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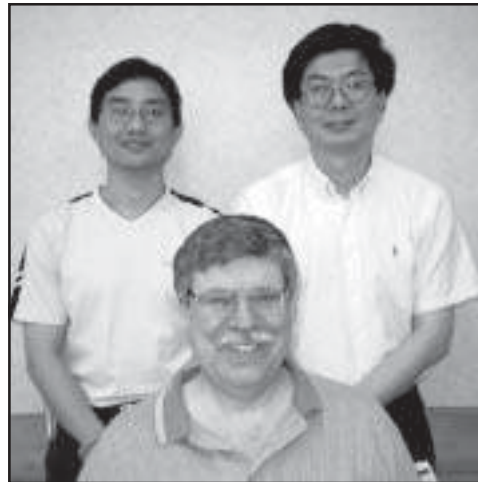
**Four District 16 Teams Head to the "Big Apple"
 to Compete in the Grand National Finals at the Summer NABC**



GNT Super-Flight
 Bart Bramley & Sydney Lazard
 Malcom Brachman, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold



GNT Flight A
 Stan Kohan & Roy Baughman
 Jim Thurtell & Marc Poe, Jr



GNT Flight B
 Hanchang Wang & Hua Yang
 Gerry McKim & (NP) Weishu Wu



GNT Flight C
 Jim Greeney & Mickie Damon
 Steve Olson & Evelyn Smith

By Ira Hessel

Congratulations to the star-studded Malcolm Brachman team who won this year's District 16 Super-flight during the May 15-16 weekend in Austin, Texas. Malcolm and teammates Sidney Lazard, Bart Bramley, Mike Passell, and Eddie Wold prevailed by a Final score of 106 to 45 over the powerful Bob Hamman team which also included Chris Compton, and Hemant and Justin Lall.

While many Districts only have 2 or 3 teams enter the Super-flight, District 16 had seven teams. For the first time since the Super-flight was introduced in 2001 were there any teams, two this year, that did not have any National champions on it. One of them, Stephen and Nancy Kornegay, Mark Bumgardner and Bill Staats made it to the KO stage. All of these players were on the team that won Flight A in 2001. The seven teams played a round Robin of 8 hands each to determine which 4 teams would enter the KO stage.

The Hamman team dominated the RR stage, winning 5 of 6 matches and drawing the other. Their total of 151 easily beat the Brachman team, who were second with 112. The next 4 teams

were separated by a scant 6 VPs. Wolff (Bobby Wolff, Dan Morse, Jeff Olson, Derrell Childs, Jim Griffin and Ken Schutze) was third with 89 and the aforementioned Kornegay team finished fourth with 88. One would often find teams that included key members of the top 3 Teams in the late rounds of a National KO, such as the Spingold,

In the Semifinals Brachman beat Wolff 80 to 44 after leading by only 1 IMP at the half. In the other Semifinal, Hamman defeated Kornegay 68 to 44. While 61 IMPs seems like a lot to makeup in a 28 Board final, there were enough key hands to swing the match. For the most part the swings were dependent on bidding or leads. There were 5 game swings earned by bidding a game at one table and not the other. Another game swing was earned on opening lead. Hamman won 2 swings by bidding a making slam at one table not bid at the other. Brachman earned 3 swings when the Hamman team went down on 3 slams. Brachman bid one of these that made on the opening lead. Nine boards were pushes.

See if you can get some IMPs by making the right decision on the

following hands.

Steve Bruce has done a Herculean job by recording and posting all the hands from the final online. They can be found at the District 16 web site at <http://www.d16acbl.org/>. Check there to see how you did on these hands.

Hand 2

872
 J53
 J862
 A74
 1S 3C (LR)
 4S

Your lead?

Hand 12

875
 9843
 8754
 T2
 1NT 2H
 2S 3C
 3S 4NT(RKC)
 5H 6S

Your lead?

Your lead if your partner doubles?

During the last weekend in May Flights A, B and C competed. The Dallas area team of James Thurtell, Stan Kohan, Roy Baughman and Marc Poe won Flight A by beating the same Kornegay team that made the Semifinals in the super-flight. The Dallas/Fort Worth area team of Hua Yang, Weishu Wu, Gerry McKim and Hanchang Wang won Flight B while the Temple/Georgetown are team of Stephen Olson, Evelyn Smith, Jim Greeney, and Mickie Damon won Flight C. These three teams will be joining the Brachman team to compete in the National Grand National Teams Finals at the summer NABC.

Congratulations to the top finishers in the District 16 Grand National Teams:

Flight A 1. James Thurtell, Stan Kohan, Dallas, Roy Baughman, Pantego, Marc Poe Jr, Plano. 2. Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton, Bill Staats, Southlake, Nancy Kornegay, Stephen Kornegay, North Richland Hills. 3/4. Scott Humphrey, Rosemary Kelley, Austin, Ann Brinker Schwall, Stephen Schwall, Houston. 3/4. Svetlana Oden, Missouri City, Wayne Oden, Anton (Tony) Haddad, Houston, Eric

Owhadi, Tomball.

Flight B 1. Hua Yang, Weishu Wu, Plano, Gerry McKim, Garland, Hanchang Wang, Irving. 2. Jim Clark, Lewisville, Becky Price, Fort Worth, M. Aslam Ansari, Dallas Henry Muzzio Jr, Flower Mound. 3/4. Cliff White, Grand Prairie, Shaun Chooi, Dallas, Lynne Wood, Richardson, Frank Tao, Plano. 3/4. J Evans, Kathy Evans, Nancy Boothe, Houston, Karen Snyder, Spicewood.

Flight C 1. Stephen Olson, Evelyn Smith, Temple, Jim Greeney, Mickie Damon, Georgetown. 2. James Esker, Richardson, Bob Butterfield, Patricia Rose, Joanna Kaspar, Dallas. 3/4. David Warner, Larry Smith, Jeff Ford, Nicholas Jong, Austin. 3/4. Alfred Fortier III, Katy, David Wicks, Dean Lindsey, Houston, Jacqueline McNamara, The Woodlands.

We wish all our teams good luck as they prepare for the New York NABCs. I worked my way through college in the Post Office that served the Hotel where the NABCs will be played. Many was the day that I collected mail from that hotel and now I shall root for my District Teams to deliver the slams and games there.

Hamman Wins USBC - Sokolow Wins WUSBC



Bob Hamman

By Chris Compton

By agreement with the ACBL and the World Bridge Federation, The United States Bridge Federation ("USBF") selects and trains international representatives for World Bridge Federation competition. The USBF is three-quarters through the 04 trial selection process having concluded the United States Bridge Championship (Open), The United States Women's Bridge Championship, and the United States Senior Bridge Championship.



Tobi Sokolow

Only the United States Junior Championship to be held in New York at the Summer NABC is left to complete the trials process.

This year's process was complicated by the WBF's selection of Istanbul, Turkey as the site of the World Team Olympiad. Each of the Open, Women, and Senior 04 trial champions was offered the opportunity to choose whether to represent the United States in Istanbul or to defer their qualification earned this year until the

2005 Estoril Portugal Bermuda Bowl. Various complications are presented by the possible relocation of the tournament to a safer location (which the WBF claims is not possible) and possible reinstatement of a US Travel Advisory advising deferment of non-essential travel to Istanbul. We are all amazed at the impact terrorism has had on World Championship play.

As usual, District 16 casts a large shadow in each USBF trial event as our players represented us well.

In the Open event, District 16's Bob Hamman triumphed and his team selected the right to represent the United States in the 2005 Bermuda Bowl. Hamman was partnered by the ACBL's leading Masterpoint winner, Paul Soloway, and joined by Eric Rodwell-Jeff Meckstroth, Richard Freeman-Nick Nickell. The Nickell team is the reigning Bermuda Bowl Champion having defeated the fearsome Italians by 1 imp in November of 2003.

A fourth World Championship for the Nickell team will place the team well on the road to recognition as one of the greatest teams of all-time. (District Hall of Famer, Bobby Wolff, rather than Paul Soloway, was Hamman's partner in the first World Championship won by the Nickell team). Hamman's

individual record is well known as he has been the WBF's #1 ranked player since 1985.

Finishing tied for 5/8th from our District in the Open event were Malcolm Brachman, Mike Passell, and

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North American Pairs Annoucement

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(1) Sanctions for Unit NAP finals are due in a minimum of 90 days prior to the event. Our district has a deadline of August 1st for submission to the ACBL. Unit coordinators should verify that there is no conflict with nearby tournaments, religious holidays or any other special events that could impact bridge players and file request online. A copy will be forwarded to the district coordinator for confirmation. Mail forms to John Zilic ONLY if unable to file online. (2) Dates and locations for all timely filed unit finals will appear in the next *Scorecard*. **IMPORTANT CHANGES TO CONDITIONS OF CONTEST:** (3) Sanction fees have been lowered to \$4 per table at the club level only. Unit table fees remain at \$7 per table. (4) No club qualifying game may be conducted within 25 miles of any sectional or 100 miles of any regional. (5) Players that qualify at any club in the district may play with any other qualified player at ANY unit final. No more residency requirements. Each player is still allowed. **ONLY ONE UNIT FINAL ATTEMPT PER FLIGHT** to qualify for District. (6) All unit finals may be one or two session events. Two session events must be scheduled for the same day or back-to-back

afternoons or evenings. **FOR COORDINATORS AND CLUB MANAGERS:** (7) Strat levels remain the same: A unlimited; B 0-2000; C non LM less than 500 MPs. The June MP cycle (run between May 1-15) determines eligibility. (8) It is suggested that all club games be stratified. It costs no more and usually increases MPs for all players. (9) Individual qualifying slips need not be created for players. An ACBL Score list of qualified players may be generated at the end of the qualifying period and sent to the unit coordinator. Players intending to play outside the unit may ask for a slip or copy of the page of qualified players. (10) Game reports should not be sent to the District Coordinator unless that is the only game the club will run during the entire period. The same list sent to the unit coordinator should be forwarded to John Zilic with a note of the dates games were held. (11) Contact district coordinator by phone or email with any questions about these conditions or using ACBL Score to provide proper reports.

Eddie Wold playing on the top seeded Brachman team, as well as Chris Compton and Bart Bramley playing on the Onstott team. Ira Chorus and Hemant Lall finished 9/16th.

District 16's Tobi Sokolow won the 2004 United States Women's Championship and her team chose to represent the United States in the 2004 Olympiad this fall in Istanbul. Tobi is a veteran of the Women's events having previously won the 1997 Women's Venice Cup and the 2003 Venice Cup. Similar to Hamman, she is a current reigning Women's World Champion. Tobi was partnered in the USWBC by her regular partner Janice Seamon-Molson and joined by Jill Meyers-Randi Montin, Carlyn Steiner-Marinesa Letizia. Other District 16 women competing included Mildred Breed and Shawn Quinn who finished 3/4th playing on the Westheimer team.

Best of luck to Justin Lall and Lisa Burton who are slated to compete in the 2004 United States Junior Championship in New York later this month. Also, regardless of what year our District Open and Women USBF representatives compete for their World Championship, we wish them the best of luck.

DISTRICT 16 TOURNAMENTS

JULY

AUSTIN REGIONAL	June 29-5
Tyler	9-11
Fort Worth 299er	17-18
Austin NLM	24-25
San Antonio (Bailey's), p.8	29-Aug. 1
Houston 299er (B&G Studio), p.13	30-Aug. 1

AUGUST

San Antonio (Bailey's), p.8	July 29-1
Houston 299er (B&G Studio), p.13	July 30-1
Abilene 299er, p.12	6-7
Waco	6-8
Houston, p.5	13-15
Lubbock, p.4	13-15
Port Arthur, p.11	26-29
DALLAS REGIONAL, p.16	31-Sept. 6

SEPTEMBER

DALLAS REGIONAL, p.16	Aug. 31-6
New Braunfels, p.9	9-12
Austin, p.14	23-26
Odessa, p.15	24-26

OCTOBER

Wichita Falls	1-3
San Antonio 299er (Alamo), p.13	1-3
Houston STaC	11-17
Abilene	15-17
Houston	29-31
Fort Worth	29-31

NOVEMBER

San Antonio	4-7
Richardson	11-13
Houston 299er	12-14
Rock Port	12-14
Austin NLM	13-14
Donna	19-21
USBF REGIONAL (Dallas)	30-Dec.5

DECEMBER

USBF REGIONAL (Dallas)	Nov. 30-5
San Antonio (Alamo)	2-5

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer NABC (New York, NY)	July 9-18
WBF Olympiad	October 23-November 9
Fall NABC (Orlando, FL)	November 20-30

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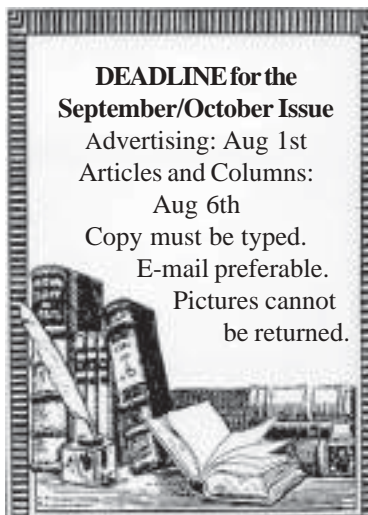
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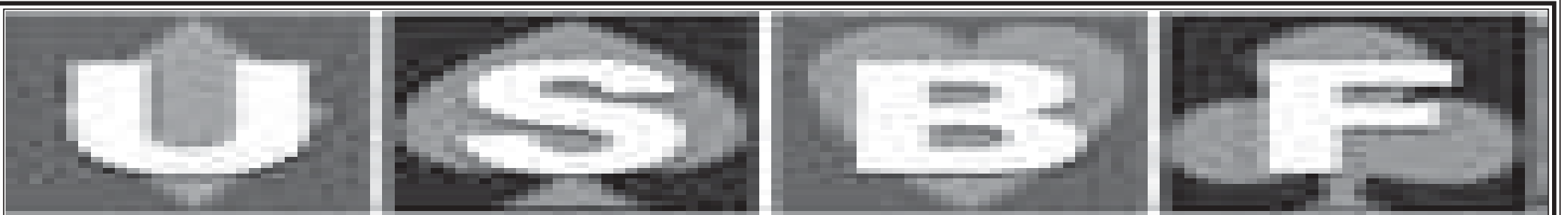
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Lubbock King Cotton Regional, April 27-May 2, 2004



Tues Strat Open Prs B
Johnye Van Dever Mary Bast



Wed Strat Open Prs AB
Sandra Weber & Beverly Santos



Thurs Strat Sr Pairs A
Bonta Thompson & Dorene Dulaney



Fri Strat Open Prs A
Betsy Duncan & Dee Stearns



Fri Strat Open Prs B
Kathryn Locke & Bachman Nabors



Tues Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Carol & Terry Manz
Betty Fernandez & Betty Baxter



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Anne & Robert Kennemer
Anna Box & Joyce Lynn

Results: Lubbock Regional

Tues Bktd KO Teams 1 Bkt I 1. Mark Lair, Canyon-Marc Levine, Lubbock-Mark Jones-Joe Harris, NM 2. Paul Lewis-Linda Lewis-Jim Robison, NV-Roger Bates, AZ 3/4. Kaye Kirk-Sammie Johnson-Darlene Wilbanks, Lubbock-Margie Cowley, Ralls 3/4. Andrea Ford-Mary Jeanne Moore, Lockney-Bette Belk-Clara Beedy, Plainview **Bkt II 1.** Terry Manz-Carol Manz, Amarillo-Betty Fernandez-Betty Baxter, Odessa 2. Don Sikes-Clint McBroome, Lubbock-Randy Ekman, Plano-Billie Darnell, Somerset 3. Inger Lise Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Jeanette Hughes-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls-Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes 2. Tom Hall-Carolyn Hall, Sunrise Beach-Opal Thurman-Lois Craig, OK 3. Ray Kinserlow-Marilyn Smith-Patricia Rivers-Mary Ann Anthony, Lubbock.

Wed Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Beverly Santos-Sandra Weber, San Antonio A2. Jim Brister-Joanne Duke, Houston A3. Betty Anthony-Wanda Wilson, Lubbock A4.B2. Claudia Prince-Clint Anderson, NM A5. Al Beebe-Bliss Kelly-Loree, NM B3. Teresa Willis, Petersburg-Charles Dodson, NM C1. Mary Ann Bosch-Marion Riley, NM C2. Bobbie Hill, Hart-Sharla Shurbet, Plainview.

