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Chicago, the Windy City, had some wind and a little rain but overall the weather was warm and nice for walking out to the many restaurants in the area. In spite of there being 5 other conventions in the city at the same time most of the people were able to find a room. The tournament was a success with 13,373 tables in play at the Chicago Hyatt which had a very large and nice playing area that could have held even more. The local volunteers were great with nightly entertainment and food which was plentiful and readily available.

ALL UNITS AND DISTRICTS AND THEIR COMMITTEE MEMBERS: ACBL is now providing all unit and districts and their committee members (D&O) directors and officers insurance. In order to be covered from the inception (July 11, 2006), the one page form must be signed by the President of each Unit and returned to Philadelphia Insurance prior to August 10, 2006. Please fax or mail a copy of the application to Memphis Headquarters. Units that have their own paid up insurance policy are well advised to obtain legal and insurance advice prior to deciding cancellation of their policy.

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insurance agent Bill Parks at wparks@metlife.com. Phone: 610-573-5614 or fax 610.391.7216.

MANAGEMENT: Management is in negotiation to sell the ACBL Product Store.

Management is authorized to set fees and conditions when providing mailing list to officials and clubs. The ACBL/AARP bridge events are off to a good start with 13 tables in play in Chicago. The focus is on the event at the AARP Convention at the end of the year in California.

ACBL COMMITTEES: The Laws, Hall of Fame, Competition & Convention and other such committees have new rules. The incoming President after consultation with the committee Chair appoints committee members subject to approval by the ACBL Board at the Spring NABC. Each committee elects its Chairman from among its members. All committees start the day after the Spring NABC for one year ending at the conclusion of the following spring.

NABC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIONS: Designated Education Foundation and International Fund Days have been eliminated.

The ACBL web site, which lists the all time top master point holders, shall include the names of the deceased players interspersed with the numbered list.

Effective 2007 the NABC Senior KO will start on Friday instead of Sunday. This will eliminate the problem of the final conflicting with the start of the three day Reisinger/North American Swiss.

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GNTs: Hammans, Sutherlins & Lalls Win Superflight; Price, Kohan, Edwards, Poe, Hinze & Baumgardner 2nd in Flight A



Bob Hamman, Peggy Sutherlin, John Sutherlin, Hemant Lall, Petra Hamman & Justin Lall



Charlie Price, Mark Baumgardner, Marcus Poe, Stan Kohan, Tom Edwards & Greg Hinze

By David Sokolow

In my article on the Fall 2005 NABC, I observed that "Married couples are not known for their success in open events." Given the results in this summer's Grand National Teams Superflight, that observation may be ancient history. Two married couples and a father-son combo from Dallas won the whole enchilada! Congratulations to Bob and Petra Hamman, Peggy and John Sutherlin, and Hemant and Justin Lall for their hard-earned victory. All have multiple national wins, except for Justin, who stepped into the NABC winners' circle for the first time with his victory here. In the final, they defeated a team featuring three married couples, including the bronze medal winners in the Mixed Pairs at the recent world championships in Verona. I can't imagine a greater thrill than winning a

major national event with one's spouse (unless it's winning with your parent or child). My proverbial "hat" is off to all of you.

It's been quite a summer for Justin. In early August, he also won the World Junior Teams held in Bangkok. That's two-in-a-row for Justin and his compatriots on the premier American junior team. The future of American (and District 16) bridge looks bright.

Charles Price of Sherman, Stan Kohan of Dallas, Tom Edwards of Grand Prairie, Marcus Poe of Plano, Greg Hinze of San Antonio and Mark Baumgardner of Carrollton were runners-up in the GNT Flight A, but that's only half the story. Down by 26 IMPs going into the last quarter of the final, they closed the gap to 7 IMPs before time ran out. Kudos for finishing second in this nationwide, grass roots event!

Hamman Wins Spingold; Bramley Wins Life Master Pairs; Breed & Quinn Win Women's KO; Peggy Sutherlin 2nd; Hessel, Hinze & Kamel 2nd in Open Swiss



Bob Hamman



Bart Bramley



Mildred Breed



Shawn Quinn



Peggy Sutherlin



Ira Hessel & Ellen Hessel (NPC)
Greg Hinze & Nagy Kamel

By David Sokolow

The Chicago NABC marked a high-water point for District 16. Our players captured all four major events played at the summer nationals: the Spingold, the Life Master Pairs, the Wagar Women's KO, and the Grand National Teams Superflight. Although no statistics are kept on such matters, I would hazard a guess that this feat has rarely, if ever, been duplicated. So who are our heroes?

Bob Hamman of Dallas won the Spingold for the umpteenth time! There just aren't enough superlatives in the dictionary to do Bob justice. By winning two NABC events in Chicago (he also won the GNT Superflight, playing with wife, Petra—see related story elsewhere in this issue), Bob came close to capturing the Fishbein Trophy, awarded to the player who wins the most masterpoints at the Summer NABC. His trove of 350 masterpoints was just fifteen shy of the winning total (he was 69 points ahead of third-place!). Congratulations once again on a superb job.

Bart Bramley of Dallas won the prestigious Life Master Pairs playing with a first-time partner. A many-time NABC champion, Bart moved to Dallas several years ago from Chicago with his wife, Judy, who's also a national champion. Previously, Bart had won the Life Master Men's Pairs and the Life Master Open Pairs (both 2-day events), but this was his first win the Life Master Pairs (a 3-day event). By the way, if you need another first-time partner....

Mildred Breed of Austin and Shawn Quinn of Richmond followed up their win in the Women's Swiss Teams at the Spring NABC with a victory in the Wagar Women's KO in Chicago. As a result, theirs is the only team to secure a bye to the second stage of the Women's International Team Trials next June. Peggy Sutherlin of Dallas

finished second (she and hubby, John, also won the GNT). Brava one and all!

In the Open Swiss Teams, second place went to Ira Hessel and Greg Hinze of San Antonio and Nagy Kamel of Plano. Second going into the final round, they played the eventual winners, and nearly blitzed them! I kibbitzed Ira and Greg that last round, and they were awesome. Too bad the other team had the event won before the last round had been played! Dan Morse of Houston (playing with former District 16'er Bobby Wolf) finished third. Nice going, guys!

Many District 16 players had top-ten finishes in national events. Tobi Sokolow, Austin, and John Sutherlin, Dallas, finished fourth in the Mixed Board-A-Match Teams. Tobi was also 5/8 in the Women's KO. Justin and Hemant Lall, Dallas, and Ira Chorus, Houston, were 5/8 in the Spingold. Chris Compton and Bart Bramley were 9/16 in the Spingold. Babu Koneru, San Antonio, was fifth in the Fast Pairs. Sally Wheeler and Buddy Hanby, Spring, were sixth in the Open Pairs. Edith and George Rosenkranz, Mexico City, and Miguel Reygadas, Polenco, finished ninth in the Senior Swiss Teams. Michael Heymann, Fort Worth, ended up 5/8 in the Mini-

Spingold (0-5000), as did Shaun Chooi and Joe Clark, Dallas, playing on another team.

The Fall 2006 NABC will be held in Honolulu. If you've never been, you simply must go! (If you've already been, you know what I'm talking about.) My first national was the 1983 Hawaii NABC, held at the same hotel (the Hilton Hawaiian Village) as the upcoming tournament. What an experience! The extensive grounds feature a long stretch of glorious white, sandy beach; miles of palm-tree shaded walks; and swim-up bars, so you can SWI (swim while intoxicated)! Should you tire of this tropical paradise (figure the odds!), the upscale shops and restaurants of Waikiki beckon just up the street. Aloha!

Congratulations to all of the District 16 winners in Chicago:

Fri Eve Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A7/8. Dan Morse, Houston **Strati BCD B3.C3.** Margot Hirsch, Arlington **1st Fri Zip KO Teams Bkt II 3/4.** Mike Doyle, Houston-Eddie Bass, Austin **Educational Foundation KO Teams Bkt I 2.** Herbert Wilton, Fredericksburg **Bkt IV 1.** Don Morgan-Linda Marlin-Bette Liebgold, Houston-Sarah Hardin,

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Montgomery Cort Larson Memorial KO Teams Bkt III 1. John Kelsey, Diboll Bkt VII 3/4. Philip Duterme, Bellaire Bkt VIII 1. Jeff Dater-Kevin Pfeiffer-Tom Pearce, Dallas-Joseph Gill, Richardson Bob Charlson Strat Senior Prs A7. Donna McBride, Kerrville-Diane Olson, San Antonio Ist Sat Eve Strati-Flted BAM Teams AX X2. Gerrie Owen-Preston Morrow-Bob Scallan, Dallas-Suresh Agrawal, Rowlett Grand National Open Teams 1. Bob Hamman-Petra Hamman-John Sutherlin-Peggy Sutherlin-Hemant Lall-Justin Lall, Dallas Grand National Teams Flt A 2. Charles Price, Sherman-S Kohan, Dallas-Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie-Marcus Poe Jr, Plano-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton Sun Eve Strat BAM Teams B3/4. Hugh Miller-Catherine Miller, Houston C3/4. Don Morgan-Bette Liebgold, Houston C3/4. Lorraine Little-Tom Nute-Shirley Prewitt, Fort Worth-Tony Morinello, Arlington Life Masters Prs 1. Bart Bramley, Dallas 25. John Zilic, Houston-Nagy Kamel, Plano Jim Chiszar Strat Open Prs A3. Jack Lacy, Round Rock-James Thurtell, Dallas A7. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring Sun Eve IMP Strat Open Prs B1. Joe Clark, Dallas Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A5/6. Chris Compton, Dallas A7. Petra Hamman-Hemant Lall-Justin Lall, Dallas-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton A11/13. Mark Lair, Canyon A20/23. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas Herman Batko Memorial KO Teams Bkt VI 3/4. Joe Clark, Dallas Ist Sun Zip KO Teams Bkt II 3/4. Betty Starzec-Jane Armstrong-Debra Bellan-Ellen Greenfield, Sugar Land Fri-Tues Morn Side Game 3/4. M O Crawford, Dallas 3/4. Gerrie Owen, Dallas Mon Senior Strat Prs C5. Gene Kincaid-Judy Kincaid, DeGnison Bess Griparis Memorial Strat Open Prs A7/8. David Sokolow, Austin Mon Eve Strati-Flted Swiss Teams Strati BCD A3.B1. Philip Duterme, Bellaire A4/5. Hugh Miller-Catherine Miller, Houston Tues Strat Open Prs A10. Miriam Rosenberg, Huixquilucan-

