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District 16

Representative



Orlando was a great place for a NABC tournament. The Marriott Hotel was the largest hotel I had ever seen. It has four towers and 2000 rooms. The playing area is all in one place on one floor. The hotel houses ten restaurants so it is not necessary to go out of the complex plus the Hotel gave the Bridge players 20% discount on food. If you would like to go anywhere else, it is suggested that you rent a car for your stay in Orlando. The weather was wonderful, a little rain and a lot of sunshine and breeze. Table count was 14.650, the 3rd largest Fall NABC in our history. It was such a good tournament that Management contracted to return in 2010. We thank District 9 showing us such a nice time. **District 16 Business**

Although District 16 did not have as big of a representation as usual, we did have a good many gold points won by our players. Congratulations to all of our winners.

I have made the appointments for the 2005 Charity and Goodwill Committees and would like to tell you that each of the members has given a lot of time and worked hard for their Unit and our District and have helped make us a strong District. Usually I am only allowed to choose two Charity appointments. Occassionally, however, I may choose two additional members for the Goodwill Committee.

Charity appointments are: Betty Lowmiller, Lubbock, and Ed Rawlinson, Helotes.

Goodwill Committee appointments are: Steve Bruce, Austin; Barbara Nance, Bryan; Marilou Powell, Round Rock; and Shawn Quinn, Richmond. Congratulations to all of you!

ACBL News

The 2005 ACBL President will be Roger Smith from Sacramento, California. Hopefully Roger will be joining us in February for the Regional.

I was pleased to be elected to another 3-year term as a World Bridge Federation representative from the ACBL. Linda Mamula was elected as Chairperson of the Board of Governors. Fred Gitelman was named Honorary Member of the year for 2005. Jim Lopushinsky was the first recipient of the Distinguished Employee Award. Units, Clubs And Tournaments



Charity Committee Ed Rawlinson



Good Will Committee Steve Bruce

The ACBL budgeted a loss for 2005 of between 200,000 and 300,000. Tournament Director fees were increased 6.5%. Sanction fees for Sectional & Regional tournaments were slightly lowered. The Director in Charge fee was eliminated and built into the directors fees.

Membership

Beginning January, 2005, membership fee rebates to Units have been increased to 11% of the amount paid by members. At the same time, the Unit incentive marketing program has been discontinued.

Bridge Is Back. After decreasing for a number of years, membership is up 1,150 members from November 1, 2004 to November 1, 2005.

Dues-paying members were up 385 for the same period. Retention for first year to second year members reached 65%, which was an increase of 9%.

NABC, Regional, & Sectional tournaments are all showing increases this year. Members are playing more and enjoying our great game again.

In 2005, the ACBL is adding a High School division to the on-line College bridge team championship. On-line play will be on Bridgebase.com February 16, 2005. To register, contact Charlotte Blaiss at juniors @ACBL.org. Members of the winning team will receive a \$250 college scholarships

Resources for Tournament Chairman have been posted on the ACBL web site and a Conflict of Interest Policy has been drafted for ACBL employees and Board of Directors.

Due to difficulties with delivery of The Bulletin to Mexico addresses, all deliveries are now on priority status. We are also sending back issues to those that did not receive their regular mailing. An agreement with Edge TV has been signed (a start-up cable channel). They hope to be on the air by June 2005. Edge TV specializes in sports' games.

A complete copy of the Board minutes are posted on the ACBL website.

National Bridge Tournaments are a lot of fun. For those who have not been to a NABC I urge you to schedule a vacation around one. In 2005 we will be going to Pittsburgh in the spring, Atlanta in the summer and Denver in

In March 2006, the Spring National will be held in Dallas, Texas. Keep this in mind when you are planning your schedule for 2006.



Good Will Committee Barbara Nance



Good Will Committee Shawn Quinn

Hamman Wins Reisinger (Again!); Venkatrao Wins NA Swiss; Peggy Sutherlin is Second in Women's BAM



Bob Hamman



Venkatrao (Babu) Koneru

team with the prize. Kudos to a prince

Other District 16 players not far



Peggy Sutherlin

By David Sokolow

The aphorism "last, but not least" was certainly applicable to the Fall 2004 NABC in Orlando, at least as far as timing was concerned. Having been shut out earlier in the week, District 16 players won both NABC events that close the Fall nationals. Lorenzo Lauria of Italy may have supplanted Dallas denizen Bob Hamman as the #1 bridge player in the world after Bob's twenty-year reign at the top, but Bob kicked Lauria's butt— and almost everyone else's— in the Reisinger Board-A-Match Teams, arguably the toughest event on the NABC calendar. This was Bob's ninth Reisinger win! It wasn't even close; his team prevailed by more than four boards! By contrast, Mike Passell of Plano and Eddie Wold of Houston, with Malcolm Brachman as their non-playing captain, finished third, just .06 of a board out of second! Malcolm has been ill and was unable to defend the title he, Passell and Wold won last year. I'm sure I speak for everyone in District 16 in wishing Malcolm a speedy recovery. (Lauria, by the way, finished seventh!)

In one of the most popular victories in recent memory, Babu Koneru of San Antonio won his first NABC title by capturing the North American Swiss Teams at the wire. With one round to go, Babu's team was in second place, less than one VP out of first. When the dust cleared, Babu's team had won its match, and the first-place team—with a world-championship pair at the helm—had been blitzed, leaving Babu's

behind in the Swiss: George Rosenkranz, Mexico, third; Hemant and Justin Lall, Plano, and Ira Chorush, Houston, fourth; Pat and Jim Griffin, Austin, and Sally Wheeler and Buddy Hanby, Spring, fifth; and Dan Morse, Houston, and Bobby Wolff, Dallas,

Peggy Sutherlin of Dallas almost made it a clean sweep of the three NABC women's team events in 2004. She finished second in the Women's Board-A-Match Teams after winning the Women's Swiss and Women's KO earlier this year. As a result, Peggy's team garnered a bye to the semifinals of the 2005 U.S. Women's International Team Trials, which will decide the U.S. representatives to the Venice Cup in Estoril, Portugal, next October. Other District 16 players fared well in the Women's B-A-M, too: Shawn Quinn, Richmond, and Mildred Breed, Austin,

Austin, was fifth.

In addition to his third-place finish in the Swiss, George Rosenkranz was third in the Senior KO Teams, playing with Miguel Reygadas of Mexico. John Sutherlin of Dallas was 5/8.

finished third, while Tobi Sokolow,

Similarly, Chris Compton of Dallas was third in the Open B-A-M Teams. Other District 16 luminaries in the Open B-A-M spotlight: Mike Passell and Eddie Wold were seventh, Sidney Lazard and Bart Bramley, Dallas, were ninth, and Babu was tenth.

Even in less celebrated national events, District 16 pairs made their presence known. Sylvere and Wilma Luquette of Van were tenth in the NABC Non-Life Master Pairs, and Joanne Chadderdon and Ann Blohm, Houston, were sixth in the NABC 99'er

Pairs. We're proud of you, one and

Though neither the Steelers nor the Pirates play in March, there are many reasons to go to Pittsburgh for the Spring NABC. The city has reinvented itself since the 1980's: great bistros and restaurants; upscale shopping; lovely parks; and decent nightlife, too. Don't take my word for it; the Carnegie, Mellon and Heinz clans think so, too! Come see for yourself. A merry/happy/ joyous/cheery [fill in the blank], one and all! Here's to a wonderful '05 and congratulations to all of the District 16 winners at the Orlando NABCs: Educational Foundation A8. Sandra Rhodes, Big Spring. Educational Fund KO Bkt 5 3/4. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound. Educational Fund KO Bkt 7 1. William Walker, Houston. Educational Fund KO Bkt 8 1. Raj Nayar, San Antonio 3/4. Phyllis Tate-Linda Anthony, Austin. First Fri Strat **Sr Prs** A4. Bob Friz, Leonard A6. Sandra Rhodes, Big Spring. Daylight Open Prs A6. Derald Keetch, Fort Worth. First Fri Evening Swiss A9. Charles Weed, Dallas. First Fri Open Strat Prs A6.B2.C1. Sue Gerard, Mx John Taylor, Lago Vista B5/6. Rose Marie Cleveland, Houston. Life Master Womens Prs 11. Nancy Passell-Petra Hamman 14. Pat Levy-Esta Van Zandt, Houston 23. Lynn Baker, Austin 26, Tobi Sokolow, Austin 44. Shawn Quinn-Grace Hunt. First Sat Flight A/X Prs A4. Joan Jackson. Dallas A10.B3. John Schwartz, Plano A17/18. B5. Bob Friz, Leonard. Skinny Miles NLM Prs 10. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette, Van 12. Elaine Wood, Southlake-David Pearlman, Trophy Club. Bobby Nail

LM Prs 20. Hemant Lall, Plano 25.

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Good Will Committee Marylou Powell

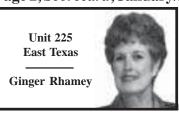
ACBL Education Foundation Election

Dewitt Hudson was re-elected to the Education Foundation at the Orlando NABCs

Congratulations!

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If the players in our unit keep getting all those 70%+ games, we may have to raise the bar. The following had games of 70% or more, Janie Wolaver & Mary LeBus 70% at Ore City DBC 70% George Bennett & Virginia Redfearn 71%, Jay Dunn & Patsy Williams 72%, Lil Logan & Norma Marvel 70% all of Longview DBC, Frauline Gresham & Louise Fleetwood 72.2%, also Pat Jeffery & Mike Graham 71.5% of Mineola DBC, Jack Yarbrough & Abe Conner 70.31%, Pat Broughton & Gay Roach 71.88% Nacogdoches DBC, Nita Carmack & Joyce Austin 77.50% the Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek.

Congratulations to J. Lynn Allen of Athens and Edwyna Testerman of Longview on becoming a Bronze Life Master, and to Norma Marvel of Mineola on becoming a Life Master. J. Lynn Allen was feted with a Life

Master Party in October at Dottie Pirkle's Bridge Studio in Athens.

Dottie Pirkle is finishing up her 2nd 10-week series of beginners duplicate bridge lessons. As a result of the lesson we offer congratulations to Joanne Abate, Valerie Chapman, Mamie Downing, Patricia Herring, Karen Owen, Fritzi Rizer and Jim Streifel of

Athens, Rosemary Burns of Kemp, and Dick Gemmel of Murchison on taking their first step toward becoming a Life Master, by joining ACBL.

Judy Adams, J. L. Allen, Sandy Brown, Mona Buchanan, Dale & Flo Eckeberger, Marvin Ellis, Bari Hart, Wanda Hartley, Jimmy Hubbard, Luke & Wilma Luquette, Mary Priest, Gay Roach, Helen Shaw, Betsy Smith, Charles & Fran Tea, Gunner & Ann Thomas, Nell Velvin & Lynn Walker qualified for the District level NAP games to be held in San Antonio on January 15 & 16, 2005.

Lynn Walker and Betsy Smith placed first out of 24 tables at the "Friends of the Animals" bridge game in Gun Barrell City.

Awards issued at the annual Unit 225 Christmas party were, Gold Life Master Jackie Kimberly, Silver Life Master Jimmie Lou Conner and Marvin Ellis, Bronze Life Master J. Lynn Allen and Edwina Testerman, Life Master J. Lynn Allen, Dr. Thomas Hainze, Jr., Billie Lewis, Norma Marvel, Ken McConnell, Liz Smith and Edwyna Testerman, Congratulations to all.

The upcoming Unit game in Tyler will be January 8, 2005, Cleo Tucker will give a 30-minute pre game lesson on "Code of Conduct." Don Bartley will give the pre-game lesson at the February 12, 2005 Unit game.

Plans are under way for a 299er game to be held in Athens late April. The details will be in the next issue of *Scorecard*.

Burns of Kemp, Continued from page 1, "Orlando"

Alexander Kolesnik, Austin 30. Norman Beck-Bart Bramley, Dallas. First Fri-Sun Side Game A7. Beth Stuart, Houston. First Sat B-A-M A1. Charles Weed, Dallas. Kaplan-Ranagan Side Game A1. Beth Stuart. Houston A2/3.B1. Elaine Wood, Southlake B5. Helen Worsham-Randolph Worsham, Dallas. Fri-Sat Morn Compact KO 5 4. Fonse Ragland-B Thomas Mcelroy, Dallas. Jayne Thomas KO Bkt 1 1. Barry Schaffer, Frisco-Chris Compton, Dallas-Bryan Storey, Plano 2. George Pisk, Manchaca 3/4. Royce Mccray, Caddo Mills-Dan Morse, Houston 5/ 8. Carolyn Peters-Thomas Peters, Grapeland. Jayne Thomas KO Bkt 6 3/4. Elton Lipnick-Ed Jennings-Henry Schroder, Houston. Jayne Thomas KO Bkt 7 2. Jean Hall, Alamo, Javne Thomas KO Bkt 8 1. Claybourne Waldrop Jr, Arlington-Virginia Sherman-Gerrie Owen-Joe Clark, Dallas 3/4. Genie Kaplan, Georgetown. Jayne Thomas KO Bkt 10 5/8. Joyce Ryan, Houston. Jayne Thomas KO Bkt 11 3/4. Mary Knight, Waxahachie. Jayne Thomas KO Bkt 16 3/4. Barbara Thomson-Sally Mc Clung-Jimmy Lambert-Helen Gregg, Dallas. First Fri Mid Zip KO 1. Joyce Ryan, Houston 2. Justin Lall, Plano 3/4. Shirley Ashby, Dallas. Sat-Sun Compact KO Bkt 1 3. Terry Currie, Houston, Sat-Sun Compact KO Bkt 5 2. Lorraine Little-Shirley Prewitt, Fort Worth-Ruth Bracken, Grapevine 4. Kathleen Midkiff, Temple. Connecticut Colony Bkt 1 3/4. Stephen Schwall-Ann Brinker Schwall, Houston. NC Colony Bkt 9 3/4. Raj Nayar, San Antonio. Fast Open Prs A2. Gerrie Owen-Joe Clark, Dallas A5.B2. Billie Shotwell-Claudette Roush, Houston. First Sat Daylight Open Prs A5. John Pataki, Mesquite-Steve Shirey, Fort Worth A8, Thomas Hughes Jr-Peggy Hughes, Fort Worth. Sun A/X Swiss A9. Bryan Morgan, Dallas-J'neane Huev, Fort Worth, Sun Strat B/C/D Swiss B3. Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano-Diane Schaffer, Frisco B8/9.C2/3.D2 Linda Mcdaniel, Denton-Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Shirley Prewitt-Lorraine Little, Fort Worth. Fri-Sun Side Game 2. Beth Stuart, Houston. Biggest Ever Compact KO Bkt 1 1. Royce Mccray, Caddo Mills. **Biggest Ever Compact** KO Bkt 8 2. Sandra Stevens, Katy-Barbara Phillips, Spring-Claudette Roush-Billie Shotwell, Houston. Biggest Ever Compact KO Bkt 104. Ed Jennings-Henry Schroder-Elton Lipnick, Houston. Biggest Ever Compact KO Bkt 16 3. Margot Hirsch, Arlington. Sun-Mon KO Bkt 2 2. Tarek Radjef, Dallas 3/4. Terry Currie-Carolyne Fox, Houston. Sun-Mon KO Bkt 8 3/4. Mary Ann Belden, Benavides. Sun-Mon KO Bkt 10 3/4. Barbara Courtright, Houston-Kathy Irene Tuggle, League City. Mon KO Bkt 12 Larry Morris-Birendra Singh, Seabrook-Mary Burnell, Kemah. Mon-Wed Morn Side Game A2.B1.C1. Elaine Wood, Southlake A5. Chris Compton, Dallas. Mon Sr Prs A1. Thomas Hughes Jr-Peggy Hughes, Fort Worth.

Educ Foundation Prs A2. Albert Lochli, San Antonio B5, Elaine Wood, Southlake. First Mon BAM A1. Jane Matcha-Robert Matcha, Sugar Land C1. Lorraine Little-Shirley Prewitt, Fort Worth-Ruth Bracken, Grapevine. Marsha May Sternberg BAM 2. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas 3. Shawn Quinn, Richmond -Mildred Breed, Austin 5. Tobi Sokolow, Austin 11. Judy Kay-Wolff, Dallas 12. Lynn Baker, Austin. Mon Eve Strat Swiss A2. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring-Patricia Griffin-James Griffin, Austin A5. Carolyne Fox-Terry Currie, Houston. Nationwide Charity Prs B1. Randolph Worsham-Helen Worsham, Dallas. National Open **BAM** 3. Chris Compton, Dallas 7. Mike Passell, Plano-Eddie Wold,

March 10-20

May 12-22

May 3-8

June 4-12

July 4-7

July 21-31

Houston 9. Sidney Lazard-Bart Bramley, Dallas 10. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 33. Ira Hessel-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel. Plano. Mon Midzip Bkt 1 1. Shirley Matthews, Lindale 2. Bryan Morgan, Dallas. **Tues Strat Open Prs** A4. John Erickson-Ralda St Pierre, Houston A9. Judy Kay-Wolff, Dallas, Tues Midzip KO Bkt 1 2. Doug Couchman, Arlington 3/4. Thomas Thomas-Diana Thomas, Houston. Tue Midzip KO Bkt 2 3/4. George Fox-Carolyne Fox-Terry Currie, Houston. Wed Aft Side Gam, e A2. Gail Wells, Plano- Michael Walrath, Keller. Wed Eve Side Game A5. George Fox-Terry Currie, Houston C5. Ed Sobolak-Diane Sobolak, Austin. Bubba Morris Strat BAM B4/6.C1. Dianna Thomas-Thomas Thomas, Houston, Wed Imp Prs B4, Charles Raines, Katy. Wed Strat Open Prs A3. John Erickson-Ralda St Pierre, Houston A6. Darlene Shirey-Peggy Hughes, Fort Worth A9. Edward Groner, Houston A10. Judy Kay-Wolff, Dallas. Wed Flt A/X Swiss A3. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas A11/12. Tarek Radjef, Dallas. Wed Flt B/C/D Swiss C6. Barbara Courtright, Houston-Kathy Irene Tuggle, League City. Mon-Wed Side Game 3/4. Michael Walrath, Keller 3/4. Gail Wells, Plano. **Taps For** Turkeys KO Bkt 1 2. Judy Bramley, Dallas. Taps For Turkeys KO Bkt 5 5/8. Genie Kaplan, Georgetown. **Taps** For Turkeys KO Bkt 8 3/4. Mary Knight, Waxahachie. Taps For Turkeys KO Bkt 9 1. Ken Brantferger-Jonathan Holmes, Houston-Rajesh Seth, The Woodlands 3/4. Diana Thomas-Thomas Thomas, Houston. Taps For Turkeys KO Bkt 12 3/4. Sylvere Luquette-Wilma Luquette, Van. Tues Swiss Teams 1/ 2. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas A8. George Pisk, Manchaca A9/10. Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-Jon Richard Ware, New Braunfels- James La Fountain, Temple B4.C1. Charles Raines, Katy. Wed Strat Midzip Swiss 2. Justin Lall, Plano A5. Doug Couchman, Arlington B4. Bryan Morgan, Dalla.s Thurs/Fri Side Game A3.B1. Shirley Matthews, Lindale A5. Henry Schroder, Houston A6. Ralph Oxhandler, Spring Branch B3/4.C1/2. Birendra Singh, Seabrook. Turkey Evening Swiss B4/5. Patsy Pierce, Hardin-Sally Blewett, Beaumont C3. Mark Hatten. Carrollton. Blue Ribbon Prs 24. Chris Compton, Dallas-Hemant Lall, Plano 25. Greg Hinze-Ira Hessel, San Antonio 44. Mike Passell, Plano-Eddie Wold, Houston 53. Shirey, Fort Worth-Nagy Kamel, Plano 55. Bob Hamman, Dallas-Justin Lall, Plano. Thanksgiving Day Open Prs A7. Bob Friz, Leonard B2. Dewitt Hudson Jr, Arlington. Second Thu Eve Side Game A6.B3.C2. Birendra Singh, Seabrook. I'm Not Cooking KO Bkt 3 2. Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-Jon Richard Ware, New Braunfels-James La Fountain. Temple. Thursgiving Midzip KO 3/ 4. Kathryn Locke, Midland-Alan Copeland, Arlington-Justin Lall,