Thurs Bktd KO Teams 3 Bkt I 1. Steven Cooper-Kitty Cooper-Clement Jackson-Dennis Dawson, NM 2. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas-Greg Loran, Lubbock-Marilou Powell, Round Rock-Nagy Kamel, Plano 3/4. Robbie Butts-Mona Barr-Gene Templeton-David Shuck, NM 3/4. Billie Mitchell-Gary Sawyer-Rodger Arnold, NM-Gerald Georges, El Paso-Betty Dickerson, Midland **Bkt II 1.** Ann Kennemer-Robert Kennemer, Burleson-Anna Box, Ft. Worth-Joyce Lynn, Waco 2. Charlene Goodman, Flint-Edna Duggan, Tyler-Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Lorraine Little, Ft. Worth 3/4. Marie Watson, Dumas-Oleta Wilson, Floydada-Adell Thompson-Elaine Rains, Amarillo 3/4. Ed Sobolak-Diane Sobolak-Linda Anthony, Austin-Richard Muse, NY.

Thurs Bktd Compact KO 1 1. Rodger Arnold-Gary Sawyer, NM-Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock-Gerald Georges, El Paso 2. Robbie Butts-Mona Barr-Gene Templeton-David Shuck, NM 3. Don Sikes-Clint Anderson, Lubbock-Billie Darnell, Somerset-Billie Black, Horseshoe Bay.

Thurs Strat Senior Prs A1. Bonta Thompson-Dorene Dulaney, Shallowater A2. Jim Brister-Joanne Duke, Houston A3.B1. Sherrill Bartholomew-Ernest Bartholomew, VA A4.B2.C1. Kenneth Woodard, MO-Michael Oliver, Littlefield A5.B3. Ruth

Tues Strat Open Prs A1. Kitty Cooper-Steven Cooper, NM A2. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas-Nagy Kamel, Plano A3. Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK A4.B1. Mary Bast-Johnye Van Dever, Sweetwater A5. Carolyn Wilson-Betty Anthony, Lubbock B2. Bee Ward-Mary Hildebrand, Lubbock.

Wed Bktd KO Teams 2 Bkt I 1. Dennis Dawson-Clement Jackson-Kitty Cooper-Steven Cooper, NM-Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas-Nagy Kamel, Plano 2. Mark Lair, Canyon-Marc Levine, Lubbock-Mark Jones-Joe Harris,

Williams, FL-Jacquelyn Armstrong, Hart C2. Barbara Rogers-Talley-Carol Carpenter, Pampa C3. Mary Ann Bosch-Marion Riley, NM.

Thurs Strat Swiss Teams A1/2. Sandra Rhodes, Big Spring-James Tucker, Jr., AL-Howard Wilkins, Abilene-Gary Hayden, AZ A1/2. Joe Harris-Mark Jones, NM-Mark Levine, Lubbock-Mark Lair, Canyon A3. Paul Lewis-Linda Lewis-Jim Robison, NV-Roger Bates, AZ A4. Jerry Shinkle-Merlene Krall-Rudy Krall-Larry Berthoff, NM A5. Gloria Crites-Kathryn Locke, Midland-Jean Pistole-Lena Nichols, Odessa B1/2. Kay Beck, Amarillo-Martha McClenagan, Amarillo-Wanda Robinson, Tulia-Jo Ann Young, Kress B1/2. Vicky Fisher, Big Lake-Sandra Rea, Midland-Marilyn Matthews, Odessa-Pat Barrett, Midkiff B3/4. Wayne Rector, Midland-Jan Hover, Lubbock-Judith Hawkins-Laverne Etheredge, Odessa B3/4.C1. Ann Reddy-Athalee Beckham, Floydada-Jane Graham-Jean Adams, Plainview C2. Betty Gray-Catherine Tompkins-H.A. Woods-Pat Hotaling, El Paso C3. Bobbie Grier-Martha Murphy, Abilene-Artie Harris-Bill Harris, Sweetwater.

Fri Bktd KO Teams 4 Bkt I 1. Linda Spangler, Duncanville-Thomas Hughes, Jr., Ft. Worth-Peggy Sutherlin,

Tuggle-Bob Lester, Houston-May Cross, MN-Kay Strickland, Abilene 2. Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Ann Kennemer - Robert Kennemer, Burleson-Lorraine Little, Ft. Worth.

Aft Side Series 1. Wanda Wilson, Lubbock 2. Wanda Robinson, Tulia 3. Glenna Esmond, Lubbock 4. Dorene Dulaney, Shallowater 5. Suzy Stiles, Lubbock.

Eve Side Series 1/2. Ashok Bhakta, NM 1/2. Dickie Chandler, Farwell 3/4. Tommy Birch, Borger 3/4. Donne Oliver, Amarillo 5/6. Kristie Tooley, Canyon 5/6. Andrea Ford, Lockney.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK A2. Marc Levine, Lubbock-Mark Lair, Canyon A3. Joe Harris-Mark Jones, NM A4.B1. Wanda Collins-David Collins, OK A5. Mark Pedersen, Canyon-Carolyn Wilson, Lubbock B2. Kerry Goldsmith-Dan Goldsmith, Jr., Weatherford B3. Barbara Clinkscales, Ft. Worth-Elizabeth Hudson, Arlington C1. Jay Byrne, San Angelo-Darlene Wilbanks, Lubbock C2. Barbara Davis-Phyllis White, Odessa C3. Kathy Baldwin-Sara Branch, Bryan.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A1. Malcolm Brachman, Dallas-Mike Passell, Plano-Eddie Wold-Robert Morris, Houston-Gary Hayden, AZ A2. Mark Lair, Canyon-Joe Harris-Mark Jones, NM-Marc Levine, Lubbock A3. Dennis Dawson-Clement Jackson-Kitty Cooper-Steven Cooper, NM A4. Gay Sawyer-Billie Mitchell, NM-Betty Dickerson, Midland-Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas-Nagy Kamel, Plano A5. Darlene Shirey-Peggy Hughes, Ft. Worth-Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK X1. Mark Pedersen, Canyon-Carolyn Wilson, Lubbock-William Cook, Amarillo-A1 Beebe-Norma Casey, NM Strati BCD B1/2.C1/2. Seletta Gholson-Alma Pittenger, Hereford-Nancy Greer-Dorothy Mayfield, Dimmitt B1/2.C1/2. Robert Bennett, Sterling City-Phyllis Berkowitz, Big Spring-Carolyn Hall-Tom Hall, Sunrise Beach B3/4.C3/4. Sammie Johnson-Norma Buchanan-Sue Willhoit-Annette Sides-Kaye Kirk, Lubbock B3/4.C3/4. J. Neal Marchbanks-Jean Westfall-Sarah Rice-John Castleman, Lubbock D1. Steven Tuggle-Bob Lester, Houston-Bill Carlson, NM-Kay Strickland, Abilene D2. Gene Cole-Linda Cole, San Angelo-Betty Gibson-John Gibson, Big Spring D3. Max Jackson-Margaret Wallis, Weatherford-Neva Green-Margie Hill, Big Spring.

King Cotton Sectional
August 13-15, 2004
Bridge Center
2563 74th Street
Lubbock, TX 79423
806.745.2817
Friday, August 13
(Unit 197 Business Meeting Between Sessions)
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Saturday, August 14
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Sunday, August 15
Stratified Open Swiss Teams 10:30 am & TBA
Rolls & Coffee served at 10:00 am Prior to Swiss
Meal Served between Swiss Sessions
Stratifications
A: 1250+, B: 500-1250, C: 0-500 NLM
Tournament Chairman
Mozella Tew 806.797.0057
Partnership Chairmen
Jean Westfall 806.799.6852
Inez Kindle 806.795.9028
Rules & Ethics
Carol Schoenhals 806-798-3663
Hotels
Best Price: \$68/night Ashmore Inn
4019 South Loop 289 Lubbock, TX 79423 Reservations: 800.785.0061
Closest Hotel: \$79/night Residence Inn by Marriott
(If Marriott Club Member) Make reservations ASAP
2551 South Loop 289 Lubbock, TX 79411 806.745.1963
Non-Smoking with Breaks

The Rio Grande He's Fixin' to Swim


Toni Snow couldn't resist memorializing Jim McMullin's move to Mexico with one of her wonderful limericks, and I can't resist sharing it with all of you who didn't hear her recite it to him at Bridge & Games Studio:

There once was a young man named Jim.
Whose appearance was dapper and trim.
But this curmudgeon,
With a tongue like a bludgeon,
The Rio Grande he's fixin' to swim.



Mexico won't be believin'
The plan we've all been conceivin'.
We do truly lament,
The millions they've sent,
But we figure sending Jim makes us even!

**Unit 174
Houston**
Anne Page



So many people do so much work for this Unit that it is impossible to individually thank each one through this column. Therefore, first, I want to express appreciation to our Officers, Directors, Committee Chairpersons, Committee Worker-Bees, Special Project Coordinators, Club Owners and Managers, and all of our Game Directors and Bridge Teachers for their hard work that provides the rest of us with countless hours of competition and companionship. And, second, I want to single out two very special people who devote a great deal of time and effort to keeping those of us with Internet access informed of everything we might want to know about bridge in our Unit and our District. Thank you, Georgianna Gates and Arlene Weingarten, for our superbly organized and attractive website and the work you do to keep it updated.

Condolences to all who mourn the recent deaths of these members of our bridge community: Mary Ann Duttonhoffer, Ken Koehler, Edward D. Laplount, Mary I. Gonzalez, Fay Pundt, Steve Stewart, Lorene Wait.

Best wishes to Ed Theisman who has been recovering in St. Louis, Missouri, from breaking a hip while visiting his brother. Unbelievable though it seems to those who know his age, he was playing soccer!

On behalf of Barbara Froelich Nance, a special public "Thank You" goes to Peggy Phelps, winner of the Brazos Valley Sectional Tournament raffle. It seems that, when Barb called to tell Peggy she had won, Peggy was delighted but said she could only play on Sunday and therefore wanted to donate the rest of her winnings back to the tournament in appreciation of

Barb's hard work for it. Barb of course was thrilled, and so am I. What a nice thing to do!

Reminder: There will be many Club qualifying games during June, July and August for the annual North American Pairs competition. Unit competition is in November, and District is in January. Winners there get a subsidized trip to the Spring 2005 Nationals in Pittsburgh, PA.

Congratulations to these recent Life Masters and Masterpoint Achievers for their accomplishments: New Life Masters (300+ MPs): Annie Duaine, James Evans, Jennifer Lindner, Frances Simmons, Elizabeth Ward. Bronze Life Masters (500+ MPs): Rosemary Duvall. Gold Life Masters (2,500+ MPs): Martha Black, Betty Freedman, Milton Freedman, Joan Pleason, Bonn Tanner.

From the Unit's Email Newsletter #63 by Arlene Weingarten: "Exciting schedule enhancement: In order to level the KO Team playing field, the August Sunny Days Sectional will have Houston's first Handicapped KO Team event. If your KO team decided not to play in the last tournament because of the strength of the competition, it's safe to come back. Handicapping should assure that the Davids in the competition have a good chance against the Goliaths. Your board listened to your complaints and has been responsive. Also, a Compact (2-session) KO has been added, to begin on Saturday afternoon. This should appeal to those who enjoy KOs, but either don't have the stamina for a 4-session KO or don't like to get up early. It's also well-positioned for those who get knocked out of the first KO."

Wayne Oden reports that, to give the novices playing with Flight A mentors in the Thursday night open games at his Bridge & Games Studio a more fair chance to place in the tough playing field, those pairs are now being stratified as Flight B players.

Barbara Froelich Nance reports that Aggieland Bridge Club in College Station is now biweekly having an Open game as well as its IN game.

If you have news to share, please e-mail anne.page@neverending.com or leave a message at 281.442.1509.

**Unit 197
Lubbock**
Sandi Krahmer

We are having a busy summer with the NAPairs games and our August sectional. Mozella Tew will chair the tournament, and Inez Kindle and Jean Westfall will do partnership. We have raised our point level for Flight B to 1250. We hope that this will be a little fairer to some of our newer Life Masters.

Mozella reports that the intermediate lessons are going well with about 2-3 tables. The people are enthusiastic, and we will try to offer some kind of mentoring program later on to ease them into the regular games at the Bridge Center.

June Stanton and Carolyn Wilson had a 70% game as did Pat Ellison and Carol Schoenhals and Flo Davis and Liz Hinds.

The winners of the May Team game were Betty Anthony, Carolyn Wilson, Wanda Wilson, and Leara Ohnemus. The Flight B winners were Inez Kindle, Marjorie Pate, Darlene Wilbanks, and Catherine Bengé.

Marge Chisum and Alice Ailene Floyd will be in charge of the kitchen for our sectional. Many goodies will be provided free for all who play. Also, a free lunch will be served Sunday between Swiss sections. Plan to join us and share the fun.

New Life Masters are Ann Reddy, Aurall Davis, Dorothy Mayfield, and Jacqueline. Their Life Master party was June 27.

Nominees for the new Unit Board of

Directors are: Marge Chisum, Teresa Willis, Bonta Thompson, Annette Sides, and Mary McCrary.

Many thanks to the nominating committee of Mozella Tew, Darlene Wilbanks, Teresa Willis, Jean Westfall, and Sandi Krahmer.

The annual meeting will be between sessions at the August Sectional.

**Unit 225
East Texas**
Karol Rank



At the April Unit Game a total of 74 awards for the Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs Standings were presented. Due to space constraints only the first place winners will be shown. Mini-McKenney: Rookie of the Year - Marcille Kallerson; Junior Master - Sylvere and Wilma Luquette; Club Master - Hilda M Mallory; Sectional Master - John Wilder; Regional Master - Norma Marvel; NABC Master - Edwyna Testerman; Life Master - Alta Peck; Bronze Life Master - Steve and Marilyn Chionsini; Silver Life Master - Brenda Baker; Gold Life Master - Sara Granger; Diamond Life Master - Steve Lawrence. Ace Of Clubs: Rookie of the Year - Marcille Kallerson; Junior Master - Melba Lee; Club Master - Jim Rhamey; Sectional Master - John Wilder; Regional Master - Wayne Rogers; NABC Master - Verlie Clayton; Life Master - Alta Peck; Bronze Life Master - Dorothy Parker; Silver Life Master - Mike Graham; Gold Life Master - Sara Granger; Diamond Life Master - Steve Lawrence. Congratulations to all of the winners.

The StaC Games were the week of May 17th. In District 16's Top 100 Master Point Winners (of 3736) were 6 players from our unit. Jimmie Lou Conner was 29th, Brenda Baker was 40th; Reaves Murphey was 45th; Jacquelyn Kimberley was 49th; Mike Graham was

81st and Edwyna Testerman was 90th. There were many winners from our unit at the StaC Games and here are a few of those who finished high in the combined District 16 scores. On Monday afternoon Cleo Tucker and Jack Yarbrough were 3rd in A, while Gloria Rowland and Evelyn Schmidt finished 12th in A/5th in B. Tuesday afternoon saw Jimmie Lou Conner and Betty Wareing taking 1st in A and Mike Graham and Brenda Baker winning 3rd in A. Jacquelyn Kimberley and Reaves Murphey placed 2nd in A on Wednesday afternoon and Bernice and Richard Stolle placed 9th in A. Jim and Ginger Rhamey took 1st in A Thursday afternoon in the 0 to 300 game. While on Thursday night Virginia Redferan and George Bennett finished 9th in A. On Friday afternoon Nell Velvin and Judy Adams placed 11th in A/5th in B. Saturday afternoon saw Jane and Jo Ellis placing 9th in A and Nancy Green and Synphia Adams were 3rd in B. Then on Sunday Brenda Baker and Emily Leake won 11th in A.

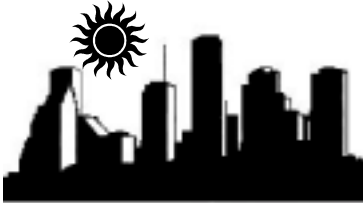
We are saddened to report the death of Mary Jo Tanner, who died on May 12, 2004. She was an ardent bridge player and will be missed by family and friends.

The 70%+ club only had two qualifying games this last period. Dee Gemmel and Sue Ritschel had a 70.83% game in Athens in April and Sharon Whatley and Janice Doss had a 78.13% game in Ore City in April. Well done, Ladies.

Welcome new members: Nancy Caldwell, Ennis Dyess, Barbara Harris, Nancy and Roy Morris.

Congratulations to Edwyna Testerman for becoming a Life Master in April, Ginger Rhamey who attained Regional Master and Janice Ernest who is now a Sectional Master.

