unique group of wonderful friends who have more in common than just the great game of bridge.

Keep in mind that San Angelo's tournament is one week later than usual and is also in our new location. Make your plans to be at the Clarion the first weekend in March.

For more information, see the ad on this page of the Scorecard, and make your reservations as soon as possible. Don't miss it. We look forward to seeing you there!



**TEXAS INDEPENDENCE
SECTIONAL
March 5-7, 2004**

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Friday, March 5

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Saturday, March 6

Stratified Pairs (Play through) 1:00 & 7:00 pm
(Single session permitted either time)

Sunday, March 7

Stratified Swiss 10:00 am & TBA
(Note early starting time!)
Strats: A: 1500+, B: 500LM-1500, C: 0-500(NLM)

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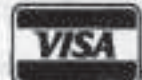



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**Unit 176
Dallas**



Bob Scallan

Congratulations to the following pairs who qualified for the District 16 finals in Austin on Jan. 3-4: 1. Flight A: Michael Dalton & Howard Tureff, Gail Wells & Michael Walrath, Marjorie Kidd & Preston Morrow, Ed Groner & David Horner. Flight B: Michael Hout & John Hampton, James Lilly & Kevin Podsiadlik, Pat Measley & Barbara Nelson, Martha & Scott Young, Sara & Steven Kastner, Gloria Helm & Truett Cates, Gerry & Tina McKim. Flight C: David Pearlman & Elaine Wood, Normajo Apt & Judy Edmiston, Catherine Tucker & Doug Tucker, Bonnie and Ed Yetter, Clay Waldrop & Virginia Sherman, Jeff Ford & Nick Jong.

Congratulations also to the following winners in the 2003 Mini-Mac standings awarded to the players who accumulated the highest number of points in the Unit game held each month. The winners were: 1500 MP+: Stan Kohan & Norman Beck; 750-1500 MP: Shaun Chooi & Kevin Podsiadlik; 300-750 MP: Larry Chow & Bob Scallan; 200-300 MP: Gary Brantz & Gloria Stroud; 100-200 MP: Don Bartley & Bob Butterfield; 0-100 MP: Charles Wobbeking & Mike and Carole Mulligan.

The annual Unit 176 Christmas party was held during the December Unit game. The event was well attended. Dinner was served and many brought gifts for the needy children of Richardson. Thanks to all who made the event a success.

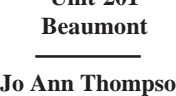
Congratulations to Malcolm Brachman and Mike Passell for winning the Reisinger Board-A-Match Team Trophy at the Fall Nationals in New Orleans. Congratulations are also

in order to Nagy Kamel for winning the North American Swiss Teams at New Orleans. It appears that our unit is just full of outstanding players. We should all be proud to "rub elbows" with some of the best bridge players in the world, who just happen to be members of our unit.

Elections for new board officers for Unit 176 will be held during the winter sectional on January 29-Feb. 1 at Richardson Civic Center. The candidates are Mary Jane McGinnis, Ilene Greene, Mimi Zavitkovski, Catherine Tucker, Randy Worsham, and Steve Sinclair. Everyone should do his best to vote.

Some have expressed concern that the entry fees to sectionals have risen. This is due to the fact that the rent for the Richardson Civic Center has risen. The Unit 176 board members have checked at other similar places and have discovered that, even though the rent is high at Richardson CC, the rent is even higher for other comparable locations large enough to accommodate the numbers which sectionals draw. So let us be thankful for Richardson CC. A very HAPPY NEW YEAR to all!

**Unit 201
Beaumont**



Jo Ann Thompson

Unit 201's November highlight was the Life Master Party for Dr. Sally Blewett on November 8. A full 22 tables enjoyed the party, and the winners were 1) June Aulbaugh and Martha Darden; 2) Joe Lattimore and Marvin Park; 3) Connor Smith and Jean Davis; 4) Jayne Eisen and Dr. A. Bharathi; 5) Fred Winter and Earl Fitch; 6) Don Holst and Beverly Leger.

December included a round of Christmas parties. The Thursday morning club's annual dinner December 11 at Beaumont Country

Club was fully attended with winners as follows: NS 1) Sharon Theriot and Frances Floyed; 2) Joyce Bordages and Edna Mazzola; EW 1) Dessie Crow and Annette Riegel; 2) Helen Kay and Shirley Dingle.

The ever popular "eggnog day" (provided by Betty Poindexter) on December 15, was enjoyed by all. Overall winners for this Club Championship were 1) Beverly Leger and Don Holst; 2) Joan Hataway and Jayne Eisen; 3) Ron Stueber and Sally Blewett; 4) Betty Poindexter and Jo Ann Thompson; 5) Norma White and Bea Babel; 6) Martha Bookman and Mary Lou Terry.

Beaumont's final Swiss team for 2003 on December 18 was played by a full 10 tables. Winners were 1) Tipton Golias, Dr. A. Bharathi, Don Holst and Beverly Leger; 2) Mary Bruce, Phyllis Ryan, Lee Rogers, and Cora Lee Book; 3) Thelma Stockdale, Lorraine Brown, Martha Bookman and Mary Lou Terry; 4) Kaz Bell, Marian Jones, Nancy Smalley and Jayne Eisen.

Will appreciate your comments.

**Unit 176
2003 Mini-Mac Winners**



Back Row: Stan Kohan-1st-1500 +; Shaun Chooi-1st-750 to 1499; Lawrence Chow-1st-300 to 749; Gary Brantz-1st-200 to 299 (not shown); Don Bartley-1st-100 to 199; Charles Wobbeking-1st-0 to 99 (not shown); Mike Mulligan-2nd (tie)-0 to 99; **Front Row:** Norman Beck-2nd-1500+; Kevin Podsiadlik-2nd-750 to 1499; Bob Scallan-2nd-300 to 749; Gloria Stroud-2nd-200 to 299; (not shown); James Esker-2nd-100 to 199; Carole Mulligan 2nd (tie)-0 to 99.



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Dallas Unit 176 Board Nominates Six Candidates

Political advertisement paid for by Dallas Unit 176

The Dallas Bridge Association, ACBL Unit 176, announces its slate of candidates for the upcoming election of Unit Board Members.

The election will be held at the Dallas 2004 Winter Sectional, January 29-February 1, 2004.



Ilene Green

Ilene Green
I want to be reelected to the Board in order to enable me to continue in my efforts to make bridge more user friendly and encourage more people to play duplicate bridge. We also need to find ways to get more young people interested in learning to play. It is such an interesting and challenging game, one that appeals to people all the way from youth to elderly folks. ACBL should be encouraged to take action to make bridge more popular and to promote it.



Mary Jane McGinnis

Mary Jane McGinnis
Originally from Georgia, I have live in Dallas for 30 years. I am a widow with one daughter, two stepsons, one stepdaughter and four grandchildren. I taught English and French in the Richardson schools for 27 years. Although I began playing bridge in college, I did not pursue duplicate until



Steve Sinclair

my retirement in 2001. The mental exercise of bridge and the camaraderie of the players has meant so much to me. My vision for the future advancement of bridge is that it be taught in the public schools — if debate and chess, why not bridge?

Steve Sinclair

I am about to complete my first three-year term as a member of the Unit 176 Board. I can truly say that the experience has been a very positive one. By serving on the Board, I have been forced to learn much more about the everyday responsibilities and decisions that are part of running a unit. I have also been pleased to be part of some of the positive events that have occurred in our Unit over the past three years. I would like the opportunity to serve on the Board for another three years. I believe there are still some opportunities for me to help improve this Unit.



Catherine Tucker

In particular, I would like to see the Internet used more productively, both in supplying timely information to all local players and also in the passing of information among Board members. I look forward to your support.

Catherine Tucker

I truly love this game. I would welcome the opportunity represent the newer players on the Unit Board. I have the time to devote to the many duties required to be a good board member. Please consider me for a board position and vote!

Randy Worsham

As a person to whom bridge means a great deal and as your Board Representative, I will be committed to keeping the tradition and competitiveness and quality of Duplicate Bridge. Also, all efforts will be made to increase the number of tables in play at the local



Randy Worsham

clubs, unit game and tournaments by insuring that the participants receive perks commensurate with those allowed at other units. I would greatly appreciate your vote.

Mimi Zovitkovsky

Though I first fell in love with the game of bridge while living overseas, it is during the last 18 years that I have become deeply involved on the local bridge scene. Bridge is a complex and mentally challenging sport, which has also given me the opportunity to meet friends that are not only worthwhile but competitive as well. Given all of these factors, I would very much like to contribute in any way that I can to its promotion here locally. Specifically, I would like fostering an environment where new players in the association are welcome and can play their best in a comfortable and pleasant atmosphere.