Luquette-Wilma Luquette, Van. Thur-Fri Am Compact Bkt 1 4. Terry Currie-Carolyne Fox-George Fox, Houston. Thu-Fri Compact KO Bkt 2 4. Judith Ortiz, San Antonio. Thur-Fri Compact KO Bkt 3 4. Mark Hatten, Carrollton. Thurs Compact KO Bkt 5 4. Patricia Lozano, San Antonio-Jerry Bigler, Austin. Thurs Compact KO Bkt 8 2. Bryan Morgan, Dallas-Mary Knight, Waxahachie. Thurs Compact KO Bk 11 3. R Segerlind, Dallas-Ed Jennings-Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston. Sr National KO Teams 5/8. John Sutherlin, Dallas 9/16. Bobby Wolff, Dallas-Dan Morse, Houston 9/16. Carolyn Peters-Thomas Peters. Grapeland. Second Fri Strat Open Prs C6. John Comeau-Jessica Roberts. Grand Prairie. Fri Midzip KO-Bkt 1 1. Patricia Lozano, San Antonio-Alan Copeland, Arlington-Derrell Childs, Garland-Kathryn Locke, Midland. Fri-Sat AM Compact KO 2 1. Raj Nayar, San Antonio. Fri-Sat AM Compact **KO 3** 3. Randall Roberts, San Antonio. Sat-Sun Side Game A4.B2. Frances Hillin-Chris Samelson, Corpus Christi. 2nd Sat Midzip Bkt 2. Mary Knight, Waxahachie. Thu-Fri Side Game 6. Birendra Singh, Seabrook. Shopping Season KO's Bkt 12. Linda Spangler, Duncanville-Darlene Shirey, Fort Worth-Jerry Bigler, Austin-Patricia Lozano, San Antonio. Shopping Season KO's Bkt 2 1. Bob Friz, Leonard 3/4. William Charowhas, Marble Falls 3/4. Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-James La Fountain, Temple-Jon Richard Ware, New Braunfels. Shopping Season KO's Bkt 3 2. Carolyn Jackson, Sugar Land 3/4. Judith Ortiz, San Antonio. Shopping Season KO's Bkt 8 3/4. Randall Roberts, San Antonio. Last Compact Til Pitts Bkt 1 3. Greg Hinze-Ira Hessel, San Antonio, Last Compact Til Pitts Bkt 7 1. John Comeau-Jessica Roberts, Grand Prairie. Last Compact Til Pitts Bkt 10 4. Cynthia Keaton, Coppell. Sat-Sun Side Game A1. Michael Walrath, Keller-Gail Wells, Plano. Second Sun A/X Swiss A4. Derrell Childs, Garland A8. Edith Rosenkranz-Miguel Reygadas, Mx Robert Morris, Houston A11. J'neane Huey, Fort Worth A13/14. Ira Hessel-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Steve Shirey, Fort Worth-Nagy Kamel, Plano A13/14. Chris Compton, Dallas X4. Carolyn Jackson, Sugar Land. Second Sun B/C/D Swiss B7.C1. Raj Nayar, San Antonio C3. Randall Roberts, San Antonio. Second Sun Sr Swiss A4. Jack Lacy, Round Rock. Second Sun Eve Side Game B5.C2. Randall Roberts, San Antonio. Reisinger B-A-M Teams 1. Bob Hamman, Dallas 3. Mike Passell, Plano-Eddie Wold, Houston. **Keohane** North American Swiss Teams 1. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 4. Hemant Lall-Justin Lall, Plano-Ira Chorush, Houston 5. James Griffin-Patricia Griffin, Austin-Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring 10. Wolff, Dallas-Dan Morse, Houston 17. Alexander Kolesnik, Austin.

Thurs Am KO Bkt 5 3/4. Sylvere

D-16 Wide Charity Game 2004

By Carol Schoenhals

Nine playing sites participated in the District 16-Wide Charity game on September 24, 2004. With 70 tables in play, \$411.00 was raised for the American Contract Bridge League Charity Foundation and the Alzheimer's Association, the 2004 Charity of the Year.

First Place: Athens Country Club, Athens, Steve Lawrence, Athens-Ron E Perkins, Canton 67.50%. Second Place: Dynamite Duplicate BC, Harlingen, Beverly KinnebrewLois Rusk, Harlingen, 65.41%. Third Place: Friday DBC, Ft Worth, Donna Rosz-June Wells, Ft Worth, 64.58%. Fourth Place: Temple DBC, Temple, Eiko King, Killeen-Helen Levy, Temple, 63.57%. Fifth Place: Friday DBC, Ft Worth, Grady Fuller, Kennedale-Jeanne Love, Arlington, 62.04%.

Congratulations to the winners. Thanks to the club managers and unit officers for their support of this event and to all the players for their participation.

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Other Upcoming Events

2nd European Open Bridge Championship (Canary Island) June 18-July 2

http://www.d16acbl.org/d16sch.html

Spring NABC (Pittsburgh)

Summer NABC (Atlanta)

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United States Bridge Championship (Houston)

United States Women's Bridge Championship (Las Vegas)

United States Senior's Bridge Championship (San Antonio)

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Eddie Wold 5th Player to Top 45,000 **Master Points**



Eddie Wold

Eddie Wold, Houston, has become the fifth ACBL player to reach the 45,000 masterpoint plateau. Wold won the Barry Crane Top 500 masterpoint race in 2003 and 1982 as well as with Jeff Meckstroth for the title in 1995. Wold won the World Transnational Teams and all team and pair championships at the national

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DISTRICT 16 NEW LIFE MASTERS



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Bernice Delaney Houston



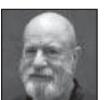
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Tom Little



Norma Marvel Mineola



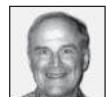
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Ron Neben Fort Forth



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Fonse Ragland



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Houston



Monty Van Dover Austin



Rockwall



Arlington

Life Masters

J. Lynn Allen, Athens; Gracie Craig, Sweetwater; Ronni Davis, Wichita Falls; Stefan Davis, Wichita Falls; Bernice Delaney, Houston; Marjorie Dickenson, Waco; Laverne Etheredge, Odessa; Carmen Fish, Denison; M.

Sneed Lary, Jr., Houston; Lorraine Little, Ft. Worth; Thomas Little, Pharr; Norma Marvel, Mineola: Rodney McCullough, Galveston; Hugh Miller, Houston; Ronald Neben, Ft. Worth; Leo Norman, Burleson; Stephen Olson, Temple; Steve Pace, Houston; Fonse Ragland, Dallas; Patricia Rose, Dallas; Clint Schuhmacher, Austin; Elizabeth Smith; Whitehouse; Glenda Stieber, Houston; Monty Van Dover, Austin; Sue Vaughan, Rockwall; Claybourne Waldrop, Jr, Arlington.

Gold Life Master (2500 MPs) James Bauer, Dallas; Helen Boutelle Garland; Pat McMullin, Houston.

Silver Life Master (1000 MPs)

Suresh Agrawal, Rowlett; Dorothy Alford, San Antonio; Verna Chambers, Odessa; Rose DeWald, Arlington; Robert Harrison, Kingsville; Don Holst, Beuamont; Joe Lattimore, Port Arthur; Frances Levin, Midland; Carl McGill, San Angelo; William Thomas, Amarillo.

Bronze Life Master (500 MPs)

Ichabod Balkcom, Sulphur Springs; Nadia Branisa, Houston; Dorothy Brenneman, Midland; Kay Cointment, Dallas; Linda Downey, Arlington; Sally Floyd, Kingwood; William Garrard, Jr. Irving; William Ginger, III,

Beaumont; Marre Greenhut, Rockwall; Claire Haring, Sweeny; Alan Laverty, Austin; Bob Lester, Houston; Bill Lucas, Beaumont; Roger Madsen, Weslaco, Michele McGlothlin, Houston; Billie Ruppe, Midland; Gary Shepley, Houston; Mary St. John, Conroe; Edwyna Testerman, Longview; Ann Tolle, Plano.

Other Achievers - 1000 MPs Merinelle Fletcher, Corsicana.

Other Achievers - 500 MPs

Jeane Brittain, Abilene; Eiko King, Killeen; Lera Lewis, Abilene; Minta McCauley, Waco; Harry Selldin, Houston; Linda Williams, Pearsall.

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

Tuesday, May 17

9 am, 1 & 7 pm 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 1 & 7 pm Wednesday, May 18 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 1 & 7 pm Thursday, May 19

50/100/300 Swiss Teams 0-5 Players play their first session free.

5/20/50 Pairs 100/200/300 Pairs 0-5 Pairs 5/20/50 Pairs 100/200/300 Pairs 0-5 Pairs 5/20/50 Pairs 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 100/200/300 Pairs 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 1 & 7 pm 0-5 Pairs Friday, May 20 5/20/50 Pairs 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 100/200/300 Pairs 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 0-5 Pairs 1 & 7 pm Saturday, May 21 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 5/20/50 Pairs 100/200/300 Pairs 9 am, 1 & 7 pm 1 & 7 pm 0-5 Pairs Sunday, May 22 10 am & TBA 5/20/50 Pairs 100/200/300 Pairs 10 am & TBA

Entry Fees: Regular Games: \$11/person/session Saturday Games: \$12/person/session (surcharge for Texas NABCs) Sunday: \$12/person/session (meal included) 0-5 Players play their first session free.



10 am & TBA

Regional Championship Events

ACBL gold and red masterpoints awarded every session. USBF membership is not required to play in Regional Events.

Dream Team Extravaganza (See page 6 for details) Mon 4:30 pm **Open Pairs** Stratified Pairs 1:00 & 7:00 pm Tues 1:00 & 7:00 pm Stratified Pairs Wed Strati-Flighted Pairs 1:00 & 7:00 pm Stratified Pairs 1:00 & 7:00 pm Fri 1:00 & 7:00 pm Strati-Flighted Pairs Sat 10 am & TBA Stratified Pairs

Senior Choice Pairs (Must be 55 or older)

Play in any two of the three times 9:00, 1:00 & 7:00 pm Stratified Pairs Tues 9:00, 1:00 & 7:00 pm Wed Stratified Pairs 9:00, 1:00 & 7:00 pm Stratified Pairs Thur 9:00, 1:00 & 7:00 pm Stratified Pairs 9:00, 1:00 & 7:00 pm Stratified Pairs Stratified Pairs 10 am & TBA Sun

Side Game Series* Morning Side Game Series 9:30 am 1:30 pm Afternoon Side Game Series **Evening Side Game Series** 7:30 pm

Each Side Series runs 5 days: Tuesday-Saturday *Yout best 2 sessions count toward overalls

Team Events

KO I Tues-Fri 9:00 am KO II 1 & 7 on Tuesday and 1 & 7 on Wednesday 1 & 7 on Wednesday and 1 & 7 on Thursday KO III **KOIV** $1\ \&\ 7$ on Thursday and $1\ \&\ 7$ on Friday Compact KO 1:00 & 7:00 pm Saturday Stratified Swiss Teams Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat 7:00 pm Sunday 10 am and TBA Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams

Stratified Events: A: 1500+; B: 500-1500; C: 0-500 Seniors' Choice Events: A: 1500+; B: 500-1500; C: 0-500 Strati-Flighted Events: A: 3000+; AX: 0-3000 (A & AX play together); B: 1000-2000; C: 500-1000; D: 0-500 (BCD play together)

USBF Dallas Regional November 29-December 5, 2004



Mon Aft USBF Charity Prs A Bob Wilkin & Kevin Podsiadlik



Mon Aft USBF Charity Prs C Catherine Tucker & Kay Yetter



Mon Eve USBF Charity Prs A Suresh Agrawal & M. Aslam Ansari



Tues USBC Strat Prs A Stephen & Nancy Kornegay



Tues USBC Strat Prs A Arnold Jones & Mare Clark



Tues USBC Strat Prs BC Joe Cameron & Gary Brantz



Wed USWBC Strat Prs AB Donna & Bill Garrard



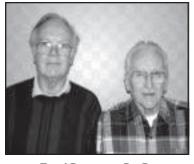
Sat USJBC Strat Prs A Beth and John Bromberg



Sat USJBC Strat Prs B Ned Nolte & Jim Clark



Freed Barometer Prs A Hua Yang & Michael Dalton



Freed Barometer Prs B Nelson Hensley & Burt Kifer



Freed Barometer Prs C Ken Olivier and Joe Olivier



Celebrity Individual Winner Therese Milford



Atlanta Trip Drawing Winner James Bauer

The First United States Bridge Federation Regional provided lots of hospitality and entertainment; and, oh yes masterpoints throughout the week.

The Thursday evening panel show featuring Mike Passell and Chris Compton was a huge hit; as was the Friday celebriy individual and Saturday magic show starring Norman Beck.

The free trip to the 2005 Summer Atlanta NABC was won by James Bauer. Congratulations to James and all of the winners at the 2004 USBF regional!

Open Pair Events

Mon Aft USBF Strat Prs A1.B1. Kevin Podsiadlik, Dallas-Bob Wilkin, Highland Villag A2.B2.C1. Bonnie Kay Yetter, Garland-Catherine Tucker, Dallas A3. Kurt Brescoll-Janet Adams, Mansfield A4.B4. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound-Michael Hout, Plano A5. Katherine Pearce-Donna McBride, Kerrville B3. Kurt Brescoll-Janet Adams, Mansfield B4, Joe Freeman, Flower Mound-Michael Hout, Plano B5.William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard, Irving C2. James Bicknell-Patsy Bicknell, AR C3. Marvin Comer, OH-Evelyn Adkins, Dallas.

Mon Eve USBF Strat Prs A1.B1. M. Aslam Ansari, Dallas-Suresh Agrawal, Rowlett A2.B2. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard, Irving A3. Katherine Pearce-Donna McBride, Kerrville A4.B3.Margie Winter, SD-Aaron Kastner, Murphy A5. Ann Roberts, Garland-Larue Stott, Dallas B4. Arnold Jones, IL-M Clark, Arlington B5. Marvin Migdol, Dallas-Stephen Shuman, Richardson C1. David Mercer, CA-H Wilton, Austin C2. Mary Ann Hall-Robert Hall, Abilene C3. Peggy Mc Cormick, Arlington-Michael McCormick, FTW.

Tues USBC Choice Strat Prs A1. Arnold Jones, IL-M Clark, Arlington A2. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, N Richlnd Hls A3. Kimmel Jones, Euless-Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton A4.B1.C1. James Esker, Richardson-Bob Titus, Dallas A5.B2. Jeanine Wofford, Frisco-David Nurenberg, Dallas B3.C2. Joe Cameron, Irving-G Brantz, Plano B4. Pat Measley, Plano-Barbara Nelson, Dallas B5. Helen McCrae-Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio.

Wed USWBC Choice Strat Prs

A1.B1. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard, Irving A2. Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK A3. Michael Dalton, Carrollton-John Zilic, Houston A4. Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton-Kimmel Jones, Euless A5. Jolie Hess-Pat McMullin, Houston B2.C1. Judith Lopez, Houston-Alfred Fortier III, Katy B3.C2. Susan Couch, Vernon-Anne Halsell, Crowell B4. Randolph Worsham-Helen Worsham, Dallas B5. Arnold Jones, IL-M Clark, Arlington C3. Mary Ann Hall-Robert Hall,

Thurs USSBC Choice Strat Prs A1. Mark Lair, Canyon-Marc Levine, Lubbock A2. Adam Singer, OK-Mike Aliotta, OK A3. Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie-Bryan Storey, Plano A4. Howard Tureff, Plano-Ann Roberts, Garland A5. Bill Gervais, Cypress-John Zilic, Houston B1. Neal Perlman, San Angelo-J Bagwell, Paris B2. David Begin-Ruth Green, Georgetown B3.C1. Barbara Traphagen, FTW-Diane Dillman, Irving B4. Natalie Greene-Dale Crumbaugh, Houston B5.C2. Susan Couch, Vernon-Anne Halsell, Crowell C3. Robert Hall-Mary Ann Hall. Abilene.

Louise Childs Freed Flted Prs A1. Michael Dalton, Carrollton-Hua Yang, Plano A2. Steve Garner, FL-George Jacobs, IL A3. Sidney Lazard-Bart Bramley, Dallas A4. Mark Lair, Canyon-Marc Levine, Lubbock A5. Marcus Poe Jr, Plano-S Kohan, Dallas B1. Burt Kifer-Nelson Hensley Sr, Arlington B2. Kevin Podsiadlik, Dallas-Bob Wilkin, Highland Villag B3. Julian Barr, Missouri City-William Breslin, Katy B4. J Bagwell, Paris-Neal Perlman, San Angelo B5. Henry Muzzio Jr-Othella Muzzio, Flower Mound C1. Joseph Olivier, VA-Kenneth Olivier, CA C2. David Mercer-H Waton, CA C3. Bob Butterfield, Dallas-James Esker, Richardson C4. Steve Birnbaum-Kevin Pheiffer, Dallas C5. Barbara Jones, Cleburne-Virginia Reinier, Joshua.

Fri Midnight Charity Individual 1. Therese Milford, Dallas 2/4. Neal Perlman, San Angelo 2/4. Gladys Lawhon, Denton 2/4. Gail Wells, Plano 5. Curtis Polk, Houston.

Sat USJBC Choice Strat Prs A1. Beth Bromberg-John Bromberg, Dallas A2.B1. Ned Nolte, FTW-Jim Clark, Lewisville A3.B2. Linda McDaniel-Gladys Lawhon, Denton A4.B3. Marvin Migdol, Dallas-Stephen Shuman, Richardson A5.B4.C1. Jean Higgins, Lewisville-Marlene Round, Bedford B5. Becky Price, Euless-Henry Muzzio Jr, Flower Mound C2. Jimmy Lambert-Barbara Thomson, Dallas C3. Betsy Franks-Nancy Ramsey, Amarillo.