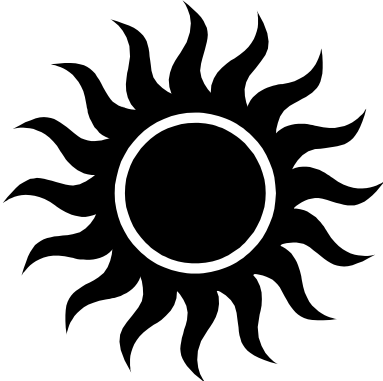
THE TYLER TOURNAMENT OF ROSES IS JULY 9 - 11, 2004. This is your home area tournament so come, support your Unit and enjoy the play and win some silver points.



Houston Sunny Days Sectional

August 13-15, 2004

Arabia Shrine Temple, 2900 N Braeswood Blvd, Houston 77025



Intermediate/Newcomer Events
Friday, August 13

Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session) 1:30 pm
49er Pairs (1 session) 1:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session) 7:30 pm
49er Pairs (1 session) 7:30 pm

Saturday, August 14

Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session) 1:30 pm
49er Pairs (1 session) 1:30 pm
0-5 Pairs (1 session) 1:30 pm
Stratified 299er Pairs (1 session) 7:30 pm
49er Pairs (1 session) 7:30 pm

Sunday, August 15

299er Swiss 10:30 & TBA
Play as Strat D of Strati-Flighted Swiss
Stratified 299er Pairs 10:30 & TBA

The first session is free for players with 0-5 masterpoints.

Stratified Intermediate Novice Events
A: 200-300; B: 100-200; C: 0-100
49ers: 0-50

Main Events
Friday, August 13

International Fund Stratified Pairs 1:30 pm
Stratified Pairs 7:30 pm
*Handicapped KO Session 1 7:30 pm

Saturday, August 14

Handicapped KO Session 2 9:00 am
**Stratified Pairs (choice of 2) 9, 1:30, 7:30
*Handicapped KO Session 3 1:30 pm
Compact KO Session 1 1:30 pm
*Handicapped KO Session 4 7:30 pm
Compact KO Session 2 7:30 pm

Sunday, August 15


Strati-Flighted Swiss 10:30 & TBA
Stratified Pairs 10:30 & TBA

Stratified Events: A = 1500+;
B = 500-1500; C = 0-500 Non Life Master
Strati-Flighted Event:
A: 3000+; AX: 0-3000;
B: 750-1500; C: 300-750; D: 0-300
A & AX play together; B, C & D play together

Come inside where it's cool.

****New Event:
Handicapped KO:**
Teams get a handicap based on masterpoint holdings of entrants; it can be as much as 30 Imps. You have a chance to beat the best.

***Stratified Pairs**
Play in any 2 sessions and you can compete for overalls.



FREE Parking

FREE meal on Sunday

Reduced Entry Fee
\$8.00

Tournament Co-chairs: Bert Onstott: 281-494-9644; bert.onstott@shell.com
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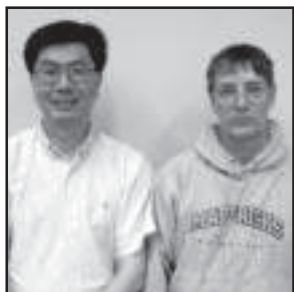
Hospitality: Marcella Thomas: 281-497-6876; mlthomas174@msn.com

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Caddies: Sandy Stevens: 281-395-5578; dabbler885@aol.com

Host Hotel
Wellesley Inn & Suites
1301 S. Braeswood Blvd.
713-794-0800
\$59 Single; \$69 Double
Shuttle service available

Dallas Memorial Day Sectional, May 27-31, 2004



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A
Hua Yang & Mike Dalton



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs B
Susan Krausgill & Betty Smith



Fri Aft & Eve Strat Prs A
Derrell Childs & Jack Barcinski



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A
Freddie O'Bannon & Sue Alter



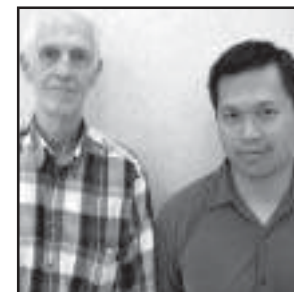
Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs C
Ken Bickelhaupt & Joyce Graft



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Mary Priest & Sandy Hilliard



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A
Carole Nicoud & Mary Norfleet



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs BC
Robert Razon & Hayward McMurray



Sat Morn Strat 299er Prs BC
Susan Webb & Penny Mixon



Sat Aft Strati-Flted Prs AX
Michael Hout & John Hampton



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A
Jeff Kaldem & Mary Bell Hoenig



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs BC
Marvin Chupack & Sue Kim



Sat Eve Strati-Flted Prs B
Jack Borenstein & (NP) Lonnelle Nelson



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs BC
Mike & Carole Mulligan



Sun Aft Strat Open Prs A
Merri-Jo Hillaker & Greg Hinze



Sun Aft Strat Open Prs B
Warren & Annette Olson



Sun Aft Strat 299er Prs ABC
Winford & Janice Boyd



Sun Eve Strat 299er Prs A
George Roach & Bonnie Shea



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs BC
Sun Aft & Eve Strat Open Prs C
Donna & William Garrard

Open Pair Events

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Hua Yang-Michael Dalton A2. Michael Murphy-S Kohan B1. Betty Smith-Susan Krausgill B2. Suresh Agrawal-Bob Scallan C1. Alberta Maddox-Ronnie Gaines C2. William Garrard, Jr.-Donna Garrard.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Derrell Childs-Jack Barcinski A2. Marion Gebhardt-James Bauer B1.C1. William Garrard, Jr.-Donna Garrard B2. Keith Estep-Diane Estep C2. Bob Butterfield-James Esker.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Derrell Childs-Jack Barcinski A2.B1. Wolf Schroeter-Ron Nordgren B2. Elizabeth Tobias-Lois Goodman C1. Sandy Hilliard-Mary Priest C2. Ruth Bracken-Peggy McCormick.

Sat Aft Strati-Flted Open Prs AX A1.X1. Michael Hout-John Hampton A2. Herbert Wilton-J. Martin X2. Jack Rollier-Natalie Rollier **Strati BC B1.** Jon Browne-D. Yoquelet B2. D. Witt-Amelia Albrite C1. Carolyn Bradford-Sylverine Hill C2. William Garrard, Jr. Donna Garrard.

Sat Eve Strati-Flted Open Prs AX A1. Herbert Wilson-J. Martin A2. Linda Spangler-Jack Smith X1. Bob Friz-George Trenholm X2. Rene Greene-B. Paul Hirsch **Strati BC B1.** Jack Borenstein-Lonnelle Nelson B2. Aaron Kastner-Carla Burke C1. Ronnie Gaines-O. Maddox C2. Ken McConnell-Edward Greene.

Sun Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Greg Hinze-Merri-Jo Hillaker A2.B1. Warren Olson-Annetta Olson B2/4. Ann Lewis-D. Yoquelet B2/4. Joan Slaughter-Cissy Brown B2/4. Suresh Agrawal-Bob Scallan C1. William Garrard, Jr.-Donna Garrard C2. Judy Corey Edmiston-Cynthia Keaton.

Intermediate Events

Thurs Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Barbara O'Dell-Ivanette Dennis A2.

Mark Dumdei-Cecil Parsons B2.C1. Emily Ray-Kenneth Bickelhaupt C2. Bill Edwards-Mary Edwards.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Freddie O'Bannon-Sue Alter A2.B1. V. Carlene Eddlemon-Kevin Pfeiffer B2.C1. Kenneth Bickelhaupt-Joyce Graf C2. Kenneth Price-Buddy Eldredge.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Mary Norfleet-Carol Nicoud A2. Margot Hirsch-Linda McDaniel B1.C1. Robert Razon-Hayward McMurray B2.C2. Margaret Hall-Esther Nachimson.

Sat Morn Strat 299er Prs A1. Bonita Turner-Emanuel McKinney A2.B1.C1. Susan Webb-Penny Mixon B2.C2. Mary Edwards-Bill Edwards.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Jeff Kaldem-Mary Belle Hoenig A2/3. Jon Heinecke-Glenda Cooper A2/3.B1.C1. Marvin Chupeck-Sue Kim B2.C2. Jo Ann Truitt-Ann Low.

Sat Aft Strat 0-5/020 Prs A1.B1. Ellen Heck-Callie Weller A2. David

Unit 353

Wichita Falls

Susan Brower



While the summer doldrums begin to sap the energy of most Texans, the duplicate bridge players of Unit 353 are busily preparing for our 2004 Fall Sectional. We are fortunate to again have the same great playing space at the Maskat Shrine for this year's October 1, 2 and 3 tournament dates and are looking forward to a fun event. I hope everyone will mark their calendars for the first weekend in October and plan to make the short trip to Wichita Falls — we guarantee to make you all welcome and try to serve up some big silver points along with the great food and hospitality for which we are noted. You can view the tournament flyer online at www.d16.org/u353/BAG/Bridge-A-Gap.html.

Congratulations to our unit players who placed district-wide in the May STAC games: Bob and Faye Morrison, Bill Swan, Bonnie Hill, Burt Lauck, Gene Walden, Ray Renk, Cecie Parker, Alta Ritchie, Bob Lewis, Dub and Freida Ryle, Ray Barnes, Charles Young, Gladys Barley, Jeannine Delaney, Trudy Downey, Jimmie Pappan, Gloria Kennedy, Jolene Brantley, Gene and Helen Probst, Leon

Dickson-Laura Dickson. B2. Jack Rich-Virginia Sharples.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Jean Ann Titus-Bob Titus A2. Stephen Wuller-Eugene Wuller B1.C1. Carole Mulligan-Mike Mulligan B2.C2. Stephen Hibbard-Glen Terrell.

Sun Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd A2.B2. Lauren Brown-Jim Brown.

Sun Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Bonnie Shea-George Roach A2. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette. B1/2. Lauren Brown-Jim Brown B1/2.C1. Lucy Mazzaferro-Pat Ross C2. David Dickson-Laura Dickson.

Mon Strat 299er Swiss Teams A1. Jon Heinecke-Glenda Copper-Diane Thompson-Diana Way A2. Ivanette Dennis-Barbara O'Dell-G. Skipworth-Mary Jones B1. Rob Preece-Therese Milford-Kevin Pfeiffer-V. Carlene Eddlemon B2.C1. David Dickson-Laura Dickson-Callie Weller-Ellen Heck.

Vaccarella and Cula Burch.

We players certainly appreciate all the efforts our club owners put forth to make a nice place for duplicate bridge day in and day out. I can remember when there was no opportunity to play in these special games in Wichita Falls, but our club owners see to it that we are able to participate in all the STAC, NAOP, Charity, World-Wide, and any other special games that are offered by ACBL and this opportunity is of great benefit to the players. So a big "Thank You" to Bob and Barbara Cunningham, Neva Burross, and Kathleen Brown for providing this service to the Unit 353 members.

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Unit 176

Dallas

Bob Scallan



Unit 176 excelled in the District 16 GNT finals held at the Richardson Civic Center over the Memorial Day weekend. Jim Thurtell, Stan Kohan, and Marc Poe won Flight A; Hua Yang, Weishu, Wu, Gerry McKim, and Hanchang Wang won Flight B; James Esker, Bob Butterfield, Pat Rose, and Joanna Kaspar placed 2nd in Flight C. Congratulations to all of these players, and best of luck at the summer nationals in New York.

The Louise Childs Freed Memorial Charity Game was held at Valley View on Sunday, June 6. Twenty tables participated. The game was sponsored by several friends of Louise to honor her as a great person and a great ambassador of bridge in Unit 176. Louise died earlier this year of breast cancer. Over \$1200 was raised and donated to the Gilda Radner Cancer Foundation as a memorial to Louise.

During the summer months, each member of the board of directors will be selling raffle tickets to the 2004 Bridge Bash which is being held to help raise money for the 2006 spring nationals to be held in Dallas at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Dallas. For only \$100 a person can purchase a change at 2 new cars, a trip to London, a trip to one of the NABC's. several cash prizes and jewelry items, as well as free sessions with a nationally ranked player from Unit 176. The ticket also includes a free dinner at which the drawing will be held during the Labor Day Regional this August. So.....everyone.....BUY A BRIDGE BASH TICKET!!

The Labor Day regional will be held August 31-September 6 at the Renaissance Hotel on Central Expressway in Richardson. See you there.

And don't forget to play in one of the many North American Pair (NAP) qualifying games at either Valley View or Plano during the months of July and August. Consult each club's schedule for the qualifying games.

Charity Game held for Gilda Radner Foundation in Memory of Louise Childs Freed



Louise Childs Freed
By Tarek Radjef

The charity game was held June 6, 2004 at Valley View Bridge Club in memory of Louise Freed. The event was sectionally rated and was attended by approximately 90 unit members.

The event was Co-chaired by Beth Bromberg and Tom Whitesides. They and an able group of volunteers selected

from the best players in our area cooked, prepared sandwiches and served an assortment of food and soft drinks that everyone enjoyed.

It was, I believe the first time such an event was held in this area. Beth thanked Gerrie Owen, Preston Morrow and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers for providing free facilities for the event, and others for the food that was brought in.

The participants contributed almost \$9,000 to the Gilda Radner Foundation which provides funds for ovarian cancer research and treatments. ALL of it, 100%, went to help the cause. Thank you to all the participants.

Dallas Memorial Day Sectional - Team Game City



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Dorsey Shaw & Preston Morrow
Gerrie Owen & Catherine Tucker



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Claybourne Waldrop & Virginia Sherman
Bonnie & Edward Yetter



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Thomas McElroy & Fonce Ragland
Susie Summer & Susan Key



Sun Compact KO Teams Bkt I
Justin Lall & Petra Hamman
Hemant Lall & (NP) Bart Bramley



Sun Compact KO Teams Bkt III
Cynthia Benton & Ginny Reinier
Tom Nute & Gloria Fields



Mon Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X
Ethel & Tom Corlett
Nancy Stanton & Beth Coker



Mon Strati-Flted Swiss Teams C
Mary McGinnis & Patricia Johnson
Gay Czikota & Edwina Syx



Mon 299er Swiss Teams A
Glenda Cooper & Diana Way
Diane Thompson & Jon Heinecke



Mon 299er Swiss Teams B
Carlene Eddlemon & Therese Milford
Kevin Pheiffer & Rob Preece



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt IV
Thomas McElroy & Fonce Ragland
Jean Ann & Bob Titus
Jean Ann & Bob also won
Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A



Mon Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B
Ray Clark & Bob Friz
George Trenholm & (NP) Jack Carter
Bob & George also won
Sat Eve Strati-Flted Prs X



Mon 299er Swiss Teams C
David & Laura Dickson
Ellen Heck & Callie Weller
Callie & Ellen also won
Sat Aft 0-20 Prs AB



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Mon Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A
Bill Staats & Stephen Kornegay
Mark Bumgardner & Hugh Hillaker
Nancy Kornegay & Kimmel Jones

Team Events

Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1.

Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay-Bill Staats-Kimmel Jones-Hugh Hillaker-Mark Bumgardner 2. Betsey Wolff-Sidney Lazard-Judy Kay-Wolff-Bobby Wolff **Bkt II** 1. Catherine Tucker-Preston Morrow-Gerrie Owen-Dorsey Shaw 2. Carla Burke-Michael Burke-Mimi Zavitkovsky-Judith Davis **Bkt III** 1. Claybourne Waldrop, Jr.-Virginia Sherman-Edward Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter 2. Bill Osborn-Eugene Arledge-Joseph Kosanda-Remi Houle **Bkt IV** 1. B. Thomas McElroy-Fonce Ragland-Bob Titus-Jean Ann Titus 2.

Max Jackson-Margaret Wallis-Diane Hoksbergen-Katye Kowierschke.

Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1.

Bobby Wolff-Sidney Lazard-Norman Beck-Bart Bramley 2. Petra Hamman-Bob Hamman-Justin Lall-Hemant Lall **Bkt II** 1. Robert Bergbower-Keith Marks-W. McManigell-Richard Carroll 2. Bobby Ruth Dunn-Sara Kastner-Pearl Weinstein-Twalah Jackson **Bkt III** 1. Fonce Ragland-B. Thomas McElroy-Susie Summers-Susan Key 2. Mary McGinnis-Patricia Johnson-Gay Czikota-Edwina Syx.

Sun Compact KO Teams Bkt I 1.

Petra Hamman-Bart Bramley-Justin Lall-Hemant Lall 2. Linda Spangler-Michael Dalton-Thomas Hughes, Jr.-Stephen Sinclair **Bkt II** 1. Roxana Tom-Dorothy Rippstein-Katherine Gary-Roxana Tom 2. Patricia Lozano-Bob Wilkin-Neal Shores-Jessica Roberts **Bkt III** 1. Gloria Fields-Tom Nute-Cynthia Benton-Virginia Reinier 2. Roy Booth-Connie Booth-Penny Mixon-Susan Webb.