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Fort Worth Fall Sectional, October 31-November 2, 2003



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs AB1/2
Virginia Reinier & Barbara Jones



Fri & Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs C
Mary Jo Long & Janet Cunningham



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Dewitt Hudson & Peggy Hughes



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A
Nancy Hooker & Dru Highland



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs B
Mark Dumdei & Maryam Ghassami



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs C
Gay Nell & Melvin Ball



Sat Aft Strati-Flted Open Prs A
Justin Lall & Hemant Lall



Sat Aft Strati-Flted Open Prs X
Christian Stevens & Jonathan Ernest



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs AB
Emanuel McKinney & Diane Dillman



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A
Becky Price & Betty Finley



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs AB
Margot Hirsch & Dion Debois



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs C
Lewis Brescoll & Scott Wansbrough



Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Carol McConnell & Hai Gates
John McConnell & Mark Smid



Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Mariam Labovitz & Coyita Bowker
Ted Webb & Monte West



Bktd KO Teams Bkt IV
Gary & Audrey Wright
Barbara Traphagen & Billie McMahan



Bktd KO Teams Bkt V
Sam Griggs & Marvin Stewart
Laura Nash & Barbara Stewart



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A
Peggy Hughes & Carolyn Pinto
Randy Ausmus & Billy Leeper



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X
Michael & Barbara Estep
Gary Neisler & Nancy Peterson



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B
Othella Muzzio & Pamela Wiegmann
John Wiegmann & Jack Fitzgerald



Sun Morn 299er Swiss Teams B
Shay Ura & Shirley Ashby
Bob Ingebritson & Jim Harp



Sun Aft 299er Swiss Teams AB
Kathy Coleman & Carolyn Marks
Diane Dillman & Karen Collins



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams C
Robert Bergbower & Kay McManigell
Richard Carroll & Keith Marks



Sun Morn 299er Swiss Teams A
George Davis & Barbara Hadaway
Sam Sneed & Joe Howard

Coleman-Carolyn Marks C2/3. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette C2/3. Shirley Ashby-Jim Harp.

Sat Aft Strati-Flted Open Prs Flt AX A1. Justin Lall-Hemant Lall A2.X1. Christian Stevens-Jonathan Ernest X2. Keith McCall-Judy Staser **Strati BC B1.C1.** Marianne Keitel-Janice Fisher B2. Henry Weltman-Bettye Weltman C2. Larry Howell-David Pollard.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Emanuel McKinney-Diane Dillman A2.B2.C1. Janet Cunningham-Mary Jo Long C2. Mike Zipes-Linda Zipes.

Sat Aft Strat 0-20 Prs A1.B1. Lois Backof-Ann Overfield A2.B2. Carolyn Smith-Hope Garvin.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Betty Finley-Becky Price A2. Steve Shirey-Donna Rosz B1. Anna Box-Bobbie Beverung B2.C1. Ann Kennemer-Patsy Walters C2. Marianne Keitel-Janice Fisher.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Margot Hirsch-Dion Dubois A2.B2.C1. Lewis Brescoll-Scott Wansbrough C2. Allen Grissom-Doris Doores.

Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Mark Bumgardner-Mike Bukala-Michael Dalton-Hugh Hillaker-Kimmel Jones 2. Thomas Hughes Jr-Linda Spangler-Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley **Bkt II 1.** John Mc Connell-Carol McConnell-Mark Smid-Hai Gates 2. Tomi Fitzgerald-Diane Schaffer-James LaFountain-Jon Richard Ware **Bkt III 1.** Monte West-Coyita Bowker-Miriam Labovitz-Ted Webb 2. Michael Estep-Barbara Estep-Sonja Fair-Millie Williams **Bkt IV 1.** Gary Wright-Audrey Wright-Billie McMahan-Barbara Traphagen 2. Joe Howard-George Davis-Barbara Hadaway-Sam Sneed Jr **Bkt V 1.** Marvin Stewart-Barbara Stewart-Laura Nash-Sam Griggs 2. Sondra Kae Goar-Hershel Goar-Robert Kennemer-Leo Norman.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams Flt AX A1. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper-Randy Ausmus-Peggy Hughes A2. Greg Hinz-Hemant Lall-Nagy Kamela Justin Lall X1. Michael Estep-Barbara Estep-Nancy Peterson-Gary Neisler X2. Christian Stevens-Peter Hudson-Sandra Campbell-Jonathan Ernest **Strati BC B1.** J Wiegmann-Pamela Wiegmann-Jack Fitzgerald-Othella Muzzio B2. R De Wald-Diane Kohsmann-Maryanne Hon-Ira Nemazie C1. Robert

Bergbower-Keith Marks-Richard Carroll-W McManigell C2. Ivan Uys-Shary Watson-Nellie Judson-Ricardo Azevedo.

Sun Morn Strat 299er Swiss Teams A1. Joe Howard-Barbara Hadaway-George Davis-Sam Sneed Jr A2.B1. Shay Ura-Bob Ingebritson-Shirley

Ashby-Jim Harp B2. Mary Jo Long-Janet Cunningham-Janet Jordan-Diane Washabaugh.

Sun Aft Strat 299er Swiss Teams A1.B1. Karen Collins-Carolyn Marks-Kathy Coleman-Diane Dillman A2.B2. Mary Jo Long-Janet Cunningham-Janet Jordan-Diane Washabaugh.



Heart of Metroplex Arlington Sectional February 13-15, 2004

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Friday, February 13

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
0-20 Newcomer Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO's session I	7:30 pm

Saturday, February 14

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO's sessions II & III	1:30 & 7:30 pm
EASY BRIDGE, single session (\$5.50)	1:30 pm

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Sunday, February 15

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA
Stratified 199er Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Pairs: A: 2000+, B: 500-2000, C: 0-500
199er Pairs: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50
Teams: A: 3000+, AX: 0-3000 (play together)
B: 500-2000, C: 0-500 (play together)

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Steve Lawrence Passes 15,000 Masterpoint Plateau



Steve Lawrence

Steve Lawrence is a Bridge Professional and retired geologist who lives in Athens, Texas.

He won the 1996 Senior Player of the Year and is a longtime member of the ACBL National Good Will Committee. Lawrence has been an ACBL member for more than 50 years.

He is also a District 16 and Unit 225 former presidents.

Results: Fort Worth Sectional

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Mark Bumgardner-Bill Staats A2. Linda Spangler-Pat Cassidy B1. Joe Freeman-Thomas Hainze Jr B2.C1. Shary Watson-Ivan Uys C2. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1/2.B1/2. Ralph Green-Andrew D'Ascenzo A1/2.B1/2. Barbara Jones-Virginia Reinier C1. Janet Cunningham-Mary Jo Long C2. Shirley Ashby-Jim Harp.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Dewitt Hudson Jr-Peggy Hughes A2. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper B1.C1. Lynn Dellangelo-Marlene Round B2.C2. Marianne Keitel-Janice Fisher.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Nancy Hooker-Dru Highland A2. Maycie Lewis-Rosalyn Tolbert B1. Mark Dumdei-Maryam Ghassami B2/3.C1. Melvin Ball-Gay Nell Ball B2/3. Kathy

Mexican Regional Puerto Vallarta, October 13-19, 2003



Tues Strat Prs AB
Harold & Charlotte Wilson



Tues Strat Prs C & Eve Side Series
Alfredo & Deborah Ringel



Wed Strat Prs A
Nancy & Stephen Kornegay



Wed Strat Prs B & Thurs Strat Prs AB
John Anderson & Thomas Gillett



Thurs & Fri Strat Prs C
Morn Side Series
Sue Gerard & John Taylor



Bktd KO Teams I & II
Judy & Dee McDonald
Virginia Dewing
Tom Henry & Cheryl Frizzell

Results: Mexican Regional Puerto Vallarta

Mon Charity Prs A1. Ed Lewis-Dot Lewis, VA A2. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, N Richlnd Hls A3. Linda Lake, NY-Bruce Reeve, NC A4. Randolph Worsham-Helen Worsham, Dallas A5. Jayne Keleher-Dan Keleher, Mountain Home B1. Faigie Kopelman, ON-R McDonald, Laredo B2.C1. Sofia Aldrete-Pedro Aldrete, MX B3. Richard Ziegler, Bloomfield MI-William Cray, WI B4. Harold Wilson-Charlotte Wilson, Gonzales B5.C2. Sue Gerard, MX-John Taylor, Lago Vista C3. Alfredo Ringel-Deborah Ringel, MX.

Bktd KO Teams I 1. Judy McDonald-R McDonald, Laredo-Virginia Dewing, MX-Cheryl Frizzell, Corpus Christi-Tom Henry, MX 2. Rick Pleiss-Marjorie Blunt-James Zaratian, Poulso WA-Monta Bell, MT 3/4. Terry Currie-Pat McMullin, Houston-Edwin Lewis III-Thomas Hyde, CT 3/4. David Buck-Juanita Buck, Laredo-Kathleen Burnham, MX-Grace Basile, NY.

Tues Strat Prs A1.B1. Harold

Wilson-Charlotte Wilson, Gonzales A2. Ed Lewis-Dot Lewis, VA A3. Robert Pugh, MX-Alfred Goldspiel, CA A4. Jayne Keleher-Dan Keleher, Mountain Home A5.B2. Thomas Gillett, PA-J Anderson, MX B3.C1. Alfredo Ringel-Deborah Ringel, MX B4.C2. Sue Gerard, MX-John Taylor, Lago Vista C3. Dion Dubois, Dallas-Rene Franco, Laredo.

Wed Strat Prs A1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, N Richlnd Hls A2. Bernadette Revicky-Rosemary Boden, NJ A3. Clarence Hood III, WA-Jean McCullough, AZ A4. Linda Lake, NY-Bruce Reeve, NC A5.B1. Thomas Gillett, PA-J Anderson, MX B2. Diane Van Brocklin, OR-Henrietta Morris, Arlington B3. Harold Wilson-Charlotte Wilson, Gonzales C1. Jeny Grinberg-Roberto Grinberg, MX C2. John Taylor, Lago Vista-Sue Gerard, MX.