Morn Side Series 1/2. Nancy Ramsey, Amarillo 1/2. Betsy Franks, Amarillo 3/4. Bob Lester, Houston 3/ 4. Kay Strickland, Abilene.5/6. Carol Walliser, Chandler 5/6. Martha Taft,

Aft Side Series 1. Gerrie Owen, Dallas 2/3. Michael Walrath, Keller 2/ 3.Gail Wells, Plano 4/5. James Moore, Dallas 4/5. John Fisher, Dallas.

Eve Side Series 1/2. Nancy Kornegay, N Richlnd Hls 1/2. Stephen Kornegay, N Richlnd Hls 3. Gerrie Owen, Dallas 4/5. Mark Shekter, Dallas 4/5. Jim Harp, Dallas

Sun Fast Strat Prs A1. Roy Baughman, Pantego-Pat Cassidy, Arlington A2. Dewitt Hudson, Jr., Arlington-Betsy Duncan,, Abilene A3. Melody Gann-William White, Arlington B1. Betty Finley, Flower Mound-Becky Price, Euless B2. Gene Kincaid-Judy Kincaid, Denison B3. Shaun Chooi, Dallas-Cliff White, Grand Prairie.

Open Team Events

Tues Eve Strat Swiss Teams A1. Mike Miller, Temple-Judith Northup, Irving-Marion Gebhardt, Richardson-James Bauer, Dallas A2.B1. Dee Berg, Arlington-Joan Ehmann, Irving-James Lilly-Kevin Podsiadlik, Dallas A3.B2. Inger Lise Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Jeanette Hughes-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls--Virginia Ray. Meadowlakes A4.B3.C1. Mark Dumdei, Addison-Scott Wansbrough, Dallas-Daralynn Cameron, Carrollton,-K Haley, Red Oak A5.B4. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound-Bruce Brown-Elizabeth Brown, Denton-Madhusudan Patel, Houston B5. Jimmy Reynolds, Arlington-Mark Smid. Waxahachie-Bob Wilkin. Highland Villag-Nancy Peterson, Euless C2. Mary Ann Hall-Robert Hall-Martha Murphy, Abilene-Gwen Riggs,

Wed Eve Strat Swiss Teams A1.

John Mc Connell, Desoto-Mark Smid, Waxahachie-William Chan-Molan Chan, ME A2. Judith Northup, Irving-Mike Miller, Temple-James Bauer-John Davies, Dallas A3.B1. Richard Davidson, Pasadena-Irene Baker, Houston-Ivan Uys, FTW-H. Jaoy Sloofman, NY A4/5.B2. Michael Estep-Barbara Estep, Hurst-Burt Kifer, Arlington-Georgie Jaeger Colleyville A4/5. Jay Gibson-Annette McCarty, Lewisville-William White-Melody Gann, Arlington B3.C1. Mary Ann Hall-Robert Hall-Martha Murphy, Abilene-Gwen Riggs, Sweetwater B4. Patricia Johnson-Helga Brown, Dallas-Frances Clem, Plano-Janet Borg, Garland C2. Shay Ura, Plano-Bob Ingebritson, Carrollton-Charles Morse-Nancy Morse, McKinney.

Thurs Eve Strat Swiss Teams A1.B1.C1. James Esker, Richardson-Bob Butterfield-Steve Birnbaum-Kevin Pheiffer, Dallas A2. Michael Heymann-Neal Shores-Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper, FTW A3.B2.C2. Claybourne Waldrop Jr, Arlington-Virginia Sherman, Dallas-Edward Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter, Garland A4.B3. Ricardo Azevedo, Ennis-Mary Knight, Waxahachie-Jerry Carmichael, Wylie-Barbara McCormack, MO

Fri Eve Strat Swiss Teams A1. Frank Matthews-Virginia Matthews, AR-Joe Cointment III-John Spessard, Dallas A2.B1.C1. Mark Dumdei, Addison-K Haley, Red Oak-Daralynn Cameron, Carrollton-Scott Wansbrough, Dallas A3.B2.C2. Glenda Cooper, Carrollton-Diane Dillman, Irving-Kathy Coleman-Lisa Waldron, FTW A4/5.B3//4. Carol McConnell, Desoto-Georgie Jaeger, Colleyville-Dee Berg, Arlington-Becky Price, Euless A4/5.B3/4. Jill Bromstead-Barry Bromstead, CA-Theo Korol-Matt Korol, Southlake

Sat Brachman Strati-Flted BC Swiss Teams B1. A Probst-Helen Probst-Stefan Davis-Ronni Davis, Wichita Falls B2. Suresh Agrawal, Rowlett-Bob Scallan-M. Aslam Ansari-Joe Clark, Dallas B3. Julian Barr, Missouri City-William Breslin, Katy-Steve Birnbaum-Bob Butterfield, Dallas B4. Tim Barrett-Chengwei Lee, MN-Dee Berg, Arlington-Margie Winter, SD B5/6. Elaine Wood,

Southlake-Doug Couchman, Arlington-Lynne Rosenbaum-Nancy Frank, IL B5/6. An Lauren Brown-Jim Brown, Arlington-Connie Booth-Roy Booth, Duncanville Anthony Toogood-Irene Toogood, BC-Kurt Brescoll-Zachary Brescoll-Janet Adams, Mansfield C1. Lauren Brown-Jim Brown, Arlington-Connie Booth-Roy Booth, Duncanville C2. Timothy Banks, Carrollton-Cecil Parsons-Bonnie Shea, Plano-Kevin Pheiffer, Dallas C3. Glenda Cooper, Carrollton-David Clegg-Rolly Steen-Jim Harp, Dallas.

Bkted KO Teams 1 Bkt I 1. Mark Lair, Canyon-Nancy Cord-Brenda Keller, Boise ID-Marc Levine, Lubbock 2. Dirk Stronck II, FTW-Byron Taylor, FTW-Brenda Truitt-J Truitt, NM

3/4. James Bauer, Dallas-Marion Gebhardt, Richardson-Judith Northup, Irving-Mike Miller, Temple

3/4. Inger Lise Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Jeanette Hughes-Shirley Naumann, Falls-Virginia Meadowlakes Bkt II 1. Jim Chaffee-Sue Rowe, FTW-Diane Dillman, Irving-Larry Howell, Arlington 2. John Rempel, KS-Edward Greene-Judy Corey Edmiston, Dallas-Regina Hickey, CA 3/4. Virginia Copher, N Richlnd Hls-Rosemary Gafford, Arlington-Peggy Byrnes-William Byrnes, Euless 3/4. Ann Kennemer-Robert Kennemer, Burleson-Billie McMahan, FTW-Virginia Reinier, Joshua Bkt III 1. Ronald Neben-Ann Couch, FTW-Arthur Wikoff, Crowley-C Sue Semple, Southlake 2. Ginger Rhamey, Murchison-Helen Shaw, Athens-Barbara Austin-Mattie Ray, Kemp 3/4. Shirley Rampy-Ola Fay Anderson-Louise Ferebee, Tyler-Elizabeth Smith, Whitehouse 3/4. Hershel Goar-Sondra Kae Goar, Burleson-Helen Nelson, Grand Praire-Linda Madding, Grand Prairie.

Bkted KO Teams 2 Bkt I 1. Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Justin Lall-Nagy Kamel, Plano-Derrell Childs, Garland 2. Claybourne Waldrop Jr, Arlington-Virginia Sherman-Gerrie Owen-Preston Joy Cogburn, Livingston-Mary Weiser, Pottsboro-George Davis-Barbara Hadaway, Gainesville Morrow, Dallas 3/4. John Mc Connell, Desoto-Charles Brown, Denton-William Chan-Molan Chan, ME 3/4. Jay Gibson-Annette McCarty, Lewisville-William White-Melody Gann, Arlington Bkt II 1. Martha Landis, Arlington-Roger Arockiam, Irving-Frank Vlach-Karen Vlach, Trophy Club 2. Terry Manz-Carol Manz, Amarillo-Rena Dorsett, Borger-Sharon Wilson, Stratford 3/4. Joy Cogburn, Livingston-Mary Weiser, Pottsboro-George Davis-Barbara Hadaway, Gainesville 3/4. Richard Davidson, Pasadena-Irene Baker, Houston-Ivan Uys, FTW-H Jay

Bramley Team Wins Minda D. Brachman 2-Day Swiss Teams



Bkted KO 1 Bkt II Diane Dillman & Sue Rowe Jim Chaffee & Larry Howell



Bkted KO 1 Bkt III Sue Semple & Ann Couch Ron Neben & Art Wikoff



Bkted KO 2 Bkt II Martha Landis & Karen Vlach Roger Arockiam & Frank Vlach



Bkted KO 4 Bkt I Peggy Sutherlin & Nancy Passell John Sutherlin & Mike Passell



Bkted KO 4 Bkt II Shirley Naumann & Jeanette Hughes Inger Lise Blount & Virginia Ray



Bkted KO 4 Bkt III Barbara Jones & Bob Kennemer Ginny Reinier & Ann Kennemer



Bkted KO 5 Bkt II Barbara & Michael Estep John McConnell & Mark Smid



Bkted KO 5 Bkt IV Shirley Ashby & Barbara Chang Tom Pearce & Colin Chang



Compact KO Teams Bkt I Janet Brescoll & Lewis Brescoll Zachary Brescoll & Kurt Brescoll



Compact KO Teams Bkt II Shirley Prewitt & Lorraine Little (NP) Barbara & Marvin Stewart



Sun Bkted Swiss Teams Bkt I Carol Schoenhals & Alan Copeland Marc Levine & Clif Miller



Sun Bkted Swiss Teams Bkt II Marion Gebhardt & Peggy Duffey John Davies & James Bauer



Sun Bkted Swiss Teams Bkt III Suresh Agrawal & M. Aslam Ansari Bob Scallan & Joe Clark



Sun Bkted Swiss Teams Bkt V Jan Fisher & Marlene Round Marianne Keitel & Lynn Dellangelo



Sun Bkted Swiss Teams Bkt VI Linda McDaniel & Francis Chang Cal Bayley & Edwina Corn



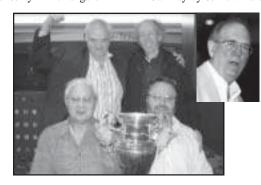
Thurs Eve Strat Swiss Teams ABC James Esker & Steve Birnbaum Kevin Pheiffer & Bob Butterfield



Brachman Swiss B Ronni Davis & Helen Provst Stefan Davis & Gene Provst



Brachman Swiss C Lauren Brown & Connie Booth Jim Brown & Roy Booth



Minda D. Brachman Cup Winners Sidney Lazard & Bart Bramley John Sutherlin & Chris Compton Dan Morse (Inset)

Sloofman, NY **Bkt III** 1. Colin Chang-Barbara Chang, Arlington-Shirley Ashby-Tom Pearce, Dallas 2. Doloris Eldredge, Rowlett-June Price, Heath-Bonnie Barker-Phyllis Savell, Dallas 3/4. Charles Morse-Nancy Morse, Mc Kinney-Shay Ura, Plano-Bob Ingebritson, Carrollton 3/4. Jan et Cunningham-Mary Jo Long, FTW-Janet Jordan-Diane Washabaugh, Aledo. **Rkted KO Teams 3** 1. Mark Lair

Bkted KO Teams 3 1. Mark Lair, Canyon-Kimmel Jones, Euless-Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton-Marc Levine, Lubbock 2. Ronald Neben-Milton Birmingham, FTW-Gladys Barley, Wichita Falls-Donald Pigg, Burleson 3/4. Billie Darnell, Somerset-Shirley Lund, Lake Park MN-Ruth Green-David Begin, Georgetown.

Bkted KO Teams 4 Bkt I 1. Peggy Sutherlin-John Sutherlin, Dallas-Nancy Passell-Mike Passell, Plano 2, Jack Rollier-Natalie Rollier, Allen-Judy Kay-Wolff-Bobby Wolff, Dallas Bkt II 1. Inger Lise Blount, Horseshoe Bay-Jeanette Hughes-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls-Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes 2. Marilyn Livingston-Billie Gaddy-Pat Alderson-Ethel Robinson, FTW 3/4. Avis Young-Joe Grossenheider, Springfield MO-Shirley Lund, Lake Park MN-Billie Darnell, Somerset 3/4. Gay Roach, Nacogdoches-Dee McKinley-Joyce Lo. Wichita Falls-Wanda Hartley, Bullard Bkt III 1. Ann Kennemer-Robert Kennemer, Burleson-Barbara Jones, Cleburne-Virginia Reinier, Joshua 2. Ronald Neben-Ann Couch, FTW-Arthur Wikoff, Crowley-C Sue Semple, Southlake 3/4. Patsy Robinson, Mesquite-G Skipworth-Mary Jones-Barbara Best, Dallas 3/4. Byron Taylor-Gloria Fields, FTW-

Bobby Hodges-Ludline Hodges, Pantego.

Bkted KO Teams 5, Bkt I 1. H Jay Sloofman, NY-Hemant Lall-Justin Lall, Plano-Petra Hamman-Bob Hamman, Dallas 2. Kimmel Jones, Euless-Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton-Bill Staats, Southlake-Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie 3/4. Frank Matthews-Virginia Matthews, AR-Joe Cointment III-John Spessard, Dallas 3/4. Derrell Childs, Garland-Gene Freed, Los Angeles CA-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel, Plano **Bkt II** 1. Michael Estep-Barbara Estep, Hurst-Mark Smid, Waxahachie-John Mc Connell, Desoto 2. A Probst-Helen Probst-Stefan Davis-Ronni Davis, Wichita Falls 3/4. Terry Manz-Carol Manz, Amarillo-Sharon Wilson, Stratford-Rena Dorsett, Borger 3/4. Randolph Worsham-Helen Worsham, Dallas-K Haley, Red Oak-Mark Dumdei, Addison Bkt III 1. Patricia Rose-Marcia Joy Varel-Milton Aston-Joanna Kaspar, Dallas 2. Stephen Olson-Evelyn Smith, Temple-Beverly Greer-M Damon, Georgetown 3/4. Gracie Craig-Gwen Riggs-Bill Harris-Artie Harris, Sweetwater 3/4. Janet Borg, Garland-Helga Brown-Patricia Johnson, Dallas-Frances Clem, Plano Bkt IV 1. Shirley Ashby-Tom Pearce, Dallas-Barbara Martha Taft, Lindale-Carol Walliser, Chandler-Marcille Kallerson-Ann Steger, Tyler Chang-Colin Chang, Arlington 2. Jim Harp-Rolly Steen-Adele Hudgins-Lue Waddle, Dallas 3/4. Martha Taft, Lindale-Carol Walliser, Chandler-Marcille Kallerson-Ann Steger, Tyler 3/4. Hershel Goar-Sondra Kae Goar, Burleson-Helen Nelson, Grand Praire-Linda Madding, Grand Prairie.

Compact KO Teams Bkt I 1. Janet Adams-Kurt Brescoll-Zachary Brescoll-Lewis Brescoll, Mansfield 2. Ricardo Azevedo, Ennis-Mary Knight, Waxahachie-Frank Maxwell-Janie Maxwell, LA 3. Joe Freeman, Flower Mound-Chris Compton, Dallas-Shelba Parmley-Britain Beezley, OK 4. Michael Childs, Aledo-Gloria Fields-Ivan Uys-Byron Taylor, FTW Bkt II 1. Barbara Stewart-Marvin Stewart, Burleson-Lorraine Little-Shirley Prewitt, FTW 2. Alfred Fortier III, Katy-B Thomas McElroy-Fonse Ragland, Dallas-Barbara McCormack, MO 3. Cecil Parsons-Bonnie Shea, Plano-Gay Anderson, Garland-Kevin Pheiffer, Dallas 4. Charles Gibson Jr-Margot Hirsch, Arlington-C Sue Semple, Southlake-Ann Couch, FTW.

Brachman Trophy Swiss Teams 1.
Bart Bramley-Chris Compton-John
Sutherlin-Sidney Lazard, Dallas-Dan
Morse, Houston 2. George JacobsRalph Katz, IL-Steve Garner-Howard
Weinstein, FL-Eddie Wold, HoustonMike Passell, Plano 3. Petra HammanBob Hamman, Dallas-H Jay Sloofman,
NY-Justin Lall-Hemant Lall, Plano 4.
Shawn Quinn-Joe Quinn, RichmondGreg Hinze, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel,
Plano 5. Hugh Hillaker, Grand PrairieKimmel Jones, Euless-Mark
Bumgardner, Carrollton-Bill Staats,

Sun Bkted Swiss Teams Bkt I 1. Alan Copeland, Arlington-Clifton Miller, Sr. LA-Carol Schoenhals-Marc Levine, Lubbock 2. Tadashi Teramoto, Japan-Jane Matzura, NY-John Spessard, Dallas-William Cook, Amarillo 3. Jack Lacy, Round Rock-James Thurtell, Dallas-Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK Bkt II 1. James

Bauer-John Davies-Peggy Duffey, Dallas-Marion Gebhardt, Richardson 2. Steven Kastner, Plano-Kevin Podsiadlik, Dallas-Jim Clark, Lewisville-Michael Heymann, FTW 3. Randolph Worsham-Helen Worsham, Dallas-Frank Tao, Plano-Kay Lewis, Richardson **Bkt III** 1. Bob Scallan-M. Aslam Ansari-Joe Clark, Dallas-Suresh Agrawal, Rowlett 2. Theo Korol-Matt Korol, Southlake-Jill Bromstead-Barry Bromstead, CA 3. Connie Martin-Maria Lilly-Barry Martin-James Lilly, Dallas Bkt IV 1. Joyce Richards-Fran Eason-Charmaine Mitchell, Rockwall-Irene Faletto, Heath 2. Julian Barr, Missouri City-William Breslin, Katy-Steve Birnbaum-Bob Butterfield, Dallas 3. Mark Smid, Waxahachie-Jimmy Reynolds, Arlington-Ruth Bracken, Grapevine-Nancy Peterson,

Janice Fisher-Lynn Dellangelo, Colleyville-Marlene Round, Bedford 2. Steven Tuggle, Houston-Charles Gibson, Jr.-Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Edward Mason, El Lago 3. ClaybourneWaldrop, Jr. Arlington-Virginia Sherman, Dallas-Edward Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter, Garland 4. Joan Slaughter-Marcia Joy Varel-Carol Nicoud-Milton Aston, Dallas 5. Ann Kennemer-Robert Kennemer, Burleson-Virginia Reinier, Joshua-Patsy Walters, FTW Bkt VI 1. Linda McDaniel, Denton-Cal Bayley-Francis Chang, FTW-Edwina Corn, Dallas 2. Joyce Cooper-Linda Anthony-Dianne Ebert-Carol Nelson, Austin 3. Janet Jordan-Diane Washabaugh, Aledo-Penny Mixon, Arlington-Susan Webb, FTW 4. Betsy Franks-Nancy Ramsey, Amarillo-Margaret Downey, Temple-James Downey, AR.