Mon Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX

A1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy

Kornegay-Mark Baumgardner-Bill Staats-Hugh Hillaker-Kimmel Jones A2. Judy Kay-Wolff-Norman Beck-Bobby Wolff-Rob Meckstroth X1. Thomas Corlett-Ethel Corlett-Beth Coker-Nancy Stanton X2. B. Paul Hirsch-Julia Hirsch-Ilene Greene-Larue Stott **Strati BC** B1. George Trenholm-Bob Friz-Raymond Clark-Jack Carter B2. Roxana Tom - Katherine Gary - Dorothy Rippstein-Roxana Tom C1. Mary McGinnis-Edwina Syx-Gay Czikota-Patricia Johnson C2. Mark Dumdei-K. Haley-Paul Taylor-Robert Scrimale.

Chris' Corner

For the Advanced Player...



By Chris Compton

Rarely do I see a convention that makes an impression on me as just being plainly better than whatever else I have previously seen in the same auction or group of auctions. For instance, in responding to 1NT we can shout all we want about the superiority of transfers as compared with two-way Stayman; but, if you actually keep track, you will find that the analysis of which method is superior is so close that you really have to wait quite a long time to collect the slender advantage likely offered by transfers.

One area that I have always struggled with is how to respond to partner's overcall of 3N after the opponent's 2 or 3 level opening preempt. Part of the problem is that partner's overcall of 3N can be a wide ranged balanced hand (from a good 14 to a bad 20 HCP), or it can be a totally different hand type based upon a long strong minor suit. This second hand may occasionally even be unbalanced with 7-3-2-1. For example over 3S on my right, playingimps, I would overcall 3N with AQx xx KJ10x AJxx, but I could just as easily have AKx Axx AJ10x Kxx, or a totally different gambling type hand such as Kx xAKJxxx Axx.

If my partner could either be wide ranged balanced or have a minor one suiter with some stoppers, then how is responder to evaluate his own hand? The first thing to remember is that responder is absolutely not to remove 3N to four of a major without a 6+

card suit and an unbalanced hand. You need at least a 6 card suit because you will not catch three-card support very often in the hand that overcalled 3N and you will rarely catch a singleton.

An issue arises as to how to judge the strength of the 3N overcaller. If he has a balanced 14 to 20 HCP, how can we as responder find out while staying beneath game? In other words, what if responder wants to make a strength inquiry of the 3N overcaller, but stay at a game contract opposite a minimum?

TONTO stands for Transfers Over No-Trump Overcalls and is designed to handle the problem of how responder can offer a trump suit while simultaneously finding out the 3N overcaller's high card strength - while all the time managing the level of the contract so as to stay at a minimum game level.

The secret of TONTO is "tumbling" the order of the suits shown by responder. We can create some space for ourselves by coding the bids of 4C, 4D, or 4H to show a suit which is two or more steps higher. This works because 4C and 4D are not game contracts, and must be played as forcing. Remember, a basic concept of all bidding systems is that you very rarely worry about correcting a game contract to a partscore.

Then we use the between bids, the extra steps which we have created by tumbling the suits, for the opener to show a maximum 3N overcall.

Transfers Over Notrump Overcall "TONTO"

How does this all work in practice? In response to the 3N overcall:

- 1) 4C by responder always shows the lowest unbid major;
- 2) 4D shows the highest unbid major if two major suits are unbid, or if only one major is unbid (the other major was opened as a preempt by the opponent's), then 4D shows the lowest minor, which is clubs;
- 3) 4H shows either the higher unbid minor, (if the opponents preempted in a major), or the only unbid minor, if the opponent's preempted in a minor;
- 4) 4S is straight Blackwood; and,
- 5) 4N is a natural NT raise.

Let's try out TONTO works over a 3C preempt, and also, how it works over a 2H or 3H preempt.

N	E	S	W
3C	3N	P	?

4C shows the first unbid major, hearts

4D shows the second unbid major, spades

4H shows the unbid minor, diamonds

4S straight Blackwood (Asks for Aces)

4N quantitative raise, good 14HCP to bad 17

N	E	S	W
2/3H	3N	P	?

4C shows the first unbid major, spades

4D shows the first unbid minor, clubs

4H shows the second unbid minor, diamonds

4S straight Blackwood (Asks for Aces)

4N quantitative raise, good 14HCP to bad 17

Take out a pen and practice this structure over a 2D or 3D preempt, or a 2S or 3S preempt. The structure is the same, but the suits tumble slightly differently. You will definitely need to get used to this concept of "tumbling suits" if it is new to you.

Now that you are familiar with what suit is shown by responder's first bid, if you want to see the incredible advantage of TONTO, then take a look at the second round of bidding. If you are presently playing natural responses to 3N overcalls or even transfer responses (one bid, or "step" under the real suit), there are no bids for opener to use to quantify his strength. Try this example:

N	E	S	W
3S	3N	P	?

4D showing 6+ hearts, traditional, "one under transfers."

4H Opener has to go past game if he wants to show a good hand.

Playing TONTO, opener always has at least one bid step between the suit responder has named and the suit responder has shown. An example:

N	E	S	W
3S	3N	P	4C (Hearts)
P	?		

4D shows a balanced hand in the higher range (14-16)

4H shows a balanced hand in the lower range (17-20)

4N shows a minor one suited overcall minimum

5C shows a minor one suiter in clubs, with extras.

5D shows a minor one suiter in the diamonds, with extras

Here we can see that the in between bid is used to quantify the overcaller's balanced hands and 4N is used to say, "Hey pard, my hand is unsuitable for yours, I have one minor," and 5 of a minor says "Hey pard my, hand is unsuitable for yours, but I have extras."

Like anything new and worthwhile, this convention will take some getting used to, but just remember: 1) unbid majors come up first in response to 3N, and 2) steps by opener in between responder's actually call and the suit responder has shown are positive bids used to agree a good hand for responder's suit.

Also, remember the 4S response to 3N is always straight aces. Warning: don't try this 4S Blackwood response with your life partner in public. If you play 4S on your 7N hand, relationship stress may follow!

Good Luck!

A Piece of Advice...

A knowledge of the mechanics will suffice to put a player in a commanding position in the post-mortem. To become a member of the upper crust calls for more, much more. Resilience, imagination, occasional flashes of inspiration, these are the hallmarks of quality. And this transcends the realm of science.

- Victor Mollo

San Antonio June Sectional, June 3-6, 2004



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A
Wayne Rauschuber & Charles Jefferson



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A
Ira & Ellen Hessel



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs B
Linda Williams & Ralph Oxhandler



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs C
Becky Tanner & Linda Lawrence



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Neal Shores & Greg Hinze



Fri Aft & Eve Strat Open Prs B
Anthony Eckman & Dean Truair



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C
Betsy Berg & Raj Nayyar



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
John Bowers & Babu Koneru



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A
Patricia Lozano & Justin Lall



Sat Morn Strat Open Prs AB
Mike Huiatt & (NP) Tim Huiatt



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs B
Kim Carpenter & Robert Mangas



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs C
Cho Mayo & May Lou Click



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams BC
Jane Bowers & Barbara Altgelt
Susie Willerson & Jane Maclin
Maclin & Altgelt also won
Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs BC



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams A
Ed Rawlinson & Alan Copeland
Marilyn Arnold & Bill Walker



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams D
Carolyn Martin & Janice Coley
Chuck Abbott & Lew Purnell



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A
Koy Bass & Marina Mann



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs BC
Laura & David Dickson

Results: San Antonio June Sectional

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Wayne Rauschuber-Charles Jefferson A2.B1.C1. Jane Maclin-Barbara Altgelt B2. Anthony Eckman-Dean Truair C2/3. Mike Huiatt-Janet Huiatt C2/3. Susie Willerson-Jane Bowers.

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel A2. Patricia Lozano-Justin Lall B1. Linda Williams-Ralph Oxhandler B2. Roxana Tom-Roxana Tom C1. Rebecca Lu Tanner-Linda Lawrence C2. Paula Warren-Gool Castleberry.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Greg Hinze-Neal Shores A2. K. Carpenter-Nell Morgan B1. Anthony Eckman-Dean Truair B2. Harold Wilson-Charlotte Wilson C1. Betsy Berg-Raj Nayyar C2. Mike Huiatt-Janet Huiatt.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Venkatrao Koneru-John Bowers A2. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel B1. Dean Truair-Anthony Eckman B2.C1. Raymond Linck-Kathleen Linck C2. Ruth Wendel-Isabel Hayes.

Sat Morn Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Mike Huiatt-Tim Huiatt A2.B2. Randall Roberts-Phil Brown.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Justin Lall-Patricia Lozano A2/3. Greg Hinze-Neal Shores A2/3. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel B1. Robert Mangas-K. Carpenter B2. Carmeline Squires-Miriam Sweet C1. Cho Mayo-Mary Lou Click C2. Robert Maak-Beverly Maak.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Marina Mann-Koy Bass A2. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel B1.C1. David Dickson-Laura Dickson B2. Robert Mangas-K. Carpenter C2. Linda Williams-Pat Prichard.

Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams AX A1. Bill Walker-Marilyn Arnold-Ed Rawlinson-Alan Copeland A2.X1. Patricia Lozano-Greg Hinze-Justin Lall-Neal Shores X2. Charles Jefferson-Robert Mangas-K. Carpenter-Judy Lewis **Strati BCD B1.C1.** Susie Willerson-Jane Bowers-Jane Maclin-Barbara Altgelt B2. Carole Price-Bette Allen-Sally Armstrong-Mary Jane Murphy C2.D1. Lewis Purnell-Charles Abbott-Janice Coley-Carolyn Martin C2. Mike Huiatt-Janet Huiatt-Mac McWilliams-Maggie McWilliams.

Unit 172 San Antonio Beverly Santos



Jacque Tucker, "Extraordinaire", has provided incredible volunteer service to our unit over the years. She recently left the Board and the Unit extends their gratitude and appreciation for her dedicated service. The highly successful Mentor/Mentee Program for our unit was developed and implemented by Jacque and will continue to be a priority for our Board. One mentee that embodies the spirit of this program is Ester Modliszewski. She is representative of all the mentees in their commitment to learning and enjoying playing bridge. Our community schools reap the benefit from Ester and her volunteer group that perform puppet acts that reach out to the students to discuss social issues, drug and family abuse, bullying, sharing with friends. Students talk to the puppets without feeling ashamed or embarrassed. If you ever see a three-foot puppet coming in your direction dressed like a third grader, that is Ester.

Everette Lewis and Janise Saul who honored our members for their achievements this past year hosted the Awards Day event. The overall game winners for the event were: Ed Rawlinson, Everette Lewis; Cecelia Zachar, Jerome Tilles; and Glenna Marsh, Frederick Macaskill. Congratulations to all. The Summer San Antonio Sectional was held at the Woodlake Golf Club. What a delightful and relaxing place to hold a tournament. Many thanks to Janise Saul and Cisse Horton for all the gracious hospitality. The Unit Charity Championship will be held July 25 at Baileys to include lunch and a 1pm game time. We will feature our Annual Unit meeting and Luau Championship party on August 22nd at Baileys with an exotic lunch at noon and 1pm game time. We encourage all our members to attend.

Candidates for the Unit Board are: Marilyn Arnold, Patrick Cardullo, Jo Gayle Carter, Everette Lewis, Carole Price, Roxana Tom and Paula Warren. There are four Board positions that need to be filled and elections will be held in November.

The District STaC event had 3736 members participate and Ellen and Ira

Hessel topped the 100 Master Point Winners list with Darlene Riely and John Bowers coming in third and fourth. Also recognized were Marilyn Arnold, Rosalie Ribnick, Doug Cross, Roger Boeka and Carl Morris. We had numerous unit winners that posted games of over 63% and won statewide on a particular day. The unit feels pride for your outstanding accomplishments.

In silent sympathy we send our thoughts to Keith Esptep on the loss of his parents and to the family of Mattie Jones. Knowing her enriched us. Happy wishes to Jane Kinkler, Diane Olson, Neil Vogler, Lemuel Harkey for a healthy recovery.

The Express- News recently highlighted Keystone School for student bridge classes, which were spearheaded by Helen MCCrae and Diane Olson. Jeril Trebo and Patty Moncus started a second class at Pat Blattman Elementary School. Gool Castleberry is organizing a bridge class at St. Phillips Community College. We commend all of you for exemplary volunteer service. "Kind words make good echoes."

Attention!!! New Life Masters

When you become a Life Master
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Swiss Team Winners
Please arrange swiss teams with the 2 tallest players standing in the back and the remaining two players sitting down in chairs in the front.
Carefully label the players left to right, back to front
Pair Winners
Please place players standing side by side with shoulders touching. Carefully label the players left to right.

Want to become a Certified Bridge Teacher?
Unit 176 offering the ACBL Teacher's Accreditation Course during the Dallas Labor Day Regional. See p.3 for details.



Bailey's Summer Silver Sectional

July 29-August 1



Thursday, July 29

Lunch at 11:15 am: Sandwiches, Salad, Tea, & Coffee
Open Stratified Pairs 12:00 & 7:00 pm

Dinner at 6:15 pm: Spaghetti, Tea & Coffee
99er Stratified Pairs 12:00 & 7:00 pm

Friday, July 30

Brunch at 10:15 am

Open Stratified Pairs 11:00 & 7:00 pm

Dinner at 6:15 pm: Tacos, Rice Beans, Tea & Coffee
99er Stratified Pairs 11:00 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, July 31

Brunch served at 10:15 am

Open Stratified Pairs, 2 sessions 11:00 & 3:15 pm

Meal between sessions for those staying for 2nd session
99er Stratified Pairs, 2 sessions 11:00 & 3:15 pm

Sunday, August 1

Meal served after 3 matches

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams 10:30 am

199er Swiss Teams 10:30 am

(6 nine-board matches - play thru)

Stratification

Open Pairs & Swiss: A: 2000+, B: 500-2000, C: 0-500

99er Pairs: A: 50-100, B: 20-50, C: 0-20

Stratifltd Swiss: A: Unlimited, AX: 0-2000 (together)

B: 500-1000, C: 200-500, D: 0-200

199er Swiss: A: 100-200, B: 500-2000, C: 0-500

Entry Fees

\$10/nonmember/session

\$6/student/session

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Kerrville Sectional, April 15-18, 2004



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A
Bachman Nabors & Gene Gammill



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs BC
Gayle Carter & Howard Frederick



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs AB
Vicky Fisher & Pat Barrett



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Diane Olson & Donna McBride



Fri Aft & Sat Eve Strat Open Prs B
Joyce Richards & Charmaine Mitchell



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C
Leonidas & Linda Jones



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs ABC
Wilberta White & Margaret Jarratt



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Kim Carpenter & (NP) Herbert Wilton



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B
Fran Herchenhahn & Bobbie Olson



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Stacy & Nancy Jackson



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A
Becky & Milton Ellisor



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs B
Becky & Leonard Cucolo



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs C
Janet & Robert Siefert



Sat Morn Strat Open Prs AB
June Mengden & Rita Shackelford



Sat Morn Strat Open Prs C
Joan & Robert Allison



Sat Aft & Eve Strat Open Prs C
Katherine Pearce & Jean Blilie



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs AB
Stephanie & Homer Stevens



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A
Pat & Jim Griffin

Future and Current Club Directors...

Unit 176 offering Club Director's Course & Update Course during the Dallas Labor Day Regional. See p.3 for details.

New Braunfels Sectional September 9-12, 2004

New Braunfels Civic Center
390 South Seguin Street



Thursday, September 9

Stratified Prs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Friday, September 10

Stratified Prs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 11

Stratified Prs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Sunday, September 12

Strati-Flted Swiss Teams 10:30 am & TBA

Stratifications

Open Prs: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500

Strati-Flted Swiss: A: 3000+, X: TBD (A & AX played together)

B: 750-1500, C: 300-750, D: 0-300 (BCD played together)

NEWCOMER PROGRAM PRESENTS

299er EVENTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 9

German Prs & Tuba Prs 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Friday, September 10

Bier Garten Prs & Stein Prs 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 11

German Sausage Prs & Bratwurst Prs 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Stratifications: A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100 (3 Table Minimum)

TROPHY or GIFT PRIZE for each pair with highest score in each event

* Open hospitality with setups after Fri & Sat evening sessions

* Card Fees: \$9/person/session for paid ACBL member;

\$10/person/session for others; \$80/team

* Meal served between Sunday sessions

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Gail Turner 830.608.0539

San Antonio Coordinator

Janise Saul 210.481.1766

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are Required!