Thurs Strat Prs A1.B1. Thomas Gillett, PA-J Anderson, MX A2.B2.C1. Sue Gerard, MX-John Taylor, Lago Vista A3. Robert Pugh, MX-Alfred Goldspiel, CA A4.B3. David Buck, Laredo-William Cray, WI A5/6.B4. Jeny Grinberg-Roberto Grinberg, MX

A5/6. Jean McCullough, AZ-Marjorie Blunt, WA C2. Faigie Kopelman, ON-Bernadette Revicky, NJ C3. Mary Davis, NY-Polly Harshbarger, SC.

Morn Side Game Series 1/2. John Taylor, Lago Vista 1/2. Sue Gerard, MX.

Aft Side Game Series 1/2. Ted Rank, Tyler 1/2. Karol Rank, Tyler 3/4. Norinne Anderson Nelson, IL 3/4. N Richard Nelson, IL 5/6. Marianna Levenhagen, MX 5/6. William Cray, WI.

Eve Side Game Series 1/2. Deborah Ringel, MX 1/2. Alfredo Ringel, MX 3. Gary Dayton, IL 4. James Zaratian, WA 5/6. David Hoogenberg, MX 5/6. Donald Ross, MX.

Bktd KO Teams II 1. Judy McDonald-R McDonald, Laredo-Cheryl Frizzell, Corpus Christi-Tom Henry-Mauro Viale, MX 2. Edwin Lewis III, CT-Terry Currie-Pat McMullin, Houston-Thomas Hyde, CT.

Bktd KO Teams III 1. Edwin Lewis III, CT-Ed Lewis-Dot Lewis, VA-Thomas Hyde, CT 2. Judy McDonald-R McDonald, Laredo-

Cheryl Frizzell, Corpus Christi-Mauro Viale-Tom Henry, MX 3/4. Jack Paulus, MI-Donald Ross, MX-David Hoogenberg, MX-Lynne Ziegler, MI 3/4. Terry Currie-Pat McMullin-Jolie Hess, Houston-Martha Black, Pearland.

Fri Strat Prs A1. Bruce Reeve, NC-Linda Lake, NY A2. Russell Quinnell-Sigrid Price, CA A3. Dan Keleher-Jayne Keleher, Mountain Home A4. James Zaratian, WA-Richard Ziegler, MI A5.B1. Jeny Grinberg-Roberto Grinberg, MX B2. Thomas Gillett, PA-J Anderson, MX B3. Henrietta Morris, Arlington-Diane Van Brocklin, OR A4. Harold Wilson-Charlotte Wilson, Gonzales A5. Osvaldo Barreiro-Danielle Le Blanc, CA C1. John Taylor, Lago Vista-Sue Gerard, MX C2/3. Maria Elena Rodriguez-Pedro Aldrete, MX 2/3. Gloria Kreimerman-Hilda Kreimerman, MX.

Bktd KO Teams IV 1. David Buck-Juanita Buck, Laredo-William Cray, WI-Roy Butler, MX 2. Mary Davis, NY-Polly Harshbarger, SC-Dion Dubois, Dallas-Rene Franco, Laredo.

Sat Strat Prs A1. Norinne Anderson

Nelson-N Richard Nelson, IL A2. Russell Quinnell-Sigrid Price, CA A3. Jolie Hess-Terry Currie, Houston A4. Monta Bell, MT-Rick Pleiss, WA A5. Clarence Hood III-Victoria Sager, WA B1. Jack Paulus-Richard Ziegler, MI B2. Thomas Hyde-Edwin Lewis III, CT B3. Tom Henry, MX-Cheryl Frizzell, Corpus Christi B4.C1. Gloria Kreimerman-Hilda Kreimerman, MX B5. Donald Ross-David Hoogenberg, MX C2. John Taylor, Lago Vista-Sue Gerard, MX C3. Bernard Provencher, QC-Ferol Jenkins, FL.

Sun Swiss Teams A1. Linda Lake, NY-Jolie Hess, Houston-Bruce Reeve, NC-Martha Black, Pearland A2.B1.C1. John Taylor, Lago Vista-Sue Gerard, MX-June Dudeck-Marie Athey, IL A3.B2.C2. David Buck-Juanita Buck, Laredo-Alfredo Ringel-Deborah Ringel, MX A4.B3. David Hoogenberg-Donald Ross-J Anderson, MX-Thomas Gillett, PA A5.B4. Judy McDonald-R McDonald, Laredo-Tom Henry, MX-Cheryl Frizzell, Corpus Christi C3. Mary Davis, NY-Polly Harshbarger, SC-Dion Dubois, Dallas-Rene Franco, Laredo.

Houston Unit 174 to Hold Board Elections April 2-4, 2004

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The approximately 2260 members of Unit 174, whose participating clubs include Angleton, Baytown, Brenham, Bryan/College Station, Conroe, Galveston, Houston, Lake Jackson, La Marque, Missouri City, Pasadena, Stafford, Sugar Land and Wharton, will have an opportunity to vote for three members of the Board of Directors April 2-4, 2004, during the Election Sectional at the Arabia Shrine Temple, located at the corner of Brompton and North Braeswood in Houston.

Arlene Weingarten, Chairman of this year's Nominating Committee, consisting of Walter Arnold, Bill Baker, Richard Grammer and Julie Halperin, urges all Unit 174 members to vote, either in person or absentee. To vote in person, you should plan to be at the tournament site during the hour before each session on Friday and Saturday, or one hour before the Sunday morning session April 2-4. To vote absentee, follow the procedure outlined below. Winners will be announced prior to the second Sunday session on April 4.

In order for your vote to be counted, you must vote for exactly three candidates.

The three newly elected board members will join Jo Dene Bond, Fred Feigley, Betty Freedman, Jolie Hess, Lew Levy, and Bert Onstott to complete the full nine-member board.

The candidates have been given an opportunity to introduce themselves and say a few words about their philosophies, goals and backgrounds. They are listed alphabetically and have been restricted to 100 words.



Marsha Bernstein

Marsha Bernstein
The basic thing to know about me is that I am a hard worker—I like to get things done. I have been involved in fundraising and organizations since I was 13 years old. I am dependable and solid. I believe in Zero Tolerance, justice for everyone. I love people, I love to have a good time, I love my husband and my family and I LOVE BRIDGE!



Wilma Booth

Wilma Booth
My name is Wilma Booth. I took up bridge ten years ago when I married Geoff. My job history consists primarily of twenty-five years in Real Estate and ten years as a supervisor with Southwestern Bell. These positions required marketing, contract negotiation, people skills, and

organizational abilities. I own and manage several rental properties. For several of my class reunions, I've negotiated the food and hotel facilities and chaired the advertising and decorations committee. I served as president of Blue Chippers Investment Club for three years.

Bobbi Kauffman

In May 2003, I accepted an appointment to the Board. My committee responsibilities are GNT Coordinator, Budget and Audit Coordinator, Assistant Coordinator Supplies, Co-chair April 2004 Sectional, and member Special Events. Additional commitments are coordinating the Director, Update, and TAP courses.

I have a BA in accounting. Past work experience was computer



Bobbie Kauffman

programming/analysis and income tax preparation. I have been involved as Deacon and member of the Finance Committee at church, PTA board member and Athletic Booster Club volunteer.

I ask for your vote and will continue to contribute to the growth and success of Unit 174.

John Lindsey

My vision for bridge is to bring new and young people into local games and tournaments and make bridge a more enjoyable pastime. I have a BBA in accounting and recently retired from Massey Industries as Controller for 20 years with responsibility for all accounting and business decisions. I began playing duplicate bridge in the late 60's and became a Life Master in 1988.



John Lindsey

Presently, I am introducing my wife, Theron, to the world of duplicate bridge, a process which provides me with important insights into the way our bridge world is viewed through a newcomer's eyes.

Matthew Rawson

I have ten years managerial experience in wholesale and retail sales of the prepaid phone card industry. I started a branch office for a nationally recognized prepaid phone card firm and grew sales to \$7 million through distribution and internet sales and am computer literate in Microsoft applications. I developed a route distribution network for prepaid phone cards and built a customer base through patience and perseverance.

Although I have not played bridge long and have just over a hundred



Bill St.Clair

masterpoints, I feel my skills might be useful to the Board and the Unit.

Bill St. Clair

I really enjoyed serving on our Unit Board this past year and am very much interested in serving again. My professional background is financial. I have an MBA from the Wharton School and my last position was Director of Finance for a \$125 million dollar Houston company.

A number of Board members mentioned to me that my financial expertise was helpful in improving our Unit's financial reporting. I oversaw our auditors and instituted a budget process. I also coordinated the Grand National Team and North American Pair events and felt I worked well with all of the other Board members.

Absentee Voting Procedure

If you do not plan to attend the tournament, you should send a stamped, self-addressed envelope along with a SIGNED letter to the election judges, Natalie Greene and Dale Crumbaugh. Please address requests to Natalie Greene at 32 Villa Bend Dr., Houston, TX 77069-1431. The address on the return envelope must be the Voter's address of record. If the Voter is a member in good standing, an Official Ballot will be sent to the Voter, along with instructions for returning it. All Absentee Ballots must be returned postmarked no later than March 19, 2004, and be received by March 31, 2004. Please request absentee ballots early as no ballots will be mailed out after March 17. Send questions by e-mail to: natdale@aol.com. Election or Ballot should be in the subject line.