Adriana Yanez, Mexico City B6.C3. Philip Duterme, Bellaire Tues Eve Strat Swiss Teams B6/8.C1/2. Mary Adams-David Pennington, Temple Tues Zip KO Teams 2. Anthony Eckman, Austin Truscott USPC Senior Swiss Teams 9. Edith Rosenkranz-George Rosenkranz, Mexico City-Miguel Reygadas, Polanco 19. John Mohan, Mx 21. Joe Quinn, Richmond-Judy Bramley, Dallas 24. John Zilic, Houston 26. Grace Hunt-John Sutherlin, Dallas-Nancy Passell, Plano Sun-Tues Morn KO Teams Bkt II 3/4. Mary Adams-David Pennington, Temple Wed Compact KO Teams Bkt I 4. John Zilic, Houston Bkt III 2. Terry Currie-Bobby Maynard, Houston Bkt VI 4. Hugh Miller-Catherine Miller, Houston Wed Compact Consolation Teams Bkt II 1. Wayne Christensen Jr, Laporte Bkt VII 3. Marilyn Sharratt, Austin Bkt XI 1. Eric Sandberg, Houston Wed Strat Senior Prs B3. John McCormack-Janet McCormack, Dallas Joyce Russian Strat BAM Teams A2/3. Herbert Wilton, Fredericksburg C4/5. Lorraine Little-Tom Nute-Shirley Prewitt, Fort Worth-Tony Morinello, Arlington Werner Strat Open Prs 6. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring 21. Ira Hessel, San Antonio 39. John Schwartz, Plano-Phillip Grothus, San Antonio Carole La Barge Strat Open Prs B5. Jules Schoenberg-Hazel Schoenberg, Plano Tues-Thurs Morn KO Teams Bkt V 1. Marilyn Sharratt, Austin Herman Batko KO Teams Bkt I 3/4. Herbert Wilton, Fredericksburg Bkt III 3/4. Thomas Trudeau, San Antonio Bkt V 2. Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Edwina Corn, Hurst-John Taylor, Lago Vista-Sue Gerard, Mexico City Bkt VI 3/4. Lorraine Little-Tom Nute-Shirley Prewitt, Fort Worth-Tony Morinello, Arlington Thurs Eve Strat Swiss Teams C2. Marvin Greenfield, Sugar Land Thurs Strat Open Prs A10. George Rosenkranz, Mexico City-Miguel Reygadas, Polanco B7.C2. Peter Grenier, Dallas Thurs Late Zip KO Teams Bkt I 3/4. Marilyn Sharratt, Austin Bkt II 3/4. Debra Bellan-Ellen Greenfield-Betty Starzec-

Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land Wagar Women's KO Teams 1. Shawn Quinn, Richmond-Mildred Breed, Austin 2. Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas 5/8. Tobi Sokolow, Austin 2nd Fri Morn Strat Open Prs A2. Phillip Grothus, San Antonio C3. Robert Graber-Sharon Louvier, Seabrook NABC Fast Prs 5. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 19. John Zilic, Houston 26. Dan Morse, Houston 46. Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel, Plano 2nd Fri Daylight Strat Open Prs A3. Carolyn Pinto-Michael Heymann, Fort Worth Fri Strat Senior Prs A2. Miguel Reygadas, Polanco B4. John McCormack-Janet McCormack, Dallas Bob Hirsch Memorial KO Teams Bkt IV 3/4. Cecil Parsons, Plano-Gerrie Owen-Judy Corey Edmiston-George Roach, Dallas Bkt IX 2. Sam Dodson, Houston Bkt IX 4. Marsha Sachs-Phyllis Crandall, Sugar Land Bob Hirsch Memorial KO Consolation Teams Bkt II 2. John Kelsey, Diboll Bkt VI 3. Hugh Miller-Catherine Miller, Houston Bkt VII 2. Margot

Hirsch, Arlington-Edwina Corn, Hurst Bkt XI 2. Nancy Strohmmer-Hans Strohmmer, Houston 2nd Fri Strati-Flted Open Prs AX A6. Robert Morris, Houston Strati BCD B6.C4. Peter Grenier, Dallas Mixed BAM Teams 4. Tobi Sokolow, Austin-John Sutherlin, Dallas 13. Joe Quinn, Richmond 14. Petra Hamman, Dallas 18. David Sokolow, Austin 21/22. Herbert Wilton, Fredericksburg Fri Eve Strat Swiss Teams A2/3. John Zilic, Houston Life Source Sat Morn Strat Open Prs C3. Robert Graber-Sharon Louvier, Seabrook Thurs-Sat Morn KO Teams Bkt II 1. David Sokolow, Austin Bkt IV 1. Hugh Miller-Catherine Miller-Don Morgan, Houston Sat Eve Strat Swiss Teams A1.B1. Margot Hirsch, Arlington-Edwina Corn, Hurst A5/6.B3/4. Josephine Grabow-Carolyn Riely, San Antonio 2nd Sat Strati-Flted Prs AX A1. McCray, Caddo Mills 2nd Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A3. Terry Currie-Bobby Maynard, Houston A4. John Kelsey, Diboll B2/3.C2. Phyllis

Crandall-Marsha Sachs, Sugar Land Mini Spingold 5000 KO Teams 5/8. Michael Heymann, Fort Worth 5/8. Shaun Chooi-Joe Clark, Dallas Sat-Sun KO Teams Bkt I 2. Herbert Wilton, Fredericksburg Bkt III 3/4. Catherine Miller-Hugh Miller, Houston Bkt VI 5/8. Hans Strohmmer-Nancy Strohmmer, Houston Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A4. Tobi Sokolow-John Sutherlin, Dallas 2nd Sun Fast Strat Open Prs B4. Marilyn Mac Donald-Bill Mac Donald, Corpus Christi Sun Aft Strat Open Prs A3/4.B1/2.C1/2. Hugh Miller-Catherine Miller, Houston Spingold KO Teams 1. Bob Hamman, Dallas 5/8. Hemant Lall-Justin Lall, Dallas-Ira Chorush, Houston 9/16. Bart Bramley, Dallas 9/16. Chris Compton, Dallas 17/32. Dan Morse, Houston 17/32. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio Open Swiss Teams 2. Greg Hinze-Ira Hessel, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel, Plano 3. Dan Morse, Houston 12. Bart Bramley, Dallas 16. John Zilic, Houston.

North American Pairs Announcement

District 16 A/B/C Finals will be January 6th (2 qualifying sessions 1:00 & 7:00) and 7th (2 final sessions 10:00 & 3:00) at the Double Tree Hotel, Austin, TX. Club managers should send a list of club qualifiers within 3 days of the last final to the Unit Coordinator and the District Coordinator

Unit # & Name	Flight	Date	Time	Location
172 San Antonio	A/B/C	Sat 9/30	10:00/TBA	Bailey's Bridge Studio
173 Mexico	A/B/C	Fri 11/3	1:30	Bridge Studio of San Miguel de Allende
174 Houston	B	Sat 11/4	1:00/TBA	Conroe Bridge Center
	A/C	Sun 11/5	1:00/TBA	Bridge & Games Studio
176 Dallas	A/C	Sun 10/15	1:00/5:30	Valley View Bridge Club
	B	Sun 10/8	1:00/5:30	Valley View Bridge Club
183 Ft. Western	B	Sun 9/24	12:30/TBA	Ft. Worth Bridge Studio
	A	Sun 10/22	10:30/TBA	Lockheed Martin Recreational Area
	C	Sun 10/22	12:30/TBA	Ft. Worth Bridge Studio
187 South Texas	A/B/C	Sat 9/30	11:30/TBA	Jack's Bridge Club, Corpus Christi
197 Lubbock	A/B/C	Sun 10/15	1:00/TBA	The Bridge Center, Lubbock
201 Sabine Neches	B/C	Sat 9/16	9:30/1:00	Beaumont Bridge Studio
	A	Sat 10/21	9:30/1:00	Beaumont Bridge Studio
204 Ft. Concho	A/B/C	Sat 11/4	11:00/3:00	Sue Barber Bridge Center, San Angelo
207 Texas Capital	A/B/C	Sat 10/28	12:30/5:30	Bridge Center of Austin
209 Odessa	A/B/C	Sat 9/9	10:00/TBA	Allison Bridge Center, Midland
224 Ft. Phantom	A/B/C	Sat 12/2	1:00	Mabel Lillus Bridge Center, Abilene
225 East Texas	A/B/C	Sat 11/4	10:00/TBA	Dottie Pirkles DBC, Athens
233 Central Texas	A/B/C	Sun 9/17	1:00	Cultural Activities Center, Temple
237 Magic Valley	A/B/C	Sat 10/28	1:00/TBA	First Presbyterian Church, Harlingen
353 Wichita Falls	A/B/C	Sun 10/29	1:30	Bridge Gap, Wichita Falls
		Mon 10/30	7:00	Bridge Gap, Wichita Falls

DISTRICT 16 TOURNAMENTS

SEPTEMBER

FORT WORTH REGIONAL	August 29-4
New Braunfels	7-10
Spring NLM	8-10
Austin	21-24
Athens NLM	22-23
Odessa	22-24
Wichita Falls	29-October 1

OCTOBER

Wichita Falls	September 29-1
San Antonio (Baileys)	5-8
Arlington 299er	7-8
BEAUMONT REGIONAL	10-15
Abilene	20-22
Rockport	20-22
Austin NLM	21-22
Dallas 299er	21-22
PUERTO VALLARTA REGIONAL	23-29
Houston	27-29
Fort Worth	27-29

NOVEMBER

San Antonio	9-12
Dallas	9-12
Houston 299er	17-19

DECEMBER

South Padre Island	1-3
San Antonio	7-10
Dallas 49er	9-10

JANUARY

Austin	4-7
Unit 174 STaC	8-14
San Antonio	12-15
Harlingen	19-21

FEBRUARY

HOUSTON REGIONAL	5-11
Ajijic	15-18
Rockport	16-18
San Angelo	23-25
Arlington	23-25

Other Upcoming Events

Fall NABC (Honolulu)	November 16-26
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<http://www.d16acbl.org/d16sch.html>

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Units will no longer have jurisdiction over conduct and ethics violations at the club level. The one exception will be alleged cheating or other serious breaches of ethics.

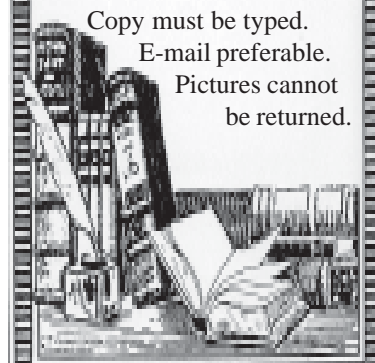
Modified some regulations in the GNT conditions of contest and decided to strictly enforce regulations concerning residence of players for GNT purpose.

Recommended that the ACBL Charity Foundation and Educational Foundation consider merging. (This decision will be made by the two foundations).

Approved model by laws for units. Interested units may ask for a copy (if only to check the bylaws you have).

DEADLINE for the NOV/DEC Issue

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



GOODWILL COMMITTEE: A Goodwill Committee appointment is a lifetime appointment as long as the member is a member in "good standing." If a member loses good standing, the appointment shall be suspended until the member regains good standing. Expulsion from the ACBL, suspension for one year or longer or probation for two years or longer will result in permanent removal from the Goodwill Committee
PATARON MEMBERS: Patron member's dues will no longer automatically have a part of their fee go to the ACBL Charity and Education Foundations. Instead patron members will have the option of donating additional funds to either organization.
EVENT REGULATION: A motion to

change the Senior age from 55 to 60 was soundly defeated. Blue Ribbon eligibility was changed. When a KO at an NABC runs 7 days or longer the first 16 earn eligibility. In a NABC+ six session event with no upper masterpoint limit 1-15 and all ties are eligible.

We are sorry to say that long time meeting planner Nancy Foy has resigned. We well miss her very much and wish her luck at her new employment.

In many areas of the country Units and clubs charge players under 16 just \$1 to play in order to encourage more young players to come out and play! Tell your units and clubs if you think this is a good idea.

See you at the tables!

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Life Masters

Jacquelyn Aldredge, San Antonio; Barbara Atkins, The Woodlands; Sally Avery, Houston; Wilma Booth, Houston; Lynda Jolene Brantley, Wichita Falls; Norma Brown, Ft. Worth; Sandra Brown, Wills Point; Joyce Cooper, Austin; Sandra Cox, Austin; Tom Cox, Austin; Dianne Decker, Austin; Marion Fink, San Antonio; Sondra Kae Goar, Burleson; Delbert Hess, Abilene; Patricia Hess, Abilene; Frank Ingraham, Houston; Jeanne Ingraham, Houston; Barbara Jones, Cleburne; Diane Klein, Dallas; Vance McCracken, Abilene; Larry Morris, Seabrook; Jo Ann O'Malley, Katy; Sue Olstad, Houston; Mary Priest, Canton; Bob Reese, Houston; Georgia Reese, Houston; Ginger Rhomey, Murchison; Frances Robbins, The Woodlands; Bonnie Shea, Plano; Joe Shirey, Houston; Kay Strickland, Abilene; Marian Wilson, Lindale; J. Jack Yarbrough, Nacogdoches.