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A
Rosemary & Paul Kelley
Ralph Arnold (NPC)
Marilyn Arnold & Alan Copeland



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X
Pat Weddle & Judy Lewis
(NP) Charles Jefferson & Cheryl Gamez

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Gene Gammill-J Bachman Nabors A2. Richard Schmieder-Jyme Schmieder B1.C1. J Howard Frederick-Jo Gayle Carter B2/3. Marcia Joy Varvel-Milton Aston B2/3. Flora Pettit-Patricia Pels C2. Paula Warren-Walter Still.

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Pat Barrett-Vicky Fisher A2. Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel B2. Karen Snyder-Lois Goodman C1. Paula Warren-Walter Still C2. Becky Cucolo-Leonard Cucolo.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Donna McBride-Diane Olson A2. Deborah Brookins-Tommy Splitterger B1. Charmaine Mitchell-Joyce Richards B2. Carole Price-Bea Williamson C1. Leonidas Jones-Linda Jones C2. Virginia Wynne-Beula Mae Pearce.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Wilberta White-Margaret Jarratt A2.B2.C2. Toni Hurlbut-Mary Ince.
Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. K Carpenter-Herbert Wilton A2. Greg Hinze-Phillip Grothus B1. Fran Herchenhahn-Bobbie Olson B2. Karen Snyder-Lois Goodman C1. Stacy Jackson-Nancy Jackson C2. J Howard Frederick-Jo Gayle Carter.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Becky Ellisor-Milton Ellisor A2.B1. Becky Cucolo-Leonard Cucolo C1. Robert Siefert-Janet Siefert C2. Valerie Smeltzer-Donald Smeltzer.

Sat Morn Strat Open Prs A1.B1. June Mengden-Rita Shackelford A2. Virginia Noelke-Venktrao Koneru B2. Roxana Tom-Anne Hinton C1. Robert

Allison-Joan Allison C2. Ruth Wendel-Isabel Hayes.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1,B1, June Mengden-Rita Shackelford A2. Curtis Charlson-Marilyn Charlson B2.C1. Katherine Pearce-Jean Blilie C2. Janet Walker-William Walker.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Homer Stevens-Stephanie Stevens A2. John Osborne-Katherine Massie B2. Bobbi Hale-Jim Hale.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. James Griffin-Patricia Griffin A2. Phillip Grothus-Paul Kelley, Jr. B1. Charmaine Mitchell-Joyce Richards B2. Maureen Lightfoot-Vicky Fisher C1. Jean Blilie-Katherine Pearce C2. Richard Schmieder-John Osborne.

Sun Strati-Flted Open Swiss Teams AX A1. Alan Copeland-Marilyn Arnold-Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley, Jr. A2. James Griffin-Patricia Griffin-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel X1. Charles Jefferson-Cheryl Gamez-Judy Lewis-Patricia Weddle X2. Richard Schmieder-Jyme Schmieder-George Mann-Sharon Mann **Strati BCD.** B1. Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn-Milton Flanagan-Mark Steel. B2. Vicky Fisher-Pat Barrett-Betty Horne-Judy Wilde C1. Andy Villastrigo-Jay Thorne-Peter Thorne-James Robenson C2.D1. John Osborne-Theola Monroe-Norman Monroe-Katherine Massie.

Alamo

San Antonio Sectional

May 6-9, 2004



Smilovici-Charles Walker B2.C1. Rand Schmidt-Joe Caldarola C2. Sally Burns-Jean McCormick.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Sandra Weber-John Watkins A2. Jerry Bigler-Ed Rawlinson B2.C1. J. Howard Frederick-Jo Gayle Carter C2. Roxana Tom-Roxana Tom.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Jerry Bigler-Marilyn Arnold A2. Greg Hinze-Patricia Lozano B1.C1. Patrick Cardullo-Gool Castleberry B2. Dean Traair-Anthony Eckman.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. James Griffin-Patricia Griffin-Joe Quinn-Georgiana Gates A2. Jan Lall-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel-Alexander Kolesnik B1. K. Carpenter-G. Talbot-Patrick Cardullo-Tommy Crist C1. David Warner-Larry Smith-Nicholas Jong-Jeff Ford.

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Diane Olson-Peggy Fritsch A2.B1..Tommy Crist-John Olson B2.C1. Raj Nayar-Lottie Di Giovanni C2. Pat Prichard-Kay Laird.
Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. William Clegg, Jr.-Linda Williams A2. Jerry Bigler-Josephine Grabow B1.C1. Horatio Aldredge-Jacquelyn Aldredge B2. Carole Price-Bea Williamson C2. Barbara Ridgeway-Clifford Jensen.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Ira Hessel-Greg Hinze A2. Scott Humphrey-Terry Riely B1. Javier

D-16 Players Win Swiss at Oklahoma City Regional!



Bobby Jaeger & Kit Campbell
Joe Freeman & Bob Wilkin

Congratulations to the Jaeger team for winning the Sunday Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams BCD at the May Oklahoma City Regional. Nice going guys!!!

Fort Worth Summer Sectional, June 11-13, 2004



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs AB
Mitzi Wesely & (NP) Alan Sheppard



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C
Lynn Dellangelo & Marlene Round



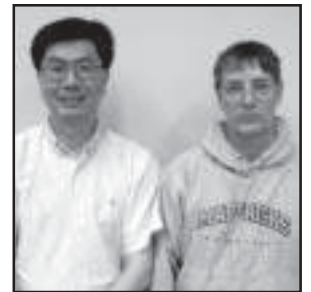
Fri Aft & Sat Eve 299er Prs A
Robert & Ann Kennemer



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs BC
Susan Webb & Penny Mixon



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Marianne Keitel & Janice Fisher



Sat Aft Strati-Flted Prs A
Hua Yang & Mike Dalton



Sat Aft Strati-Flted Prs B
Bettye Kinard & Jo Ann Vachule



Sat Aft Strati-Flted Prs C
George & Joan Hauger



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs ABC
Lou Straughn & (NP) Flora Chen



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A
Bob Scallan & Suresh Agrawal



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs B
Shay Ura & Bob Ingebritson



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs C
Jeri & Ken Quinton

Results: Ft. Worth Sectional Open Events

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Alan Sheppard-Mitzi Foster Wesely A2.B2. Gwen Pipes-Nancy Anderson C1. Lynn Dellangelo-Marlene Round C2. Billie McMahan-Rosalie Manuel.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Donna Rosz-Steve Shirey A2. Barbara Yates-Barbara Butler B1. William Welsh-Billy Jemison B2.C1. Marianne Keitel-Janice Fisher C2. Doug Couchman-Joe Clark.

Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay-Mark Bumgardner-Bill Staats-Hugh Hillaker-Kimmel Jones 2. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper-James Thurtell-Gerry McKim-Pat Cassidy **Bkt II 1.** Mark Smid-Jimmy Reynolds-Nancy Peterson-Gary Neisler 2. Carol McConnell-John McConnell-Joe Freeman-Joyce Zachry **Bkt III 1.** Virginia Reinier-Larry Howell-Barbara Jones-Jim Chaffee 2. Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Virginia Chilton-Gerald Myers **Bkt IV 1.** Ronald Neben-Bill Sandars-Charles Henderson-Arthur Wikoff 2. Barbara Groussman-Shirley Ashby-Jim Harp-Dorothy Ivy.

Sat Aft Strati-Flted Open Prs AX A1. Hua Yang-Michael Dalton A2. Larry La Brecque- Suzanne La Brecque X1. Thomas Corlett-Ethel Corlett 2. James Woerber, Jr.-Warren King. **Strati BC B1.** Bettye Kinard-Jo Ann Vachule B2. Doug Couchman-Jack Fitzgerald C1. George Hauger-J. Hauger C2. Marianne Keitel-Janice Fisher.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Suresh Agrawal-Bob Scallan A2.B2. Miriam Labovitz-Natalie Cohn C1. Marianne Keitel-Janice Fisher C2. Jerry Rainwater-Steve Knight.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A1. Grady Fuller-Leonard McCormick-Mary Orock-Mary Hoger-Jeanne Love A2. Greg Hinze-Patricia Lozano-Justin Lall-Nagy Kamel X1. Thomas Corlett-Ethel Corlett-Diane Schaffer-Tomi Fitzgerald **Strati BC B1.** Janet Adams-Kurt Brescoll-Bryan Morgan-Anthony Eckman B2. Shirley Hyde-Dolores Tucker-Wanda Roberts-Judy Bowden C1. Joe Harbour-Joy Harbour-Travis King-Elizabeth Hudson C2. Zachary Brescoll-Scott Wansbrough-Barbara Hadaway-George Davis.

299er Events

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Ann Kennemer-Robert Kennemer A2. Charles Gibson, Jr.-Margot Hirsch B1.C1. Susan Webb-Penny Mixon B2.C2. Cornelia Friedman-Peggy McClung.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Christine Bost-Frances Townsley A2. Kathy Coleman-Shirley Prewitt B2/4.C1/2. Stephen Hibbard-Glen Terrell B2/4.C1/2. Robert Seifert-Joyce Seifert B2/4. Sarah Jones-Dru Highland.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Lou Straughn-Flora Chen A2.B2.C2.



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A
Mary Hoger & Leonard McCormick
Jean Love & Grady Fuller



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X
Tomi Fitzgerald & Tom Corlett
Ethel Corlett & Diane Schaffer



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B
Kurt Brescoll & Janet Adams
Bryan Morgan & Tony Eckman



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Mark Smid & Gary Neisler
Jimmy Reynolds & Nancy Peterson

Betty McCauley-Frances Murrell.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Ann Kennemer-Robert Kennemer A2.B1. Shay Ura-Bob Ingebritson B2.C1. Ken Quinton-Jeri Quinton.

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Fort Worth
Kay Jones



The Unit 183 article in the last paper got cut off at the end and I would like to point out that the last paragraph just emphasized that Ann Carb was a leader in every sense of the word but she was not afraid of work - who else would take the dish towels home, wash them and bring them back the next day? In keeping with that thought, today's article is all about thanks - to so many players who volunteer and give of their time to make Unit 183 so special!

We have a new committee - the Membership committee. Chairperson is Diane Washabaugh and her members include Roger Parsons for Fort Worth and north; Margot Hirsch who will represent everything east of Fort Worth; Barbara Stewart for south of Fort Worth and Laura Nash for west of Fort Worth. The committee makes phone calls to welcome new members and answer any questions or if a member has let their membership lapse to see if there is a problem that can be resolved and get them back in the game. When we get a new member, Diane sends them a package that includes a welcome letter, coupon for one free play, a list of Unit 183 games and sites and any upcoming flyers for local tournaments. This is a wonderful committee and should reap many rewards for the unit.

Bryan Taylor is the chairperson for the Education Committee which consists of Emanuel McKinney, Roger Parsons, Carolyn Pinto, Lou Straughn and Glen Terrell. They will prioritize and achieve short-term objectives, formulate written plans, be responsible for ongoing programs once they are established, meet regularly with the Unit Education Liaison coordinator and make sure all volunteers are recognized by announcement and/or name tags, etc. This committee will do much to bring a cohesive togetherness in Unit 183 as everyone becomes more well known to each other.

Our web person is Stewart DeJournett who is doing an outstanding job. However, we also need to thank Elaine Wood for all her work before Stewart took over. Max Jackson takes our photos at the tournaments, gets them to the Scorecard, and does a wonderful job. Certainly two people who need to be continuously thanked is Pat Krannichfeld and Colleen Tiernan who are so talented and artistic and decorate our studio as well as the tournament sites - they are great! Not to be forgotten is Byron Taylor who has volunteered to be Caddy Chairman after Judy Staser who has had that job for heaven-only-knows how many years resigned. Peggy Hughes has manned the partnership desk for many years and is the best we've ever seen!

These are but a few of the many people who volunteer for the bridge unit. If you think of someone who should receive a thanks! let me know. Someone once said, It takes a village to raise a child. It also takes the entire membership to make a highly successful bridge unit and, by George, I think we've got it!

Mark it on your calendars...
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District 16-Wide STaC May 17-23, 2004

Ira Hessel, San Antonio, was the top masterpoint winner with 31.76 points!

Mon Aft Strat Open Prs (483 Prs)
A1.B1.C1. Portia Gaines-C. Mettauer
A2. Judith Hoffing-Vinh Tran B2.
Constance Heugel-W. E. Tindall C2. Lue
Waddle-Adele Hudgins.

Temple 0-499er Prs (16 Prs) A1.
Stafford Norman-Pat Johnson
A2.B1.C1. Wanda Carter-Donna
Townes B2.C2. Billye Rain-Maxcene
Cure.

Mon Eve Strat Open Prs (207 Prs)
A1. Darlene Riely-John Bowers
A2.B1. Bob Morrison-Faye Morrison
B2. Henry Gurley-Beverly Norman
C1. Daralynn Cameron-Bonnie Shea
C2. Bill Swan-Bonnie Hill.

**Mon Eve Bridge Club of Houston
299er Prs (11 Prs)** A1. Pete Hanson-
Georgia Sampson A2. D. Russell Long-
John Bedford B1.C1. Bob Frederick-
Leol Franklin B2.C2. Beverly
Cheatham-Patricia Schwenker.

**Mon Eve Beaumont 99er Prs (8
Prs)** A1. Curtis O'Steen-Joanne Hill
A2. Ben Johnson-Jo Woody B1.
Barney Hammer-Jean Hammer B2.
Laura Stelley-Sarah Smith.

Mon Eve 199er Prs (32 Prs) A1.B1.
Stewart DeJournett-David Pearlman
A2.B2. Lauren Brown-Jeanne Keish
C1. Laura Nash-Sam Griggs C2. Carol
Fisher-Brenda Hernandez.

**Mon Eve Fort Worth 499er Prs (16
Prs)** A1. Rosalie Manuel-Billie
McMahan A2. David Pollard-Byron
Taylor B1. Nancy Hooker-Alice Erwin
B2. Judy Phillips-Donna Mulkey.

Tues Aft Strat Open Prs (405 Prs)
A1.B1. Jimmie Lou Conner-Betty
Wareing A2. Rosalie Ribnick-Doug
Cross B2. Ada Capello-Dan Capello
C1. Joanna Kaspar-Patricia Rose C2/
3. Ola Fay Anderson-Elizabeth Smith
C2/3. Angela Lennon-Anita Cokins.

Tues Aft Athens 299er Prs (8 Prs)
A1. Helen Shaw-Flo Eckerberger
A2.B1.C1. Sue Ritschel-Dee Gemmel
B2. Charles Tea-Fran Tea C2. Lucille
Turner-Bobby LaBlanc.

**Tues Aft Van Zandt Invite Prs (13
Prs)** A1.B1. Lynda Frazier-Mary Priest
A2.B2.C1. Ima Stout-Selma Dawson
C2. K. Mitchell-Sandra Brown.

**Tues Aft Beaumont 499er Prs (12
Prs)** A1. Joan Burnett-Joanne Hill
A2.B1. W. Osberg, Jr.-Lynne Adamchik
B2. Bessie Hebert-Frances Floyed.

Tues Eve Strat Open Prs (293 Prs)
A1. Robert Grantham, Jr.-John Zilic
A2. Jolie Hess-Pat McMullin B1.C1.
Robert Main-Jeffrey Haney B2. Patsy
Williams-Edwyna Testerman C2.
Doug Boswell-Rodney Mccullough.

Tues Eve Plano 299er Prs (10 Prs)
A1. Judy Mezick-Bob Ingebritson
A2.B1. Steve Conover-Alan High B2.
Bill Sullivan-Elena Sullivan.

Tues Eve Abilene NLM Prs (8 Prs)
1. Kay Strickland-Martha Murphy 2.
Mary Ann Hall-Pat J. Morrison .

**Tues Eve Fort Worth 199er Prs (24
Prs)** A1.B1. Linda Zipes-Mike Zipes
A2. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette
B2. Lauren Brown-Doris Doores C1.
Mary McDougal-Peter McDougal C2.
Kenneth Tunnell-Linda Tunnell.

**Tues Eve Sonora Side Game Prs
(7 Prs)** A1. Norman Monroe-Theola
Monroe A2. Blake Adkins-Flora
Hubble.

Wed Aft Strat Open Prs (510 Prs)
A1.B1. Maidell Davis-Nancy G.
Kendrick A2. Jacquelyn Kimberley-G.
Reaves Murphey B2. June Mengden-
Tom Rice C1. Karin Werner-Susanne
Armstrong C2. Bernice Stolle-Richard
Stolle.

**Wed Aft Beaumont 199er Prs (11
Prs)** A1. Edwina Landrum-Jim
Landrum A2.B1.C1. Buck
Buckhannan-Frieda Friedman B2.C2.
Jean Hammer-Norma Crane.