Fort Worth 299er Sectional, October 11-12, 2003



Sun Aft Strat Swiss Teams A
Patricia Rose & Bob Butterfield
Robert Stewart & James Esker



Sun Aft Strat Swiss Teams B
Diane Hoksbergen & Nedra Sims
Katy Kowierschke & Junene Johnson



Sun Morn Strat Swiss Teams C1/2
Don & Karen Greer
Winford & Janice Boyd



Sun Morn Strat Swiss Teams C1/2
Doris Doores & Martha Jacobson
(NP) Allen Grissom & Steven Johnston



Sun Morn Strat Swiss Teams AB
Joanna Kaspar & Mary Norfleet
Carol Nicoud & Milton Aston



Sat & Sun Morn Strat Prs ABC
Janet Cunningham & Mary Jo Long



Sat Aft Strat Prs AB
Gloria Fields & Lorraine Little



Sat Aft Strat Prs C
Wilma & Sylvere Luquette

Unit 225
East Texas



Karol Rank

Recently special awards were given to the following Unit 225 members. Dorothy Parker and Peggy Parker received the Ben Friend Award (highest point winners at the Unit Games).

The Emily Leak Award went to Nancy Green for Novice of the Year and Buf Slay received the Tyler Tournament Award for earning the most points during the tournament.

It is so good to see new people interested in Duplicate Bridge and that is certainly what Dottie Pirkle is seeing. She will start her 10 lesson series on January 13th and already has over 30 people signed up to learn the duplicate bridge way. And of course there will be some of us attending as refresher classes. Now if we could just get more players interested in our Monthly Unit Games. These games are stratified and the points earned are greater than what you earn at the club level.

Speaking of Unit Games and lessons - the mini-lessons we had at the Unit games earlier this year were so popular that our Education Chair, Marcille Kallerson, has 4 more set up for us. At the January 10th game Cleo Tucker's topic will be "Code of Conduct." On February 14th Michael Henry will present "Evaluating Your Hand." Two other dates are set, March 13th with Dottie Pirkle and June 12th with Jonathan Ernest; topics unknown at this time. Mark your calendars to come early on these dates as the presentation will start at noon.

We welcome the following new members, Sue Ritschel, Dee Gemmel, Rhonda McMullen and Shirley Leonard; transferring members Mrs. E. P. Hubbell and Morgan Hay.

The latest members of the 70%+ club are Rosalyn Tullos and Lela Mae Corley with a 70.5% game; Judy Adams and Nell Velvin with a 70% game; Mary Priest and Lynda Frazier with a 71.67% game; Gayle Mauldin and Mike Graham recorded a 73.6% game; Clara and Eldon Chappell with a 74.31% game; Dottie Pirkle and Jerry McGuffey recorded a 72.89% game and Ted and Karol Rank had a 72% game.

At the November Board Meeting a new position was established to ensure that "Get Well and Sympathy Cards" are sent to our members in need. Janie Frantz has volunteered to be our "Sunshine Girl." Please contact her at either 903.720.6361 or 903.777.4889 if you know of someone in distress.

At the December Unit Game the following members were honored and awarded plaques for their achievements.

Gold Life Master (2500 MPs) Buf

Slay; Silver Life Master (1000 MPs) Shirley Matthews and Dorothy Parker; Bronze Life Master (500 MPs) Annette Crawford, Martha Ellis, Gloria Rowland and Alta Peck; Life Master (300 MPs) Aline Drawhorn, Billie Lewis, Evelyn Schmidt and Charles Conner. Congratulations players!

Once again Janie Frantz and her committee did an excellent job with the luncheon, decorations and awards.

Congratulations to Ruth Abbott of Canton who was named Volunteer of the Year by the Texas State Genealogical Society. Another of our Canton bridge players, Macile Turner celebrated her 90th birthday in December.


Austin Non Life Master Sectional November 22-23, 2003

Sat Aft Strat Prs A1. Angela Lennon-James Lennon A2.B1. Terry Pierce-Virginia Horsman B2. Wan-Wan Ren-Terry Richardson C1. James Glathar-Joan Glathar C2. Marilyn Sharratt-Nancy Dean.

Sat Eve Strat Prs A1. Angela Lennon-James Lennon A2. Hal DeShong-Clint Schuhmacher B1.C1. Marjie Webb-Jim Lang B2.C2. Winford Craig Boyd-Janice Boyd.

Sun Aft Strat Prs A1.B1. Tamas Hausel-J Black A2.B2. Jeff Ford-Nick Jong C1. Winford Craig Boyd-Janice Boyd C2. Jean O'Neal-Jim O'Neal.

Unit 183
Fort Worth



Kay Jones

Mel Bason was born in the Age of Aquarius before WWII ... way before ... in 1932. He was born on a farm in Ellis County, the youngest of seven children. He attended public school in several small communities and graduated three years ahead of Helen Bridges, a bridge player from Mansfield, and graduated from Baylor University one year ahead of Joan Williams (It's a small world, isn't it?) After being discharged from the Army in 1956, Mel worked for Armour and Company and Continental Oil until 1965. Thanks to Medicare and other widespread Social Security amendments in 1965, Mel was hired as a Claims Representative. He worked in that capacity and as a Operations Supervisor at the Fort Worth downtown office and the southside Branch office until he retired in November, 1995.

Mel started learning duplicate bridge along with Amy Percy and Peggy Hughes in 1975 and became a life master in 1992. He loves to go to tournaments and his favorite tournament is the annual Gatlinburg Regional in Tennessee. (Mel refers to the Smokey Mountains as God's Country!) His regular partners include Esther Blalock, Jane O'Brien, Jane Rushford, Alan Sheppard, B.J. Yates, Joyce Journey and Mariam Labovitz - although he plays with many more. He

Results: 299er Fort Worth Sectional Sat Morn Strat Prs A1.B1.C1. Janet Cunningham-Mary Jo Long A2. Pawel Hanus-Bogumil Knypinski B2/3. Judy Kincaid-Gene Kincaid B2/3. Elizabeth Smith-Ola Fay Anderson.
Sat Aft Strat Prs A1.B1. Gloria Fields-Lorraine Little A2. Virginia Reinier-Barbara Jones B2. Emanuel McKinney-Bonita Turner C1. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette C2. Janet

Cunningham-Mary Jo Long.
Sun Strat Prs A1.B1.C1. Janet Cunningham-Mary Jo Long A2.B2.C2. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette.
Sun Morn Strat Swiss Teams A1.B1. Milton Aston-Carol Nicoud-Mary Norfleet-Joanna Kaspar A2. Bob Butterfield-Patricia Rose-James Esker-Robert Stewart B2/3. Karen Collins-Carolyn Marks-Shirley Prewitt-Kathy Coleman B2/3. Charles Gibson Jr-Margot Hirsch-Connie Booth-Roy Booth C1/2. Allen Grissom-Steven Johnston-Doris Doores-Martha Jacobson C1/2. Don Greer-Karen Greer-Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd.
Sun Aft Strat Swiss Teams A1. Bob Butterfield-Patricia Rose-James Esker-Robert Stewart A2.B1. Katy Kowierschke-Diane Hoksbergen-Junene Johnson-Nedra Sims B2. Juliana Stark-Ann Couch-Tom Nute-Cynthia Benton C1. Helen Nelson-Linda Madding-Glen Terrell-Jo Nell Amaral.

enjoys all his partners and does not favor one over the other (the man is NOT stupid!)

He enjoys reading, watching and collecting movies and above all, teasing his friends about anything and everything. His immediate family consists of five cats whose names go on his Christmas cards and who entertain Mel all the time. (Another past time that consumes Mel on a seasonal basis is picking up and

counting the acorns and pecans in his yard.

In 2003, he picked up 42,590 acorns and, so far, 6,500 pecans. No wonder his back hurts on occasion! He may be a bit of an eccentric but he's OUR eccentric. (And besides, aren't most bridge players eccentric?) Mel also bought our newest coffeepot which shows he really cares for his fellow bridge players. We're glad to have Mel in our unit!

Ring in the New Year by asking a new player to play in your local club!

13th Annual Longview Sectional
February 20-22, 2004
Longview Exhibit Building
(Behind & West of Maude Cobb Convention Center)
Enter on Cotton Street to Grand Blvd.
Exhibit Building is past Maude Cobb to the Right (West)

Friday, February 20	
Stratified Pairs, single sessions	1:00 & 7:00 pm
299er Pairs, single sessions	1:00 & 7:00 pm
Saturday, February 21	
Stratified Pairs, two sessions	1:00 & 7:00 pm
(Note: single session entries also available)	
299er Pairs, single sessions	1:00 & 7:00 pm
Sunday, February 22	
Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams	10:00 am & TBA


Stratifications

Open Pairs: A: 1250+, B: 500-1250, C: 0-500
Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams:
A: Unlimited AX: 750-1500 (Play together)
B: 300-750, C: 0-300 (Play together)
Complimentary beverages & snacks
Food provided after Fri & Sat evening sessions
Lunch will be served on Sunday
Prizes for event winners
Non-smoking tournament with smoking breaks

<p>Host Hotel Quality Inn (Less than 1/2 mile from Exhibit Building) 203 N. Spur 63 at Hwy 80 903.757.7858 Flat Bridge Rate: \$58 Free full breakfast refrigerators & microwaves Reserve by February 10, 2004</p>	<p>Tournament Chairman Mike Graham 903.968.2718 Partnership Chairman Shirley Matthews 903.882.1335 Hospitality Chairman Janie Frantz 903.758.0463 Director-in-Charge Sue Doe</p>
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\$9/ACBL member \$9.50/nonmembers
\$80/Team

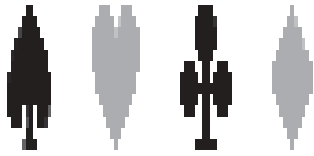
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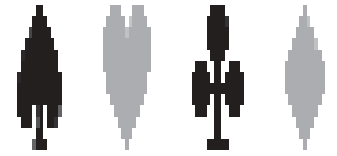
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Abilene, San Antonio and Midland Bridge Clubs

Gary King
299er Editor



Intermediate/Novice New Year Resolutions!