Milestones

Emerald (7500 MPs)

Barry Schaffer, Frisco,

Diamond (5000 MPs)

Ira Chorush, Houston; Terry Currie, Houston; Sue Cutler, Ft. Worth; Rosemary Kelley, Austin; James Thurtell, Dallas.

Gold (2500 MPs)

LaNelle Strickland, New Braunfels.

Silver (1000 MPs)

Judy Adams, Athens; Jeffrey Brown, The Woodlands; Dickie Chandler, Farwell; Emmy Ferguson, Beaumont; Dorothy Forman, Houston; Elizabeth Ghrist, Houston; Chuck Gillis, Houston; Patrick Hambrick, Beeville;

Nancy Joe, Austin; Lillian Jones, Houston; Aaron Kastner, Murphy; Sara Kastner, Murphy; Eileen Kisseberth, Spring; Jeff Nuttall, Houston; Erlyne Pankratz, Austin; Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes; Mrs. D. Smith, Pampa; Mark Steele, Livingston; Lucy Terrill, Houston; Virginia Wisdom, Abilene.

Bronze (500 MPs)

Roger Arockiam, Grapevine; Barbara Babbitt, Houston; Betty Baxter, Odessa; Jane Bowers, San Antonio; Harvey Browning, Georgetown; John Chaplik, Port Aransas; Bernice Delaney, Houston; Susan S. Doe, Irving; William Griffith, Houston; Joanna Kaspar, Dallas; Benjamin Klein, Houston; Keith Marks, Lake Kiowa; Sandra Parker, Sugar Land; Robert Pflugbell, Austin; Lynn Shapiro, Houston; Charles Sommer, Houston; Lisa Sommer, Houston; Kay Strickland, Abilene; Delinda Verner, Abilene; Randolph Worsham, Dallas; J. Jack Yarbrough, Nacogdoches.

15,000 Milestone

George Pisk of Manchaca, TX, has topped the 15,000 milestone. Pisk, a Platinum Life Master is a retired English professor. In 1994, when congratulated upon passing the 10,000 masterpoint plateau, he remarked, "Probably the last milestone before the headstone!" Obviously he was wrong. When asked about passing the 15,000 plateau, he responded, "well, if someone sits their *^ in a chair for long enough they reach this point in life." Well, George...we hope you sit in your chair for a long time to come!

John Sutherlin & John Mohan Capture Silver Medal in the Senior Teams at the World Bridge Championships in Verona, Italy



John Sutherlin



John Mohan

District 16 members, John Sutherlin of Dallas and John Mohan of Mexico, teamed up with Gaylor Kasle and Lew Finkel in the Senior Teams at the 2006 World Bridge Championships in Verona, Italy, in June. The squad played their way to the Silver Medal.

Congratulations to our Johns and to Gaylor and Lew too!

Note from District 16 President Dewitt Hudson



Dewitt Hudson

Austin Regional

Mary Laier and Tournament Co-Chairs Clint Schulmacher and Larry Davis are to be congratulated. The high table count in all events is a great indication of your hard work. The barbecue meal served between sessions added icing to the cake. Additionally, it was evident to me and others that the hotel staff was happy to have the tournament at their facility and looking forward to supporting Unit 207 in 2008.

Chicago NABC

The tournament was great and the weather was wonderful. However I did not see as many Texans as at previous NABC's. Haarrriette Buckman, President of the ACBL and Director of District 13 did a great job as president.

Her theme as president was to recognize and support the many bridge teachers.

ACBL Foundation

When you pay your yearly ACBL service fees don't forget to add \$2.00 for the ACBL Educational Foundation. The bulk of the funds go to support the Junior Education Program and Scholarship Fund.

Charity Rebates

The following units will receive Charity Rebates for 2005: Unit 172-\$1,548; Unit 174-\$740; Unit 183-\$668; Unit 201-\$265 and Unit 225-\$353. The above units are requested to contact Kelly McGuire at 901.332.5586, Ext. 1237 prior to November 15, 2006.

Unit Growth Seminar

The Educational Foundation approved all three games submitted by Units 225, 176 and 237. However they are requesting that the Units pay 50% of the funds. Call Donna Compton at 214.394.5830 for more information. Individuals who would like to apply for a Growth Seminar Grant must complete the necessary forms prior to October 15, 2006.

Brazos Valley

Congratulations to Barbara Nance for receiving the good word to continue in her bridge classes. The Education Foundation approved her report for the years 2004-2005 and wish her well in her bridge classes for the school years 2006 and 2007.

Funds to Districts

There are twenty five districts in the ACBL. Many districts completely finance all their regionals and are referred to as district "rich". District 16 received only \$1.40 per table for units having a regional. These funds should be sent to the district treasurer upon completion of the event. Those units supporting the NABC are charged an extra \$1.00 per individual playing on Saturday. This is sent to the unit preparing for the NABC. No funds are sent to the districts for sectionals.

Elizabeth and I are eagerly looking forward to visiting, Waco, Lubbock, Richardson, Fort Worth Regional, New Braunfels, Odessa, Wichita Falls, Beaumont Regional, and to the Honolulu Nationals. We hope to visit all of these cities before December.

DISTRICT 16 - ACBL TEXAS STAR SERVICE AWARDS

**TO: President and Board of Directors
of each Unit of District 16**

RE: Texas Star Service Awards for 2006

Each Unit of District 16 has the right to annually designate a member of that Unit to receive a Texas Star Service Award. The Award can be given to a Unit member in good standing for outstanding and meritorious service to the Unit. The Award should not be given lightly and can be given only to someone who has not previously received this Award. The Texas Star Service Awards will be presented on Saturday before the evening session at the Houston Regional in February 2007.

If your Unit decides to so honor one of your members for 2006, please initiate the process within your Unit. After your selection is made, send us a letter outlining your designee's contributions to your Unit, a brief personal sketch, and, if possible, a photograph suitable for publishing in the *Scorecard*. We must receive all this information by January 1, 2007.

This is a great way to say "thank you" to a member who has worked hard in behalf of the Unit.

Please keep your selection secret as surprise is an important part of the Award presentation.

Feel free to call if you have any questions.

Texas Star Service Award Committee

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TEXAS STAR AWARDS

Description of the Award & Guidelines for Selection and Presentation Ceremony

1. The Texas Star Service Awards ("the Awards") shall be presented once annually at the Lone Star Regional Tournament held in Houston in the winter.
2. The Awards shall be presented by the President of District 16. If for any reason that officer is unable to make the Presentations, the Texas Star Service Awards Committee ("the Committee") shall select a person to make the presentation.
3. The Awards shall be presented just prior to commencement of play of the second session of the game held on Saturday. If play is held in more than one location, a presentation ceremony shall be held in each location. Presentation of the Awards shall be shown on the printed schedule of the tournament. Sufficient time for the presentation(s) shall be allowed by the Director in charge of that tournament.
4. Identity of the recipients of the Award shall be kept secret until their names are announced by the presenter during the presentation ceremony. All persons involved in the selection process at both the Unit and Committee levels shall take every precaution to insure confidentiality from commencement of the selection process until after presentation of the Awards. The method, screening and selection process shall not be discussed by any person involved except among themselves.
5. Each Unit within District 16 may, but need not, select one person to receive the Award annually. A married couple may be selected. Each person selected shall be a member of the selecting Unit in good standing, resident within District 16. A person who has received the Award in a prior year is not eligible for selection.
6. A recipient of the Award shall be a volunteer who has worked diligently at the Unit level. Receipt of a nominal compensation for burdensome tasks shall not automatically classify a person as a non-volunteer. A unit may ask the Committee to determine the classification of a potential recipient of the Award. The Committee's determination of classification of a potential recipient shall be final.
7. The Committee and its Chair shall be appointed by the President of District 16 at the annual meeting held during the Lone Star Regional Tournament in Houston at the beginning of each calendar year. The President may appoint the Jacoby Award Committee and its Chair to form the Texas Star Awards Committee *ex officio*. The Committee shall receive the selection from the Units annually, and arrange for a suitable commemorative pin for each recipient of this Award.
8. The Chair of the Committee shall notify each Unit each September of the opportunity to name a recipient of the Award. Such notification may be by letter or by publishing the notice in the *Scorecard*. The notice to the Units should outline the qualifications which the Unit should keep in mind in making its selection and should stress the need for confidentiality. Selections by the Unit must be received by the Committee by January 1 of each year.
9. The Committee shall maintain a record of all recipients of the Award.

Austin 4th of July Regional, June 29-July 4, 2006



Wed Eve Win-An-Entry Prs ABC
Stanley Bowen & Diana Rogers



Thurs Strat Open Prs A 1/2
Jerry Bigler & David Horner



Thurs Strat Open Prs A 1/2
Karen Snyder & Scott Humphrey



Thurs Strat Open Prs BC
Ivan Uys & Joe Black



Thurs Aft Side Prs ABC
Alice White & Erylne Pankratz



Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs ABC
Inez & Don Grider



Sat Strat Choice Prs A
Beth Tobias & Rosemary Kelley



Sat Strat Choice Prs C
Becky Tanner & Linda Lawrence



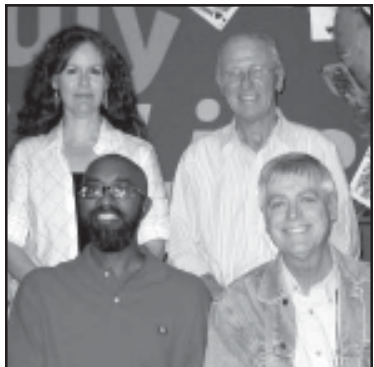
Sun Strat Choice Prs C
Elaine Wood & David Pearlman



Mon Morn Strat Side Prs BC
David Wicks & Eric Watson



Wed-Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Nagy Kamel, Ellen & Ira Hessel
Bill Staats, Greg Hinze, Justin Lall



Wed-Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Sandra Parker & Bob Arnett
Al Fortier & Jim Hargrove



Wed-Thurs Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Becky Tanner & Linda Lawrence
(np) Pat Prichard & Kay Laird



Thurs-Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt I
Leonard McCormick & Mike Stout
Robert Donathan & Larry Davis



Thurs-Fri Bktd KO Teams Bkt IV
Olivia Brown & Jerry Harrington
Arline Rubin & Cho Mayo

Nagy Kamel was the top masterpoint winner with 106.67 masterpoints.

Pair Events

Wed Eve Win an Entry Strat Open Prs A1.B1.C1. Diana Rogers-Stanley Bowen, Austin A2. Carolyn Fox-Edward Groner, Houston A3. Beth Coker, Bryan-Nancy Stanton, Frisco A4. Howard Wilkins, Abilene-James Tucker Jr, AL A5. Paul Kelley Jr,-Rosemary Kelley, Austin B2.C2. Judy Hitt-Jacqueline Fiegel, Austin B3. Tom Beer, OK- Ivan Uys, Fort Worth C3. Patricia White-Robert Pflugbeil, Austin.

Thurs Strat Open Prs A1/2. Jerry Bigler, Austin-David Horner, Carrollton A1/2. Scott Humphrey, Austin-Karen Snyder, Spicewood A3. H David Grace, Houston-Mark Lair, Canyon A4. Clint Schuhmacher-Mildred Breed, Austin A5. Elizabeth Tobias-Rosemary Kelley, Austin B1.C1. Ivan Uys, Fort Worth-Joe Black, Austin B2/3. Anthony Eckman-Linda Anthony, Austin B2/3. Richard Hamm-Virginia Hamm, Kerrville.