Wed Eve Strat Open Prs (196 Prs)
A1. Robert Harrison-Thomas Hays
A2. Linda Spangler-Randy Ausmus
B1. Jeremy Dilbeck-Marion Collins
B2. Katherine Onstott-Bert Onstott,
III C1. Thelma Gorinstein-Raya Kahan
C2. Leslie Langhus-Billie Wells.

**Wed Eve Arlington 199er Prs (11
Prs)** A1.B1.C1. Steve Hibbard-Glen
Terrell A2.B2.C2. Penny Mixon-Susan
Webb.

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs (150 Prs)
A1/2. Bernice Delaney-James Greaves
A1/2. Peggy Jean Ford-Jean Brown
B2. Garnell Cunningham-Ann Warner
C1. Jolene Brantley-Gloria Kennedy
C2. Ann Kuehler-Grant Coom.

Thurs Aft Bryan Invite Prs (14 Prs)
A1.B1.C1. Pat Cruse-Peggy Harrison
A2. Alan Bachman-Richard Duple C2.
Barbara McAllister-Joyce Greinert.

Thurs Aft Beaumont Invitational

Prs (10 Prs) 1. Bessie Hebert-
Katherine Fouts 2. Dessie Crow-Ancel
Lewis.

**Thurs Aft Athens 299er Prs (14
Prs)** A1. Ginger Rhamey-James
Rhamey A2.B1. Dee Gemmel-Sue
Ritschel B2. Ann Thomas-Gunner
Thomas.

**Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs (244
Prs)** A1.B1. William Lindner-Charles
Peterson A2. Aletha Cahill-Wolf-Faye
Vincent B2. Kenneth Skillern-S.
Motle C1. Linda Garrett-Kay
Karnau C2. Polly Hamui-Helen
Morgenstein.

Thurs Eve 499er Prs (32 Prs) A1.
Roger Parsons-Ronald Neben A2.
Betty Hester-Gloria Robertson B1.
Hope Garza-Robert Bennett B2. Hal
Noelke-Dave Watson C1. Don Greer-
Karen Greer C2. Mary Jo Pettit-
Christina Medley.

Thurs Eve Eldorado Prs (5 Prs) 1.
Flora Hubble-Clay Porter 2/3. Dorothy
Clark-Blake Adkins 2/3. Ethel Olson-
Trouba Kaplan.

**Thurs Eve Arlington 99er Prs (17
Prs)** A1. Larz Smith-Anne Smith A2.
Craig Boyd-Jan Boyd B1. Julie Guy-
Judy Burch B2. Carol Fisher-Brenda
Hernandez.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs (547 Prs)
A1. James LaFountain-Richard Wall
A2.B1. W. Viser-Ronald Trimmer B2.
Doris Baker-Ida Lewis C1. Sue Reed-
Anita Talbott C2. Mickie Damon-Jean
Townsend.

Fri Aft Plano 499er Prs (10 Prs)
A1.B1.C1. Timothy Banks-Don
Bartley A2.B2.C2. Judy Mays-Helen
Skiles.

Fri Aft Mineola Prs (6 Prs) A1.
Louise Fleetwood-Frauline Gresham
A2/3. Pat Jeffery-Ada Reynolds A2/3.
Dorothy McCasland-Shirley Shelton.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs (139 Prs)
A1.B1. Vijay Shirsat-Mia Nguyen A2.
Darlene Shirey-Amy Percy. B2. Byron
Taylor-William Welsh C1. Martha
Murphy-Myrna Orenic C2. Doris
Little-Tom Little.

Fri Eve Conroe Prs (6 Prs) A1. C.
Sue Semple-Aletha Cahill-Wolf A2.B1.
Jeannie Johnson-M. Elaine Lyles B2.
Allen Wolf-Mary Anne Woessner.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs (352 Prs)
A1. Jerry Bigler-Marilyn Arnold A2.

Pat Ellison-Carol Schoenhals B1.
Beverly Herring-Ernestine Fisher B2.
Coyita Bowker-Jeane McFarland C1.
Nancy Green-Synphia Adams C2.
Dessie Crow-Dolores Belton.

**Sat Aft Bridge Club of Houston
Prs (12 Prs)** A1. Elizabeth McGee-
Edith Reid A2.B1. Duane Friedrich-
William Lindner B2. Irene Baker-
Wanda Dell.

**Sat Aft Valley View 299er Prs (18
Prs)** A1. Betsy Goldsmith-Chuck
Brown A2.B1.C1. Judy Mays-Helen
Skiles B2.C2. Rod Wicklander-Ann
Mouzon.

**Sat Aft Bridge & Games Studio of
Houston (21 Prs)** A1. Michele
Rawson-Matthew Rawson A2.B1.
Catalina Cardenas-Mateo Figueroa B2.
Robert Siefert-Robert Frederick C1.
Nancy Lawrence-Theo Lawrence C2.
Debbie Bellan-Ellen Greenfield.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs (107 Prs)
A1. Steve Shirey-Donna Rosz A2. Gail
Wells-Michael Walrath B1. Duane
Friedrich-William Lindner B2. Denise
Grossman-Eva Saadia C1. Charles
Dolden-Mickey Edholm C2. Bill
Gervais-Pete Hanson.

Sun Aft Strat Open Prs (217 Prs)
A1. Eve Bindeman-Vikas Phadke A2.
John Bowers-Darlene Riely B1. Libby
Boeye-Marilyn Mac Donald B2.C1.
Joy Carson-Nancy Burns C2. Horatio
Aldredge-Jacquelyn Aldredge.

**Sun Aft Bridge & Games Studio
of Houston Swiss Team (20 Teams)**

A1. John Byrnes-Carolyne Fox-
George Fox-Tosi Liang A2. Vern
Schmidt-Edward Freiter-T. Richard
Grammer-Ing-Tai Chen B1. William
Van Dame-Lesly Van Dane-Harry
Selldin-Mary Le Grand B2. Jane
Armstrong-Darlene Thompson-Sharon
McCullum-Dorothy Voss C1. Pete
Hanson-Bill Gervais-Jacqueline
Mcnamara-Lloyd Lewis.

Sun Aft Conroe Prs (6 Prs) A1.B1.
Mavis Warren-Jody Henry A2/3.
Aletha Cahill-Wolf-Barbara Soyachak
A2/3.B2. Mary Thatcher-Allen Wolf.

Sun Eve Strat Open Prs (53 Prs)
A1. Ken Brantferger-John Zilic A2.
Magy Rosenberg-Nancy Lira B1. Bob
Scallan-Suresh Agrawal B2.C1. Alfredo
Zaga-Miriam Zaga C2. Daralynn
Cameron-Kevin Pheiffer.

Jones, 6) Betty Poindexter and Bill
Lucas.

Income Tax Day was a big day with
the Thursday Morning Club celebrat-
ing Three birthdays, one of which was
Mary Shumaker who turned 90 years
young! Winners in this Club Champi-
onship were 1) Marilyn Maxum and
Martha Reed, 2) Lois Mathews and
Lynne Adamchik, 3) Jo Ann Thomp-
son and Shirley Dingle, 4) Dessie Crow
and Naldia Reeves, and 5) Dot White
and Frances Floyed. The Swiss team
game that afternoon drew eleven teams,
with winners as follows: 1) Don Holst
-Beverly Leger-Flo Gillispie-Martha
Sigler, 2) Lee Rogers-Cora Lee Book-
Mary Bruce-Phyllis Ryan, 3) Thelma
Stockdale-Lorraine Brown-Martha
Bookman-Mary Lou Terry, 4) Jo Ann
Thompson-Dolores Belton-Marilyn
Maxum-Bea Babel.

Eight games were played in the
Neches River Tournament, April 19 to
25. Trophies furnished by Neches River
Festival, Inc. were awarded to Martha
Sigler, Flo Gillispie, Dr. A. Bharathi,
Blaine Thomas, Jim and Edwina
Landrum, Ben Johnson, Jo Woody,
Dolores Belton, Lynn
Adamchik, Frances Floyed, Bessie
Hebert, Katherine Fouts, Lucy Fanette,
Ethel Rogers, Wanda Ramsey, Cynthia
Stueber, Juanell Jones, Nancy Smalley,
Marian Jones, Jayne Eisen, John
Smalley, Don Holst, Beverly Leger, Lela
Wilson, Merrill Lott, Charles and
Marcella Galanie, and Carol and Bob
McGill.

May 5 was an exciting day at the stu-
dio. Marion and Emmy Ferguson cel-
ebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary,
and he came in 2nd NS playing with
Shirley Ferguson (No Relation), with
1st going to Martha Darden and June
Aulbaugh, EW 1) Marian Jones and
Vivian Breedlove, 2) Blanche Sibley and
Anna Smith. May 6 Swiss Team had
the only novice team coming in 2nd. It
was composed of Ron Stueber, Bill
Mathews, Shirley Ferguson and
Martha Kord, with 1st going to Phyllis
Ryan, Cora Lee Book, Jerry Fairchild
and Lee Rogers. Another thrilling win
by a novice couple was on May 12,
with Lynn Adamchik and Ossie Osberg
coming in first EW, and Merrill Lott
and Tipton Golias coming in first NS. A
third Big Novice Win was in the ACBL-
wide International Fund Game on May
13, with Lynn Adamchik and Dolores
Belton coming in second, and "the usual
suspects" - Tipton Golias and Dr.
Bharathi coming in first.

The highlight of May was Marilyn
Maxum's Life Master Party on the 22nd.
A full 20 tables helped her celebrate
with overall winners; 1) John Smalley
- Don Holst, 2) Beverly Herring -
Ernestine Fisher, 3) Jerry Heckman-
Fred Winter, 4) Dessie Crow - Dolores
Belton, 5) Vivian Breedlove-Mary
Johnson, 6) Tim and Laura Stelly, 7)
Mary Lou Terry-Barbara White, 8)
Arline Meyers - Betty Poindexter, 9)
Charles and Marcella Galanie, 10) Anna
and Hugh Smith, 11) Emmy and Marion
Ferguson, 12) Paul Keedy - J. B.
Pershon, 13) Rick and Tamah Goad.
Special congratulations to two pairs
who scored District-wide in this STAC
game: Beverly Herring and Ernestine
Fisher first in B and Dessie Crow and
Dolores Belton second in C.



April was not the "cruellest month"
for novices Norma White and Jean
Davis. In the Thursday Morning Club
on April 8, they won first and that af-
ternoon playing in the Unit Champi-
onship Swiss team game, their team, con-
sisting of Dolores Belton and Jo Ann
Thompson, tied for first/second place
with the team of Martha Sigler, Flo
Gillispie, Arline Meyers, and Marian
Jones. Third place went to the team of
Lee Rogers, Cora Lee Book, Juanell
Jones, and Cynthia Stueber.

The Upgraded Club Championship
on April 12 drew eleven full tables with
overall winners as follows: 1) Cora Lee
Book and Lee Rogers, 2) Naldia Reeves
and Mary Nix, 3) Jayne Eisen and Joan
Hataway, 4) Nancy Smalley and Marian
Jones, 5) June Aulbaugh and Juanell

SABINE NECHES

Unit 201 Sectional
August 26-29, 2004

Thursday, August 26

Beaumont Bridge Studio, 950 North Street, this event only

Stratified Open Pairs 7:00 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs 7:00 pm

Friday, August 27

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm

Saturday, August 28

Choice Stratified Pairs, any 2 of 3 sessions 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm
Side Game Stratified Pairs 7:30 pm

Sunday, August 29

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:30 am & TBA

Stratifications

Stratified Pairs: A: 1250+, B: 500-1250, C: 0-500

199er Pairs: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50

Stratified Swiss Teams

A: Unlimited, Separate A1: 2000+, A2: 0-2000

B: 500-1250, C: 200-500, D: 0-200 (B, C & D play together)

Free Coffee & Rolls - Morning Games

Buffet Served Between Swiss Team Sessions

Mugs for Section Tops

Prizes for A, B & C and 199er Winners

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Entry Fees

Open Pairs: \$8 per person

199er Pairs: \$7 per person

Swiss Teams: \$80 per team

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Dallas 299er Sectional, April 16-18, 2004



Fri Morn Strat 299er Prs ABC
Orin Atkins & Jim Randolph



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs
G. Skipworth & Mary Jones



Fri Aft Strat 49er Prs B
Robert Clarke & Alma Farley



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs AB
Joyce & Marlow Muldoon



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs C
Mattie Ray & Barbara Austin



Sat Morn Strat 299er Prs AB
Adele Hudgins & Lue Waddle



Sat Morn Strat 49er Prs AB
Susan Webb & Penny Mixon



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Cecil Parsons & Carlene Eddlemon
Tim Banks & Kevin Pfeiffer



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Chris Hayes & Zack Brescoll
Evonne Hayes & Lewis Brescoll



Sun Aft Swiss Teams AB
Jeff Dater & Mark Shekter
Jim Farmer & Jim Harp



Sun Aft Swiss Teams C
Linda Thomas & Carolyn Bradford
(NP) Barbara O'Dell & Ivanette Dennis



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A
Diane Dillman & Pat Freeman

Results: Dallas 299er

Fri KO Teams 1 1. Ronald Neben-Lorraine Little-Roger Parsons-Diane Dillman 2. Shay Ura-Ivanette Dennis-Bob Ingebritson-Margaret King.

Fri Morn 299er Strat Prs A1/2.B1.C1. Orin Atkins-Jim Randolph A1/2. James Esker-Tom Pearce B2/3.C2. Linda Thomas-Carolyn Bradford B2/3. Walt Matzen-Virginia Matzen.

Fri Aft 299er Strat Prs A1.B1. G. Skipworth-Mary Jones A2.B2. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette C1. Doris Doores-Virginia Klinkerman C2. Helen Skiles-Judy Mays.

Fri Aft 49er Strat Prs A1. Rob Preece-Therese Milford A2.B1. Robert Clarke-Alma Farley.B2. Orin Atkins-Joyce Graf.

Fri Eve 299er Strat Prs A1.B1. Marlow Muldoon-Joyce Muldoon A2. Wayne Miller-Shirley Miller B2.C1. Mattie Ray-Barbara Austin C2. David Sterner-George Nassif.

Sat Bktd KO Teams 2 Bkt I 1. Timothy Banks-Kevin Pfeiffer-Cecil Parsons-V. Carlene Eddlemon 2. Ginger Rhamey-Mona Buchanan-Mattie Ray-Barbara Austin **Bkt II** 1. Zachary Brescoll-Christopher Hayes-Lewis

Brescoll-Yvonne Hayes 2. Katye Kowierschke-Laura Nash-Diane Hoksbergen-Sam Griggs.

Sat Morn 299er Strat Prs A1.B1. Lue Waddle-Adele Hudgins A2.B2. Martha Taft-Carol Walliser C1. Lyn Davis-Mike Davis C2. John Jackson-Randy Field.

Sat Morn 49er Strat Prs A1.B1. Susan Webb-Penny Mixon A2. Eleanor Cherryholmes-Nancy Caldwell B2. Rosalie Herring-Joyce Graf.

Sat Aft 299er Strat Prs A1. Diane Dillman-Pat Freeman A2. Jean O'Neal-Gay Czikora B1. Charles Morse-Nancy Morse B2.C1. Virginia Klinkerman-Doris Doores C2. Kathleen Wynn-Patricia Jackson.

Sat Aft 49er Strat Prs A1. Virginia Runnels-Peggy Mc Clung A2. Penny Mixon-Susan Webb.

Sat Eve 299er Strat Prs A1. Dion Dubois-John Overstreet A2.B1. Doloris Eldredge-June Price B2.C1. Becky Vance-Clifton Vance C2. Carole Mulligan-Mike Mulligan.

Sat Eve 49er Strat Prs A1. Nancy Caldwell-Eleanor Cherryholmes A2/3. William Coble-Massuma M. Kazemi A2/3. Penny Mixon-Susan Webb.

front doors opened for light. Even the glare from the cars in the parking lot did not dissuade them! Joyce Cox, our director, was busy at the tables helping and correcting any infractions that occurred. The Blackout Winners were Dee Sterns and Bea Duggan N/S and Beverly Walker and Mary Tecson E/W (Hmmm, guess we know who has the best night vision in the club.)

On Tuesday the 20th was our Pro-Am Tournament, and from all the comments we received, everyone had a good time. Besides, the food was great and the homemade ice cream disappeared quickly! Top five pairs were: Bobbie Olson and Mary Murray, Beverly Walker and James Casey, Howard Wilkins and Robert Hall, Dale Lain and Teresa Casey and Mary Tecson and Delaine Deaton.