By the time you read this the end of year celebrations will have passed and you will have settled down from all the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. You likely have already forgotten or broken all of your New Year resolutions. I would like to challenge you to either adopt or add to your list of resolutions. For your consideration I offer the following.

#1 – Set a goal with regard to your bridge skills. I would suggest that this goal NOT be some number of master points. That is hardly a goal worthy of your consideration. Instead set an objective to spend a certain number of hours per month simply studying or reading about the game. This game has more published literature than most. Pick a topic of interest and work on it. Try to integrate it into your game when you play. Track and measure your results.

#2 – Improve your attitude. Players, especially those in the 299er range, tend to get a bit of attitude. No one is out to cheat you. No one is out to make you look like an idiot. The partner or opponent that revokes, bids out of turn, leads from the wrong hand, takes a bit too long to bid or play, or commits some other error is very much more than likely just distracted or confused. Cut them some slack. I do not mean not to call the director. I do not mean to over-

look the error without action. But I do mean to change the tone you use to call the director. Try not to sound like someone just shot your dog. A simple, but polite, request for the director at an appropriate volume is all that is required. Life will go on and this is a game, after all.

#3 – Work harder on correcting your errors than pointing out partner's errors. Partner knows that you just received a poor result; you need not point it out. At the most discuss it later, in private. The most difficult thing for me when I play duplicate matchpoints is to listen to the opponents after the hand is over. In my estimation the player talking (usually making an accusation) is wrong more than half of the time. Take some time to reflect and consider the hand from partner's point of view before engaging in a dialogue about it. You might just discover that you were the one that lead partner astray. Partner just might decide to continue to play with you instead of looking for greener pastures.

#4 – Play down. Everyone would like to play with a partner that is more skilled, but it takes two to tango. Once every eight or ten sessions make it a point to ask a player with lesser skills to play. Play their convention card and do not expect them to play all of your favorite conventions. During the game

perform as a good solid partner for them to play with. Do not try to grab the dummy, take over the defense, or manhandle the bidding. What good does that do? Your goal is not to win (heaven forbid you should not win!) but to help them with their game. Consider it a lesson for them and therapy for you. Do not preach, instead at the end of the game pick two or three things only, and help them understand why things went wrong. That is what you wish of someone helping you.

#5 – Give back to the game. It takes a tremendous amount of work for the local unit or your local bridge club to operate. Volunteer to help. There are 5 or 6 local tournaments each year and hundreds of opportunities to help. Work the partnership desk or hospital-ity table. Stay after the game on Sunday and help put up the tables. Ask a board member how you might help. After they get the stunned look off of their face I am sure they will have a long list of things you might do. Help the Intermediate/Novice Coordinator. Lots of new players need help with convention cards, where to sit, or how to use a bidding box. Help with the administration of the ProAm or Charity games. Volunteer to be a last minute fill-in for these games.

#6 – Bring someone new into duplicate. You may not remember how in-

timidating it was to go to your first duplicate game. I have talked with hundreds of casual players who were run off by some overly energetic player at their first duplicate and never went back. Encourage someone to play and act as their protector and mentor. If you just get them through their first two or three games they will be hooked. Like it or not our game is dying. Every year the ACBL has fewer members than the year before. There are distractions everywhere. Younger players have video games and the internet. Older players still think that duplicate players are nothing but sharks. I actually had a lady tell me once that she would like to try duplicate but was afraid she might make a mistake! To correct that impression it must start on the individual level, one player at a time.

The duplicate world has come a long way in the past twenty years or so. We have novice games to help players get started. We have stratified and flighted games to allow players to compete only with those on the same level. We have different type of scoring (IMPs,

matchpoints) to satisfy those with different interests. These changes have made the game better and open to a wider audience. It starts at the bottom and you can make a difference if you try. If not, the way things are headed we might go the way of Whist. When is the last time you saw an advertisement for the local Whist tournament? Let me hear from you.

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New Orleans Fall NABC 299er Winners

District 16 was well represented in the Intermediate/Novice Events at the 2004 Fall NABC held in New Orleans November 20-30, 2003. Congratulations to the following Intermediate/Novice winners:

Thurs Eve I/N Prs A4.B4. Junene Johnson-Nedra Sims, Ft. Worth **Fri Morn 299er Prs A2.** John Taylor, Lago Vista-Sue Gerard, Mexico City A4.B2.C1. Howard Lindsey-Jane Murtishaw, Dickinson A5.B3. Becky Ellisor-Milton Ellisor, Houston B5. Shay Ura, Plano-Bob Ingebritson, Carrollton **Fri Aft 299er Prs A4.B3.** R. Segerlind, Dallas B6. Cynthia Struve-Clemens Struve, Corpus Christi C4. Becky Ellisor-Milton Ellisor, Houston **Fri Eve 299er Prs A2.B2.** Christopher Hayes, Allen-Yvonne Hayes, San Antonio A6. Elba Gutekunst, Dallas **Fri Eve 299er Swiss Teams A5/6.B5/6.** Howard Lindsey-Jane Murtishaw, Dickinson-Meriedith Pfister-Lynn Weber, Houston A5/6.B5/6. Karen Alvarado, Kingwood-Kay Humphries-Hugh Humphries, Bellaire-Jayne Davis, Tomball **Skinny Miles Non LM Prs 6.** Elaine Wood, Southlake 8. Sue Gerard, Mexico City-John Taylor, Lago Vista **Sat Aft 49er Prs A2.B2.** Joe Jewell-Gaylene Jewell, Houston **Sat Aft 299er Prs B6.C5.** Becky Ellisor-Milton Ellisor, Houston C6. John Abercrombie-Carl Estes, Houston **1st Sat Eve 49er Prs A1.B1.** Katherine Tyler-Janet Revenaugh, Horseshoe Bay **1st Sat Eve 299er Prs A5.** A. Richard Devaul, College Station-Elizabeth Ward, Bryan A6.B3.C2. Becky Ellisor-Milton Ellisor, Houston B4.C3. Massuma M. Kazemi, Dallas **1st Sat Eve 299er Swiss Teams A1.** Christopher Hayes, Allen-Yvonne Hayes, San Antonio A4.B3.C1. Robert Arnett-David Wicks, Houston-Robin Johnson-Susan Stone, Kingwood **Dottie Toledano 299er Prs A3.B2.** Bob Ingebritson, Carrollton-Shay Ura, Plano C5. Julie Butterfield-Ann Drees, Dallas **Sun Aft 100/200/300 Prs A2.B1.C1.** Mary Payne-Frank Payne, Laredo A3.B2. Robert Bennett, Sterling City A4. Sue Gerard, Mexico City-John Taylor, Lago Vista 6. Elizabeth Ward, Bryan-A. Richard Devaul, College Station B4. Deborah Ringel-Alfredo Ringel, Guadalajara C4. Robert Arnett, Houston **Sun Aft 5/20/50 Prs 1.** Joe Jewell-Gaylene Jewell, Houston C4/5. Ann Mouzon, Richardson-Richard Ashby, Dallas **Sun**

Aft 299er Swiss Teams A3. John Laehy, Houston **Sun Eve 299er Swiss Teams A1.B1.C1.** Robert Arnett, Houston-Susan Stone-Robin Johnson, Kingwood A4.B4. LaVerne Harris-Agnes Sparks, San Augustine-Katye Kowierschke-Diane Hoksbergen, Ft. Worth **Mon Morn 50/200/300 Prs A5.B4.C1.** Bob Reese-Georgia Reese, Houston **Mon Aft 99er Prs A4.** John Abercrombie-Carl Estes, Houston A5/7.B2/3.C1/2. Howard Lindsey-Jane Murtishaw, Dickinson **Mon Aft 299er Prs A1.** Sue Gerard, Mexico City-John Taylor, Lago Vista B6/7. Diane Washabaugh, Aledo-Janet Jordan Aled **Mon Eve 299er Prs 1.** Jean Ann Titus-Bob Titus, Dallas **Mon Eve 299er Swiss Teams A4.B1.C1.** Mary Payne-Frank Payne, Laredo A5/6.B2/3. Robert Bennett, Sterling City **Tues Morn 299er Prs A1.B1.C1.** Bob Reese-Georgia Reese, Houston A4.B4. Alfred Fortier, III, Katy-David Wicks, Houston C5. Susan Stone-Robin Johnson, Kingwood **Tues Aft 50/20 Prs A1.B1.** Howard Lindsey-Jane Murtishaw, Dickinson **Tues Aft 299er Prs A6/7.** John Stieber-Glenda Stieber, Houston **Tues Eve 299er Prs A2.** Glenda Steiber-John Steiber, Houston **Tues Eve 299er Swiss Teams B4.** Bonnie Burkhart-Richard Burkhart-Bob Reese-Georgia Reese, Houston **Wed Morn 100/200/300 Prs A3.B2.C2.** Howard Lindsey-Jane Murtishaw, Dickinson **Wed Aft 99er Prs A2.B2.C1.** Howard Lindsey-Jane Murtishaw, Dickinson **Wed Eve 299er Swiss Teams B4.** Alfred Fortier, III, Katy-David Wicks, Houston **Wed Eve 99er Prs B4.** Judy Brown-Ronald Brown, Houston **Thurs Morn 100/200/300 Prs A1.B1.** Barbara Groussman-Dorothy Ivy, Dallas B5.C4. Colin Chang-Barbara Chang, Arlington C2. Jane Murtishaw-Howard Lindsey, Dickinson **Fri Morn 299er Prs A1.B1.** Anne Snider, San Antonio A2.B2. Alfred Fortier III, Katy-David Wicks, Houston **Fri National 99er Prs 2.** Howard Lindsey-Jan Murtishaw, Dickinson **Fri Aft 20/50/100 Prs A1.** Anne Snider, San Antonio A5.B3. Judy Brown-Ronald Brown, Houston **Fri Eve 200/300 Swiss Teams 1.** Lynn Mix-Christine Malfarlane, Houston **Sat Morn 299er Prs A1.** Howard Lindsey-Jane Murtishaw, Dickinson **Sun Morn 200/300 10 AM Swiss Teams A3/4.B1/2.** Anne Snider, San Antonio **Sun 2PM 299er Swiss Teams A2.** Anne Snider, San Antonio.