Fri Strat Open Prs A1. John Zilic-August Plate, Houston A2. Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio-Derrell Childs, Garland A3. Ann Brinker Schwall-Stephen Schwall, Houston A4. Jerry Bigler, Austin-David Horner, Carrollton A5. Gary Powell-Marcia Powell, Austin B1.C1. Jim Hargrove Jr, Austin-Alfred Fortier III, Katy B2. Jewel Stewart-Dahl-Dorothy Burns, Austin B3. Pam LaShelle, Round Rock-Genie Kaplan, Georgetown C2. Clint Schuhmacher-Hal DeShong, Austin C3. D Russell Long, Houston-John Bedford, Spring.

Sat Strat Choice Prs A1. Beth Tobias-Rosemary Kelley, Austin A2. Janet Clark-Thomas Clark, Georgetown A3. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper, Fort Worth A4. Chris Compton, Dallas-Marc Levine, Lubbock A5. Brenda Baker-Emily Leake, Tyler B1. Mike Stout-Charles Hampton, Austin B2. Jewel Stewart-Dahl-Dorothy Burns, Austin B3.

Ronald Brown-Jo Ann Brown, Dickinson C1. Linda Lawrence-Becky Tanner, San Antonio C2. John Moore-Roxann Swenson, Austin. C3. Jane Murphy, Burton-Barbara McAlister, Bryan.

Sun Strat Choice Prs A1. Eddie Wold, NV-Steven Norwich, IL A2. H David Grace, Houston-Mark Lair, Canyon A3. Chris Compton, Dallas-Marc Levine, Lubbock A4. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio-Virginia Noelke, San Angelo A5. Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie-Bryan Storey, Plano B1. Anton (Tony) Haddad-Mike Doyle, Houston B2. P East-Deborah East, San Marcos B3. Robert Stout-Charles Hampton, Austin C1. Elaine Wood, Southlake-David Pearlman, Trophy Club C2. Brenda Tranchon-Carol Kiehl, Austin C3. Joyce Norton-Laurie Goldberg, Laredo.

Mon Strati-Fltd Open Prs AX A1.X1. Margie Beegle-Joan Pleason, Houston A2. Rosemary Kelley-Scott Humphrey, Austin A3.X2. Geoff Booth-Robert Sandfield, Houston A4. Darlene Riely-Donna Watkins, San Antonio A5. Diane Olson, San Antonio-Donna McBride, Kerrville X3. Michael Boulette-Kenneth McBride, Kerrville X4. Puddin Barnes, Brenham-J Bachman Nabors III, Kempner **Strati BCD B1.C1.** Swadesh Mahajan-Kalpana Sutaria, Austin B2. Theo Korol-Matt Korol, Southlake B3. Karen Snyder, Spicewood-Sheryleen Grothus, San Antonio C2. P East-Deborah East, San Marcos C3.D1. HYPERSITE "mon_bcd_d.htm" Larry Smith- David Warner, Austin D2. Paula Warren, New Braunfels-Grant Coon II, San Marcos.

Morn Side Series 1/2. Marc Levine, Lubbock 1/2. Chris Compton, Dallas 3/4. Sandy Doyle, NM 3/4. Linda McDaniel, Denton 5/6. David Warner, Austin 5/6. Al Beck, Austin.

Aft Side Series 1. Shirley Henry, Austin 2/3. Frances Buckingham, Pharr 2/3. Rene Wallace, Mission 4. Eugene Cavanaugh, Austin 5/6. Eugene

Cavanaugh, Austin 5/6. Carol Ann McGill, Orange.

Eve Side Series 1. Anita Cokins, Austin 2/3. Dena Bruce, Austin 2/3. Stephen Bruce, Austin 4/5. Marc Levine, Lubbock 4/5. Chris Compton, Dallas.

Tues Strat Fast Prs A1.B1. Robert Donathan-Frank Floca, Austin A2. Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK A3. Margie Beegle-Joan Pleason, Houston A4. Darlene Shirey-Steve Shirey, Fort Worth A5. Sharon Haney-Betty Sue Henry, San Angelo B2. Martha Bullington-Millie Sherrod, Austin B3. June Mengden-Barbara Burks, Horseshoe Bay.

Team Events

Wed-Thurs KO Teams Bkt I 1. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel- Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Justin Lall, Dallas-Nagy Kamel, Plano-Bill Staats, Southlake 2. William Cook, Amarillo-Greg Loran, Lubbock-Tommy Birch, Borger-Mark Pedersen, Canyon-Lydia Bearden, Lakeway **Bkt II 1.** Robert Arnett, Houston-Sandra Parker, Sugar Land-Alfred Fortier III, Katy-Jim Hargrove Jr, Austin 2. James Mobley-Charlotte Mobley, Ivanhoe-Peggy Wyatt-Sue Vaughan, Rockwall 3/4. Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes-Shirley Naumann-William Charowhas-Nancy Brown, Marble Falls-Opal Thurman, OK-Delois Nell, Austin 3/4. Wiley McMinn III, Cedar Park-Peggy Geiler-Ellen Meyer-Dean Truair, Austin **Bkt III 1.** Linda Lawrence-Rebecca Lu Tanner-Pat Prichard-Kay Laird, San Antonio 2. Tipping Ellis-Ray Lytle, LA-Diane Hoksbergen, Keller-Katye Kowierschke, Fort Worth 3/4. Marilyn Sharratt-Nancy Dean-Evelyn Cloninger-Harriette Bowles, Austin 3/4. Cecil Parsons-Bonnie Shea, Plano-Patricia Marchman, Garland-Gay Czikora, Dallas.

Thurs Eve Strat BAM Teams A1. George Mann-Sharon Mann, Boerne-Kenneth McBride-Donna McBride, Kerrville A2. Janise Saul-Donna Watkins, San Antonio-Claudette

Hartman-Louis Sachar, Austin A3. Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely, San Antonio-Emily Leake-Brenda Baker, Tyler A4.B1. Virginia Wynne, Nixon-Mickey Edholm, Jalisco-Phil Brown, San Antonio-Beula Mae Pearce, Karnes City A5.B2. John Taylor, Lago Vista-Sue Gerard, Mexico City Irene Oppenheim-Charles Grimes, Midland B3. Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls-Opal Thurman, OK-Delois Nell, Austin C1/2. Tom Denson, Temple-Marcy Cochran, Georgetown-Lynn Sykes-Anne McKamy, Belton C1/2. Patrick Tourais, Kingwood-Delinda Verner, Abilene-Don Morgan, Houston-Sarah Hardin, Montgomery.

Thurs-Fri KO Teams Bkt I 1. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan-Mike Stout, Austin-Leonard McCormick, Lago Vista 2. Jack Lacy, Round Rock-James Thurtell-James Bauer, Dallas-Mike Miller, Temple-Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton 3/4. Bruce Cobb, Denver-Britain Beezley-Shelba Parmley, OK-Phillip Kielpinski, Amarillo 3/4. Ed Rawlinson, Helotes-Bill Walker, Bulverde-Paul Kelley Jr, Austin-Phillip Grothus, San Antonio **Bkt II 1.** Donna Lantz-Ronald Lantz-R Harry Akin-Tom Smith, Austin 2. John Lindsey-Theron Lindsey, Houston-Dan O'Malley-Jo Ann O'Malley, Katy 3/4. Colin Chang-Barbara Chang, Arlington-Carolyn Elliott-Gloria Myrick, MS 3/4. James Lennon-Angela Lennon, Austin-William Griffith-Susan Griffith, Houston **Bkt III 1.** Kathy Hughes, Missouri City-Marsha Sachs-Phyllis Crandall, Sugar Land-Patricia Ward, Stafford 2. Tom Cox-Sandra Cox-Charles Afulil-Danna Redford, Austin 3/4. Katherine Moore, Houston-Helen Layman-Jerry Taylor, College Station-Nancy Ann Hill, Bellaire 3/4. Doris Little-Thomas Little, Pharr-Gena Brooks-William Brooks, San Angelo **Bkt IV 1.** Arline Rubin-Olivia Brown-Cho Mayo, San Antonio-Jerrold Harrington, Garden Ridge 2. Chuck Brown-Betsy Goldsmith-Hilda

Lacher, Dallas-Marcia Hansen, Plano 3/4. Joe Dean-Donna Dean, Keller-Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd, Euless 3/4. Barbara Odom, Cedar Hill-Mary Ellen Stanton-Helen Nelson-Linda Madding, Grand Prairie.

Fri Eve Strat Swiss Teams A1. Paul Kelley Jr, Austin-Phillip Grothus, San Antonio-Ed Rawlinson, Helotes-Bill Walker, Bulverde A2.B1. Pam Phillips- Patricia White-Robert Pflugbeil, Austin-Darlene Gilmore, La Grange A3. Michael Walrath, Keller-Gail Wells, Plano-Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper, Fort Worth A4. Stephen Bruce-Dena Bruce, Austin-Charlene Sands, Pflugerville-Virgil Massey, Driftwood A5. Carolyn Riely-Terry Riely, San Antonio-Sharon Mann-George Mann, Boerne B2.C1. Sandra Harris-Gloria Wilson-Barbara Hollahan-Patsy Martin, Austin B3.C2. Marilyn Sharratt-Nancy Dean-Stanley Bowen-Martha Norman, Austin C3. Dianne Kraft-Joseph Wald-Edwin Zwald Jr-David Wicks, Houston.

Fri Late Night Zip KO Teams 1. Sharon Kern-Jennie Flynn Sauviac-Joan Van Geffen-Julius Rosenfield, LA 2. Bob Marvin-Nora Oliver, Fort Worth-Louis Sachar-Nancy Joe, Austin 3/4. Betty Gilmore-Nancy Garrett-Patricia Duncan, Arlington-Joyce Taylor, Mansfield 3/4. James LaFountain, Temple-Becky Mosely, San Antonio-Penny Snow, Beeville-Marilyn German, Corpus Christi.

Fri-Sat KO Teams Bkt I 1. Dan Morse, Houston-Ira Hessel-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel, Plano 2. Kerr Godfrey, Houston-George Pisk, Manchaca-Mike Bukala, Waco-Michael Huston, MO 3/4. William Cook, Amarillo-Mark Pedersen, Canyon-Tommy Birch, Borger-Greg Loran, Lubbock-Lydia Bearden, Lakeway 3/4. Ken Schutze-Jim Griffin-Pat Griffin-Steve Wood, Austin-Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring **Bkt II 1.** Marky Craig-Robert Pruiett-Alan Laverty-Sharon Hoyer, Austin 2. Kathleen Malcolmson-Geoff Booth-

780 Players Win Points at Austin Regional - Wow!



Fri Morn Strat Side Prs A
Henry Gurley & (np) V Sekac



Fri Strat Open Prs BC
James Brown & Mary Klein



Fri Aft Strat Side Prs A
Alexander Labry & Ann Faget



Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs
Carolyn Gilmore & Dee Els



Fri Eve Strat Side Prs B
Tom Nute & Shirley Prewitt



Mon Strati-Flted Open Prs BC
Kalpana Sutaria & Swadesh Mahajan



Mon Strati-Flted Open Prs D
Larry Smith & David Warner



Mon Eve Strat Side Prs A
Steve & Dena Bruce



Tues Strat Fast Prs AB
Robert Donathan & Frank Floca



Morn Side Series
Chris Compton & Marc Levine



Sun-Mon Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Bruce Moore, Jesse Gordon, Adam Ruprecht, Greg Giem & Greg Schepens



Morn Bktd KO Team Bkt I
Mike Miller & (np) James Bauer
Tricia Kane & Marilou Powell



Fri-Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Mark Craig & Sharon Hoger
Alan Laverty & Robert Pruiett



Fri-Sat Bktd KO Teams Bkt III
Mike Huiatt & Joyce Cooper
Linda Bush & Eric Watson



Sat-Sun Bktd KO Teams Bkt II
Jonathan Ernest & (np) Sandy Campbell
Stewart Angel & David Farris.