Euless Bkt V 1. Marianne Keitel-

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Thurs Eve 299er Strat Prs C 1/2 Brenda Hernandez & Carol Fisher



Fri Aft 299er Strat Prs A Cecil Parsons and Gay Anderson



Fri Eve 299er Strat Prs Lou Straughan and Nancy Garrett



0-20 Trophy Pairs Marcia Hansen & Hilda Lacher



49er Trophy Pairs Kenneth Price & Buddy Eldredge



99er Trophy Pairs Bonnie Barker & Pat Marchman



Sun 299er Swiss Teams AB Lauren Brown & Connie Booth Jim Brown & Roy Booth



Mon Aft 299er Strat Prs ABC Wed Eve Strat 299er Prs C Shyanne Merritt & Gay Schleicher

Intermediate/Newcomer Events

The Maverick Room was a very busy room throughout the USBF Regional. Lots of masterpoints and trophies were given to winners each day.

Many players enjoyed discussing the day's hands at the Coaches Corner provided by the USBF celebrities. The week of celebrity talks was concluded with a special Intermediate/Newcomer reception. at which Bob Hamman autographed his book At the Table (given as the section top award) and fielded questions from the participants.

Mon Aft USBF Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Shyanne Merritt, Plano-Gay Schleicher, Richardson A2.B2.C2. Cal Bayley-Francis Chang, FtW A3.B3. Don Greer, FtW-Sheridan Nichols, FtW C3. Betty Ellis, Rockwall-Karen Franklin, Rowlett.

Mon Eve USBF Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Charles Morse-Nancy Morse, Mc Kinney A2.B2.C1. Travis Roten-Judy Matlock, Richardson A3.B3. Lewis Brescoll-Zachary Brescoll, Mansfield 4.C2. Jo Nell Scott-Glen Terrell, Arlington C3. Kay Jennings-Cary Jennings, FtW.

Tues Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. David Pearlman, Trophy Club-Stewart De Journett, N Richland Hls A2. Marlow Muldoon-Joyce Muldoon, Irving A3.B2.C1. Susan Webb, FtW-Penny Mixon, Arlington B3.C2. Robert Preece-Therese Milford, Dallas C3. Cal Bayley-Francis Chang, FtW.

Tues Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Susan Couch, Vernon-Anne Halsell, Crowell A2. Patricia Marchman-Robert Stewart, Garland A3.B1.C1. Brenda Hernandez-Carol Fisher, Arlington B2. Penny Mixon, Arlington-Susan Webb, FtW B3.C2. Melvin Ball-Gay Nell Ball, Hurst.

Wed Morn Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Dennis Wammack-Dianne Wammack, AL A2.B2. Rhonda Huser-Kenneth Bickelhaupt, Dallas A3. Judy Mays, Richardson-Helen Skiles, Plano.

Wed Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1/ Dennis Wammack-Dianne Wammack, AL A2.B2.C1. Marcia Hansen, Plano-Hilda Lacher, Dallas A3.B3. Therese Milford-Robert Preece, Dallas C2. Lou Straughn-Jean Richey, FtW.

Wed Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Penny Mixon-Glen Terrell, Arlington A2.B2.C1. Shyanne Merritt, Plano-Gay Schleicher, Richardson A3.B3.C2. Marcia Hansen, Plano-Hilda Lacher, Dallas.

Thurs Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Gerry Scholes, Arlington-Doris Doores, Bedford A2. Bob Ingebritson, Carrollton-Shay Ura, Plano A3.B2. Bonnie Barker-Phyllis Savell, Dallas B3.C1. John Davis-Mahaley Davis, Lake Kiowa C2. Ann Overfield, Arlington-Jan Welsh, Richardson.

Thurs Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Bonnie Barker-Phyllis Savell, Dallas A2/3.B2/3.C1/2. Carol Fisher-Brenda Hernandez, Arlington A2/3.B2/3.C1/2. Melvin Ball-Gay Nell Ball, Hurst C3. Buddy Eldredge, Rowlett-Kenneth Price, Heath.

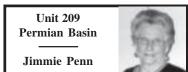
Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Gay Anderson, Garland-Cecil Parsons, Plano A2. Freddie O'Bannon, Carrollton-Barbara Jones, Dallas A3.B1.C1. Nancy Garrett, Arlington-Lou Straughn, FtW B2. Penny Mixon, Arlington-Susan Webb, FtW B3.C2. Ellen Heck-Callie Weller, Dallas C3. Cal Bayley-Francis Chang, FtW.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Bonnie Barker, Dallas-Patricia Marchman, Garland A2. Doloris Eldredge-Buddy Eldredge, Rowlett A3.B2.C1. Nancy Garrett, Arlington-Lou Straughn, FtW B3.C2. Therese Milford-Robert Preece, Dallas.

Sat Morn Strat 299er Prs A1. D Bartley-Robert Frink, Plano A2.B1. Stephen Hibbard-Glen Terrell, Arlington A3.B2. Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd, Euless B3.C1. Ellen Heck-Callie Weller, Dallas C2. Kenneth Bickelhaupt-Emily Ray, Dallas.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Marcia Hansen, Plano-Hilda Lacher, Dallas A2. Marvin Fletcher-Helen Fletcher, Rockwall A3. Doloris Eldredge, Rowlett-June Price, Heath B2. Penny Mixon, Arlington-Susan Webb, FtW B3. Stephen Hibbard-Glen Terrell, Arlington C2. Nancy Garrett, Arlington-Lou Straughn, FtW C3. Travis Roten-Judy Matlock, Richardson.

Sun Strat 299er Swiss Teams A1.B1. Lauren Brown-Jim Brown, Arlington-Roy Booth-Connie Booth, Duncanville A2.B2.C1. Shyanne Merritt-Tommie Anglemyer, Plano-Sandra Fedro, Richardon-Bonnie Arnold, Frisco A3.B3. Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd, Euless-Allen Grissom, Dallas-Ann Thompson, FtW.



All of our clubs enjoyed Appreciation Games in October-treat from ACBLfree xtra points!

Allison Bridge Center was site of LM Party honoring Betty Fernandez-Betty in turn treated guests to a Jr. Fund Game-OA winners-D. Brenneman-H. South, D. Gifford-H. Wise, B. Davis-P. White, L. Slusher-L. Nichols, B. Norton-C. Scott, M. Poss-J. Hawkins.

Perhaps the highlight of October was the stylish attire of Clarence (Clara) Marley at our Halloween party-He was joined by Spider Woman Ann Parish-Snow-Spook Belle Harris-Maui Lovely Leilani Matthews- Zoro(ine) Billie McConnell & Senorita Paulette Turner-a great affair.

Then came November 2 with election day salad luncheon—November 11 w/ Red, White & Blue Snacks.

SEE the Pyramids along the Nile (plagiarism)-That's what Aggie Anguish, Sandy Rea & Nancy Liberty did in early November-Don't think they saw Cleopatra nor an asp!

The rains came for our ABC 25th anniversary parties-a canoe was the transportation of choice-Sunday, November 14-Membership Game Luncheon—fall balloons, tableware & hot cider punch make a party-Game winners were OA-D. Brookins-S. Henry & H. South-L. Evans, J. Pistole-D. Brenneman, A. Servatius-C. Marley, B. Dickerson-J. Penn, H. Wise-S. White, M. Matthews-R. Sparks, S. Glass-B. Miles, J. Banks-P. Leeton, B. Collins-C. Grimes, J. Ray-H. Davis.

Monday, November 15-Local charity winners OA-L. Slusher-L. Nichols, S. Boldrick-W. Rector, T. Fraser-J. Penn, F. Curry-G. Crites. Tuesday, November 16-Jr. Fund winners OA-L. Slusher-S. Gardiner, M. Hammond-J. Penn, D. Brenneman-J. Baxter, M. Poss-G. Crites. Wednesday, November 17-ICC Game OA winners-G. Crites-M. Hammond, L. Slusher-J. Penn, J. Pistole-B. Baker, S. White-J. Cox.

ABC Club hosted ACBL Wide Charity Game-OA winners-M. Poss-P. Jackson, G. Crites-J. Penn, H. South-C. Grimes-Shuffle & Deal games were held in Odessa, also! West Texas Food Bank benefitted from our LOCAL charity games held in October & November-300,000 people are counting on WTFB this fall-\$1 provides enough food for 6 meals.

Nancy Liberty w/assistant Flo Curry did a professional job decorating center for the Yuletide-assured me I couldn't afford their services. We kicked off the season with a covered dish Club Championship affair—scale's already say "one at a time, please"-OA winners-R. Neumann-W. Rector, G. Crites-B. Baker, J. Pistole-J. Penn, S. Whiteley-J. Cox, L. Evans-A. Anguish, B. Filley-H. Wales, M. Hammond-S. Conner. Ron resides in Midland during fall & winter with primary home being in Minnesota- He always brings tasty Angel Food cake to the games.

Odessa will have blackeye pea party (originated by the late Babe Griffin) on Saturday, January 8, 12:30 p.m. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU!



The Unit was treated to a wonderful Christmas Party and Election December 5 with a delicious catered lunch and other munchies arranged by Dick Cunningham and David Pennington. Winners of the two Unit Championships were: a.m., A1. James Lafountain and Richard Ware; B1. Bobbie Perley and Niece White; C1. Dee Els and Jean Townsend; p.m., A1. Lyndon and Peggy Phelps; B1. Lanelle Boone and Helen Reardon; C1. Dee Els and Jean Townsend.

Dorothy Dvorsky, Jim Greeney, and Bobbye Hays were elected to a threeyear term on the board of directors; James LaFountain was elected president, Kathleen Midkiff, vice president, and Helen Levy was reelected secretary-treasurer.

The Maxine K. Tessmer Memorial Tournament Award plaque was presented to Mike Bukala, and the Gordon Dennis 2003 Rookie of the Year plaque was presented to Jo McDaniel.

A big thank you to Dick and David; Gene Thompson, director; and others who assisted in various ways.

Congratulations to Evelyn Smith, our newest Life Master, who earned the needed points at the USBF Winter Regional by coming in second in a Bkt 3 Knockout with her team of Stephen Olson, Beverly Greer, and Mickey Damon. Congratulations, also, to Marjorie Dickenson, new Bronze LM, and 500 MP achievers Eiko King and Minta McCauley.

Correction to the November/
December column: Frank Mabry did
not move to Midland as reported but
was moved to a nursing home in
Hewitt. His mailing address was
changed to his daughters address in
Midland, and ACBL transferred him
out of our Unit. We have just learned
that he died Sunday December 5.

Other transfers out of our Unit are Prof. Willard Raiffeisen (Temple) who moved to Midland and Frances Kroll (Marlin) who moved to Kerrville.

Patricia Sullivan, a new member in Waco, is welcomed.

Our sympathy to Vennie Lee whose husband, Robert, died October 30, and to Mary Ann Sturtevant, formerly of Waco, whose husband, Bob, died recently. Before moving to Plano, Bob and Mary Ann were active in the Unit, Bob having served as president and member of the board as well as chairing a Waco tournament.

Special get well wishes to Doris Renshaw who is recuperating from a stroke, to Tom Davis whose leg was accidentally broken at Sul Ross BC, and to many others who are experiencing illnesses. Our special thoughts are with Lenny Hedgecoth who has been battling cancer for several

Did you see our beautiful Red Hat Society ladies on page 28 of the November bulletin?

Sign up now for the two-session Unit GNT Qualifying Game for Flts. B and C (less than 2000 MP=s), Sunday, February 13, at the Temple CAC. We will begin at 10 a.m.

DEADLINE for the March/April Issue

Advertising: February 1st Articles and Columns: February 6th Copy must be typed. E-mail preferable. Pictures cannot be returned.

Donna Sectional November 19-21, 2004



Fri Morn Strat Prs A 1/2 Ed Rawlinson & Donna McBride



Fri Morn Strat Prs A 1/2 Catherine Seidler & Mary Kenyon



Fri Morn Strat Prs B Laverne Hill & Donna Ahlquist



Fri Morn Strat Prs C Priscilla Baker & Mary Johnson



Fri Aft Strat Prs A Bill Walker & Donna McBride



Fri Aft Strat Prs BC Robert Crick & Delores Johnson



Sat Strat Prs BC Nancy Almond & Donna Ahlquist

Magic Valley Sectional (Donna) November 12-14, 2004

Fri Morn Strat Open Prs A1/2. Donna McBride-Ed Rawlinson A1/2. Catherine Seidler-Mary Ellen Kenyon B1. Donna Ahlquist-Laverne Hill B2.C1. Priscilla Baker-Mary Johnson C2/3. Jo Ann Sumney-Evelyn McKinzie C2/3. Russ Townsend-Barbara McCormack.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Donna McBride-Bill Walker A2. William Riley-Mary Tryer B1.C1. Robert Crick-Delores Johnson B2.C2. George VanAmburg-Helen VanAmburg.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. F. Person-Marty Rawls A2. Mary Tryer-William Riley B1.C1. Nancy Almond-Donna Ahlquist B2.C2. George VanAmburg-Helen VanAmburg.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. Marilyn German-Donna McBride-Bill Walker-Ed Rawlinson A2. Mahesh R. Maruvada-Libby Boeye-Rene Wallace-Lorraine Barkey B1. Andrea Klein-Ilse Drawe-John Bulloch-Joanne Thorne B2.C1. Delores Johnson-Bobby Melton-Trudy Johnston-Alan Johnston C2. John Allison-Robert Allison-James Cotton-Donald Jensen.

Results: Bridge & Games Studio 299er Sectional November 12-14, 2004

Fri Aft Strat Prs A1. Millicent Wear-Robert Paul Wear A2. Jim Middleton-James Nichols, Jr. B1. Donna Frederick-Christy Morrissey B2.C1. Debbie Bellan-Ellen Greenfield C2. Joe Jarone-Sandra Parker

Fri Eve Strat Prs A1. Jim Middleton-James Nichols, Jr. A2. Pete Hanson-Barbara Babbitt B1.C1. Charles Ensor-Judith Ensor B2.C2. Joe Jarone-Sandra Parker

Sat Morn Strat Prs A1. Jim Middleton-James Nichols, Jr. A2.B1. Christy Morrissey-Donna Frederick B2. Joe Jarone-Sandra Parker.

Sat Strat Prs A1. Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer A2. Lynn Mix-Becky

Sat KO Teams 1. Ann Blohm-Catalina Cardenas-JoAnn Chadderdon-Mateo Figueroa 2. Ed Jennings-Barbara



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B&G Studio Sectional

Robert & Millicent Wear



Fri Eve & Sat Morn Strat Prs A Jim Nichols & Jim Middleton



Sun Strat Swiss Teams A Lisa Sommer & Ruth MacDougall Fred MacDougall & Charles Sommer Lisa & Charles also won Sat Strat Prs A

Lavoot-Charles Headrick-Stephen Lavoot.

Sun Swiss Teams A1. Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer-Ruth MacDougall-F. MacDougall A2. Lynn Shapiro-Armand Shapiro-Karen Alvarado-Bill Gervais B1. Fredi Weinbaum-Hillel Weinbaum-Carl Hogan-Nancy Ann Hill.

Sun Aft Strat Prs A1.B1. Jay Karkowsksy-Ralph Herz A2.B2. Becky Moores-Lynn Mix.



Debbie Bellan & Elen Greenfield



Sat Morn Strat Prs C Phil Bellan & Marvin Greenfield



Sun Strat Swiss Teams B Freddie Weinbaum & Carl Hogan Nancy Hill & Hillel Weinbaum



Bkted KO Teams JoAnn Chadderdon & Ann Blohm Catalina Cardenas & Mateo Figueroa

TEXAS INDEPENDENCE **SECTIONAL**

March 4-6, 2005

Holiday Inn Convention Center Hotel 441 Rio Concho Dr. San Angelo, Texas

Friday, March 4

Stratified Pairs 1:00 pm Master Pairs (500+) 7:00 pm Non-Master Stratified Pairs (0-500) 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 5

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

Sunday, March 6

Stratified Swiss

10:00 am & TBA

(*Note early starting time!*)

Strats: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500 (NLM)

Buffet between sessions Sunday Free coffee, iced tea & refreshments Non-smoking with breaks

Host Hotel

Holiday Inn Convention Center 441 Rio Concho Drive 325.466.3300 \$66 good through Feb. 12

Fort Concho Unit 204 Sanction #S0503052

Ajijic Sectional February 10-13, 2005

Please visit www.chapalabridge.com/ club_news.htm for schedule of play

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Holiday parties at the Sue Barber Bridge Center were fabulous! We gained weight on indescribably delicious food, laughed ourselves silly, and played the glorious game to our hearts content.

Three tables of Deborah Brookins' beginning bridge players joined the Thursday night group for one of the parties. They're bright, wonderful people with lots of enthusiasm for the game. The plan is to have a side game for them until they pick up speed and confidence. Then they'll hopefully become regulars in all the games. Kudos to Deborah for doing such a wonderful job.

There was a mishap at the Bridge Center recently. Ann Nall's motorized chair ran amok. Poor Ann fell out and the chair, sensing freedom, took off in reverse. Director Sue Henry, being capably in charge of every emergency situation, stationed herself in front of the chair to stop it. But instead of stopping, the chair ran right over Sue and crashed into the bookcase, which shattered. Sue lay on the floor covered

with books and the runaway chair continued into the kitchen wall, which stopped it. Although both Ann and Sue were a bit sore, only their egos suffered major bruising. And of course, they had their priorities - the game went on as

Everyone knows duplicate bridge players are gutsy, but this takes the cake: When Unit 204 members went to the Midland tournament, one member surprised everyone with a photo of herself taken one morning before the games. Jean Rochford went skydiving and had the picture to prove it. She said it was exhilarating, and her badly sprained ankle was worth the experience. Our wonderful Jean is bubbly and fun, so maybe we shouldn't have been surprised, but we certainly were. Whodathunkit?

It's that time of year again. Make your reservations to attend the Texas Independence Sectional in San Angelo March 4-7. We're returning to the Holiday Inn Convention Center. After trying another location last year, it was apparent that everyone preferred the larger Holiday Inn. It's a terrific place to play. We promise the usual hospitality room with plenty of homemade goodies, the warmest of welcomes, and great games of bridge! We look forward to seeing you there.



Sat Strat Prs A

F. Person & Marty Rawls

Entry Fees \$9/session Fri & Sat \$10/session Sun

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Houston Sectional, October 29-31, 2004



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A Jeanette Magid & June Ardoin



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B Mark Wallet & Duane Friedrich



Fri Compact KO Teams Bkt I Svetlana Oden & John Kelsey Tony Haddad & Wayne Oden



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss A Bill Boyer & Nancy Odom William Lindner & Joe Odom



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss D Bob Arnett & Robin Johnson



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss BO Charles Raines & JoeTommaney Patrick Tourais & David Wickes Jim Nichols & James Tommaney Joe & Jim also won Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C Joe & James also won Sat Strat Open Prs C



Fri KO Teams Bkt I Tom & Carolyn Peters John Zilic & (NP) Jan Lall Tom & John also won Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A

Results: Houston Sectional Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Thomas Peters-John Zilic A2.B1. James Winfield-L. Travis B2. Lucy Terrill-Elizabeth Ghrist C1. Joe Tommaney-James Nichols, Jr. C2. Alfred Fortier, III-Steven Tuggle.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Jay Karkowsky-Jack Rawitscher A2.B2. William Caplan-Jo Lou Parks C2. Charles Ensor-Judith Ensor.