Bridge & Games Studio of Houston 299er Sectional November 14-16, 2003



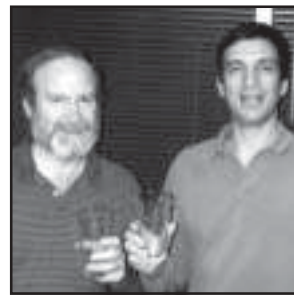
Fri Aft Strat Prs A
Eleanor Lipscomb & (NP) Bette Pressler



Fri Eve Strat Prs ABC
Lynn & Armand Shapiro



Sat Eve Strat Prs A
Allen & Blanche Craig



Sat Eve Strat Prs B
David Wicks & Luca Dona



Sat Eve Strat Prs C
Barbara & Stephen Lavoot



Sun Aft Strat Prs ABC
Becky Moores & John Laehy



Sun Strat Swiss Teams AB
Alfred Fortier & P. Tourais
David Wicks & Jacqueline McNamara



Sun Strat Swiss Teams C
Frances Robbins & Easter David
Jayne Davis & (NP) Barbara Gadea



Bktd KO Teams
John & Glenda Stieber
Betty Lou & George Suman

Results: B&GS 299er Sectional
Fri Aft Strat Prs A1. Eleanor Lipscomb-Bette Pressler A2. Leigh Ann Poindexter-Sonia Bryant B1.C1. Frances Robbins-Jayne Davis B2.C2. Leol Franklin-Robert Frederick.

Fri Eve Strat Prs A1.B1.C1. Armand Shapiro-Lynn Shapiro A2. Avik Kaufman-James McElhinney B2.C2. John Cox-Jean Evans.

Sat Morn Strat Prs A1. Matthew Rawson-Michele Rawson A2. Stuart R Traver-Britt Siem.

Sat Aft Strat Prs A1.B1.C1.

Marjorie Pace-Tiny Beckham A2.B2. Karen Alvarado-Roberta Graham C2. Lynn Shapiro-Armand Shapiro.

Sat Eve Strat Prs A1. Blanche Craig-Allen Craig, Jr. A2. Judith Lopez-Stuart Hunter B1. Luca Dona-David Wicks B2. Carl Estes-John Abercrombie C1. Barbara Lavoot-Stephen Lavoot C2. Tiny Beckman-Ron Brown.

Sun Aft Strat Prs A1.B1.C1. Becky Moores-John Laehy A2.B2. Ralph Herz-Gabriel Perry C2. Barbara Lavoot-Stephen Lavoot.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1.B1. Alfred Fortier III-Jacqueline McNamara-P Tourais-David Wicks A2. James & Frances Simmons-Karen Alvarado-Roberta Graham B2. Fredi Weinbaum-Hillel Weinbaum-Donald Storbeck-John Abercrombie C1. Easter David-Barbara Gadea-Jayne Davis-Frances Robbins.

Bktd KO Teams 1. Betty Lou Suman-Glenda Stieber-George Suman-John Stieber 2. Charles Zander-William Zello-James Greaves-Jere Kemp.

Houston Halloween Sectional, October 31-November 2, 2003



Fri Eve Strati-Flted Prs AX
Joan & Vic Sitton



Sat Strat Choice Prs A
Sally Wheeler & Georgiana Gates



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A
Sally Avery & Betty Moore



Sat Aft Strat 49er Prs AB
Betty Lou & George Suman



Sat Eve Strat 49er Prs ABC
David Anton & Dick Zinser



Sun Strat Open Prs A
Arlene Weingarten & Roger Chalfant



Fri Eve Strati-Flted Prs C
Robin Ladin & Barbara Harberg



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X1/2
Marty Hoover & Lesly VanDame
Bil VanDame & Harry Sellidin



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B1/2
Fred Feigley & Burt Onstott
Donna Sparks & Katherine Onstott



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B1/2
Joanna Heebner & Chris Jones
Henry Heebner & Lillian Jones



Sun Morn Strat Swiss Teams C
Lucy Hofmann & Kay Humphries
Pam Dettmers & Karen Alvarado



Sun Aft 299er Swiss Teams A
Frances Simmons & Bonnie Burkhardt
Jim Simmons & Rick Burkhardt



Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Jack LaVigne & John Erickson
Jo Quinn & Oren Moore
Gil Micheletti & Ira Hessel



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A
Tom Peters & John Zilic
Barbara Grantham
Chris Compton & Bob Grantham



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X1/2
Svetlana Oden & Chuck Gillis
Kathy Evans
Mark Wallet & Jerry Evans

Results: Houston Sectional

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. J Evans-G Vic Sowers III A2. Gil Micheletti-Oren Moore B1.C1. Nadia Branisa-Silvana Smith B2. Ralda St Pierre-Karen McCandless C2. Cheri Staples-Linda Howard.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Gabriel Perry-Jim Greaves A2.B1. C Sue Semple-Georgia Sampson B2.C1. Elinor Fox-Marvin Fox C2. Fredi Weinbaum-John Laehy.

Fri Aft Strat 49er Prs A1.B1. Robert Ziegler-Bill Chamberlain A2.B2.C1. Barbara Rose-John Bryan C2. Connie Bath-Alan Bath.

Fri Eve Strati-Flted Prs Flt AX A1.X1. Victor Sitton-Joan Sitton A2. Oren Moore-Stephen Schwall X2. Richard Hess-William Baker **Strati BC B1.** John Linden-Ida Lewis B2.C1. Robin Ladin-Barbara Harberg C2. Jo Devine-Barbara Gadea.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Christy Morrissey-Donna Frederick A2.B2.C2. Easter David-David Sathiaraj.

Fri Eve Strat 49er Prs A1.B1.C1. Dawn Elliott-Alan Feinsilber A2.B2. George Suman-Betty Lou Suman C2. Alistair Markham-Isobel Markham.

Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Jack La Vigne-John Erickson-Gil Micheletti-

Joe Quinn-Ira Hessel-Oren Moore 2. Sanford Lobliner-Robert Johnson-Jeff Nuttall-Al Lochli **Bkt II 1.** Kathy Hughes-George Elliff-J & Theron Lindsey 2. Avik Kaufman-Rose Calvin-Jere Kemp-Nandlal Khatri.

Sat Strat Choice Prs A1. Georgiana Gates-Sally Wheeler A2. Jean Cole-Jolie Hess B1. Henry Gurley-Allen Wolf B2.C1. Charles Lanni-Robert Watkins C2. Ken Brantferger-Murat Ocalan.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Sally Avery-Betty Moore A2.B1.C1. Christy Morrissey-Donna Frederick B2. Sue Olstad-Paul Olstad C2. Marvin Fox-Elinor Fox.

Sat Aft Strat 49er Prs A1.B1. George Suman-Betty Lou Suman A2/3.B2/3. John Krueger-Erica Jaeger A2/3.B2/3. Leol Franklin-Michael Nelson.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Becky Moores-Alfred Fortier III A2. Frances Simmons-James Simmons B2. Karen Alvarado-Kay Humphries C1. Fredi Weinbaum-Hillel Weinbaum C2. Susan Stone-Robin Johnson.

Sat Eve Strat 49er Prs A1.B1.C1. David Anton-Dick Zinser A2.B2. George Suman-Betty Lou Suman C2. Virginia Adams-Connie Colley.

Sun Flted Swiss Teams Flt AX A1. Barbara Grantham-Robert Grantham Jr-John Zilic-Chris Compton-Thomas Peters A2. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Robin Klar-Georgiana Gates X1/2. Harry Sellidin-William & Lesly Van Dame-Marty Hoover X1/2. Mark Wallet-Chuck Gillis-Kathy Evans-J Evans-Svetlana Oden **Flt B 1/2.** Joanna Heebner-Henry Heebner-Chris Jones-Lillian Jones 1/2. Bert Onstott III-Katherine Onstott-Fred Feigley-Donna Sparks **Flt C Morn 1.** Lucy Hofmann-Pamela Dettmers-Karen Alvarado-Kay Humphries **Flt C Aft 1.** Nadia Branisa-Giovanna Spiker-Cynthia Nicholas-Silvana Smith 2. Jo Devine-Barbara Gadea-Easter David-David Sathiaraj.

Sun Aft Strat 299er Swiss Teams A1. James Simmons-Frances Simmons-Bonnie Burkhardt-Richard Burkhardt A2. D Russell Long-John Bedford-C Brower Jr-Jacqueline McNamara B1/2. Dianne Kraft-John Redford-Armand Shapiro-Lynn Shapiro B1/2. Paul Olstad-Sue Olstad-Irene Powers-Darrell Way.