Wilma Booth-Robert Sandfield, Houston 3/4. Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes- Nancy Brown-William Charowhas-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls-Delois Nell, Austin 3/4. Marilyn MacDonald-Bill MacDonald-Pat Kubicek-Nels Nielsen-Pat Shoesmith, Corpus Christi **Bkt III** 1. Mike Huiatt, Fair Oaks Ranch-Joyce Cooper-Linda Bush, Austin-Eric Watson, Houston 2. Patsy Walters-Olive Wood, Fort Worth-Fonse

Ragland-B Thomas McElroy, Dallas 3/4. Cecil Parsons-Bonnie Shea, Plano-Gay Czikora, Dallas-Patricia Marchman, Garland 3/4. Phil Brown, San Antonio-Charles Raines, Katy-Sue Olstad, Houston-Bente Davies, Sugar Land 3/4. Phil Brown, San Antonio-Charles Raines, Katy-Sue Olstad, Houston-Bente Davies, Sugar Land **Bkt IV** 1. Carolyn Bradford-Linda Thomas-Rhonda Huser, Dallas-Shay Ura, Plano 2. Patricia Reynolds, Dallas-

Frances Clem, Plano-Barbara Blaine-Nancy Tracy, AR 3/4. Junior McKay-Peggy McKay, Brookshire-Freddye Thompson, Bryan-Shirley Watts, College Station 3/4. Horatio Aldredge-Jacquelyn Aldredge, San Antonio-Gayle McCarron-Immie Pamplin, Austin.

Sat Eve Strat Swiss Teams A1. Linda Spangler, Duncanville-Thomas Hughes Jr, Fort Worth-Joe Clark, Dallas-Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock A2.

Sharon Mann-George Mann, Boerne-Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely, San Antonio A3. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, N Richland Hills-Mark Bumgardner-Michael Dalton, Carrollton-Hugh Hillaker-Merri-Jo Hillaker, Grand Prairie A4.B1. Phil Brown, San Antonio-Charles Raines, Katy-Sue Olstad, Houston-Bente Davies, Sugar Land A5.B2. David Hoogenberg, Ajjic-Doreen Ransom-Colin Ransom, Diane Van Brocklin, Jalisco B3.C1. Gloria Wilson-Mark Miller-Barbara Hollahan-Patsy Martin, Austin C2/3. Don Morgan, Houston-Linda Lawrence-Rebecca Lu Tanner, San Antonio-Sarah Hardin, Montgomery C2/3. Armand Shapiro-Lynn Shapiro-Dianne Kraft-David Wicks, Houston.

Sat Late Night Zip KO Teams Bkt I 1. J'Neane Huey, Fort Worth-Bryan Morgan, Dallas-Linda Spangler, Duncanville-Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock 2. Patricia Lozano, San Antonio-John Oakley, Round Rock-Anton (Tony) Haddad-Mike Doyle, Houston 3/4. Derrell Childs, Garland-Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio-Alan Copeland-Kathryn Locke, Midland 3/4. John Chapman-Wendy Wheeler, AR-Diane Schaffer, Frisco-Tomi Fitzgerald, Plano **Bkt II** 1. Jonathan Ernest, Lindale-Sandra Campbell, Kaufman-Bobby Jaeger-Georgie Jaeger, Colleyville 2. Jolie Hess-Terry Currie, Houston-Marilyn German, Corpus Christi-Penny Snow, Beeville 3/4. Cecil Parsons-Bonnie Shea, Plano-Patricia Marchman, Garland-Gay Czikora, Dallas 3/4. Betty Gilmore-Nancy Garrett-Patresia Duncan, Arlington-Joyce Taylor, Mansfield.

Sat-Sun KO Tams Bkt I 1. John Zilic-Georgiana Gates-August Plate, Houston-Steve Shirey, Fort Worth 2. Bob Hamman-Petra Hamman-Hemant Lall-Justin Lall, Dallas 3/4. Timothy Frick-Marilyn LaFleur-Shelba Parmley-Britain Breezley, OK 3/4. Sharon Kern-Jennie Flynn Sauviac-Joan Van Geffen-Julius Rosenfield-

Jane De Montluzin-Douglas De Montluzin, LA **Bkt II** 1. Stewart Angel, Wake Village-Jonathan Ernest, Lindale-Sandra Campbell, Kaufman-David Farris, Austin 2. James Stevens-Sandra Stevens, Katy-Betsy Dubose, Bellaire-Thomas Schmalz, Galveston-Robert Curl, Houston-David Curl, Nederland 3/4. Joyce Klein-Benjamin Klein, Houston-Robert Donathan-Frank Floca, Austin 3/4. Patrick Long-Swadesh Mahajan-Kalpana Sutaria, Austin-Mary Anne Laier, Lakeway **Bkt III** 1. James Lennon-Angela Lennon, Austin-William Griffith-Susan Griffith, Houston 2. Robert Arnett-Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer, Houston-Sandra Parker, Sugar Land 3/4. Larry Morris-Judith Ensor-Charles Ensor, Seabrook-Mary Burnell, Canyon Lake 3/4. Karen Nimmons-Jonathan Holmes-Edwin Zwald Jr-Joseph Wald, Houston **Bkt IV** 1. Terry Newman, Cedar Park-Gloria Lubenow, Round Rock-Jacqueline Figel-C Cree, Austin 2. Gene Kincaid- Judy Kincaid, Denison-Bert Dempsey, Sherman-David Reynolds, Whitesboro 3/4. Jay Thorne-Paula Wissman, San Antonio-John Chapman-Wendy Wheeler, AR 3/4. Jean Sebastian-Doris Turrentine, Georgetown-Kimi Lambert, New Braufels-William De Shane, San Antonio.

Sun Eve Strat BAM Teams A1/2. Ed Davis, Austin-Donna Watkins-Darlene Riely, San Antonio- John Bowers, Seguin A1/2. H David Grace, Houston- Mark Lair, Canyon-Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio-Virginia Noelke, San Angelo A3. George Fox-Carolyn Fox-Edward Groner-Vinh Tran, Houston A4/6. Jack Lacy, Round Rock-James Thurtell, Dallas-Bruce Cobb, CO-Phillip Kiepinski, Amarillo A4/6. Sharon Kern-Jennie Flynn Sauviac-Jane De Montluzin-Douglas De Montluzin, LA A4/6. Terrie Reid, Houston-Bob Bainter, MO-George Pisk, Manchaca-Mike Bukala, Waco B1/2. Karen Nimmons-Joseph Wald-Edwin Zwald

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More Winners from the Austin 4th of July Regional...



Sun-Mon Bkted KO Teams Bkt II
Phil Brown & Opal Thurman
Shirley Naumann & Virginia Ray



Thurs Eve BAM Teams A
Sharon Mann & Kenneth McBride
George Mann & Donna McBride



Fri Eve Swiss Teams C
Pat Martin & Barbara Hollahan
Sandy Harris & Gloria Wilson



Sat Eve Strat Swiss Teams A
Carol Schoenhals & Linda Spangler
Joe Clark & Thomas Hughes



Sat Zip KO Teams
J'Neane Huey & Bryan Morgan
Linda Spangler & (np) Carol Schoenhals



Sun Eve BAM Teams A 1/2
Ed David & Darlene Riely
John Bowers & Donna Watkins



Tues Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B
Carole Price & Bette Allen
Cecelia Zachar & Sally Armstrong



Sat-Sun KO Teams Bkt I
Steve Shirey & (np) Georgiana Gates
John Zilic & August Plate
John and Gus also won
Fri Strat Open Prs A



Tues Strati-Flted Swiss Teams C
Mark Craig & Sharon Hoger
(np) S Mahajan & K Sutaria



Tues Strati-Flted Swiss Teams D
Marilyn Sharratt & Nancy Dean
Barbara Hollahan & Gloria Wilson

Jr-Jonathan Holmes, Houston B1/2. David Hoogenberg, Ajijic-Diane Van Brocklin, Jalisco-Doreen Ransom-Colin Ransom, BC B3.C1. Thomas Thomas-Diana Thomas-Wilma Booth-Kathleen Malcolmson, Houston C2/3. Charles Raines, Katy-Carol Lombardino-Sue Olstad, Houston-Bente Davies, Sugar Land C2/3. Melvin Ball-Gay Nell Ball-Verna Frank, Hurst-Elizabeth Peterson, N Richland Hills.

Sun Eve Late Night Zip KO Teams

1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-North Richland Hills-Justin Lall, Dallas-Patricia Lozano, San Antonio 2. Hugh Hillaker-Merri-Jo Hillaker, Grand Prairie-Bill Staats, Southlake-Nagy Kamel, Plano 3/4. Ed Davis, Austin-Donna Watkins-Darlene Riely, San Antonio-John Bowers, Seguin 3/4. Jonathan Ernest, Lindale-Charles Hampton-Mary Kocurek-David McCarron, Austin.

Fri-Mon Morn Bkted KO Teams

1. Mike Miller, Temple-James Bauer, Dallas-Marilou Powell, Round Rock-Tricia Kane, Austin TX 2. Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Justin Lall, Dallas-Nagy Kamel, Plano-Bill Staats, Southlake 3/4. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, North Richland Hills-Michael Walrath, Keller-Gail Wells, Plano 3/4. William Cook, Amarillo-Tommy Birch, Borger-Mark Pedersen, Canyon-Greg Loran, Lubbock.

Mon Strat Swiss Teams A1. Jim



Mon Strat Swiss Teams A
Pat Griffin & Buddy Hanby
Sally Wheeler & Jim Griffin
Ken Schutze & Steve Wood

Griffin-Pat Griffin-Ken Schutze-Steve Wood, Austin-Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring A2. George Pisk, Manchaca-Kerr Godfrey, Houston-Mike Bukala, Waco-Michael Huston, MO A3. Phillip Grothus-Ellen Hessel, San Antonio-B Marshall, San Luis Potosi-Jan Lall, Houston A4. Gary Powell, Austin-Marilou Powell, Round Rock-Ed Rawlinson, Helotes-Bill Walker, Bulverde A5. Justin Lall, Dallas-Bryan Storey, Plano-Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie-Patricia Lozano, San Antonio B1. Larry Davis-Beth Tobias-Louis Sachar-Pat Long, Austin B2.C1. Gene Thompson, Brenham-Jan Hart-Evelyn Smith-Kathleen Midkiff, Temple B3. Nancy Joe-Shirley Henry-Madeline Randolph, Austin-Tommy Birch,

Borger-Donald Varvel, Corpus Christi C2. Poppy Hulsey-Rhoda Singleton-Donnie Lewis, Georgetown-Marie Hahn, Burnet C3. Joe Black-Mark McAllister-Laura Delfeld, Austin-Malou Flato, MT.

Sun-Mon Bkted KO Teams Bkt I

1. Dan Morse, Houston-Joe Quinn-Shawn Quinn, Richmond-Ira Hessel-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel, Plano 2. Derrell Childs, Garland-Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio-Alan Copeland-Kathryn Locke, Midland 3/4. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, North Richland Hills-Michael Dalton-Mark Bumgardner, Carrollton-Merri-Jo Hillaker-Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie 3/4. Carol Schoenhals-Greg Loran, Lubbock-Mark Pedersen, Canyon-Joe Clark, Dallas **Bkt II** 1. Phil Brown, San Antonio-Shirley Naumann, Marble Falls-Virginia Ray, Meadowlakes-Opal Thurman, OK 2. Stanley Bowen-Diana Rogers-Vera Chimene-Dorothy Burns, Austin 3/4. Marion Collins-Sarah Webster, Magnolia-Lilian Jones-Chris Jones, Houston 3/4. John McConnell, DeSoto-Kenneth McAllister, Pearland-Dee Berg, Arlington-John Wang, MD 5/8. Patrick Hambrick-Marise Hambrick, Beeville-Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel, Corpus Christi 5/8. Dianne Decker-Flora Pettit-James Wueste, Austin-Harvey Browning,



Sun-Mon Bkted KO Teams Bkt I
Ira Hessel & Shawn Quinn
Joe Quinn & Nagy Kamel
Greg Hinze & Dan Morse

Georgetown **Bkt III** 1. Jesse Gordon-Adam Ruprecht-Greg Schepens-Greg Giem, Austin-Bruce Moore, OH 2. Marilyn Sharratt-Nancy Dean, Austin-Margaret Stultz-Ann Taylor, Houston 3/4. Don Morgan, Houston-Sarah Hardin, Montgomery-Max Jackson-Sheridan Nichols, Fort Worth 3/4. Gloria Wilson-Patsy Martin-Sandra Harris-Barbara Hollahan, Austin.