Fri Aft Strat 49er Prs A1. Diane Konick-Claudia Parr A2.B1. Jayne Gross-Clairlee Hirsch B2. Norma Marvin-Francine Hargrove.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. June Ardoin-Jeanette Magid A2. Pat Levy-Jean Cole B1. Mark Wallet-Duane Friedrich B2. Jonathan Holmes-Murat Ocalan C1. Luca Dona-Joseph Wald C2. Bette Liebgold-Trudy Trivette.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Joe Jarone-Sandra Parker A2. Millie Dennis-Chris Dupree B2.C2. Ann Blohm-Joanne Chadderdon.

Fri Compact KO Teams Bkt I 1. Svetlana Oden-Wayne Oden-Anton Haddad-John Kelsey 2. Bud Sutton-Linda Rensi-Al Cupps-Lorraine Coomes Bkt II 1. Dianne Kraft-Jeremy Dilbeck-Lynn Shapiro-Armand Shapiro 2. Millicent Wear-Paul Wear-Jeanne Ingraham-Frank Ingraham.

Fri KO Teams Bkt I 1. John Zilic-Thomas Peters-Carolyn Peters-Jan Lall 2. Jack LaVigne-John Erickson-Guss Ginsburg-Robert Matcha Bkt II 1. Charles Ensor-Judith Ensor-Meriedith

Pfister-Howard Lindsey 2. Robert Purvis-Greg Schepens-Jane Murphy-Barbara McAllister Bkt III 1. Sally Floyd-Nita James-Orma Brackenridge-Mary Drew-Carolyn Labouliere 2. Peter Hanson-Lloyd Lewis-Leigh Ann Poindexter-Sonia Bryant.

Sat Strat Choice Prs A1. Georgiana Gates-Daniel Suty A2. Jolie Hess-Penny Snow B1. Betty Sale Murphy-Pamela Dettmers B2. Bob Eisenschmidt-Bill Land C1. Joe Tommaney-James Tommaney C2. Steven Tuggle-Alfred Fortier, III.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Stephen Reichek-Jay Karkowsky A2.B1.C1. Jim McCormick-Richard Wright B2/3. Thomas Farrell-Susan Stone-B2/3.C2. Jim Middleton-Albert Middleton.

Sat Aft Strat 49er Prs A1.B1. Richard King-Marilyn Hughes A2.B2. Lauri Laufman-Ed Ruckstuhl.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Marcia Sanderson-John Monroe, Jr. A2. George Fox-Stephen Boothe B2.C1. Lucy Hofmann-Marilyn Jordan C2. Rick Goad-Tamah Goad.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Marilyn Hughes-Richard King A2.B2. Robert Arnett-Robin Johnson C2. Jayne Gross-Clairlee Hirsch.

Sun Strat Open Prs A1. Geoff Booth-Robert Sandfield A2. Eddie Bass-Karen Snyder B1. Billie Kitchens-Anna Marlatt B2. Phil Brown-Anne Page C1. Judy Brown-Ronald Brown C2. Merry Modica-Rita Greer.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A1. Joseph Odom-Nancy Odom-William Boyer-William Lindner A2. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Georgiana Gates-Joe Quinn X1. Ralda

St. Pierre-Wolf Schroeter-John Erickson-Edward Haley X2. Marsha Bernstein-Judith Hoffing-Joan Pearson-Margie Beegle Strati BCD B1.C1. Joe Tommaney-James Tommaney-Charles Raines-James Nichols, Jr. B2. Siraj Jiwani-Charles Markowitz-Bill Land-Chuck Gillis C2.D1. David Wicks-Robert Arnett-Patrick Tourais-Robin Johnson D2. Charles Sommer-Lisa Sommer-F. MacDougall-Ruth MacDougall.

Election Time!!

District 16 Board of Govenors position will be voted on at the District board meeting Saturday, February 5 during the Houston regional. Please contact your unit representative if you are interested in representing D16.

Houston Unit 174 to Hold Board Elections April 8-10, 2005

(Political advertisement paid for by Houston Unit 174.)

The approximately 2260 members of Unit 174, whose participating clubs include Angleton, Baytown, Brenham, Bryan/College Station, Conroe, Galveston, Houston, Lake Jackson, La Marque, Missouri City, Pasadena, Stafford, Sugar Land and Wharton, will have an opportunity to vote for three members of the Board of Directors April 8-10, 2005, during the Election Sectional at the Arabia Shrine Temple, located at the corner of Brompton and North Braeswood in Houston.

Three newly elected board members will join Marsha Bernstein, Jo Dene Bond, Norm Gautier, Jolie Hess, Bobbi Kauffman and Bert Onstott to complete the full nine-member board. Outgoing Board Members are Fred Feigley, Betty Freedman and Lew Levy, who have completed three-year terms.

Arlene Weingarten, Chairman of this year's Nominating Committee, consisting of Richard Grammer, Carol Irvin, Barbara La Vigne and Vinh Tran, urges all Unit 174 members to vote, either in person or absentee. To vote in person, you should plan to be at the tournament site during the hour before each session on Friday and Saturday, or one hour before the Sunday morning session April 8-10. To vote absentee, follow the procedure outlined below. Winners will be announced prior to the second session on Sunday April 10.

In order for your vote to be counted, you must vote for exactly three candidates. The candidates have been given an opportunity to introduce themselves and say a few words about their philosophies, goals and backgrounds. They are listed alphabetically and have been restricted



Karen Alvarado



Ed Groner



Jerry Hines



Kathy Hughes



Joyce Ryan



Ralda St. Pierre

Karen Alvarado

As a retired banker and financial manager, I have the experience and organizational skills that would be most beneficial to the board. Having lived overseas in many of different cultures and personalities, which I think is important when one is working with other people. I have the time and energy to devote to the board. I am willing to put in long hours working hard to promote the objectives of the unit. I want to be a member of the board of Unit 174, and I want your vote!

Ed Groner

Before retirement in 1991 I headed the world-wide marketing division of a major oil service company, managing people,

projects and budgets. The skills I practiced in money management, planning and negotiation are applicable to running our unit.

My usefulness in tournament planning comes from experience gained from having attended all but 3 Nationals since 1991, the year I retired, plus 7-9 Regionals and 4-6 Sectionals a year. I am a Platinum Life Master with over 10,000 masterpoints.

Before moving to Houston, I served on unit boards in Oklahoma for several terms and am a member of the National Goodwill Committee.

Jerry Hines

I've lived in the Houston area for 16 years. I'm a graduate of LSU, with extensive experience in both business and volunteer positions. I've been an active member in the ACBL, Clear Lake DBC and Pasadena DBC since 1995 and am currently a member of the Clear

I've always been willing to help the board in any capacity: running errands, bridge activity coordination, party organizing and supply procurement.

have time and experience to offer and look forward to working to improve bridge in the unit.

Kathy Hughes

I have been playing duplicate bridge for twenty years and am a Bronze Life Master.

I'm a past president of Quail Valley Duplicate Bridge and have helped with hospitality at a number of local tournaments.

My background in the business world includes sales, accounting and purchasing, where I headed several projects that utilized both my

organizational and people skills.

New player development is one of my biggest thrills and an area where I think more should and could be done. As a board member, I would do my utmost to serve all unit members.

Joyce Ryan

I have played duplicate bridge for almost five years and feel that I am ready to assume additional responsibilities for our unit. I was the coffee chairman at Apple Duplicate for two years and co-chaired the holiday party last December. I co-chaired the Southwest Duplicate party this year. In addition, I am the Education

Coordinator for the unit. I retired after thirty years in public education. For twenty of those years I was a school principal. The position required interpersonal skills, organizational abilities and a knowledge of budgets. I am prepared to devote my time and talent to the unit.

Ralda St. Pierre

I have organized "social bridge" events for beginners to meet experienced bridge players, to develop their skill level, and generally promote the game that has become my passion. My fluency in three languages afforded me the opportunity to be the bridge organizer for the "Houston Accueil" (French-speaking communities); requiring scheduling, organizing, and planning for members from various foreign countries.

I feel my outgoing personality and dedication to the game of bridge will be useful to the Board. In addition, my energy and time availability would be an asset to the growth and development of the unit.

Absentee Voting Procedure

If you do not plan to attend the tournament, you should send a stamped, self-addressed envelope along with a SIGNED letter to the election judges, Natalie Greene and Dale Crumbaugh. Please address requests to Natalie Greene at 32 Villa Bend Dr., Houston, TX 77069-1431. The address on the return envelope must be the Voter's address of record. If the Voter is a member in good standing. an Official Ballot will be sent to the Voter, along with instructions for returning it. All Absentee Ballots must be returned postmarked no later than March 25, 2005, and be received by April 6, 2005. Please request absentee ballots early as no ballots will be mailed out after March 23. Send questions by e-mail to: unit174ballot@aol.com. Election or Ballot should be in the subject line.

Fort Worth Sectional, October 29-31, 2004



Fri Aft Strat Prs B Mike Heymann & Neal Shores



Fri Aft Strat Prs C Mike Childs & Ivan Uys



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A Dorothy Ivy & Barbara Groussman



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs BC Gay Nell Ball & Mel Ball



Fri Eve Strat Prs A Steve Ritchie & J'Neane Huey



Fri Eve Strat Prs B Bill Morris & Buzz Baird



Fri Eve Strat Prs C Bob Ellison & Ricardo Azevedo



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs AB Adele Hudgins & Lue Waddle



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs C Lou Straughn & Nancy Garrett



Sat Eve Strat Prs A Charlie Price & Merri-Jo Hillaker



Sat Eve Strat Prs BC B. Knypinski & Pawel Hanus



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs AB Charles Henderson & Bill Sandars



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs C Richard Blank & (NP) James Johnson



Bkted KO Bkt II Bobby Jaeger & P. McCormick Peter Hudson & M. McCormick



Bkted KO Bkt III Mary Long & Janet Cunningham Byron Taylor & Diane Washabaugh



Bkted KO Bkt IV Jim Harp & Rolly Steen Mark Shekter & Jim Farmer



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss X Gail Wells & Dorsey Shaw Mike Walrath & Howard Tareff



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss B Suresh Agrawal & Joe Clark Aslam Ansari & Bob Scallan



Sun Swiss Teams C Steve Birnbaum & Tom Moore Bob Butterfield & Dorthy Moore



Bkted KO Bkt I & Sun Swiss A Hugh Hillaker & Nancy Kornegay Bill Staats & Kimmel Jones Mark Bumgardner & Stephen Kornegay Mark & Kimmel also won Fri Aft Strat Prs A



Sun Morn 299er Swiss Teams B Barbara O'dell & Anne Brown

Bob Ingebritsen & Ivanette Dennis

50th Annual Beaumont **Spindletop Sectional** March 3-6, 2005

Holiday Inn Park Central

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Sabine Neches Bridge Association Unit 201

Thursday, March 3

(Beaumont Bridge Studio, 950 North Street, Thursday only)

Stratified Open Pairs 199er Pairs

7:00 pm 7:00 pm

Friday, March 4

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 199er Pairs, single sessions

Side Game Open Stratified Pairs

9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm

Saturday, March 5 Choice Stratified Pairs, Any 2 sessions of 3 199er Pairs, single sessions

9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:30 pm

7:30 pm

Sunday, March 6

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams

10:30 am & TBA

Free coffee and rolls at Friday & Saturday morning games **Buffet served between Swiss Team Sessions** Future Life Master Reception after Friday Afternoon Session

Tournament Co-Chairs

Kaz Bell 409.753.2638 chbell@cmaaccess.com Betty Poindexter 409.753.2310

Partnership Chair

Marian Jones 409.866.8922 marian1000@excite.com

Stratifications

Open Pairs: A: 1250+, B: 300-1250, C: 0-300 199er Pairs: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50 Teams: A & Ax Separate: A: 2000+ Ax: 0-2000 B & C play together B: 300-1250, C: 0-300

Entry Fee

199ers Games: \$7/person Swiss Teams: \$80/team All others: \$8/person/per session

Results: Ft. Worth Sectional Fri KO Teams Bkt I 1. Kimmel

Jones-Mark Bumgardner-Hugh Hillaker-Bill Staats-Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay. 2. Carolyn Pinto-Michael Heymann-Billy Leeper-Pat Cassidy Bkt II 1. Peggy McCormick-Peter Hudson-Bobby Jaeger-Michael McCormick 2. Marcia Joy Varel-Milton Aston-Marlow Muldoon-Joyce Muldoon Bkt III 1. Byron Taylor-Mary Jo Long-Janet Cunningham-Diane Washabaugh 2. Marvin Stewart-Barbara Stewart-Tom Nute-Cynthia Benton Bkt IV 1. Jim Harp-Rolly Steen-Jim Farmer-Mark Shekter 2. Sondra Kae Goar-Hershel Goar-Michael Purkiss-Carol Scott.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Mark Bumgardner-Kimmel Jones A2. John Fisher-Tarek Radjef B1. Michael Heymann-Neal Shores B2.C1. Ivan Uys-Michael Childs C2. Joe Clark-Doug Couchman.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1. Barbara Groussman-Dorothy Ivy A2.B1.C1. Melvin Ball-Gay Nell Ball B2.C2. Cal Bayley-Francis Chang.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Stephen Ritchie-J'Neane Huey A2.B1. William Morris, Jr.,-Ervin Baird B2.C1. Ricardo Azevedo-Robert Ellison C2. Shary Watson-Allen Pearlman.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Lue Waddle-Adele Hudgins A2. Nancy Hooker-Marian Massey B2.C1. Nancy Garrett-Lou Straughn C2. Cal Bayley-Francis Chang.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1.B1. Guy Borden, Jr.-Lillian Borden A2. Hua Yang-Michael Dalton B2. Ann Sutherland-Joan Williams C1. Gary Goodman-Thomas Goodman C2. Joyce Stone-Jean Roberts.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Charles Henderson-Bill Sandars A2.B2.C1. Gay Nell & Melvin Ball C2. David & Nancy Baltimore.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Charles Price-Merri-Jo Hillaker A2.B1.C1. Pawel Hanus-Bogumil Knypinski B2. Coyita Bowker-Monte West C2. Larry Franz-Joe Harbour.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Lue Waddle-Adele Hudgins A2. Jimmy Lambert-Barbara Thomson B2. Gene Kincaid-Judy Kincaid C1. Richard Blank-James Johnson C2. Edward Boenker-John Blacklock.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A1. Kimmel Jones-Hugh Hillaker-Mark Bumgardner-Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay-Bill Staats A2. Pat Cassidy-James Thurtell-Jerry Derby-Gerry McKim X1. Michael Walrath-Gail Wells-Howard Tureff-Dorsey Shaw X2. Mike Miller-Marion Gebhardt-James Bauer-Judith Northup Strati BC B1. Joe Clark-Bob Scallan-Aslam Ansari-Suresh Agrawal B2. Ted Webb-Miriam Labovitz-Coyita Bowker-Monte West C1. Steve Birnbaum-Bob Butterfield-Dorothy Moore-Tom Moore C2. Shirley

Adele Hudgins. Sun Morn Strat 299er Swiss Teams A1. Colin Chang-Barbara Chang-Sherry Ward-Charlotte Oertel A2.B1. Barbara O'Dell-Ivanette Dennis-Anne Brown-Bob Ingebritson C1. Don Greer-Karen Greer-Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd.

Ashby-Gay Czikora-Lue Waddle-

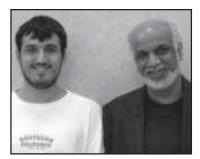
Sun Aft Strat 299er Swiss Teams A1.B1.C1. Anne Cornwell-Leta Barragan-Joann King-Pat Wheeler A2.B2.C2. Don Greer-Karen Greer-Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd.

Kimmel Jones and Mark Bumgardner Hit for the Cycle 1st-5th at the USBF Dallas Regional

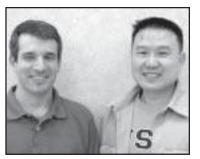
First in the Bkted KO III **Second** in the Bkted KO Teams v Bkt 1 **Third** in the Tuesday USBC Choice Pairs Fourth in the Wednesday USWBC Choice Pairs **Fifth** in the 2-Day Brachman Cup Teams

> Congratulations for an incredible showing at the USBF Regional!

Richardson Sectional, November 11-14, 2004...



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A Justin Lall & Hemant Lall



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs B Clif White & Shaun Chooi



Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs C Joe Cameron & Gary Brantz



Thurs Eve Strat 299er Prs ABC Hilda Lacher & Marcia Hansen



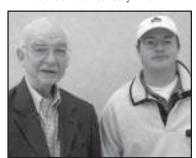
Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A Nancy Passell & Petra Hamman



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C Mark Dumdei & K Haley



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs AB Peggy King & Helen Skiles



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs C 1/2 Orin Atkins & William Coble



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A LaRue Stott & Kay Lewis



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs ABC Emily Ray & Kenneth Bickelhaupt



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs B Shaun Chooi & Eric Ho



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs C Helen Gregg & Barbara Thomas



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs AB Bonnie Barker & Phyllis Savell



Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs C Keith & Marci Meyer



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A Norman Beck & Joan Jackson

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Sat Eve Strat Open Prs C Christi Mock & Daniel Fife



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs AB Glenda Cooper & David Clegg



Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs C Cal Bayler & Francis Chang

Results: Richardson Sectional

Thurs Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Justin Lall-Hemant Lall A2. Gerrie Owen-Preston Morrow B1. Cliff White-Shaun Chooi B2. Eileen Smith-James McCommons C1. Joe Cameron-G Brantz C2. Christine Mock-Patricia Marchman.

Thurs Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Marcia Hansen-Hilda Lacher A2.B2. Scott Wansbrough-Daralynn Cameron C2. Shyanne Merritt-Gay Schleicher.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Petra Hamman-Nancy Passell A2.B1. Marjorie Kidd-Nancy Stanton B2. Scott Young-Martha Young C1/2. Mark Dumdei-K Haley C1/2. Edward Greene-Milton Greene.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Margaret King-Helen Skiles A2.B2.C1. William Coble-Orin Atkins C2. Cal Bayley-Francis Chang.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Larue Stott-Kay Lewis A2.B1. Bill Osborn-Willie Bumgardner B2. Martha Young-Maria Lilly C1. Jerry Carmichael-Arthur Wilson C2/3. Judy Corey Edmiston-Ivan Uys C2/3. Jean Ann Titus-Bob Titus.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Kenneth Bickelhaupt-Emily Ray A2.B2.C2. Francis Chang-Cal Bayley.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Peggy Sutherlin-Nagy Kamel A2.B1. Shaun Chooi-Eric Ho B2. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard C1. Helen Gregg-Barbara Thomas C2. Mary Priest-Sandra Brown.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Bonnie Barker-Phyllis Savell A2.B2. Jim Farmer-Jim Harp C1. Keith Meyer-Marci Meyer C2. Risa Diamond-Jeff Diamond.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Joan Jackson-Norman Beck A2. Derrell Childs-Marilyn Arnold B1. Suresh Agrawal-Bob Scallan B2. Dorothy

Bedford-Elizabeth McPherson C1. Christine Mock-Daniel Fife C2. Edward Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. David Clegg-Glenda Cooper A2.B2. Shay Ura-Bob Ingebritson C1. Cal Bayley-Francis Chang C2. Keith Meyer-Marci Meyer.