Sun Strat Open Prs A1. Arlene Weingarten-Roger Chalfant A2. Patricia Weddle-E Piwetz B1. Fred Wang-Amy Wang B2.C1. Renee Shapiro-Rita Greer C2. Joyce Settle-Carl Hogan.

Sun Morn Strat Swiss Teams C Lucy Hofmann & Kay Humphries Pam Dettmers & Karen Alvarado

Unit 174 Houston
Anne Page

Attendance at the Halloween Sectional was a noteworthy 480 tables! Just as noteworthy was the "take

down" at its end. Tournament chairperson Betty Freedman said in Arlene Weingarten's e-mail

Unit Newsletter: "You may not realize it, but one of our jobs is to 'take the room down' after the tournament, which means we have to take down the tables and chairs, pack up all the supplies and leave the room the way we found it. This was done in a record-breaking 15 minutes, no small feat."

Condolences to all who mourn the recent deaths of these members of our bridge community: Anita Baker, Eileen B. Demme, Bill Granberry. Sympathy to Marsha Bernstein on the death of her stepfather. Best wishes for speedy recoveries from recent ailments and injuries to Dottie Ann Goodloe, Jolie Hess, Charlie Markowitz, and Linda Sutton.

Happy to report Shatrugna Presad's medical leave from bridge last month was very brief and he's back to his winning plays.

Don't forget to form a team for our Unit Level Grand National Teams Qualifying Games in February. No prequalifying for Flight A (0-5000 MP) or Championship Flight (unlimited); all flights compete at District in Richardson for subsidy to NY for 2004 Summer NABC. Unit Qualifiers: \$80/team includes 4 meals (and you can buy extras). Flight C (non-LM under 500 MP) Saturday, Feb. 7, Conroe Bridge Center, 281-363-2905 or 936-539-1991, email elalyses@pdq.net. Flight B (0-2000) Sunday Feb. 8, Bridge Club of Houston, 281-651-6550, email s.gerdes@att.net.

Unit Board News: Joyce Ryan accepted appointment as Education Chairman replacing Claudette Roush who had resigned.

Congratulations to these recent Life Masters and Masterpoint Achievers for their accomplishments: New Life Masters (300 MPs): Marisa Grossi, Marcia Modesett, Betty Spindle, Mark Wallet. Non-Life Master Milestone (500 MPs): Bela Borsos, Giovanna Spiker. Bronze Life Masters (500 MPs): Joyce Booth, Sadhana Dalal, Pamela Dettmers, Elizabeth Ghrist, Siraj Jiwani, Robert Johnson, William Van Dame. Silver Life Masters (1,000 MPs): Atsuko Nakamura, Mrs. V. S. Sekac. Gold Life Masters (2,500 MPs): George Fox, Hank Schroder.

Director and Update Courses and a TAP Course (to train people to become ACBL-Certified Teachers) just before the February 2004 Houston Regional: FULL DIRECTOR COURSE (\$50 Unit 174 members, \$100 others), Sunday and Monday, Feb. 22 and 23, books provided. UPDATE COURSE (\$15 Unit 174 members, \$30 others), Monday, Feb. 23, bring law book, others provided. (Guillermo Poplawsky, Instructor). TAP COURSE (\$75), Sunday, Feb. 22, 1 to 5 pm and 7 to 10 pm, and Monday,

Feb. 23, 10 am to 1 pm, materials provided. (Donna Compton, Instructor). Advance registration and payment required. Arrange with Bobbi Kauffman, bknotrump5@hotmail.com or phone 281-579-6149.

Our next Unit STAC will be January 12-18.

The 2004 Nominating Committee's slate of candidates for the Unit 174 Board of Directors is Marsha Bernstein, Wilma Booth, Bobbi Kauffman, John Lindsey, Matthew Rawson and Bill St. Clair.

Thanks to Toni Snow for this tale.

She was loitering near Wayne Oden's beginner class at Bridge & Games Studio while waiting to move to her next table. He had stepped away, and the very new novices were halfway through playing a hand. Suddenly the declarer paused, glanced at Toni, and asked, "Do I have to keep playing since I'm already down?"

Best wishes to all for a happy holiday season and a good new year with lots of pleasant hours at the bridge tables.

If you have news to share, please e-mail anne.page@neverending.com or leave a message at 713-628-2740.

Teach a Bridge Class in 2004



Rockport Beach Sectional March 12-14, 2004

	Friday	
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions		1:30 & 7:30 pm
	Saturday	
Stratified Open Pairs		1:30 & 7:30 pm
	Sunday	
Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams		10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Pair Events: A: Unlimited, B: 500-1250, C: 0-500 (NLM)
Team Event: A: Unlimited, AX: TBA
B: 500-1250, C: 300-500, D: 0-300

Novices (0-100) Games Held If Attendance Warrants

**Non-smoking with smoking breaks
Hospitality after each night's game
Full meal between swiss sessions**

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Saltwater Pavillion
Rockport/Fulton Beach

Hotel

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Ask for special bridge rates
200 S. Fulton Beach Road

Entry Fees

\$9 per session \$80 per team
(\$1 more per session for non-ACBL members)



Abilene Harvest Sectional, October 17-19, 2003



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs ABC
Carol Williams & Gwen Riggs



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Jo Smith & Sylvia Ferris



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B
Coyita Bowker & Hazel Honaker



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Robert Patton & Vance McCracken



Sat Strat Open Prs A
Virginia Noelke & Alan Copeland



Sat Strat Open Prs B
Iris Warren & Barbara Wright



Sat Strat Open Prs C
Margaret Wallis & Max Jackson



Sun Strat Swiss Teams A
Neal Perlman & J. Bagwell
(NP) Fred Lugenheim & Mary Stone



Sun Strat Swiss Teams B
Joyce & Charles Lake
Charlotte & James Mobley



Sun Strat Swiss Teams C
Martha Murphy & Bobbie Grier
Lera Lewis & Mary Murray

Results: Abilene Sectional

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1.B1.C1. Carol Williams-Gwen Riggs A2. J Bachman Nabors III-Gene Gammill B2. Robert Young-Edward Grant C2. M Wiltrout-Gary Paterick.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Sylvia Ferris-Jo Smith A2. Gene Gammill-J Bachman Nabors III B1. Coyita Bowker-Hazel Honaker B2. Jean Rochford-Jack Rochford C1. Robert Patton-Vance McCracken C2. Bobbie Grier-Martha Murphy.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Alan Copeland-Virginia Noelke A2. Carol Schoenhals-Phillip Kielpinski B1.

Barbara Wright-Iris Warren B2. Monte West-Mary Bast C1. Max Jackson-Margaret Wallis C2. Robert Patton-Vance McCracken.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. Fred Lugenheim-Mary Stone-Neal Perlman-J Bagwell A2.B1. James Mobley-Charlotte Mobley-Charles Lake-Joyce Lake B2/3. Mel Bason-Kay Jones-Colleen Tiernan-Pat Krannichfeld B2/3. Virginia Wisdom-Fran Herchenhahn-Lorraine Drury-Bobbie Olson C1. Mary Murray-Lera Lewis-Martha Murphy-Bobbie Grier C2. Delbert Hess-Patricia Hess-Mary Ann Hall-Robert Hall.

**Unit 237
Magic Valley**

Donna Ahlquist



Hi everybody. Hope you had a good holiday season. Now it's time to get back to bridge tournaments. The Magic Valley Sectional will be held January 30th-February 1st 2004 at Harlingen Bridge Club, 1428 S Commerce Street. If you have any questions or need a partner contact Hank Harmon, Tournament Chairperson at 956.423.7051; e-mail: hankharmon@tiagris.com or Donna Ahlquist, Partnership, at 965.943.5453; e-mail: Dahlq1028@aol.com.

I'd like you to meet a few of our 237 non active directors. Iris Henson lives in Llano Grande Park & Resort full time. She has been there since 1984. She has two daughters and one son. Iris has been playing bridge since she was 18; tried duplicate in '56 for a short time, then became an earnest duplicate player in the early 80's here in the valley. She was told she would make a good director so became one and was certified in 1989. She directed unit games for over 15 years; at the club she established in Cimarron, on Saturdays at Fun & Sun in San Benito, and for three years at the Elks Club in Harlingen.

Iris: Do you remember when beginners Laverne and Rose began playing at Fun & Sun? And how you had to keep telling them to hurry up? Rose said they always had a good excuse ready. (True?) She also said that you made new comers feel welcome and encouraged them to keep playing. She is proud that she is now one of your regular partners.

Bette Sturkie is an Iowa gal who married a Texan. They had one daughter (she spent Christmas with her mom here last month) and moved to Dallas in 1959. Everybody played bridge there so Bette learned the game and began her duplicate career in 1960. In 1979 she took the directors' course but waited until 1985 to become certified. The valley's Mr. Bridge, Mac McCallam, had encouraged her to help direct as there were few certified directors in the valley at that time. Bette directed at the Elks club in Harlingen on Tuesday nights. 16 tables were not unusual at the time. Barbara Jones had her directing at the Elks club in Brownsville on Friday afternoons and she alternated Saturdays with Iris Henson at Fun & Sun in San Benito.