Mon Late Night Zip KO Teams 1.

Justin Lall, Dallas-Mike Doyle, Houston-Patricia Lozano, San Antonio-Eddie Bass, Austin 2. Mike Miller, Temple-Mary Anne Laier, Lakeway-Patrick Long-Louis Sachar, Austin 3/4. David Wicks-Dianne Kraft-Eric Watson, Houston-Alfred Fortier III, Katy 3/4. Derrell Childs, Garland-Alan Copeland-Kathryn Locke,

Midland-Tony Haddad, Houston-Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio.

Tues Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX

A1. Kenneth Schutze, Austin-Paul Burka, Austin-Leon Schidlow, Mexico City-Mark Lair, Canyon A2/3. Dan Morse, Houston- Joe Quinn, Richmond-Greg Hinze, San Antonio-Nagy Kamel, Plano A2/3. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, Spring-Jim Griffin-Pat Griffin, Austin A4. Mildred Breed-Anita Cokins-Clint Schuhmacher, Austin-Shawn Quinn, Richmond A5. Jack Lacy, Round Rock-James Thurtell, Dallas-Mike Bukala, Waco-George Pisk, Manchaca X1. Mike Doyle, Houston-Eddie Bass, Austin-Justin Lall, Dallas-Patricia Lozano, San Antonio X2. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper-Michael Heymann, Fort Worth-Glenda Chaison-John Chaison Jr, CA **Strati BCD** B1. Carole Price-Bette Allen-Cecelia Zachar-Sally Armstrong, San Antonio B2.C1. Mark Craig-Sharon Hoger-Kalpana Sutaria-Swadesh Mahajan, Austin B3. Jerry Jungmichel-Edna Whitworth-Mike Stout-Charles Hampton, Austin C2. Pam Phillips-Diana Rogers-Linda Anthony-Joe Black, Austin C3.D1. Marilyn Sharratt-Nancy Dean-Barbara Hollahan-Gloria Wilson, Austin D2. David Warner-Larry Smith, Austin-Horatio Aldredge-Jacquelyn Aldredge, San Antonio D3. David Dickson-Laura Dickson - Carol Kiehl - Brenda Tranchon, Austin.

Unit 207
Austin
Linda Anthony



So much for a summer slump! Things continue to sizzle, and not just temperatures, here in River City. Our July 4th Regional was a huge success. Attendance records were broken, gold cards won and a good time had by all. Thanks to all who made it possible.

Another round of thanks, albeit a belated one, goes out to three women who decided our bridge community needed a home. After attending one of Donna Compton's Unit Development seminars, Rosemary Kelley and Beth Tobias launched an all-out effort to find and fund a site that would eventually become the Bridge Center of Austin. They were soon joined by Flora Petit and a small group of investors. The center celebrates its one-year anniversary September 17 and is in no small part responsible for the remarkable growth our unit has enjoyed this year.

Speaking of growth, last month was our busiest yet, with 13 new members joining the unit. Eight players reinstated their memberships; 10 transferred in and five transferred out, bringing our ranks to a total of 722 players! At the Regional, Dewitt Hudson presented board president Mary Anne Laier with a congratulatory plaque for our efforts in growing the game.

Also contributing to our growth is the Mentor Program which is back by popular demand. In an effort to target new to duplicate and beginning players, we've made a few changes: "mentees"/newcomers must have fewer than 10 masterpoints and cannot have previously participated in the program. Newcomers will be paired with a mentor and play up to twice a month with a break during December. When playing with their "mentee," mentors play free! The six-month program gets underway with an orientation meeting October 1 at 1 p.m. at the Bridge Center. Registration deadline is September 15. Please see

the flyers at local club games for more information.

Special mention also goes to the many members who achieved personal milestones in the last two months. Let's start the roster with new Life Masters: Joyce Cooper; Sandy and Tom Cox; Dianne Decker and George Richards. Clint Schuhmacher achieved Bronze Life Master status. Newly minted Silver Life Masters are Robert Donathan; Mattie Hubbard and Erlyne Pankratz. Rosemary Kelley reached the Diamond Life Master level. Larry Davis and Beth Tobias have won 2,000 points and Darlene Gilmore has won 750. Harriette Bowles; Laura and Dave Dickson and Adam Ruprecht have racked up 200 points and George Jones and Ron Turner have each earned 100 points. Three participants in last year's Mentor Program - Greg Giem, Barbara Hollahan and Gloria Wilson - along with Nancy Dean, David McCarron and Charles O'Neil have won 50 points. Congratulations and well played to all!

Opportunities to rack up more

points about this month, so pull out your calendars. The New Braunfels Sectional runs September 7-10 at the New Braunfels Civic Center. Our Sectional is two weeks later, September 21-24, at the Clarion Inn. A Unit Championship and Anniversary Party will be held September 16 at the Bridge Center. That game will start at 12:30 p.m. As part of the celebration, a Club Team Championship game will be held at 6:30 p.m. Reservations are required for both events. Please contact

me to reserve your spot! Many special games and Club Championships will be held during September so please check our local newsletter or website for more information. The last Non Life Master Sectional of the year will be held October 21-22 at the Bridge Center.

Lastly, we say goodbye and good luck to three members who've transferred away: Zane O'Keefe to St. Louis; Sharon Beynon and Alex Kolesnik to San Luis Obispo.

Congratulations Austin Unit 207

District 16 Membership Growth & Retention Award

#1 in Membership Growth for the last 12 months

**Unit 224
Fort Phantom
Ginny Wisdom**



Plans are well underway for our Abilene Harvest Sectional Tournament on October 20-22nd. This will be in the Abilene Civic Center.

In the meantime our August 299er Sectional took place on the 4th and the 5th. Co-chairs were Martha Murphy and Bobbie Grier and Hospitality co-chairs were Sammie Gibson and Mary Ann Hall. Pat Hess was busy as Partnership Chair.

Winners of the World Wide Bridge in June on the 2nd were Jackie Sonnenburg & Henry Doscher-A and Bobbie Grier & Martha Murphy -B. On the 3rd, winners were Pat Wilson &- Jackie Sonnenburg-A and Lera Lewis & Martha Murphy-B.

NAP winners on the 9th were Margaret Gregory & Henry Doscher-A and Suzanne Davis & Ginny Wisdom-B; on the 11, winners were: N/S Pat Wilson & Dee Stearns-A and Martha Murphy & Bobbie Grier-B and E/W Bonnie Cartledge & Betty Henderson-A and Delinda Verner & Dale Lain-B; on the 16th, winners were: Dale Lain & Martha Murphy-A Robert Patton & Vance McCracken-B and Mark & Mickie Wyatt-C.

We started July off with a Bang on Independence Day by being treated by our First Tuesday Hostesses, Beverly Walker and Pat Wilson, to the usual American diet of hot dogs and all the trimmings. Can't forget our "flag" cake..all red white and blue with blue berries and red raspberries and white icing. Winners of the day were: N/S Howard Wilkins & Pat Ramsey-A and

Jeane Brittain & Norma Labarthe-B; E/W-Fran Herchenhahn & Bobbie Gier-A.

NAP winners: on the 7th, Norma Labarthe & Jeane Brittain-A; on the 11th, Howard Wilkins 7 Henry Doscher-A, Bobbie Grier & Don Dwyer-B and Desa Lee-Laird & Larry Robertson-C; on the 19th Don Dwyer & Bobbie Grier; on the 22nd, N/S Howard Wilkins & Dee Stearns-A, Lera Lewis & Mary Wilkerson-B and Mary Bean & Carol McCracken-C and E/W Fran Herchenhahn & Ginny Wisdom A & B and James Jay and Ed Rogers-C; on the 23rd, Daisy Shivers & Margaret Gregory A & B.

Can't pass up Kay Strickland's Life Master Part on the 22nd. Kay received a deep orange rose corsage, was toasted with an amusing poem penned by Pat Ramsey and read by Jackie Sonnenburg. The beautiful cake trimmed with bridge symbols was accompanied by a vase of very bright summer flowers.


Jackie Sonnenburg has begun teaching advance bridge lessons on Thursdays. We welcomed two visitors from Gorman on the Fourth: James Jay and Ed Rogers. Hope to see them again.

We hear our former director, Joyce Cox has sold her home and has moved to Austin. We wish her happiness at the new location. Delaine Deaton is still at physical therapy on her leg but not missing a game. Howard Wilkin's wife, Hope, is ill. We wish her well. Sammie Gibson had carotid artery surgery and a week later was enjoying California weather with her daughter. Darla Mawson visited her family for a couple of weeks in Arizona. Pat and Delbert Hess earned their last bit of gold in Las Vegas then off they flew to St. John Island to attend their son's wedding. (Congratulations to the Hesses!)

Betty Henderson flew to the Big Apple with two other friends and took in a couple of Broadway shows and returned in three days! Bonnie Cartledge and a friend just returned from her so-called Geriatric Journey out West visiting old friends.

We are looking forward to Vance McCracken's Life Master Party this month of August and preparing for another in September for the Hess' Party. In the meantime, mark your calendars for the October Tournament—the 20th-22nd. See you there!


**Unit 353
Wichita Falls
Shirley Bond**



We were saddened to learn of the death of our long time friend and much admired Lisque Lesley. She went to be with her Lord on June 26th at the age of 97 years young. Lisque had made her home in Wichita Falls for 75 years. One year ago she moved to Kerrville to live with her son and his wife and to be near her daughter in San Antonio. She continued to play bridge at the Kerrville Duplicate Club until her death. A beautiful Memorial Service was held on June 30 at Floral Heights Methodist Church in Wichita Falls. Our sympathy is extended to her family and many friends.

Congratulations to our newest Life Master, Jolene Brantley. She was honored with a Life Master Party at the September Unit Game. Jolene is Tournament Co-Chair for the Wichita Falls Sectional September 29-October

**Unit 201
Sabine Neches
Joan Burnett**



June and July were busy as usual. We will soon be having more Life Master parties as several players are finishing their master point requirements. On July 8, we had another Gold Life Master party, this one honoring Martha Sigler, a popular player. Great food and beautiful flowers added to the celebration. It was a very enjoyable afternoon. Overall winners were: 1st in A, John & Nancy Smalley; 2nd in A, Martha Sigler and Flo Gillispie. First in B were Nelta Devine and Lorena Strange, and first in C were Tom and Mary V Engelking.

In the eleven NAP games, the most frequent winners were, alphabetically:

1 at the Shrine Maskat Temple.

Unit 353 extends a warm welcome to Bill Ream, who has returned to Texas from Virginia Beach. He is now living in Electra with his mother. Bill, we are very glad you are back in Texas.

Ray Renk has been missed at the bridge table. He is recovering from recent knee surgery. Ray, we are looking forward to seeing you soon.

Annetta Vaccarella and Dee McKinley, who share the same birthday, were honored with a birthday luncheon on August 1 at the Bridge Club. We all enjoyed a fun day of bridge and delicious food.