Unit 176 Dallas

Bob Scallan



I hope that everyone had very pleasant holidays and a Happy New Year. The New Year always brings challenges. One excellent bridge resolution is to be respectful and courteous to both your partner and your opponents. Sometimes we forget that bridge is only a game. It is not life and death.

The first USBF regional to be held in this area was a success. While attendance was a little low, due in part to being played immediately after the Fall Nationals, the event itself was well

run and the prizes and surprises were great. The prizes for winning the Barometer Pairs and the Brachman Cup Swiss Team event were especially nice. Let's hope that this event was the first of many in this area.

The Dallas Winter Sectional will be held on January 20-23 at the Richardson Civic Center. During the event, voting will take place for 3 new members for the Unit 176 Board of Directors. If you cannot vote at the sectional, absentee voting will take place at all the local clubs during the month of January. Please vote. Induction of the new officers will be held at the annual Recognition Dinner on January 26 at Maggiano's on Park Blvd. in Plano.

The District 16 NAP Finals will be held during the San Antonio sectional January 15-16. Anyone who qualified from the Unit 176 NAP finals, and is a member of Unit 176, can be reimbursed for their card fees while playing in the District 16 finals. Contact Dorsey Shaw Hensel to be reimbursed. Last year, four pairs from Unit 176 qualified for the Nationals. Let's try to improve on that record.

Quick Tips

By Dorsey Shaw

- 1. When you remove your cards from the board, the conversation stops.
- 2. Touch the bidding box after you have decided what to bid. Bid with your mind, not with your fingers.
- 3. During the bidding, don't ask about the meaning of a bid if you don't need to know. The opponents might not know either!
- Make the opening lead and table the dummy before writing on your private scorecard. 5. Discuss hands only after all boards of the round are played and before
- the next round is called. 6. Don't discuss previous hands in the presence of new opponents.



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...More Winners for the Richardson Sectional, November 11-14, 2004



Sat Bkted KO Teams 2 Bkt I Mark Bumgardner & Bill Staats Kimmel Jones & Hugh Hillaker



Sat Bkted KO Teams 2 Bkt IV Nancy Harralson & Carolyn Schendle Adele Hudgins & Lue Waddle



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B Suresh Agrawal & Shaun Chooi Larry Chow & Bob Scallan



Sun Strati-Flted Strat Swiss Teams C Doug Tucker & (NP) Remi Houle Catherine Tucker & Shirley Ashby



Sun Morn Strat 199er Swiss Teams A Mary Belle Hoenig & Jeff Keldem Sara Sterling & Adele Hart



Sat Bkted KO Teams 2 Bkt II Jack Borenstein & Steven Kastner Kevin Podsiadlik & Jim Clark (NP) Ned Nolte



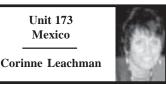
Sat Bkted KO Teams 2 Bkt III Jeff Dater & Steve Birnbaum Patricia Rose Bob Butterfield & Kevin Pheiffer



Sun Aft Strat 199er Swiss Teams AB Carol Fisher & Nancy Garrett Betty Gilmore & Doris Doores



Sat Eve BAM Teams John Schwartz & (NP) Greg Resz Mike Dalton & Barry Turner



Eighteen bridge players from San Miguel, along with 2 from Houston, joined Gary Mitchell and Corinne Leachman, of the Bridge Studio in San Miguel de Allende, on a seven-day bridge jaunt out of Galveston the week after Thanksgiving.

There were morning lectures and afternoon duplicate games when the ship was at sea. We also had evening games, which were more fun than they should be!! You can see by the Cruise Champions that San Miguel bridge players are not too hard on the eyes! Pat Prichard and Malinda Vertiz won with a 68% game!

San Miguel is organizing another bridge cruise out of Galveston, this time a 17-day trip to Rome, Italy, in May. If you are interested in checking availability, contact Malinda Vertiz at Malinda@viajesvertiz.com.





Hudgins-Nancy

Thurs KO Teams Bkt I 1. Marion Gebhardt-James Bauer-John Davies-Peggy Duffey 2. Jack Rollier-Natalie Rollier-Tarek Radjef-George Trenholm Bkt II 1. Jack Borenstein-Ned Nolte-Steven Kastner-Kevin Podsiadlik-James Lilly-Jim Clark 2. Suresh Agrawal-Joe Clark-Bob Scallan-M. Aslam Ansari Bkt III 1. Claybourne Waldrop Jr-Virginia Sherman-Ed & Bonnie Kay Yetter 2. Tim Green Jr-Ruth Srulevitch-Bob Butterfield-Steve Birnbaum Bkt IV 1. Joan Slaughter-Joanna Kaspar-Carol Nicoud-Mary Norfleet 2. Joy Cogburn-John Davis-Mary Weiser-Mahaley Davis **Bkt V** 1. Doloris Eldredge-June Price-Bonnie Barker-Phyllis Savell 2. Shirley

Harralson-Carol Schendle.

Sat Strat BAM Teams A1. Barry Turner-John Schwartz-Michael Dalton-Greg Resz A2. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay-Bill Staats-Mark Bumgardner B1.C1. K Haley-Mark Dumdei-Charles Gibson Jr-Margot Hirsch B2. Shay Ura-Bob Ingebritson-Carole & Mike Mulligan.

Sat KO Teams Bkt I 1. Mark Bumgardner-Bill Staats-Kimmel Jones-Hugh Hillaker 2. Patricia Lozano-Greg Hinze-Justin Lall-Hemant Lall Bkt II 1. Steven Kastner-Ned Nolte-Kevin Podsiadlik-Jack Borenstein-Jim Clark 2. Judy Worden-Carolyn Thomas-Darlene Ray-Linda McRay Bkt III 1. Jeff Dater-Steve Birnbaum-Bob Butterfield-Patricia

Rose-Kevin Pheiffer 2. James Mobley-Charlotte Mobley-Mary Weiser-Joy Cogburn Bkt IV 1. Nancy Harralson-Carolyn Schendle-Lue Waddle-Adele Hudgins 2. Timothy Banks-Cecil Parsons-D Bartley-Robert Frink.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Team AX A1. Judy Bramley-Bart Bramley-Sidney Lazard-Barry Schaffer A2. Petra Hamman-Greg Hinze-Justin Lall-Hemant Lall X1. Nancy Stanton-Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper-Marjorie Kidd Strati BCD B1. Suresh Agrawal-Bob Scallan-Lawrence Chow-Shaun Chooi B2. Judy Worden-Carolyn Thomas-Darlene Ray-Linda McRay C1. Shirley Ashby-Remi Houle-Douglas Tucker-Catherine Tucker C2.D1. Charles Gibson Jr-Linda McDaniel-

Margot Hirsch -Edwina Corn D2. Edward Greene-Ivan Uys-Daniel Fife-Judy Corey Edmiston.

Sun Morn Strat 199er Swiss Teams A1. Sara Sterling-Adele Hart-Jeff Kaldem-Mary Belle Hoenig A2. Jim Brown-Lauren Brown-Roy Booth-Connie Booth B1. Rhonda Huser-John Jackson-Anne Brown-Ann Mouzon B2. C1. Emily Ray -Kenneth Bickelhaupt-Ellen Heck-Callie Weller.

Sun Aft Strat 199er Swiss Teams A1.B1. Nancy Garrett-Betty Gilmore-Doris Doores-Carol Fisher A2.B2. Rhonda Huser-John Jackson-Anne Brown-Ann Mouzon C1. Emily Ray-Kenneth Bickelhaupt-Ellen Heck-Callie Weller.



Ashby-Adele

Dallas Unit 176 Board Nominates Six Candidates

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The Dallas Bridge Association, ACBL Unit 176, announces its slate of candidates for the upcoming election of Unit Board Members. The election will be held at the Dallas 2005 Winter Sectional, January 20-23, 2005. The Voting Booth will be open ONE HOUR before each session.





Jim Farmer



Therese Milford



Jean O'Neal



Gerrie Owen



Bob Scallan



Doug Tucker

Jim Farmer

I began playing bridge in college, and I have continued playing rubber bridge ever since. In 2000, I began playing duplicate at Valley View; along with the unit games in Richardson and some of the nearby tournaments. It is fascinating to me that the more I learn about bridge, the more interesting it becomes. Working crossword puzzles everyday seem to keep my mind somewhat "limber." I also enjoy the intricacies of Argentine tango, although I am not too accomplished.

Bridge is generally played by older players, while, younger, less experienced players are often intimidated at the local games and might not return. It is vital that these players be encouraged by us. We certainly do not want bridge to die out. If I am chosen for the Board, this encouragement will be one of my primary goals. Since I am retired I will be able to devote the necessary time to this pursuit.

Therese Milford

It is an honor to be nominated to the Unit 176 Board of Directors. Growing up in a card playing family, I learned to play bridge as a child. The tradition of playing bridge is strong throughout my extended family. As a result, I have been playing bridge for over 30 years.

My personal goal is to teach the game to others. Teaching has been a fundamental part of my adult life. First, I tutored students while working on my Computer Science degree and then my MBA. Once I completed my studies, my corporate career concentrated on teaching custom computer software to end users. Inspired by my daughter, I have become an ACBL accredited bridge teacher and I am pursuing teaching bridge at our local schools.

I truly love playing bridge and being part of the Unit 176 community. As a stay-at-home mom, I have the time and energy to devote to the Unit 176 Board of Directors. I would appreciate your

Jean O'Neal

Bridge has been an important part of my life for the past few years. I feel it us get more involved. I would very is important that we continue to promote the game and bring in new players. I have served on the Unit Board for the past three years and have been the President for the past year. I have learned a lot about the bridge world during this time, and have worked with some very dedicated people who are willing to volunteer their time toward the success of our unit. It has been a pleasurable experience and I would appreciate your vote so that I can continue to represent Unit 176 as a member of the Board.

Gerrie Owen

I have been playing bridge since 1971 and it all started in Dallas.

I am currently the tournament chairman for our unit and have been doing the tournaments for several years. I am also the chairman for our up coming national tournament. I would like to be elected to the Board of Directors because I feel that we need more

participation from our local players and I would like to work to see all of much appreciate your vote and I will do my best to represent members as best I can.

Bob Scallan

I am a retired high school principal and am presently teaching math at North Garland High School. I have played duplicate bridge since 1984. I have served on the Unit 176 Board of Directors for the past 3 years. Whether as a Board Member or not, I have always tried to encourage participation at the club level, model behavior that promotes ethical behavior and zero tolerance at the bridge table, and be an ambassador of bridge in general.

As a "B" strata player, it has been my goal to encourage the mingling of all strata of players. Bridge is our hobby. We are first, and foremost, human beings; and secondly, bridge players.

If bridge is to continue to exist, we

must all encourage the advancement of the game as well as be a role model for everyone. Unit 176 continues to grow. I like to believe that my extreme dedication and service a Board Member has had a hand in this growth and will continue to do so over the next 3 years. Thank you for your vote.

Doug Tucker

You may know me from my work as a club director, from the GNT/ NAP games, and in my new capacity as Unit 176.Org's Webmaster. I would now like to serve on the Unit Board of Directors. I believe that even the most serious competition can still be conducted in a gracious and enjoyable manner. It is time to apply 21st century marketing to the task of attracting these type players to the game we all love. If elected to the Board, I would represent the silent majority of like minded bridge players in furtherance of this theme!

Thank you for considering me for the Unit 176 Board.

Unit 187 Corpus Christi

Dee Schade

The Rockport Beach sectional was a great success. Thanks to Martha DeCou and her able team of helpers. A special thanks to Betty Hill, partnership chairperson and Bobbie Walker, hospitality. There are so many others who worked hard, but space doesn't allow a list of all the names. You guys know who you are and you are greatly appreciated. Martha reminds you to put February 25-27 on your calendar for the next Rockport tournament.

A special thanks to Dr. Mahesh Maruvada. Many of you know Mahesh as a courteous, competitive duplicate player, but in addition to that, he is the landlord of the bridge club. We have enjoyed a pleasant, bright bridge room since Mahesh and his associates built their medical building several years ago. Each year his group of doctors has a Christmas party for their staff and others in the medical community. He always invites the bridge players to attend. This year twelve of us enjoyed his hospitality. A very nice buffet was served featuring roast beef and assorted pastas, along with fruits, cheese and, of course, tempting dessert. A band featuring Tejano and country music for dancing was enjoyed by the large crowd at the Flour Bluff Convention Center.

The Unit Christmas party at the Rockport Country Club on Sunday, December 5, was as lovely as always. In the afternoon we had 16 tables of bridge ably directed by Mary Tryer. Overall winners were Donna McGee and Mary Ross: second place was won by Edythe Laser and Ulla Skodaval; third place was won by Ann Jensen and Robbie Tyler. Flight C winners were Pat Herzog and Rosalie Myers, followed by A.J. and Pat Kubicek in second. Congratulations to all. The game was followed by a sumptuous buffet featuring boiled shrimp, wonderful roast beef, deviled crab, fish and an appealing array of desserts.

Kingsville Bridge Club features a Duplicate Bridge Player of the Year competition which runs from December through November each year. Awards are given at their club party. This year it was held December 13 and trophies were presented to Mary Tryer, Open strat; Jo Ann Sumney, B strat; Dick Haha, C strat; and Helen Casey, D strat. Good show ladies and gentlemen!

Hope the holidays were good for all and we wish you a winning year at the bridge table in 2005.

Unit 183
Fort Worth
Kay Jones

We are pleased to announce the reelection of Judy Staser and Tom Hughes to the Board of Directors and to welcome Diane Washabaugh to the Board. Other Board members include Mary Hoger, Kay Jones, Steve Shirey, Byron Taylor, Henry Weltman and

Millie Williams.

This month we are spotlighting Diane Washabaugh, our newest member to the Board and a most unusual and fascinating person. She grew up in Hurst, an only child until high school when she became the oldest of four step-siblings. She attended TCU, is a certified paralegal, certified handwriting analyst and licensed mortgage loan officer.

Before she retired, she worked at a variety of jobs, all of which she loved. She was at General Dynamics and was responsible for parties, educational seminars and awards banquets. She worked in St Louis for three years and then was special assistant to Bill Toomy during the Olympic Trials. She returned to Fort Worth to study Japanese for two years and then

Rockport Sectional, November 12-14, 2004



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs B Betty Marriett & Carita Gould



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A Paul & Rosemary Kelley



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B Ann Crumpler & Martha DeCou



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C Bev Estes & Claude Melton



Sat Strat Open Prs A Stephen & Ann Schwall



Sat Strat Open Prs B Tom Hays & Lou Thurston



Sat Strat Open Prs C George & Helen Van Amburg



Sun Strat Swiss Teams A Kim Cox & Jane Matcha Chris Compton & Bob Matcha



Sun Strat Swiss Teams B Eleanor Sherwyn & Jason Kiker Milton Flanagan & Don Varvel



Sun Strat Swiss Teams C Mary Ochs & Betty Hill Pat Thompson & Bobbie Walker Pat & Bobbie also won Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C

traveled with groups of Japanese doctors during their continuing education in this country. Her last job was with a French computer outsourcing company where she did everything from facilities management to human resources. Then she and her husband retired.

Diane has been married to her best friend, George, for 23 years. They have traveled extensively in the U.S. as well as Pakistan, Egypt and Hong Kong. Her favorite hideaway is the Gutsch Castle in Lucerne, Switzerland. Now that they are retired, he plays golf, she plays bridge and they go to dog shows with their Havanese show dog, Lola.

Diane has enjoyed playing bridge since 1997 when she was housebound due to a severe accident. Her friends kept her entertained teaching her to play party bridge. After recovery and retirement, she was looking for a challenge, Lucerne Castle was not available, so she discovered duplicate bridge. She enjoys going to tournaments with Janet Jordan but plays with a myriad of partners, all of whom she treasures. In fact, she will play with anyone who asks her and everyone asks her because she is so enjoyable! She is looking forward to being mentored by Jim Chaffee and I predict that she will become a force to be reckoned with at the bridge table shortly! She is an excellent worker and enjoys a wonderful reputation with her bridge peers for cheerfulness and courtesy. Welcome to the Board of Directors,



Hi everybody. Hope you had a good holiday season. I know I did. California for Thanksgiving; Louisiana for Christmas.

Alfred (Alf) Huber passed away October 28. He was a little more than a month shy of 85. Alf was born in Switzerland. After high school he earned his way up from business trainee to co-CEO at Volkart Brothers. working in Winterthur, Shanghai, Hong Kong, India, Pakistan, the US, Mexico and Central America. His family says he lived life to its fullest. His favorite saying was: "Work when you work and play when you play." Alf spoke several languages, was president of the Dallas Cotton Exchange for several years, and was made an honorary citizen of the City of Dallas: to mention a few of his accomplishments. He retired in 1982.

Alf was also an avid bridge player, usually seen at the table with his wife Paula. He always played South and was always there with a pleasant greeting as his opponents sat down. A

real nice fellow. We're going to miss

The Unit Christmas party held December 11 in Harlingen was a great success. Well attended and everybody had a good time. Same with the Harlingen Bridge Club party on December 13th. Nobody can say that bridge people aren't party people!

The sectional bridge tournament held in Donna TX on November 19, 20, & 21 had a good turn out. I don't have a list of winners but if you look on the net at hgw85@access4less.net. Herman has them listed.

Welcome back to our winter Texas bridge players. We're glad to have you on board. News from Delores Jensen says that one of our winter friends, Ian Vignale, had to return to Canada for medical treatment. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope he'll be back soon. His Pharr address is in the directory if you would like to send him a card

Delores Jensen's Funway Bridge at Alamo Palms Tampico Hall is now offering a game on Wednesdays for "never" and less experienced players. Focus this year is on defense. Starting time is 9 AM. They begin with a short mini lesson; then participants play setup hands pertaining to the lesson. After a coffee-cookie break, more bridge is played till noon.

January 8th is the kick off date for Delores' new bridge class for beginners and those who wish to improve their game. Place is Tampico Hall. Time: 9 AM. Spread the word! Our unit needs to expand. Delores and her husband are great teachers so if you know anyone that's interested in either class have them phone the Jensens at 956.787.7760 for more information.

News from Carol Waller, director of the McAllen Duplicate bridge club: In October they had a party for Lorraine Barley, a new Silver Life Master. The ladies brought lots of goodies which were thoroughly enjoyed. Congratulations Lorraine!

Can you top these bridge scores? On November 5th Don & Delores Jensen scored 71.76% with 10 tables in play and on October 29th Russ Townsend & Barbara McCormick, 70.76% with 11 tables. Wow! That's impressive folks.

Remember Flo Magee who is now living at Brookridge? (She'd love to have you stop in and say hi when you can.) Carol Waller says she still plays bridge occasionally.

Don't forget the Harlingen Bridge Club's tournament to be held January 21, 22, & 23. There will be night time games as well as the regular day games. Call Andrea Klein at 956.761.3600 for more information or look on the net at the hgw85@access4less.net address.

That's it for now. Have a great couple of months.