Spring Fling's charities were the National Hospice (ACBL) and our local Salvation Army. A delicious meal was served between sessions was purchased from Golden Chick who also gave us a special rate for the charity games. The Saturday Overall Winners were Pat Ramsey and Bonnie Cartilage A, Alfred and Gwen Crawl B and John Galley and Melinda Verger C The Sunday Session honored the National Hospice again and the Overall Winners were Pat Ramsey and Be Dudgeon A and Delbert and Pat Hess B/C.

The IF Overall Winners for the 10th were Lear Lewis and Colleen Palmer A/B. On the 11th the NLM winners were Kay Strickland and Martha Murphy, Don Dwyer and Jo Jones. The 12th winners were Bonnie Cartledge and Howard Wilkins A and



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs B
Nancy & Charles Morse



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A
Dion Dubois & John Overstreet



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs B
Doloris Eldredge & June Price



Sun Morn Swiss Teams ABC
Therese Milford & Carlene Eddlemon
Rob Preece & Kevin Pfeiffer
Rob & Therese also won
Fri Aft Strat 49er Prs A

Sun Morn 299er Strat Swiss Teams A1.B1.C1. Therese Milford-Kevin Pfeiffer-Rob Preece-V. Carlene Eddlemon A2. James Esker-Judy Mays-Tom Pearce-Helen Skiles B2.C2. Kenneth Bickelhaupt-Ann Mouzon-Emily Ray-Rod Wicklander.

Sun Aft 299er Strat Swiss Teams A1.B1. Jeff Dater-Mark Shekter-Jim Harp-Jim Farmer C1. Carolyn Bradford-Barbara O'Dell-Linda Thomas-Ivanette Dennis A2. Karen Collins-Carolyn Marks-Kathy Coleman-Shirley Prewitt B2. Doloris Eldredge-Buddy Eldredge-June Price-Kenneth Price C2. Nancy Caldwell-Kevin Pfeiffer-Eleanor Cherryholmes-V. Carlene Eddlemon.

Coyita Bowker and Jeane McFarland B. On the 13th a meal of hot dogs and all the trimmings were served with home made pies for dessert! Hostess was our Club Manager, Jackie Sonnenburg and the pie contributors were Dee Stearns, Pat Wilson, Beverly Walker and Jackie. Winners were Betsy Duncan and Mary Tecson a, Fran Herchenhahn and Ginny Wisdom B, and the Hess's C. The 14th winners were Howard Wilkins and Trudy Maddox-A, Bobbie Grier and Mary Murray-B/C. The 16th winners were Dee Stearns and Pat Wilson-A and Ginny Wisdom and Fran Herchenhahn-B.

STaC Game winners: May 19-Betsy Duncan and Dee Stearns-A SuZanne Davis and Margaret Gregory-B 18 NLM Kay Strickland and Martha Martha Murphy, Mary Ann Hall and Pat Morrison, Amelis Montes and Joy Davis. 19-Pat Wilson and Pat Ramsey-A Myrna Orenic and Ginny Wisdom-B, Mary Ann Hall and Martha Murphy-C. 20-Dale Lain and Mary Murray-A, Jackie Sonnenburg and Mary Lou Gross-B. 21-Dale Lain and Jackie Sonnenburg-A, Bobbie Grier and Fran Herchenhahn-B, the Hess's-C. 22-Coyita Bowker-A/B, Artie Harris and Dorothy King-C and 23-Jay Shields and Henry Doscher tied with Betty Henderson and Bonnie Cartledge-A/B.

We are preparing for Abilene's Sectional in October. Our prices will remain the same: \$8.00 per session and on Sunday for two sessions and a meal the price will be \$20.00 per person. Good hospitality and mark your calendars! Be seen' ya!

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Where? DALLAS REGIONAL - See Page 16!

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Ginny Wisdom



The month of April started with distressing news as our unit heard of Lorrie Drury's and Wally Pier's deaths. Lorrie, an avid bridge player fought a valiant fight against cancer. She loved her family, traveling and bridge in that order. Wally was a big "teddy bear" with a gruff voice who loved his three sons and who passed away peacefully in the home of one of his sons on a visit. Our condolences to both families; we miss them. During the first session of the Spring Fling, Delaine Deaton collapsed, 911 was called, and she was hospitalized and is now recuperating. Not only do we wish a good recovery for Delaine but also for Betty Henderson who had heart surgery and for Jackie Stowe, our Unit Secretary who had shoulder surgery.

Both "First Tuesday" and "Bridge-wise are progressing well. Our players enjoy the light lunches before playing on that Tuesday. Bridge-Wise has had eager listeners coming an hour early before game to hear Mary Tecson on bridge ethics, Howard Wilkins on Jacoby Transfer and Texas Transfer Bids over No Trump and Pat Ramsey on The Play of the Hand.

At 1 PM on Wednesday, April 14th or "Black Wednesday," the players walked into the center with no lights! The lights were out due to a mix-up with WTU and the center; however our players were undaunted, took up the challenge and played with only the

Gary King

299er Editor



Intermediate/Novice

Unit 237
Magic Valley

Donna Ahlquist



When playing matchpoints you must fight natural human instincts to make sure that your focus is sharp. If you simply give in to those natural instincts, then you will not be prepared when fate comes to call. Let me explain what I mean.

Playing in the local duplicate you play these three hands against your first opponent.

Hand 1

Dummy
S Q74
H A42
D Q854
C KJ8

You
S AK10952
H KQJ
D 72
C Q4

Your LHO overcalls your 1S opening with 2D and you and partner quickly get to game. LHO begins with the A and K of diamonds (all following) and then leads the J of diamonds to trick three. How do you play?

Hand 2

S AJ109
H Q109
D AQ5
C A76

S K542
H AK8
D KJ108
C K2

This time partner shows his usual flair of exuberance and propels your side quickly into 6S (using Stayman) after you open 1NT. The opening lead is an unhelpful small diamond. How do you play?

Hand 3

SA54
H 93
D A6432
C 875

S K82
H A8765
D 8
C AK92

After you open 1H, partner responds with 1NT and then prefers to 2H after you rebid clubs. The opponents let you play there and LHO leads the queen of spades. How do you play?

How did you do? Keep in mind these hands all have a human nature theme.

Hand 1

Did you blindly cover with the diamond queen? I watch students do this all the time needlessly throwing tricks out the window. LHO overcalled diamonds and RHO has shown up with two (following to the first two tricks). If you cover with the queen, RHO will ruff and the queen will forever be worthless to you. "What's the point?" you ask. There is nothing to discard on it anyway. You have a sure club loser. Not necessarily. 4S rates to be a normal contract and the defense was about what was expected. LHO also very likely has the club ace. How can you exploit human nature and perhaps score better than average?

Try this approach. Play small on the diamond and trump in hand. Pull trump ending in hand and lead a small club towards the dummy. No cashing of heart tricks. You do not want to give the defense any more hints than needed. If LHO can be enticed into playing low with the club ace just once you will take eleven tricks. Win the club in dummy. Discard the club queen on the diamond queen and claim. How often will this work? That depends upon your opponents. The point is, what have you got to lose? If the opponents defend perfectly you get average. If they slip just slightly you will get well above average. All win and no lose, but you must fight the natural urge to squander.

Hand 2

assuming trumps are not 5-0 you will make the contract for sure. It is time to relax, right? Wrong. Human nature tells us that when the contract is a slam dunk (no pun intended) to let down our guard. Did you analyze the quality of your contract? Are you in the normal contract? Certainly most everyone in the game will open your hand 1NT (except the few weak no-trumpers, but they will quickly show the hand value). With 17 high card points opposite a 1NT opener it is likely that most, if not all, partnerships will find their way to slam. So slam seems to be the normal contract, but which slam? A fair number will choose 6NT with 4-3-3-3 opposite a 1NT opening. That contract is absolutely cold (not failing even when spades are 5-0). So you should judge that you are an underdog. If you and the 6NT bidders take the same number of tricks then you lose. Assume for a second that 5 pairs plays 6S and 4 pairs plays 6NT. Everyone takes exactly 12 tricks. On a 8 top you will get 2 matchpoints (while the 6NT players will get 6½).

Just what is an underdog to do? Worry about the overtrick. If you locate the queen of spades then 13 tricks are available. First put yourself in the shoes of the 6NT players. How are those players likely to play spades? Human nature would tell us that most will cash the king and finesse the jack. If you follow the same path then your results will match and the score of the 6NT players will always be 10 points

more than yours (6S making seven and 6NT making 7). No, you need to play the opposite of the approach the 6NT players choose. If they cash the king and finesse the jack then you should cash the ace and finesse the opposite direction. The odds of success are the same but the outcome will be very different. If LHO holds the queen of spades you will take 12 tricks and score 980 while the 6NT players will take 13 tricks and score 1020. At most you will lose the 2 matchpoints you might have received. On the other hand, if RHO holds the spade queen you have turned a sow's ear into a silk purse by scoring 13 tricks for 1010 while the 6NT players only take 12 tricks for 990.

Hand 3

Did you try to pull trump hoping the suit was breaking 3-3? Human nature is to fall back on "natural" things like leading trump, but that is not even close to the best plan for this hand. Carefully win the spade in hand, cash the diamond ace, and trump a diamond, cash the spade ace, trump a second diamond, and then cash the heart ace, club ace, and club king. Diamonds no worse than 4-3 is much better than hearts 3-3.

Lastly, on which hand was your heart rate the highest? The game, the slam, or the part score? What is the correct answer? Since each hand is exactly as important as any other, your attention to detail must be the same. Even though human nature might lead you to being very excited about the slam and less so about the part score. Fight the urge. Let me hear from you.

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Hi everybody. Summer heat has hit the Valley but bridge is carrying on as usual. Moving the Unit's Saturday game to the Presbyterian Church in Harlingen has worked out well. It's a great place in which to play bridge. If you haven't been there, I highly recommend you give it a try. (Don't know if it will help your bridge playing but I'm sure you will be well pleased with the set up.)

Doris Allen sponsored a North American Qualifying Game at her Dynamite Club on June 11. Eleven pairs qualified. If you are interested, check with the manager of your local club about special games for July and August. B and C players: remember that these games are stratified so you have a good chance of qualifying.

The Harlingen bridge had a Club Championship game June 14 which gave players an opportunity to win extra points. Each club that has weekly games qualifies for a Championship game once each quarter. You might want to check with club managers about these games as well. They are also stratified.

Updating our Unit 237 telephone and address directory is under way. If you wish to be added or want any changes in your personal info, contact your club manager. The new directory will have a calendar included as well as ACBL winter Texans listed. As soon as the directories are printed they will be for sale at all the bridge clubs.

Ya'll know what STaC games are? I didn't but found out they are week long regional games played for silver points. All the clubs entered in the region played the same hands on the same days during the week of May 17. Each pair had a chance to qualify for a region top for any day. Many thanks to all the directors who sorted out the hands. That was a lot of work! Our unit had a good turn out. Special mention goes to two women from Andrea Klein's Tuesday club; Susan O'Neil and Joanne Satterthwaite who placed 8th for that day in the Region.

No new stories or gossip to pass along so will close for now. See ya next time. Have a good couple months.

Bridge & Games Studio's 299er Summer Festival July 30-August 1, 2004

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Friday, July 30

Stratified Pairs	2:30 pm
Stratified Pairs	7:30 pm
Handicapped Knockouts, Session 1	7:30 pm

Saturday, July 31

Early Bird Pairs	9:00 am
Knockouts, Session 2	9:00 am
0-10 Pairs	1:30 pm
Stratified Pairs, 2 sessions	1:30 & 7:00 pm
Knockouts, Sessions 3 & 4	1:30 & 7:00 pm

Sunday, August 1

Stratified Swiss Teams	11:00 & TBA
<i>Lunch Served between Sessions</i>	
Stratified Pairs	1:30 pm
0-10 Pairs	1:30 pm

Stratification

A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100

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**Alamo Bridge Club 299er Sectional****October 1-3, 2004**

Alamo Bridge Club
8709 Botts Lane, San Antonio TX 210.822.2223

Friday, October 1

Stratified 299er Pairs, single sessions	10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Newcomer Pairs, single sessions	10:30 am & 3:30 pm

Saturday, October 2

Stratified 299er Pairs, single sessions	10:30 am & 3:30 pm
Newcomer Pairs, single sessions	10:30 am & 3:30 pm

Sunday, October 3

Stratified Swiss Teams	10:30 & TBA
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Stratifications

299er Events: A: 100-299, B: 50-100, C: 0-50 Newcomer Pairs: A: 5-20, B: 0-5

Entry Fees

\$8/ABCL member, \$9/others, \$72/Swiss Teams, \$4 for students under 25 with student ID

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Austin Sectional, May 13-16, 2004



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A
Bobbie Mayer & Betty Daniel



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs B
Robert Donathan & Larry Davis



Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs C
Donna Livingston & Harriett Bowles



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C
Flora Pettit & Kyong Shuey



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Jim Griffin & Ken Schutze



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs BC
Nicholas Jong & Jeff Ford



Sat Strat Open Prs A
Petra Hamman & Nancy Passell



Sat Strat Open Prs BC
Robert Benson & Nancy West



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Alex Kolesnik & Mark Bumgardner,
George Pisk, Jack Lacy, Gary Powell



Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Anita Cokins & Don Shimmon
Joann Anderson & Angela Lennon



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Pam Phillips & Kathy McCabe
Wiley McMinn & Ellen Meyer



Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Stephen & Nancy Kornegay
Ira Hessel
Alex Kolesnik & Mark Bumgardner
Stephen & Nancy also won
Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams X
Richard Ware & James La Fountain
Genie Kaplan & Melody Euler
Genie & Melody also won
Fri Aft Strat Open Prs B



Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Anita Cokins & Peggy Geiler
Wiley McMinn & Ellen Meyer



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams A
Bob Morse & Hugh Hillaker
Alex Kolesnik & Kimmel Jones



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams B
Swadesh Mahajan & Kalpana Sutaria
Patrick Long & Robert Pruiett



Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams CD
Dorothy Hanko & Jean Townsend
Mickie Damon & Jim Greeney

Results: Austin Sectional

Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Alex Kolesnik-Gary Powell-Mark Bumgardner-George Pisk-Jack Lacy 2. James La Fountain-Dale Allen-Genie Kaplan-Jon Richard Ware **Bkt II** 1. Anita Cokins-Joann Anderson-Angela Lennon-Don Shimmon 2. Judy Hitt-Jacqueline Fiegel-Sandra Helton-Dionne Green.

Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Bobbie Mayer-Betty Daniel A2. Jeff Ford-Scott Humphrey B1. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan B2. Anne Seiders-Kyong Shuey C1. Donna Livingston-Harriett Bowles C2. Ginger Lake-Joyce Cooper.

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay A2.B1. Anne Cullen-Shirley George B2. Donna Lantz-Patricia White C1. Jan Hart-Suzanne Guess C2. Britt Siem-Lotte Optekamp.

Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Mark Bumgardner-Alex Kolesnik-Ira Hessel 2. Jacy Lacy-James Thurtell-Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley, Jr. **Bkt II** 1. Pam Phillips-Ellen Meyer-Kathy McCabe-Wiley McMinn, III 2. Mary Adams-Richard Cunningham-Jan Hart-Durward Mahon. **Bkt III** 1. Joyce Cooper-Carol Nelson-Dianne Ebert-Linda Anthony 2. Jim Greeney-M. Damon-Jean Townsend-Dorothy Hanko.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Thomas Clark-Janet Marsh-Clark A2. Mary Anne Laier-Clint Schuhmacher B1. Genie Kaplan-Melody Euler B2.C1. Kyong Shuey-Flora Pettit C2. James Glathar-Bill Ferguson.

Fri Aft Strat 199er Prs A1. Glorianne Perrizo-Brockett Hudson A2.B1. Donna Gerber-Susan Lambert B2. David Hettema-Terry Richardson.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Ken Schutze-Jim Griffin A2. Janet Marsh-Clark-Thomas Clark B1.C1. Jeff Ford-Nicholas Jong B2. Shirley George-Linda Bishop C2/3. Flora Pettit-Kyong Shuey C2/3. Jo Graves-Billie Graves.

Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. David Dickson-Laura Dickson A2.B2. Charles Afill-Danna Redford.

Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt I 1. Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley, Jr.-Ann Brinker Schwall-Stephen Schwall 2.