Congratulations to: Jolene Brantley and Kathleen Brown on their recent 72% game at Bridge-A-Gap; Anne Halsell and Susan Couch on their recent 71.88% game at Vernon Duplicate

Bridge Club; and Bill and Babs Kleinecke on their recent 71.53% games at Bridge-A-Gap.

Welcome home to Gene and Helen Probst. They took their daughter and three grandchildren to England for a two week vacation. We understand they had a wonderful trip.

Have you made your hotel reservations for September 29th for the Wichita Falls Fall Sectional? If you have not, please call Best Western Northtown Inn at 940-766-3300 by September 21 for the \$62.00 bridge rate. If you need a partner, please contact Gladys Barley at 940-691-5505 or gladysbarley@swbell.net.

Our members are busy planning to have delicious food for you. Please make your plans to attend our tournament September 29-October 1.

District 16 Unit Good Will Awards



Please send picture and bio of your selections to Eric Snow
EricLSnow@excite.com

In 2006, District 16 implemented a Goodwill Award to recognize and honor District 16 players who exhibit a spirit of courtesy, kindness and tact at the Bridge table. These individuals are our ambassadors of goodwill to all other players. There is no master point requirement, but recipients should be frequent players in clubs and tournaments within their unit.

Each Unit may select two members to receive the Goodwill Award each year. Selection should be made from among the Unit's membership by year-end with presentations to be made at the Unit's convenience early the following year. If no selection is made by year-end, there is no carry-forward and no award will be given for that Unit that year.

Flo Gillispie; Bill Ginger; Tipton Golias; Don Holst; Juanell Jones; Blanche Sibley; Nancy Smalley and Mary Lou Terry. Some new names have come into the mix as a result of the new and very popular C strat days held on the first and third Mondays of each month. C Winners in the three C strat NAP games were: alphabetically: Noel Buff; Jean Davis; Paul Keedy; Edwina Landrum; Jim Landrum; Rudy Nelson; Nan Oxford; Julie Thedford; Barbara White and Helen and Rudy Williams.

Two Monday evening 149er Club Championship games starred Buck Buckhannan, Norma Crane, Bob Dalton, Jack Evans, B.J. Nobles and Curtis O'Steen. We're pleased to have Norma's grandson, Josh Crane, who is progressing well in Monday evening and Wednesday morning games. In a 199er Club Champ game on July 26, perennial winners Pat Schiwart and

Frankie Hall were 1st and Paul Keedy and J.B. Pershon were 2nd. Alice Keith and M. Ashy, very nice ladies from Port Arthur, who visited us for the first time, won B.

Two Unit Charity Championship games were held on Strat C Mondays in July. A winners were Cynthia Stueber playing with Blanche Sibley and Don Holst with Bill Ginger. B stars were Gloria Webb playing with Ruby Luke and Edwina Landrum with husband Jim. C winners were Jean Brickhouse with Mary Jane Garth, and Rudy Nelson playing with Noel Buff.

In a really big Junior Program game held on Wednesday, July 19, Kaz Bell and Betty Poindexter took A & B. Mary Jane Garth and Betty Long tied with Shirley Ferguson and Edwina Landrum for C. Flo Gillispie and Martha Sigler were close in A, and Merrill Lott and Tipton Golias edged out Marvin Park and Joe Lattimore, who were 2nd in B.

In an individual game held on Thursday afternoon, July 27, Jack Evans, a nice guy who has joined us recently, was 1st across the board. Thelma Stockdale tied with Carol McGill for 2nd and 3rd overall. We're happy that Jan Niederstadt is playing with us again. Jan placed 4th, taking 2nd in C and 3rd in B.

Winners in the July month-end Charity Champ team game held in Orange were: Ruby Collins, Raymond Carlson, Violet Branch and Adolfina Seals, 1st; and Mary and Joe Majors, Sandy Parkhurst and Billie Carter, 2nd.

The unit annual meeting was held on Monday, June 5, with a game following. Sally Blewett and Patsy Pierce won A & B and Flo Gillispie and Arline Meyeres were 2nd in A. Second in B were Ron Stueber and Rudy Nelson.

July birthday honorees in the Thursday Club were: Jean Brickhouse, Jack Evans, Andy Lewis, Betty Poindexter, Annette Riegel and Dot White. The Thursday Club isn't the same without Earl Fitch, a favorite player, who passed away in June. The Unit extends to Earl's wife, Mary Lou, our heartfelt sympathy.

We look forward to our Regional Tournament, which begins October 10, and hope all of you will attend and take home lots of gold. See more about it in the *Bulletin* and *Scorecard*.



Abilene's Harvest Festival

October 20-22, 2006
Hosted by Fort Phantom Bridge Unit 224

Abilene Texas Civic Center
North 6th and Pine

Friday, October 20

Stratified Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:00 pm
0-100 Pairs (3 table minimum)	1:30 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, October 21

Bracketed KO Teams* I, II, III	9:00 am, 1:30 pm, 7:00 pm
Stratified Pairs, single sessions	1:30 & 7:00 pm
0-100 Pairs (3 table minimum)	1:30 & 7:00 pm

Sunday, October 22

Stratified Swiss Teams	10:00 & TBA
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Meal served between sessions

Stratifications
A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500NLM
*KO may be handicapped per director's discretion

Free coffee and a lot of Abilene great snacks and hospitality
Zero Tolerance & Free Parking
Non smoking with hospitality breaks

Entry Fees
\$9/session Friday/Saturday & \$80/Sunday

Tournament Chairman Ginny Wisdom ginwizcaton@juno.com 325.698.3603	Host Hotel Civic Plaza Hotel 505 Pine Street Abilene, TX 79601
Publicity Chaimen Delbert Hess Ginny Wisdom	800.588.0222 \$56.00 (1-4 Guests) Ask for Bridge Rate

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Sanction #S0610159

Beaumont Bridge Studio
950 North Street
Beaumont, TX 77701
Betty Poindexter President

June 16, 2006

Col. Dewitt Hudson
5402 Sapphire CT.
Arlington, TX 76017-4628

Dear Dewitt:

I am pleased to be able to report that in the slightly more than 8 months since Hurricane Rita's visit we have made real progress in getting things back to normal. All of the officers and members thank you and District 16 for your generous financial help. Here are the storm related expenses for both studios.

Orange Community Bridge League was forced to move to a new location. They were provided funds for the following:

* Moving expenses	\$204.54
* New bidding boxes	\$285.48
* Copier	\$265.19
* Total Orange	\$755.21

Beaumont Bridge Studio incurred the following expenses:

* General after storm clean up	\$ 525.00
* Air conditioner repair	\$ 219.74
* Securing old studio building	\$ 140.00
* Electrical repairs	\$ 155.60
* Interior painting	\$1,610.29
* Floor maintenance	\$ 425.00
* Total Beaumont	\$3,075.63
* Grand total	\$3,830.84

Again, the members of unit 201 appreciate your assistance.

Best regards,
Betty Poindexter
President Beaumont Bridge Studio

Houston Sunny Days Sectional, August 11-13, 2006

Results: Houston Sectional

Chris Compton, Dallas, was the top masterpoint winner with 41.72.

Fri-Sat Handicapped KO Teams

Bkt I 1. Steven Tuggle-Sandra Parker-Mark Wallet-Duane Friedrich 2. William Baker-Brigitte Sandifer-Sandra Clark-Natalie Wernet **Bkt II** 1. Mary McManus-Christopher Rimkus-Barbara Montgomery-Sharon Haley 2. John Heath-George Keiller-Janet Rauscher-Alan Dennis **Bkt III** 1. Paul Cuneo-Carmen Keys-Nancy Crabtree-David Dyer 2. Beverly Cheatham-Edwin Bain III-Francine Hargrove-Karla Riddick

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Kenneth Cole-Chris Compton A2. Jeanne Linzel-Mary Gentry B1.C1. Frances Simmons-James Simmons B2. Linda Brending-William Brending C2. Kay Bruce-Betty Kyle Moore.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. David Anton-Dick Zinser A2.B2. William Caplan-Jo Lou Parks C2. Nancy Strohm-Hans Strohm.

Fri Aft Strat 49er Prs A1. Susan Theiss-Muriel Gilmour A2.B1. Myrna Dorman-Anne Knott B2. Barbara Montalbano-Geri McKallip.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Kenneth Cole-Chris Compton A2. Mimi Hagedorn-Milton Freedman B1. James Winfield-L Travis B2. John Lai-L Leo L T Chiang C1. Ralph Herz-Art Desmond C2. Milton Ellisor-Becky Ellisor.

Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Terri Orlean-Laura Jones A2. Douglas Richardson-Linda Richardson B2. Jay Karkowsky-Jack Rawitscher C2. Evelyn James-Edna Kelly.



Fri Eve Open Prs B
L. Travis & James Winfield



Fri Eve Opens Prs C
Ralph Herz & (np) Art Desmond



Fri Eve 299er Prs ABC
Laura Jones & Terri Orlean



Sat Strat Open Prs A
Chris Compton & Fred Fason



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Ken Cole & Chris Compton



Fri-Sat Bkted KO Teams Bkt I
Steve Tuggle & Duane Friedrich
Sandra Parker & Mark Wallet



Fri-Sat Bkted KO Teams Bkt II
Chris Rimkus & Barbara Montgomery
Sharon Haley & Mary McManus



Fri-Sat Bkted KO Teams Bkt III
Nancy Crabtree & Carmen Keys
David Dyer & Paul Cuneo

Sat Compact KO Teams Bkt I

Joan Pleason-Bobby Maynard-Terry Currie-Jeanne Vogelfang 2. Gil Micheletti-Guss Ginsburg-Oren Moore-Shatrugna Prasad **Bkt II** 1. Madhusudan Patel-Edwin Zwald Jr-Joseph Wald-Nandlal Khatri 2. John Lindsey-Theron Lindsey-Dan O'Malley-Jo Ann O'Malley.

Sat Strat Choice Prs

A1. Fred Fason-Chris Compton A2. Joe Quinn-Jack La Vigne B1. James Winfield-L Travis B2. Daniel Jackson-Annette Binger C1. Bernie Weiss-Victor Law C2. Brent McDaniel-Thomas Wulfers.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs

A1.B1.C1. Carolyn Campbell-Susan Belding A2.B2. Elgene Smith-William Houck C2. Jack Rawitscher-Arlene Rawitscher.

Sat Aft Strat 49er Prs A1. Maureen Wittels-Nancy Reader A2.B1. Shirley Bloom-Barbara Squires B2.C2. Maureen Viaclovsky-Bonnie Boyd C2. Sandra Allen-Doris Schultz.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. August Plate-John Zilic A2. T. Richard Grammer-Anna Marlatt B1.C1. Sam Dodson-Philip Duterme B2. Julian Barr-William Breslin C2. Becky Ellisor-

Milton Ellisor.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. James Morgan-Thelma Morgan A2.B2.C2. Robert Ziegler-Bill Chamberlain.

Sun Strati-Fltd Swiss Teams AX A1. Eric Snow-Toni Snow-George Fox-Carolyne Fox A2. Shawn Quinn-Joe Quinn-Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel X1. James Stevens-Sandra Stevens-Betsy Dubose-Robert Curl X2. William Baker-Brigitte Sandifer-Natalie Wernet-William Lindner **Strati BCD** B1. John Lindsey-Theron Lindsey-Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer B2.

Janice Henderson-Jonathan Holmes-

Donna Sparks-Fred Feigley C1. Kay Humphries-Hugh Humphries-Bill Gervais-Karen Nimmons C2. Robert Reichek-Trudy Trivette-Jack Rawitscher-Jay Karkowsky D1. Terri Orlean-Laura Jones-Carolyn Campbell-Susan Belding D2. Rudy Nelson-Noel Buff Jr-Frankie Hall-Ann Montgomery.