Results: Rockport Sectional

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Paul Kelley, Jr.-Rosemary Kelley A2. Kim Cox-Chris Compton B1. Betty Marriett-Carita Gould B2. Stanley Marshall, Jr.-Roma Marshall C1. Bobbie Walker-Pat Thompson C2. Daad Rodgers-Donald Rodgers.

International Fund Prs A1. Paul Kelley, Jr.-Rosemary Kelley A2. Kim Cox-Chris Compton B1. Ann Crumpler-Martha De Cou B2. Mahesh R. Maruvada-Jerome Tilles C1. Claude Melton-Beverly Estes. C2. Bobbie Walker-Pat Thompson.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Ann Brinker Schwall-Stephen Schwall A2.

Marilyn German-H. Robert Gerberich, Jr. B1. Thomas Hays-Lou Thurston B2. Patricia Jackson-Martha De Cou C1. George Van Amburg-Helen Van Amburg C2. A. Di Baggio-Sherry Johnson.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. Robert Matcha-Jane Matcha-Kim Cox-Chris Compton A2/3.B1. Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn-Jason Kiker-Milton Flanagan A2/3. Pat Levy-Lew Levy-Milton Freedman-Betty Freedman B2. Robbie Tyler-K. Voges-Mildred Vollick-Ann Jensen C1. Bobbie Walker-Pat Thompson-Betty Hill-Mary Anne Ochs.



Rockport Beach Sectional February 25-27, 2005

Friday, February 25

Stratified Open Pairs, single session 1:30 pm Stratified Open Pairs, single session 7:30 pm INTERNATIONAL FUND GAME - Regional Rated Silver Points

\$1 extra for entry fee **Saturday, February 26**

Stratified Open Pairs

1:30 & 7:30 pm

Sunday, February 27 Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams

10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Pair Events: A: Unlimited, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500 (NLM)
Team Event: A: Unlimited, AX: TBD
B: 500-1500, C: 300-500, D: 0-300

99er Games Held If Attendance Warrants

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

Tournament Chairman

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Rockport Beach

Hotel

Holiday Inn Express 361.727.0283 Special bridge rates Breakfast included Reserve by 2/3/05

Entry Fees

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



Gary King 299er Editor



I first saw this hand in a newspaper bridge column probably ten years ago. I think it was Alan Truscott's column. I give my acknowledgment to whoever was the creator of this hand. It teaches too good of a lesson to ignore. Sitting South as dealer you pick up the following:

S AKQ432
H K6543
D —
C J5

West	North	East	South	
			1S	
Pass	2C	2D	2H	
Pass	3D	Dbl	3H	
Pass	4NT	Pass	6D	
Pass	6S	Pass	Pass	
Dace				

First, let us look at a few comments about the bidding. North's 3D rebid on round two is a low level cue bid. Low level cue bids (essentially bidding the opponent's bid suit at the two or three level) is used as a forcing bid when none other is available. It should not be confused with high level cue bids that show suit controls (aces, kings, voids, singletons) and are used in efforts to bid slams. Low level cue bids say nothing about the suit bid, but instead send a generic message "Partner I need more information to make a decision. (Please provide additional information





The transition to fall and winter weather apparently did not cause capital area players to cool off at the table. Players from our unit were active at a number of tournaments during October and November, and they experienced considerable success. Several unit 207 players competed at the Orlando nationals; the most successful were James and Patricia









about second suits, extra length, stoppers in the opponent's bid suit,

After you describe a 5-5 or 6-5 hand in spades and hearts by opening 1S and bidding and rebidding hearts, partner tries Blackwood.

The standard response to Blackwood with one ace and a useful void is to bid the void at the six level. If the void ranks above the agreed trump suit you simply jump to the trump suit at the six level and partner can usually workout where your void is located. On this hand your 6D response shows one ace and a void in diamonds.

Partner decides that 6S should be the final contract.

The opening lead is the diamond 2.

North S J109 H A72 D KQ3 C KO32	
South S AKQ432 H K6543 D — C J5	

How would you estimate your chances? Would you rather be declarer or defender? Decide now before reading

At first glance you would probably choose defender.

It appears as though you have 2 sure losers with the club ace and a slow heart loser. The ace of diamonds would have been a great opening lead for declarer.

Griffin, Mildred Breed, Tobi Sokolow, George Pisk, Lynn Baker, and Jerry sectional.

There was an Austin NLM tournament in November. The Saturday afternoon competition was won by Anita Cokins and George Richards. Later Jeff Ford and Adam Ruprecht took the evening event. Sunday there was a tie between Laura Delfeld/Tamas Hausel and David Warner/Larry Smith. Cokins and

Bigler. Closer to home, Paul and Rosemary Kelley won two pairs events at the Rockport sectional, and Bigler was among the masterpoint leaders at the San Antonio November

CJ5Richards were the overall masterpoint winners. Others who had good results were Zane O'Keefe, Stan Kurtzer, Jean Townsend, Caroline Baumann, Carol

Quite a number of unit championships were contested during the past two months. At the October 23 NAP qualifications Rosemary Kelley and Beth Tobias won the A flight, while Jeff Ford and Wanwan Ren were best in BC. A week later Beth and Paul Tobias won the IMP pairs event. Vera Chimene and Diana Rogers were the B winners, and Ray Heitman and Alan Laverty finished first in C. AB winners at the Halloween party were George Watkins and Bob Munday, with Sharon Hoger and Mark Craig taking C. Finally there is no need to report stratum winners for the December 4 individual event: Harriet Bowles won ABC.

Congratulations to new life master Monty Van Dover. Others achieving milestones were: Shirley Holland, Don Shimmon, and Alan Laverty (bronze); David Beam (silver); and Ken Schutze

Of course the main event on our January schedule is the Winter Sectional at the Clarion Hotel January

South has two discards from clubs and can easily develop one more by leading the a diamond honor from dummy. If 6-9. Later in the month there will be a unit open pairs event combined with a recognition of players who have

Intermediate/Newcomer

If East puts up the club ace, then

South gets three club tricks and, more

importantly two discards for low

hearts. The other two low hearts in

the South hand go on the heart ace and

If East ducks the club ace, then South

wins the jack, travels back to dummy

with another trump, and discards the

remaining club on the diamond queen.

Without a club loser, South finishes

pulling trump and gives up one heart

(hearts are 3-2 as expected). Making

So, you changed your mind and you

At trick one, when declarer plays the

diamond king from dummy....East

plays low! Now, South must choose

her discard at trick one. Now the

Morton's Fork Coup will not work. If

South discards a heart, then East holds

up on the club ace (to capture an honor)

and South cannot develop enough

discards. If South discards a club then

East grabs the club ace when given the

opportunity and waits for a heart trick.

Not so fast, wrong again!

one and trumping in hand.

So, you are back to choosing

Declarer can always prevail by

Without being forced to choose an

early discard, South proceeds to

employ the Morton's Fork Coup by

traveling to dummy and leading a small

club. If East hops up with the ace, then

simply playing a low diamond at trick

Not so fast, East can do better.

want to be declarer?

defender?

the diamond queen. Making six!

Trump the opening lead, discard both

clubs on the king and queen of diamonds

and then work on establishing the heart

suit. Unfortunately it appears that the

Before you bet the farm however,

It is likely that East holds the club

ace just from the bidding. She overcalled

2D and holds at most 5 points in

diamonds and there is only 3 points

known as Morton's Fork Coup. The

idea is to give a defender two options

either one of which works to your

advantage. The value in honors (once

you know where they are located) is

Declarer plays the diamond king from

dummy covered by East with the ace

and trumped in hand. South travels to

the dummy with a trump and leads a

East

H 98

D AJ10987

C A1098

S 5

Declarer can employ a technique

diamond ace is in the East hand

declarer might prevail.

missing in hearts.

to play towards them.

small club towards the jack.

North

S J109

H A72

D KQ3

C KQ32

South

D -

S AKQ432

H K6543

Kiehl, and Brenda Tranchon.

West

S 876

H QJ10

D 6542

C 764

competition. Perhaps the most significant of the coming unit events is the annual meeting February 12. That will mark the final formal meeting for two retiring board members: Jim Wueste and vicepresident Jenny Stocker. We take this opportunity to express sincere thanks for their hard work on behalf of the

Of course the annual meeting also coincides with the board elections, and the unit's nominating committee has been hard at work. They have recruited an exceptionally attractive group of individuals (my opinion) to stand as candidates. The slate that is known at this time includes Linda Anthony, Mildred Breed, Joyce Cooper, James Glathar, and Flora Pettit, as well as board secretary Diana Rogers who is seeking reelection. There also will be an opportunity for nominations from the floor; so it is possible that there could be additions to this strong field. It is an opinion that I have expressed

East ducks the club ace, then South can again develop a diamond trick by means of a roughing finesse and discard the club and give up a heart to make the slam.

You should declare after all.

This hand will never be dealt again, so what can you learn from this hand? The next time you go down in a contract do not be so quick to exclaim. "It just can't be made!" Consider other options. The same applies to defenders. What can you do to counter what declarer is attempting to do? Pick one hand from the next 100 hands you play (pick one where there seemed to be a range of results) and play it over and over again until you have explored all the possibilities. What you learn may surprise you.

Let me hear from you.

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before, but I think it is worth repeating. Anyone who allows his name to be placed in nomination makes a valuable achieved significant milestones during contribution to our unit. He offers to the previous year. February 19 has been work hard if elected, or to suffer some selected as the date for the unit GNT disappointment if not. It is an offer that we all should appreciate, and I hope that many of us will remember to say thanks to the candidates during the

Austin NLM Sectional November 13-14, 2004

next few weeks-whether we intend

to vote for them or not.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Anita Cokins-George Richards A2.B1. Caroline-Baumann-Jean Townsend B2.C1. Susan Lambert-Edna Lassetter C2. Stan Kurtzer-Zane O'Keefe.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Jeff Ford-Adam Ruprecht A2.B1.C1. Zane O'Keefe-Stan Kurtzer B2. Jean Townsend-Caroline Baumann C2. Dave Dickson-Laura Dickson.

Sun Aft Strat Open Prs A1/2. Laura Delfeld-Tamas Hausel A1/2. David Warner-Larry Smith B1.C1. Janet Revennaugh-Katherine Tyler B2. Carol Kiehl-Brenda Tranchon C2. Marilyn Sharratt-Nancy Dean.

Austin **Non-Life Master Sectional** March 5-6, 2005

Northwest Recreation Center 2913 Northland Drive Austin, TX 512.458.4107

Saturday, March 5

Stratified Pairs, single session	12:30 pm
A: 200-NLM, B: 50-200, C: 0-50	
Stratified Pairs, single session	5:00 pm
A: 200-NLM, B: 50-200, C: 0-50	

Sunday, March 6

Stratified Pairs, single session	1:30 pm
A: 200-NLM, B: 50-200, C: 0-50	

Snacks & Free Coffee all weekend Meal Served Between Sessions on Saturday Non Smoking with breaks

> **Tournament & Partnership Chair** Kevin Perkins 512.917.6285 kevperk@austin.rr.com

Orlando NABC Intermediate/Newcomer November 18-28, 2004

Congratulations to all of the Intermediate/Newcomer Orlando North American Bridge Championship winners: International Fund 299er C5/6. Gary Cox-Kay Cox, Georgetown. First Fri AM 100/50 Prs 2/4. Gary Cox-Kay Cox, Georgetown B3. John Jackson, Dallas-Ann Mouzon, Richardson. First Fri Aft 100/50 Prs A1. Gary Cox-Kay Cox, Georgetown A6.B3. Norma Crane-Liz Karnicki, Beaumont B5/7. John Jackson, Dallas-Ann Mouzon, Richardson. First Fri Eve 100/200/300 Pr A1.B1.C1. Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston. First Sat Aft 200/ **300 Prs** A1. Sharon Louvier, Seabrook. First Sat Aft 0-100 Prs A6. Helen Freeman-Norma Crane, Beaumont, First Sat Aft 0-50 Prs A3. John

Jackson, Dallas-Ann Nouzon, Richardson. First Sun Aft 299er Prs A5/10. Mary Drew, Spring-Maria Roth, The Woodlands. First Sun Aft Swiss A2.B2. Kay Cox-Gary Cox, Georgetown. First Sun Eve 50/20/10 Prs A6. John Jackson, Dallas-Ann Mouzon, Richardson B4/5. Cynthia Holliday-Kenyon Daniel, Houston. Mon AM 100/50 Prs A1. Kay Cox-Gary Cox, Georgetown B2. John Jackson, Dallas-Ann Mouzon, Richardson. Mon Aft 0-100 Prs A2. Kay Cox-Gary Cox, Georgetown. Mon Eve 299er Strat Swiss C3. Gary Cox-Kay Cox, Georgetown. Mon Eve 0-100 Prs A3. Liz Karnicki-Helen Freeman, Beaumont. Mon Eve 0-50 Prs A6. John Jackson, Dallas-Ann Mouzon, Richardson. Wed Aft 300/

200/100 Prs C5. Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston. Wed Eve 300/ 200/100 Prs A2.B2.C2. Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston A3. R Segerlind, Dallas-Ed Jennings, Houston. Second Fri Eve 299er Prs A1/2.B1/2.C1/2. Kay Cox-Gary Cox, Georgetown C3. Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston. National 99er Prs A6. Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston, Second Sat AM 300/ 200/100 Prs A4.B3.C1. Gary Cox-Kay Cox, Georgetown. Second Sat Aft 299er Prs B5. Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston. Second Sat Eve 100/ 200/300 Prs A1.B1.C1. Joanne Chadderdon-Ann Blohm, Houston. Second Sun Aft 299er Swiss A2. Lynda Swenson-Gary Swenson, Wichita Falls.

San Antonio Election Sectional, November 4-6, 2004



Thurs Aft Strat Prs A SandraWeber & WayneRaucshuber Pollye Campbell & Walter Still



Thurs Aft Strat Prs B



Thurs Aft Strat Prs C Carol Cobler & Patty Moncus



Fri Aft Strat Prs A1/2 Ed Rawlinson & Bill Walker



Fri Eve Strat Prs A Greg Hinze & David Hadden



Fri Eve Strat Prs C Virginia Wynne & Beula Pearce



Sat Morn Strat Prs Billy Clegg & Linda Williams



Sat Strat Prs C Jeff Ford & Nicholas Jong



Fri & Sat Eve Strat Prs B Ruth Green & David Begin



Ann Veitch & Patty Moncus Susan Cox & Carol Cobler

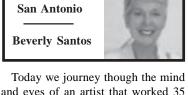


Thurs Eve BAM Teams B Sun Strat Swiss Teams B Charlie Walker & Sandra Weber Bev Santos & Javiar Smilovici



Sun Strat Swiss Teams C Barbara Altgelt & Jane Bowers Jane Maclin & Susie Willerson Bowers & Willerson also won Fri Aft Strat Prs A1/2 BC

Unit 172 San Antonio



and eyes of an artist that worked 35 years as a microbiologist for the Cincinnati Children's Hospital. Upon her retirement she volunteered as a Docent for six years at The McNay Art Museum. She learned the appreciation of identifying and connecting with the thinking and emotions of these master painters. This inspired artist created a wide range of pleasing paintings from memory and photographs. These paintings grace the walls of the Alamo Bridge Club and are signed "Evelyn Perry." She is a solid member of our Unit 172.

"The Winners Circle" recognizes: The golden girls, Sally Parker, Beverly Barnum, and Beverly Santos, hosted the October Fest and served 95 members a tasty lunch, The Beverly's had a 71% game and were the overall winners in flight A & B and Marilyn Jacobs and Howard Janotta were first in flight C.

Jo Grabow, Cisse Horton and Patrick Cardullo provided a welcome lunch to all New Members and Transfers to our unit. Nell Morgan and Grant Coons captured the coveted first place. The Mentor/Mentee Championship Event had eight and a half (8 1/2 aka Fellini) tables and sweets were delivered by Patrick Cardullo and Beverly Santos. Championship trophies were awarded to the winners, Patty Moncus and Jeri Tribo. Congratulations!

Our President, Roxana Tom, celebrated her birthday at the Unit Holiday Party hosted by Santa Baby (Ed Rawlinson), Elves Janise Saul and Everette Lewis and directed by Donna Watkins. There was a tie for the overall event winners and we congratulate Betty Jo Bettersworth and Bea Williamson and Pete Voges and Susan Ohm. Flight C was captured by Beverly and Robert Maak. Nadine Reineck and Julie Hogenauer won the Christmas Trivia contest and Ann Gary and Beula Mae Pearce were voted the "Best Dressed." Fifteen door prizes were raffled off to our members. Many thanks to all for a sparkling holiday

Carmenline Squires took Las Vegas for \$16,000 with her win in the Texas Hold'Em Game. What is your poker strategy?

Our Elections Chairperson, Sandra Weber, personally traveled to the majority of the clubs to ensure that our members had the opportunity to vote. The newly elected members are: Roxana Tom, Everette Lewis, Patrick Cardullo, and Paula Warren. The Unit met and unanimously elected the

following officers for the 2005 Board of Directors: President-Roxana Tom, Vice President-Everette Lewis, Secretary-Phyllis Giffin, and Treasurer -Ed Rawlinson. Congratulations.

Anne McCullough suddenly lost her husband and Toni Reinhart her Mother. We send our caring sympathies to you.

Cheers to Bea Nielsen, Phillip Grothus, Jean McKane, and John Capalano for a healthy recovery.

Today, I will turn my eyes from the calendar and clock, stop measuring-and live." Happy 2005 to



If you like 70-80 degree weather in November, then you missed an outstanding FALL NABC in Orlando, Florida. District 9 put out the Red Carpet and performed a superb job. Parking was free, snacks available every night and live musical entertainment. It was evident to many that District 9 would welcome another NABC. Although the table count was high, Las Vegas still remains the top for fall NABC with 16, 818 set in 2001. Midway through the tournament District 9 table count was threatening the record set by Las Vegas.

Mailing to Mexico: ACBL had experienced some difficulties in sending the bulletins to ACBL members residing in Mexico. Please advise me if you are not receiving your bulletin: Dewitt Hudson, 5402 Sapphire Court, Arlington, TX 76017.

Linda Mamula Heads BofG: Linda Mamula of Mill Creek, Washington, was recently elected president of the Board of Governors for the next two years. She is an attorney, Silver Life Master, former president of District 5. and a member of the Board of Governors from both District 5 and

Pre-Alert Forms: If your partnership plays special overcalls, you must fill out a pre-alert disclosure form and make it available to your opponent when you play in events that allow mid-chart on super-chart conventions

The Folks Who Work Behind the **Scene:** The effort of many is the contributing factor as to why the games and tournaments are better. Many times we take it for granted as to "who did what" to make things better. Somebody had to pick up the tables, call for partners, bake cookies, and provide sandwiches, as well as listen and try to resolve all the complaints. All that is the result of efforts of volunteers, and on occasion - don't forget to say "Thank You." See you in Pittsburgh, PA, March 10-20.

Results: San Antonio Sectional Thurs Aft Strat Open Prs A1.