Linda Parker-Linda Neuenschwander-Lee Ann Merrifield-Darlene Gilmore **Bkt II** 1. Anita Cokins-Ellen Meyer-Peggy Geiler-Wiley McMinn, III 2. Ginger Lake-Joyce Cooper-Linda Anthony-Linda Bush.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Petra Hamman-Nancy Passell A2. Charles Deppen-Robert Holmes, III B1.C1. Nancy West-Robert Benson B2. Marilyn Jackson-Marge Bartel C2. Danna Redford-Lynn Gunn.

Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams A/X A1. Robert Morris-Kimmel Jones-Hugh Hillaker-Alex Kolesnik A2. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Joe Quinn-Shawn Quinn X1. Melody Euler-James La Fountain-Genie Kaplan-Jon Richard Ware X2. Thomas Corlett-Ethel Corlett-Jimmy Reynolds-Sandra Campbell **Strati BCD** B1. Swadesh.Mahajan-Patrick Long-Kalpana Sutaria-Robert Pruiett B2.C1.D1. Jim Greeney-Mickie Damon-Jean Townsend-Dorothy Hanko C2. Pam Phillips-Kathy McCabe-Shirley Henry-Darlene Gilmore D2. J. BlackDiana Rogers-Hal DeShong-Clint Schuhmacher.

Unit 207
Austin
Clint
Schuhmacher



Players in the capital area may wish to take note of three events that are scheduled for July and August. In particular, 299ers should be aware of the July 24-25 NLM tournament. Players at all levels should mark their calendars for the Austin City Championship, a stratified two-session event July 31. Finally there will be an Ice Cream Social August 12. All these events are to be played at the Northwest Recreation Center.

Several players in our unit have achieved milestones recently. Tom Hall of Sunrise Beach and Donna Livingston of Austin are new life masters. Evelyn Cloninger and Shirley Naumann are bronze LMs, and William Charowas has attained the silver level.

On the tournament scene, we offer congratulations to all the players who experienced success at our local May

sectional, especially the top masterpoint winner, Alex Kolesnik. The full results are presented elsewhere in this issue of the *Scorecard*.

Unit 207 was well represented in other recent Texas tournaments. At San Antonio's Remember the Alamo sectional, James and Patricia Griffin formed half of the winning entry in the Sunday Swiss. The C stratum was won by Nick Jong, Jeff Ford, Larry Smith, and David Warner. The Griffins also were successful at the Kerrville sectional—winning the Saturday evening open pairs competition. Earlier June Mengden and Rita Shackelford had taken top honors in the morning event. The winning team in the Sunday Swiss included Paul and Rosemary Kelley.

A few local players ventured farther from home. At the Hot Springs regional, the team of Inger Blount, Jeanette Hughes, Shirley Naumann, and Virginia Ray was a knockout winner, while Janet and William Walker of Georgetown won the C stratum in a side game. Another Georgetown pair, Kay and Gary Cox, recorded multiple wins at the Gatlinburg regional.

Probably this column will find its way to print either during the Austin regional or shortly thereafter. So for most players perhaps the May sectional will be ancient history by that time. For personal reasons, however, it is still fresh on my mind as I am writing. Along with my partner and cochairman, Hal DeShong, I was responsible for organizing the May tournament. I am indebted to Hal and his wife Barbara, who took complete responsibility for coordinating the food and refreshments. We also owe heartfelt thanks to Diana Rogers, who was simply superb in managing the partnership desk. Laura Delfeld (caddies) and Steve Bruce (photography) must be acknowledged. Once again, caterer Mike Stout made us proud. There are too many to mention individually, but we are grateful to all the members who generously contributed food items or donated their time. Let me make one exception; in keeping with the tradition that she has established, Eve Bindeman once again brought Sunday morning doughnuts. Thanks to Eve and all.

Regardless of what sadistic impulses we may harbor, winning bridge means helping partner avoid mistakes. - Frank Stewart

Austin September Sectional

September 23-26, 2004

Thursday, September 23

Bracketed KO Teams I 9:00 am, 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Friday, September 24

Bracketed KO Teams II 9:00 am, 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 25

Bracketed KO Teams III 9:00 am, 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, 2 sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Sunday, September 26

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Open Pairs: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500
199er Pairs: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50
Teams: A: 3000+, X: 0-3000,
B: 750-1500, C: 300-750, D: 0-300

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Entry Fees

Thursday-Saturday \$9/member/session
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Midland Sectional, June 11-13, 2004



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs B
Marilyn Matthews & Vicky Fisher



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Betty Sue Henry & Virginia Noelke



Sat Strat Open Prs A
Les Dewey & George Finley



Sat Strat Open Prs B
Pat Barrett & Vicky Fisher



Sun Strat Swiss Teams C
Roy Elsner & Pat Ritchey
Helen Davis & Thelma Zenger
Helen & Thelma also won
Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C



Sat Strat Open Prs C
Barbara Weideman & Bertha Cunningham



Sun Strat Swiss Teams B
Dorothy Brenneman & Verna Chambers
Judith Hawkins & Brenda Leonard

Unit 209
Permian Basin
Jimmie Penn

Odessans proudly christened their NEW BRIDGE HOME on March 30—location is more accessible to most—prize winning art work of Dale Beck & Chris Scott is great wall decor—we all enjoy viewing it!

Team of Dorothy Brenneman-Wayne Rector (Midland) and Judy Hawkins-Laverne Etheredge (Odessa) racked up GOLD POINTS for latter pair at Lubbock Regional—Also team of BJ Baxter-Betty Fernandez (Odessa) Manz-Manz (Amarillo) finished off BF's gold points—Six-man team from Big Spring—Betty and John Gibson, Margie Hill-Neva Green, Phyllis Berkowitz-Bob Bennett did themselves proud (Margie may SOON be one of our newest LMs)!

Others garnering points in Lubbock were—namely—Betty Dickerson, Kathryn Locke, Jean Pistole, Gloria Crites, Lena Nichols, Mary Hammond, Phyllis White, Barbara Miles, Shirley Glass, Barbara Davis, Donnita & Wilbur Cunningham, Sandra Rhodes, Sarah Wright, Mildred Merrill, Belle Harris, Ann Parish (welcome to Reg'l

World), E. J. Henderson, Sue Conner, Kathryn Gesell, Flo Curry, Helen South, Charlie Grimes, Herb Wales—Lamesans Kathaleen Brown, Sandee Wilson, Carol Maule (she plays the Steinway, too) & Jeanie Norris—also Betty Smith, Ladd Smith, Nancy Little, Patty Horton of Big Spring. PLUS—team of Marilyn Matthews-Sandy Rea & Pat Barrett-Vicky Fisher WON AN EVENT amongst all of these goings-on!

INT'L FUND WEEK #2 (May 10-16) hosted many shuffle & deal games w/main event "HAND ANALYSES GAME"—May 13—Winners were Leonora Slusher-Jimmie Penn (OA), Jo Price-Billie Rush, Barbara Miles-Phyllis White, & Lena Nichols-Bob Baker.

"STaC" GAMES—May 17-23—were held by all clubs (kicked off in Midland Monday PM)—Paulette Turner-Joe Brittain (N-S) had BRAGGING RIGHTS—followed by Gloria Crites-Jimmie Penn—(E-W), Wy Whitlow-Ricki Perry followed by Aggie Anguish-Mary Hammond.

PLACING PERCENTAGE WISE (OA) in District were—Debbie Kemp-Sandy Rea, Leonora Slusher-Lena Nichols, Flo Curry-Jimmie Penn, Helen Wise-Wayne Rector, (OB) Verna

Chambers-Clarence Marley, Barbara Russell-Dorothy Stripling, & GRAND FINALE WINNERS on Sunday afternoon were Verna Chambers & Dorothy Brenneman w/4th place in Strat "B".

While we held down the homefront—Aggie Anguish-Debbie Kemp-Vicky Fisher-Sandy Rea were in Hot Springs winning a bracketed team event & placing in other pair games—that OL' BLACK & WHITE MAGIC!

May 31st-TRIFECTA-Memorial Day hot dog spree-birthday party-Club Championship—You were a winner just being there—but to name a few-OA (Strat "A") Mary Hammond-Jimmie Penn, Leonora Slusher-Jane Meyers, Billie Rush-Sarah White—OB (Strat "B") Joyce Mitchell-Sally Whiteley, Ruth Fahrigh-Wayne Rector, Helen South-Dorothy Brenneman.

NAP GAMES COMING UP!

Unit 187
Corpus Christi
Dee Schade

Grand National team winners were Bill and Marilyn MacDonald, Wanda Myers and Laura Miller out of Rockport. Second place was taken by Barbara and John Chaplik from Port Aransas, A.J. and Pat Kubicek. Congratulations guys!

The special unit team game was won by Martha DeCou and Powell Hines, Phyllis Pruet and Dee Schade. In second place were Bill and Marilyn MacDonald, Libby Boeye and Jim Stephenson. This event actually got seven teams out on a Tuesday night. It was great fun for all. The next unit team game will be Tuesday, September 21. Get your pals together and come out for an evening of enjoyable and competitive bridge.

The Kingsville ACBL-Wide International Fund Game #2 was won by Libby Boeye and Tom Hays. Congratulations to both.

STaC games were a big draw for the unit and some players did well. Monday afternoon Bill & Marilyn MacDonald were 5th in flight A; Ann Crumpler and Martha De Cou were 7th in flight B. The Monday evening game was won by Bob Harrison and Tom Hays from Kingsville playing at the Falmont Duplicate Club. Bob and Tom had a 72.62% game! Sunday afternoon Libby Boeye and Marilyn MacDonald came in 6th.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the unit pizza party, Tuesday, August 17, at 6:30 P.M.

The unit board met on June 1 and elected the following officers for 2004-05; Mary Ross, president; Bill Riley, vice president; Clem Struve, secretary; and Powell Hines, treasurer. Board members are: Jeri Alkek, Victoria; Mary Johnson, George West; Laura Lee Miller, Rockport; Barbara Estes and Jason Kiker, Corpus Christi. Board committee chairman appointments were Bill Riley, conduct and appeals and Martha DeCou, tournament. District 16 board representatives will be appointed as needed. Presidential appointments are: Mary Ross, awards; Barbara Estes, education; Bob Gerberich, membership and membership retention; Powell Hines, nominating; Jack Mehrens, NAP/GT coordinator; Laura Lee Miller and Bobbie Walker,

unit bulletin; Dee Schade, Scorecard correspondent; Dick Hahn, Internet; and Martha DeCou, special unit games.

The board welcomed Mary Johnson from George West to the meeting. George West has a game on Monday nights at 6:00 at the Beaty Center of the Church of Christ. These group of players also attend the Karnes City game on Thursday nights at 7:00 at the City Office in Karnes City. Mary can be reached on-line at marnie@the-i.net.

Martha DeCou announced the following dates for upcoming tournaments; sectionals November 12-14, 2004; February 25-27 and November 11-13, 2005; and February 26-28, 2006, all at the Saltwater Pavilion in Rockport. October 30 - November 4, 2006 will be a regional at the Omni Marina Hotel in Corpus Christi.

The board said an official goodbye to Bob Gerberich and Mary Tryer who are leaving the board after six years. Both have served tirelessly and we genuinely appreciate their efforts. Mary, the outgoing president, presented everyone with a red rose as thanks for their service.

Unit 233
Central Texas
Helen Levy



Congratulations to Mickie Damon, Jim Greeney, Stephen Olson, and Evelyn Smith, our Ft. C team who took first place in the GNT District Final in Richardson May 29-31. Dale Allen hosted a party for the team at Rolling Hills BC and arranged for publicity in the local paper. Our best wishes will accompany the team when they go to New York to participate in the National Final at the Summer NABC beginning July 8.

Congratulations to James LaFountain and Richard Wall, first overall Strat A winners in the District 16 STaC game May 21 with a 68.75% game at Temple DBC. Also to Pat Johnson and Stafford Norman, first overall Strat C winners with a 70.24% game at the 500 BC May 17. Our other overall winners in the District STaC were: May 17, A2 & B1, Wanda Carter and Donna Towns; A3, Lynn Sykes and Bobbye Hays; A4, Frank Hefley and Eiko King; B2, Billye Rain and Maxcene Cure; B3, Jacque Ekhoft and Edna Lassetter; B4, Alice Chatfield and Susan Lambert, 500 BC. May 18, B8, Raby and Verna Smalley; B10, Jerry Duncan and Vennie Lee, Sul Ross. May 19, A22, Melody Euler and James LaFountain, Rolling Hills BC. May 20, A4 & B2, Garnell Cunningham and Ann Warner, Sul Ross. May 21, A13 & B6, Clyde McCauley and Lanelle Boone; A19 & B10, Lenora Parrish and Peggi Kenny, Marlin BC. A22, B13, C2, Mickie Damon and Jean Townsend, Temple DBC.

Congratulations to new Bonze LM Melody Euler, to Tom Corlett who has been re-elected as one of the three District 16 representatives to the ACBL Board of Governors, and to David Pennington who was recently elected to the Temple school board.

Welcome new member Verna Batcha (Waco) and Norma and Roger Swaim (Temple) who transferred into our Unit. We look forward to seeing them often at our duplicate games.

We are saddened by the loss of Waco players James McDowell who died April 1 and Mary (Tommie) Menefee who died April 11. Their loss leaves a huge void in our Unit.

Don't miss our upcoming events—Waco sectional Aug. 6-8, North American Unit Final Oct. 3, and the Unit Christmas Party and Election December 5.

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Friday, September 24

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Non-Master Pairs (0-300)	1:00 pm
Stratified Pairs	7:00 pm
Zip Swiss Teams (if interest warrants)	TBA

Saturday, September 25

Stratified Pairs, 2 sessions	1:00 & 7:00 pm
(Single sessions permitted in either game)	

Sunday, September 26

Stratified Swiss Teams	10:30 am & TBA
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0-299 Schedule

All Single Sessions

Tuesday, August 31

Win An Entry 7:30 pm

Wednesday, September 1

Stratified Pairs 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Thursday, September 2

Stratified Pairs 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Friday, September 3

Stratified Pairs 9:00 am

Stratified Swiss Teams 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Saturday, September 4

Stratified Pairs 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Sunday, September 5

Stratified Pairs 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Monday, September 6

Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

A: 100-299, B: 50-100, C: 0-50

0-20 & 0-5 games in the afternoon and evening games

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Schedule of Main Events

Tuesday, August 31

Win An Entry Pairs 7:30 pm

Bracketed KO Teams I (Continues Wed at 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm) 7:30 pm

Wednesday, September 1

Stratified Continuous Pairs I (Continues Daily at 9:00 am through Sunday: Best 2 of 5) 9:00 am

Bracketed KO Teams I (sessions 2,3,4) 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Seniors Stratified Pairs 10:00 am & 3:00 pm

Compact KO Teams 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs II (Continues Daily at 1:30 pm through Sunday: Best 2 of 5) 1:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs III (Continues Daily at 7:30 pm through Sunday: Best 2 of 5) 7:30 pm

Thursday, September 2

Bracketed KO Teams II (Continues Daily at 9:00 am through Sunday) 9:00 am

Stratified Continuous Pairs I, session 2 9:00 am

Seniors Stratified Pairs 10:00 am & 3:00 pm

Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Bracketed KO Team III (Continues Friday at 1:30 & 7:30 pm) 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs II, session 2 1:30 pm

Board-A-Match Teams 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs III, session 2 7:30 pm

Friday, September 3

Bracketed KO Teams II, session 2 of 4 9:00 am

Stratified Continuous Pairs I, session 3 9:00 am

Senior Stratified Pairs 10:00 am & 3:00 pm

Stratified Swiss Teams 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs II, session 3 1:30 pm

Bracketed KO Teams III, sessions 3 & 4 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs III, session 3 7:30 pm

Saturday, September 4

Bracketed KO Teams II, session 3 of 4 9:00 am

Stratified Continuous Pairs I, session 4 9:00 am

Seniors Stratified Pairs 10:00 am & 3:00 pm

Strati-Flighted Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Bracketed KO Teams IV (Continues Sunday at 1:30 & 7:30 pm) 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs II, session 4 1:30 pm

Board-A-Match Teams 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs III, session 4 7:30 pm

Sunday, September 5

Bracketed KO Teams II, Final 9:00 am

Stratified Continuous Pairs I, session 5 9:00 am

Seniors Stratified Pairs 10:00 am & 3:00 pm

Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Bracketed KO Teams IV, sessions 3 & 4 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Compact KO Teams 1:30 & 7:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs II, session 5 1:30 pm

Stratified Continuous Pairs III, session 5 7:30 pm

Monday, September 6

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA

Stratified Pairs 10:00 am & TBA

Stratified Events

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

Strati-Flighted Events

A: 3000+, AX: 1500-3000 (play together)

B: 1000-1500, C: 500-1000, D: 0-500 (play together)

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