Bette says that in those days scoring was all done with a pencil; sometimes it went quickly, sometimes they had to finish the job at home. With the advent of computer scoring Bette retired from directing. Her one time out of retirement was to help Andrea Klein on the Island until Andrea became a certified director. Bette says running the Swiss Teams was the most fun she had as director. For hobbies Bette still plays bridge. She is accomplished at sketching and painting with watercolors. Bette is known as the "Cat" lady. When you have a chance ask her about the nick name. She does love those little critters.

Ross Robbins, who lives in Laguna Vista, is our only gold life master. He is past tournament coordinator for unit 237 and current vice president of District 16. Ross has three children and four grandchildren. (Says his kids were never as active as the grandkids. How soon we forget.)

Ross' director experience came from

a former life in Boulder Colorado where he was the director of Boulder Bridge Club for 10 years, 1960 through 1969. At that time bridge became very popular in Boulder and the game size exploded from 3 tables to around 20. In 1970 Ross gave up bridge and bridge directing. He rekindled interest in the game after moving to the valley in 1986. Now he occasionally substitutes as a director, but prefers to leave that thankless job to others.

I have to tell you one about Herman Westbrook. Happened at our local bridge club. Great example for us bridge players. On one board Herman made a trick over game bid for a high board. While they were bidding the next hand he hesitated; said he was thinking about the previous hand. He'd counted up his losing tricks and hadn't made that extra trick after all so had the score changed. Herman: your opponents (who hadn't caught the mistake) really have a good deal of respect for you and wanted our readers to know.



**Unit 224
Fort Phantom**

Bob Young & Jackie Sonnenburg

First of all, thanks to the many people who ventured to Abilene in late October for our Harvest Festival Sectional Tournament at the Civic Center. What a great three days of bridge and fellowship! Congratulations to Beverly Walker who chaired the event, to Jackie Sonnenburg who assisted and to Pat Wilson who planned and coordinated the excellent snacks for every session. Thanks to all those who worked so hard, those who brought food, and those whose presence made it all worthwhile. We even made a respectable profit which will be invested in the future of bridge in the Big Country.

Unit 224 has elected a new Board for 2004 which includes Jeane Brittain, Margaret Gregory, Mary Lou Gross, Delbert Hess, Hazel Honaker, and Beverly Walker. Holdover Directors are Delaine Deaton, Artie Harris (of Sweetwater), Darla Mawson, Jackie Sonnenburg, Jackie Stowe and Pat Wilson. A special thank you goes to retiring Board members Bonnie Cartledge, Martha Murphy and Howard Wilkins. We are especially pleased to report that Howard is actively playing again with his customary view and acumen after several weeks of reduced activity under medical supervision.

We are sad to report the passing of Ruth Wellhausen, a longtime member of this unit, and one of our finest players. During the last few years, Ruth devoted all her time as caregiver to her husband Sam and was able to join us for only an occasional game. All who knew her counted it a privilege; we appreciate her example of courtesy and skill at the table and of love and devotion in life. We will keep our friend Sam and his family in our prayers.

Bridge is alive and well in Abilene and the Big Country. We have open games every day of the week except Saturday, and we schedule some special games on Saturday. Join us at the bridge center in Rose Park, or at the Rose Park Senior Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00.

Support Your Local Club in 2004!

Come Play in the Valley....



March 5-7, 2004

Upper Rio Grande Valley

Sectional Unit 237

Las Palmas Community Center
1921 N. 25th & Sycamore
McAllen, TX 78501 956.631.5505

Friday, March 5

Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 am
Stratified Open Pairs 2:00 pm

Saturday, March 6

Stratified Open Pairs, playthrough 10:00 am & 2:00 pm

Sunday, March 7

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams, 2 sessions 10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Flight A: 1000+, Flight B: 500-1000, Flight C: 0-500

Sunday Lunch between sessions

**Coffee & Snacks
Sandwiches & Coffee Cakes**

Suggested Accommodations (reserve 30 days in advance)
Courtyard by Marriott "Bridge Rate" \$59 (Fairfield next door)
2131 S. 10th & Wichita Ave., McAllen, TX 956.668.7800

\$10.00 Per Player per session Fri & Sat
\$80 Sunday Swiss per Team

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Tournament Committee: Upper Valley Duplicate Bridge Club

Sanction # S0303037

Thank you Dale Lain



Bridge, etc Bridge Club
of Unit 224 Abilene, wishes to thank
Dale Lain

for playing many games in 2003
with players under 300 points.

His kind and friendly manner at the table is an
asset to the game.



Houston Lone Star Regional

February 23-29, 2004



INTERMEDIATE - NOVICE SCHEDULE

Monday

Stratified 49ers, 299ers 7 pm

Trophy Pairs

Each day there are three single sessions, 9 am, 1 and 7 pm. You may play in one or all three. If you play in two or more you are eligible to win a trophy. Your best score counts toward the trophy.

Tuesday

Stratified 49ers, 299ers 9 am, 1, 7 pm

Wednesday

Stratified 49ers, 299ers 9 am, 1, 7 pm

Thursday

Stratified 49ers, 299ers 9 am, 1, 7 pm

Friday

Jo Dene Bond & Sherry Gerdes Stratified 49ers, 299ers .. 9 am, 1, 7 pm

Saturday

Barabara W. Phillips Stratified 49ers, 299ers 9 am, 1, 7 pm

Sunday

Stratified 199er Swiss (2-session event) 10 am & TBA

INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE STRATS

Pairs: A: 100-300, B: 50-100, C: 0-50

Swiss: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50

Session and overall awards will be red points.

At the end of the tournament, the player amassing the most points will be awarded a special trophy.

Speakers each day at 12 & 6 pm. Topics to be announced.

0-5 Pairs at 1:00 & 7:00 each day, if attendance warrants.

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Reservations: 713.978.7400 or 1.800.436.2326

\$99 (1-2 people) \$109 (3 people)

\$119 (4 people)

Texas Star Awards Presentation

Saturday, February 28, 2004

(Prior to the beginning of the evening session)

Director, Director Update

and Teacher Accreditation Program courses are being offered prior to the Regional. To register or get more information, contact Bobbi Kauffman:

BKnotrump5@hotmail.com

MAIN EVENT SCHEDULE

Open Championships

Mon **Bill Baker** Win-a-Fifty Stratified Pairs 7 pm
 Tues **Gallery Furniture Appreciation** Stratified Pairs 1 & 7 pm
 Wed **Marcella Thomas** Stratified Pairs 1 & 7 pm
 Thurs **Toni Snow & Dick Hess** Strati-Flighted Pairs 1 & 7 pm
 Fri **Major Mark Solomons** Stratified Pairs 1 & 7 pm
 Sat **Lew Levy** Stratified Pairs 1 & 7 pm
 Sun **Anita Baker Memorial** Stratified Pairs 10 am & TBA

Seniors' Choice Pairs (must be 55 or older)

Choose any 2 sessions each day: 9 am, 1 & 7 pm.

Tues **Mary Davidson Memorial** Stratified Senior Pairs . 9, 1 & 7 pm
 Wed **Arlene Weingarten** Stratified Senior Pairs 9, 1 & 7 pm
 Thurs **Chuck Duran** Stratified Senior Pairs 9, 1 & 7 pm
 Fri **Bruce Slomka** Stratified Senior Pairs 9, 1 & 7 pm
 Sat **Betty & Milton Freedman** Stratified Senior Pairs . 9, 1 & 7 pm

Side Game Series

Each series runs five days: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri and Sat.

Your best 2 of 5 count toward the overalls.

Morning Side Game Series 9 am
 Afternoon Side Game Series 1 pm
 Evening Side Game Series 7 pm

2-Session Swiss Team Events

Thurs **Al Lochli** Flighted Swiss 1 & 7 pm
 Sat **Jeanne Linzel & Jim McMullin** Flighted Swiss 1 & 7 pm
 Sun **Lon Kieffer** Flighted Swiss 10 am & TBA

Bracketed Knockout Team Events

Ed Theismann KO 1 Mon 7 pm & Tues 9 am, 1 & 7 pm
KO 2 Tues 1 & 7 pm & Wed 1 & 7 pm
KO 3 Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat 9 am
Patsy Arndt Memorial KO 4 Wed 1 & 7 pm & Thurs 1 & 7 pm
KO 5 Thurs 1 & 7 pm & Fri 1 & 7 pm
Thank You Unit 174 KO 6 Fri 1 & 7 pm & Sat 1 & 7 pm

Single Session Board-A-Match & Swiss Team Events

Tues **Gerry Veselka** Board-A-Match 7 pm
 Wed **Robert Johnson** Swiss 7 pm
 Thurs Board-A-Match 7 pm
 Fri **Barry Hagedorn Memorial** Swiss 7 pm
 Sat **P J FRAM** Swiss 7 pm

Late Night Zip Events

Tues KO Teams 10:30 pm
 Wed KO Teams 10:30 pm
 Thurs KO Teams 10:30 pm
 Fri KO Teams 10:30 pm
 Sat KO Teams 10:30 pm

Stratification & Flighting

Stratified Events: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500

Seniors' Choice Events: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500

Flighted Events: A: Unlimited, B: 0-1500, C: 0-500

Strati-Flighted Events: A: 3000+, AX: 0-3000 (A & AX play together)
 B: 1000-2000, C: 500-1000, D: 0-500 (BCD play together)

Entry: \$11/person/session Monday - Friday
 \$12 Saturday (includes surcharge for Texas NABCs)
 \$12 Sunday (meal provided)

Section Top Awards for Pairs and for first place teams in KO and Swiss.

Child Care Available

Contact Donna Compton for more information:
 cdmra@mindspring.com or call 214.373.7055.

Reservations required.