Sandra Weber-Wayne Rauschuber A2.B1. Pollye Campbell-Walter Still B2.C1. Patty Moncus-Carol Cobler C2. Howard Janotta-Marilyn Jacobs.

Thurs Eve BAM Teams A1. Justin Lall-Jerry Bigler-Greg Hinze-Patricia Lozano A2.B1. Javier Smilovici-Charles Walker-Sandra Weber-Beverly Santos B2/3.C1. Patty Moncus-Carol Cobler- Anne Veitch-Susan Cox B2/3. Carole Price-Sally Armstrong-Betty Jo Bettersworth-Bea Williamson.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1/2. Bill Walker-Ed Rawlinson A1/2.B1.C1. Susie Willerson-Jane Bowers B2. Helen McCrae-Phyllis Giffin C2. Sherry Johnson-Linda Williams.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. David Hadden-Greg Hinze A2/3. Justin Lall-Patricia Lozano A2/3. Gail Huie-Penny Snow B1. David Begin-Ruth Green B2.C1. Virginia Wynne-Beula Mae Pearce C2. Bobbi Hale-Jim Hale.

Sat Morn Strat Open Prs A1. William Clegg Jr-Linda Williams A2. Josephine Grabow-Patricia Lozano.



Thurs Eve BAM Teams A Patti Lozano & Jerry Bigler Greg Hinze & Justin Lall Hinze & Lall also won Sat Strat Prs A



Sun Strat Swiss Teams A Ira Hessel & Greg Hinze Patricia Lozano Justin Lall & Ellen Hessel

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Justin Lall- Greg Hinze A2. David Hadden-Alexander Kolesnik B1. David Begin-Ruth Green B2.C1. Nicholas Jong-Jeff Ford C2. Helen James-Louree

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. Greg Hinze-Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel-Patricia Lozano-Justin Lall A2. Bill Tseng-Darlene Riely-Marie Bailey-Jerry

Bigler B1. Javier Smilovici-Beverly Santos-Sandra Weber-Charles Walker B2. Keith Estep-M. Louise Wissler-Pablo Siegal-Eleanor Siegal C1. Susie Wilkerson-Jane Bowers-Barbara Altgelt-Jane Maclin C2/3. Lewis Purnell-Charles Abbott-Clifford Jensen-Connie Matz C2/3. Virginia Wynne-Beula Mae Pearce-Katherine Ribble-Ruth Lerner.

Magic Valley Sectional January 21-23, 2005

Elks Lodge 1428 S. Commerce Harlingen, Texas

Friday, January 21

Stratified Open Pairs, 2 sessions 99er Pairs, single sessions Mini Knock-Outs

Saturday, January 22

Stratified Open Pairs, 2 sessions Stratified Single Pairs 99er Pairs single sessions Mini Knock-Outs

Sunday, January 23

Pair & Team Stratification: A: 1000+, B: 500-1000, C: 0-500

Stratified Swiss Teams, 2 sessions

10:00 am

7:00 pm 9:00 am & 1:15 pm 9:00 am & 1:15 pm 9:00 am & 1:15 pm 7:00 pm

9:00 am & 1:15 pm

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Section top awards each day Free snacks & coffee all sessions **Door prizes**

Lunch served between sessions on Sunday Non-smoking with hospitality breaks

McCallum traveling trophy to the Unit member earning the most points at this tournament. Presentation of the trophy will be made at the Awards Ceremony held by Unit 237 at Encore playing area after the Harlingen Tournament

Host Hotel

Econolodge 956.425.1040 Mention Bridge Tournament 1821 W. Tyler, Harlingen, TX econo1040@yahoo.com \$39.00 Single, \$44.00 Double Continental Breakfast

Entry Fees

ACBL Members \$10/session Non Members \$11/session \$72/Sunday Swiss Teams

Unit 201 Beaumont

Joan Burnett



The Gold Life Master Party on October 9 honoring Nancy and John Smalley and Dr. A. Bharathi was a very enjoyable occasion. The twenty seven table event included many out of town players. A delicious catered luncheon was served; an entertaining speech made by our host and lovely gifts presented to the honorees. Thank you, Tipton Golias, for the special event, and to the Smalleys for all they have done and continue to do for our unit. Nancy teaches two classes and directs. John is our manager and also directs. We appreciate Dr. Bharathi's ongoing generosity to our unit, and, most of all, his great sense of humor. Winners in this event were: 1. Bharathi and Golias; 2. Mary Jo Nix and Naldia Reeves; 3. Edna Mazzola and Arlene Meyers; 4. Shirley and Robert Dingle and 5. Loretta Gary and Gertrude Cherry. In the novice-intermediate section, Pat Schiwart and Alberta Romero were 1st, Jean Brickhouse and Martha Kord were 2nd, and Dot Lloyd and Annette Riegel were 3rd.

The NAOP final on October 23 was a two-session event with 20% gold. 1st place went to Naldia Reeves and Jean Davis, 2nd to Martha Darden and June Aulbaugh, 3rd to Billie Carter and Sandy Parkhurst and 4th to Don Holst and Beverly Leger.

There were five swiss team events in Beaumont during October with 5% gold awards. Of the 31 players who placed high, the following individuals were the most frequent winners: In alphabetical order, A. Bharathi; Kaz Bell; Jean Davis; Jayne Eisen; Bill Ginger; Joan Hataway; Don Holst; Arlene Meyers; Nancy Smalley; John Smalley; Connor Smith; Tim Stelly and Blaine Thomas.

In the October 21 game, the team of Thelma Stockdale, Dolores Belton, Martha Bookman and Mary Lou Terry won every round, placing 1st in B and

In Orange, on Oct. 27, eight teams competed in a 5% gold game. Don Holst, Beverly Leger, Joan Hataway and Arlene Meyers won 1st and Ada and Dan Capello, Mary Hartley and Raymond Carlson were 2nd. A 10-team Junior Fund game was held in November. Arlene Meyers, Beverly Leger, Martha Sigler and Flo Gillispie took 1st in A, winning all four rounds. 1st in B and C and second in A were: Thelma Stockdale, Lorraine Brown, Shirley Ferguson and Marilyn Maxum. Club Championship games were held in October at every level of play. In the open game, A. Bharathi and Tipton Golias were 1st in A. Merrill Lott and Flo Gillispie won 2nd in A and Bill Ginger and Don Holst were 1st in B, 3rd in A. In the 499er game, Pat Schiwart and Alberta Romero were 1st in A and B and Helen Freeman and Sue Patterson were 1st in C. Alberta and Pat were 1st again in the 199er game with Walt Wagner and Helen Freeman placing 1st in B. Laura Stelly and Sarah Smith won the 99er game.

The district charity game starred Bharathi and Golias 1st, Kaz Bell and Marian Jones 1st in B and Marilyn Maxum and Shirley Ferguson 1st in C.

The Thursday Morning Club's October birthday party honored Frances Floyed, Mary Anna Glasgow, Sue Patterson and Connor Smith. Winners were: N/S, Lynn Adamchik and Gertrude Cherry; E/W, Martha Ann Reed and Andy Lewis. The November birthday complimented Dessie Crow, Jean Davis, Mary Lou Fitch and Katherine Fouts. Winners were: N/S Betty Poindexter and Sue Patterson; E/W, Peggy Dugger and Marilyn Maxum.

There were five Club Appreciation games held in October. Winning pairs were: Mary Jo Nix and Naldia Reeves; Mary Lou Terry and Loretta Gary; Beverly Hulsey and Jerry Heckman; Thelma Stockdale and Lorraine Copeland; Merrill Lott and A. Bharathi; Shirley and Bob Dingle; Martha Sigler and Flo Gillispie; Nan Oxford and Barbara White; John Smalley and Jayne Eisen; Blanche Sibley and Thelma Stockdale; Bea Babel and Norma White. The winners of the ACBL-wide charity game held in November were: 1st in A and B, Blanche Sibley and Juanell Jones; 2nd, Martha Sigler and Beverly Leger; 3rd, Cynthia Stueber and Emmy Ferguson and 4th, Merrill Lott and Lee Rogers.

The December schedule is filled with combinations of special games and Christmas parties. See you next year!



Condolences to all who mourn the recent deaths of these members of our bridge community: Lillie Gates, Marjorie S. Janovsky, Charles Peterson, Catherine (Kitty) Puyper, Dorothy Rose.

The hospitality at the Trick or Treat Sectional in Humble was superb and the 488.5 tables made it the Unit's best attended fal tournament since 1995.

Don't forget that January 3-9 is a STaC week for our Unit. So plan now to play more games that week than you usually do if you need silver points. There will be lots of them available at the clubs participating in our first 2005 Sectional Tournament at Clubs.

Bridge & Games Studio is making a schedule change. Beginning with the first Sunday night Swiss Team in January, the start time will be 6:30 p.m.

Special thanks to Bruce Slomka for his lengthy service as Unit Photographer and best wishes to his replacement, Jeremy Dilbeck, for an equally successful and lengthy tenure.

Arlene Weingarten, our new Unit Webmaster, has merged her hobby "Houston Bridge" website into the Unit 174 website and moved its Home Page to http://d16acbl.org/U174/ which is a CASE SENSITIVE ADDRESS. So, if you aren't already visiting the new location, when you type it into your browser, be sure the letter "U" in front of 174 is capitalized!

Please support our Unit's full-service clubs by playing some extra games in January to practice for the Houston Regional. Having larger than usual games before the tournament would offset some of their financial loss for being closed from January 31 through February 6.

Do you know you have a chance to win a subsidy for a trip to the Summer NABC in Atlanta, Georgia, next July? All you have to do is be on one of the winning Unit 174 Grand National Teams 2005! There are two steps to take if you are in Flight B or C: (1) Qualify at the Unit Level in Houston and then (2) Win your Flight at District Level in Richardson. Flight A (0-5000) and Championship Flight (unlimited) players do not have to pre-qualify so they only have to do step 2. Flight B's (0-2000) qualifier is at Conroe Bridge Center on February 26. Flight C's qualifier (NLM under 500) is February 27 at Bridge & Games Studio. District playoffs are May 28-30.

Congratulations to these recent Life Masters and Masterpoint Achievers for their accomplishments: New Life Masters (300+ MPs): Bernice Delaney, M. Sneed Lary, Jr., Hugh Miller. Non-Life Master Milestone (500+ MPs): Harry Selldin. Bronze Life Masters (500+ MPs): Nadia Branisa, Sally Floyd, Claire Haring, Bob Lester, Rodney McCullough, Michele McGlothlin, Steve Pace, Gary Shepley, Mary St. John, Glenda Stieber. Gold Life Masters (2,500+ MPs): Pat McMullin.

Special congratulations to bridge pro Eddie Wold on becoming the 5th ACBL player to reach the 45,000 MPs plateau. That's incredible!

Ace of Clubs has moved to the 2nd floor loft meeting room at the front of the Kroger Signature Store at 9919 Westheimer (the SW corner of Westheimer at Elmside 2 stoplights west of Gessner. The room is accessible by stairs and elevator.

Thanks to the good work of the Nominating Committee in producing a strong slate, many of us will have a hard time deciding which 3 of these 6 candidates for the Unit 174 Board of Directors will get our vote at the April Election Sectional or by absentee ballot if unable to attend the tournament:

Karen Alvarado, Ed Groner, Jere Hines, Kathy Hughes, Joyce Ryan and Ralda St. Pierre.

A "Murphy's Law of Bridge: "When the opponents make a bad bid, it works out well for them. When you make a bad bid, it works out well for them."

If you have news to share, please email page@ev1.net or leave a message at 281.442.1509 (days).

> **Unit 197** Lubbock

Sandi Krahmer

I am so sorry to report the death of Clint McBroome. Clint had played in our Lubbock Unit for several years. He was always a gentleman with a wonderful sense of humor. Clint had been seriously ill for the last year, but you would never have known it from his demeanor at the Bridge table. I believe he played Bridge right up until his last hospitalization. I know we are all going to miss him.

It was so nice to have Rose Terry back after a recent fall. Betty Lowmiller handled Rose's duties very well. I think Betty was directing games 7 days a week while Rose was out. Many people don't realize that Rose is Betty's aunt. I guess Bridge directing runs in the

Many thanks to Sue Willhoit and her board for the wonderful Friday Club Thanksgiving party and to Annette Sides and Norma Buchanan and the board of the Monday club for the great Christmas party. Also, thanks to Sally Luttrell for the beautiful Christmas decorations. Even though Sally retired from the Unit Board, she was kind enough to come do all the Christmas decorations. I believe that Sally knows where Santa lives and borrows her decorations from him. They are never the same, and the center always looks

Carol Schoenhals and Marc Levine had a 70% game as did Bonta Thompson and Dorene Dulanev.

I don't have anything more. I want to wish you all a most happy and prosperous New Year.

> **Unit 353** Wichita Falls

Shirley Bond

Our newest Life Masters, Stefan and Ronni Davis, were honored with a Life Master Party at our November Unit meeting. Congratulations to both of

Many thanks to Nell Lister for serving as Declarer Editor for 4 years and to Susan Brower for her years of service as Unit Reporter to the Scorecard.

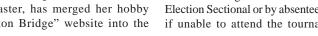
Margie Brown, Helen Cash, and Lois Robertson have completed 3 years of loyal service on the Board of Directors of Unit 353. We appreciate you and your dedicated service.

We went to thank Jeannine DeLaney for graciously accepting the Declarer Editor position. We have already seen what a great job she can do.

We welcome our new board members: Jolene Brantley, Susan Brower, and Wanda Gaynor. All 3 are a great addition

Besides being a great asset to our Bridge Unit, we have many members who serve our community in various ways. We would like to acknowledge a few of these members at this time: Margie Brown and Cula Burch deliver Meals on Wheels each week; Gladys Barley and Judy Lucas serve as volunteers at our local hospitals each week; and Bonnie Hill visits nursing homes and assisted living facilities each week taking treats and shopping for the residents. We will be acknowledging more of our members in the coming

Happy New Year from Unit 353 to all our bridge friends. See you at the bridge table in 2005.



Thank You Monte West



Bridge, etc Bridge Club of Unit 224 Abilene

wishes to thank

Monte West

for the many hours of volunteer directing in the Snyder Club. Your contribution to the game does not go unnoticed.

Come Play in the Valley....

March 4-6, 2005 Upper Rio Grande Valley Sectional Unit 237

Las Palmas Community Center (McAllen Senior Community Center) 1921 N. 25th & Sycamore, McAllen, TX 78501

Friday, March 4

Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 am Stratified Open Pairs 2:30 pm

Saturday, March 5 - Marge Moore Day

Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 am 2:30 pm Stratified Open Pairs

Sunday, March 6

Stratified Swiss Teams, 2 sessions 10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Flight A: 1500+, Flight B: 500-1500, Flight C: 0-500

Sunday Lunch between sessions Coffee & Snacks Sandwiches & Coffee Cakes

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

> \$8.00 per player per session Fri & Sat \$64 Sunday Swiss per team

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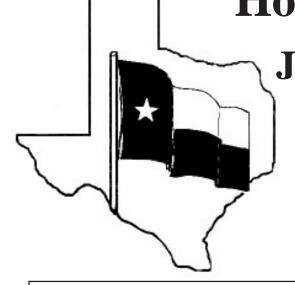
Tournament Committee: Upper Valley Duplicate Bridge Club Sponsored by Texas State Bank Gifts donated by HEB

Sanction # S0303037

Houston Lone Star Regional







INTERMEDIATE - NOVICE SCHEDULE

INTERMEDIATE - NO VICE SCHEDULE		
Monday		
Stratified 49ers, 299ers7 pm		
Trophy Pairs		
Each day there are three single sessions, 9 am, 1 and 7 pm. You		
may play in as many as you wish. If you play in two or more, you		
are eligible to win a trophy. Your best score counts toward the		
trophy.		
Tuesday		
Stratified 49ers, 299ers		
Wednesday		
Stratified 49ers, 299ers		
Thursday		
Stratified 49ers, 299ers		
Friday		
Stratified 49ers, 299ers		
*299er Houston Prize Money Bridge		
Saturday		
Stratified 49ers, 299ers		
Sunday		
Stratified 299er Swiss (2-session event)		
Over early so you can watch the entire Super Bowl		
INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE STRATS		
299ers: A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100		
49ers: A: 20-50, B: 5-20, C: 0-5		
299er Swiss: A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100		

299er Swiss: A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100

Session and overall awards will be red points.

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

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

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

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(formerly Adam's Mark) 2900 Briar Park Drive, Houston, TX 77042 **Reservations**: 713.978.7400 or 1.800.228.9290 Room Rates: \$103 single/double; \$113/triple; \$123/quad

Texas Star Awards Presentation Saturday, February 5, 2005

(Prior to the beginning of the evening session)

MAIN EVENT SCHEDULE

Open Pairs Championships

Mon	Anne Page Win-a-Fifty Stratified Pairs		
Tues	Dick Hess Memorial Stratified Pairs		
Wed	Stratified Pairs		
Thurs	Strati-Flighted Pairs		
Fri	Mary Ann Duttenhoffer Memorial Stratified Pairs 1 & 7 pm		
	*Houston Open Prize Money Bridge		
Sat	Unit 174 Board of Directors Strati-Flighted Pairs 1 & 7 pm		
Sun	Stratified Pairs		
	Seniors' Choice Pairs (must be 55 or older)		
	Choose any 2 sessions each day: 9 am, 1 & 7 pm.		
TD.			
Tues	Kitty Puyper Memorial Stratified Senior Pairs 9, 1 & 7 pm		
Wed	Lillie Gates Memorial Stratified Senior Pairs 9, 1 & 7 pm		
Thurs	Stratified Senior Pairs		
Fri	Stratified Senior Pairs		
Sat	Stratified Senior Pairs		
	Side Game Series		
	Each series runs five days: Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri and Sat.		
	Your best 2 of 5 count toward the overalls.		
Mornii	ng Side Game Series		
Afternoon Side Game Series			
Evenir	ng Side Game Series		
	Team Events		
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	leismann KO 1		
Charles Peterson Memorial KO 2 Tues 1 & 7 pm & Wed 1 & 7 pm			
KO 3 (Handicapped) Wed, Thur, Fri & Sat 9 am			
	Fri 1 & 7 pm & Sat 1 & 7 pm		
	act KO Sat 1 & 7 pm		
Lon Kieffer Memorial Strati-Flighted Swiss Sun 10 am & TBA			
Over early so you can watch the entire Super Bowl			

Single Session Swiss

Every evening at 7 pm, Tuesday through Saturday

Late Night Zip KO Teams

Every night at 10:30, Tuesday through Saturday

Stratification & Flighting

Stratified Events: A: 1500+; B: 500-1500; C: 0-500 Seniors' Choice Events: A: 1500+; B: 500-1500; C: 0-500 Strati-Flighted Events: A: 3000+; AX: 0-3000 (A & AX play together); B: 1000-2000; C: 500-1000; D: 0-500 (BCD play together) Prize Money Bridge: Open; 299er

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

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

D	* Houston Open Prize Money Bridge	D
D	You can win both masterpoints and money in this 2-session event on Friday. Amount of prize money contingent upon number of entrants. Entry Fee: \$11/person/session	D D

Child Care Available

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