Sun Strat Open Prs A1.B1.C1. Ralph Herz-Art Desmond A2. Arlene Weingarten-Sandra Clark B2. Joyce Klein-Benjamin Klein C2. Ellen Greenfield-Marvin Greenfield.



Houston Unit 174 Trick or Treat Sectional October 27-29, 2006



Humble Civic Center, 8233 Will Clayton Parkway (exit off 59 North)

Free Parking
Free Meal on Sunday
Entry Fee
\$10 Fri & Sat
\$11 on Sunday
Non-members pay \$1 more per entry.
\$1 from each entry goes towards Nationals

Directions
Take Highway 59 North.
Exit Will Clayton Parkway.
Turn right (east). The Motel is on the right. The Humble Convention Center is a block away.

Host Motel
Regency Inn Suites
7700 Will Clayton Pkwy
281-812-3000
Rooms are suites with kitchen, including range, microwave, frig
Bridge Rate: \$59 single; \$69 double plus tax.
Deadline for Bridge Rate: Oct. 13

Intermediate/Newcomer Events
Friday, October 27
Stratified 299ers (1 session) 1:30 pm
Stratified 49ers (1 session) 1:30 pm
Stratified 299ers (1 session) 7:00 pm
Stratified 49er (1 session) 7:00 pm
Saturday, October 28
Stratified 299ers (1 session) 1:30 pm
Stratified 49ers (1 session) 1:30 pm
0-5 Pairs (1 session) 1:30 pm
Stratified 299ers (1 session) 7:00 pm
Stratified 49ers (1 session) 7:00 pm
Sunday, October 29
299er Swiss 10:30 & TBA
Play as Strat D of Strati-Flighted Swiss
Stratified 299ers 10:30 & TBA
The first session is free for players with 0-5 masterpoints.
Stratification
299ers: A: 200-300; B: 100-200; C: 0-100
49ers: A: 20-50; B: 5-20; C: 0-5



Main Events
Friday, October 27
Stratified Pairs 1:30 pm
Stratified Pairs 7:00 pm
Handicapped KO (Session 1 of 4) 7:00 pm
Saturday, October 28
Handicapped KO (Session 2 of 4) 9:00 am
****Stratified Pairs (choice of 2) 9, 1:30, 7:00**
Handicapped KO (Session 3 of 4) 1:30 pm
Compact KO (Session 1 of 2) 1:30 pm
Handicapped KO (Session 4 of 4) 7:00 pm
Compact KO Session (2 of 2) 7:00 pm
Sunday, October 29
Strati-Flighted Swiss 10:30 & TBA
Stratified Pairs 10:30 & TBA
Stratified Events: A = 1500+;
B = 650-1500; C = 0-650 Non Life Master
Strati-Flighted Event:
A: 3000+; AX: 0-3000;
B: 650-1500; C: 300-650; D: 0-300
A & AX play together; B, C & D play together



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

Bryan Summer Sectional, June 9-12, 2006

**Unit 187
Corpus Christi**



Dee Schade

Results: Bryan Sectional
Mike Doyle & John Erickson, Houston, Joe Quinn, Richmond and Eddie Bass, Austin were the top masterpoint winners with 21.00 masterpoints.

Fri-Sat KO Teams Bkt I 1. Jack La Vigne-John Erickson-MikeJoe Quinn-Eddie Bass 2. Nell Page-Patsy Boedeker-Joyce England-Jane Murphy.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Lyndon Phelps-Peggy Phelps A2.B1. Puddin Barnes-Pam LaShelle B2. Nancy Tiner-Ann Van Volkenburgh C1. Bobby Hodges-Ludline Hodges C2. Harry Suggs-Annette Fleischer.

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1. Helene Baskir-Don Morgan A2.B2.C1. Tish Stephenson-Gail Gillespie C2. Maureen Wittels-Nancy Reader.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. John Zilic-August Plate A2. Richard Duple-Sheryl Pace B1.C1. Josephine Williamson-Barbara McAllister B2. Nancy Tiner-Ann Van Volkenburgh C2. Bobby Hodges-Ludline Hodges.

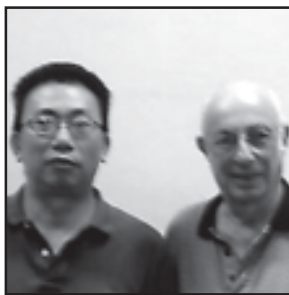
Fri Eve Strat 299er Prs A1/2.B1/2. Phil Granberry-Zo Granberry A1/2.B1/2. Don Morgan-Helene Baskir C1. Waymon Webster-Frank Hawkins C2. James Morgan-Thelma Morgan.

Sat Compact KO Teams 1. Joan Torrance-Janelle Frusha-Melba Watkins-Ulla Skovdal 2. Tom Nobis-M Tannery-Rajesh Seth-James Grady.

Sat Strat Choice Prs A1. Vinh Tran-Edward Groner A2. Dewitt Hudson Jr-Elizabeth Hudson B1.C1. Shirley Watts-Frank Edmiston B2. Sally Koestler-Yi-Noo Tang C2. Judith Ensor-Charles Ensor.



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Peggy & Lyndon Phelps



Sat Choice Open Prs A
Vinh Tran & Ed Groner.



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A
Anna Marlatt & Richard Grammar



Sat Compact KO Teams
Joan Torrance & Janelle Frusha
Melba Watkins & Ulla Skovdal



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs B
Joe Nance & Jeff Brown



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams BC
Roger Marlatt & Barbara Babbitt
Josephine Williamson & Barbara McAllister

Sat Morn 0-5 Prs 1. Norma Read-Ted Read 2. Beverly Roberts-Eugenia Williams.

Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs A1.B1.C1. Waymon Webster-Frank Hawkins A2.B2.C2. Barbara Scherr-Nancy Beard.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Anna Marlatt-T. Richard Grammer A2. Marsha Bernstein-Bobbi Kauffman B1. Joe Nance-Jeffrey Brown B2/3.C1/2. Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer B2/3.C1/2. Sally Knight-Anne Knott.

Sat Eve Strat 299er Prs A1. Marie Stinnett-Freddye Thompson A2.B1.

Frances Smith-Bobbie Walker B2.C1. Margaret Touchstone-Nancy Beard C2. Judith Fecel-Ann Mc Dougal.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A1. Eddie Bass-Mike Doyle-John Erickson-Joe Quinn A2.X1. Elizabeth Booker-Lewis Booker-Carlos Pace-Sheryl Pace X2. Chuck Gillis-Charles Markowitz-Ralda St Pierre-Siraj

Jiwani **Strati BCD** B1.C1. Barbara McAllister-Josephine Williamson-Barbara Babbitt-Roger Marlatt B2.C2. Robert Arnett-Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer- James Nichols Jr D1. Don Morgan-James Morgan-Thelma Morgan-Sarah Hardin D2. Freddye Thompson-Marie Stinnett-Don Grider-Inez Grider.

Due to technical difficulties, the remaining Bryan Pictures were not able to be included in this issue. We apologize for the omission. ~ Editors

**Unit 174
Houston**



Anne Page

Condolences to all who mourn the recent deaths of these members of our bridge community: Roger Chalfant, Ann David, Joyce Penrod, Ruth Suggs.

If anyone wants to publicize a business or service in the 2007-2008 membership directory, the Unit's Board is selling single page ads for only \$100.00 each which will work for you for two years. Not advertising to the people in your community is like blinking in the dark. You know what you are doing, but nobody else knows! Don't miss this great opportunity! Give your ad copy and check to any Board member or send to Bert Onstott. Call him at 713-851-1511 or e-mail bertonstott@houston.rr.com if you have questions.

Don't delay! The last appearance of the draft copy for members to correct or update their information will be the October Sectional in Humble and soon after that the final version will go to the printer. Have your ad in it!

There were 162-1/2 tables June 9-11 at the Sectional in Bryan. 788.48 masterpoints were won by 203 players. Top MP Winner(s) earned 21 of them. It was a 4-way tie by Eddie Bass, Mike Doyle, John Erickson, and Joe Quinn. Wow!

Mark your calendars that the next Sectional will be October 27-29 at the Humble Civic Center.

Applause and cheers for Shawn Quinn, our Unit's top masterpoint winner at the Chicago National (128.48, with 120 for being #1 in the prestigious Wagar Women's KO Teams), Dan Morse (111.50), and John Zilic (107.93).

Congratulations to Joe Jarone for besting 13 other entries to win the 2009 NABC logo contest and prize of free entries to the 2009 NABC. To see his drawing click the link on the Unit's website.

Now that we have a logo, Eric Snow needs a couple to volunteer to head the T-Shirt Project for the 2009 NABC. Please contact him if you and your spouse or partner would be willing to be in charge of keeping an inventory of the shirts, sales, and

schedule of volunteers to man the booths at the tournaments where the shirts are sold as well as through the clubs.

Our brilliant Publicity Chairs, Donna Gittelman for the Unit, and Bill Baker for the 2009 NABC, have taken the Unit's initiative to publicize bridge in the Greater Houston Metropolitan Area several giant leaps forward! (1) He's offered bridge players to Channel 8 PBS for TV program phone duty during membership drives. The first one will probably be Spring 2007. We'll be allowed to wear our t-shirts and make an announcement about the wonderful world of duplicate bridge. BUT WE MAY BE ASKED TO DO THE SEPTEMBER 2006 DRIVE! So, PLEASE, get on Bill's call list NOW in case Channel

8 suddenly invites us to help next month. (2) Two of our bridge players will be mentioned in the September issue of the Bellaire Buzz. (3) An article about doctors playing bridge is being prepared for the Texas Medical Center's publication. (4) An ad will be appearing soon in various neighborhood newspapers inviting people to inquire about bridge games and lessons. (5) An article spotlighting director Sue Williams is in draft mode for submission to a southwest Houston area publication.

There were 71 tables at Bridge & Games Studio for the July 299er Sectional. 207.12 masterpoints were won by 94 players. Congratulations to Carolyn Campbell and Laura Lee Jones for tying for Top MP Winner (9.92).

The next 299er Sectional will be September 8-10 at Bridge Club of Houston. Best wishes to Ron Nordgren for a problem-free move and a happy life filled with new friends and lots of bridge games in Boulder, Colorado.

Congratulations to these recent Life Masters and Masterpoint Achievers for their accomplishments: New Life Master (300+ MPs): Barbara Atkins, Sally Avery, Wilma Booth, Frank Ingraham, Jeanne Ingraham, Larry Morris, Sue Olstad, Jo Ann O'Malley, Bob Reese, Georgia Reese, Frances Robbins, Joe Shirey. Bronze Life Master (500+ MPs): Barbara Babbitt, Bernice Delaney, William Griffin,

The unit board met June 7. The main piece of business was the election of officers for 2006-07. Elected were Bob Gerberich, president; Barbara Estes, vice president; Joyce Seitz, secretary; and Stan Gimpelson, treasurer. Board appointed committee chairs are Dee Schade, conduct & appeals/recorder; Martha DeCou, tournament; and district 16 representative to be a rotating appointment depending on tournament attendance. President appointed chairs are Kay Mrazek and Bobbie Walker, audit; Mary Ross, awards; Barbara Estes, education; Dick Hahn, internet; Bob Harrison, membership; Mary Tryer, nominations; Joyce Wormser, publicity; Jack Mehrens, NAP/GNT Coordinator; Dee Schade, Scorecard correspondent; Martha DeCou, special unit games; and Bobbie Walker, unit newsletter.

Discussion was held concerning nominations for various awards and Mary Ross will see that the appropriate action is taken on these. Barbara Estes asked for members to write KEDTV and support the airing of "The Bridge Class" by Audrey Grant. This is a one hour program that runs for thirteen weeks. A letter to Geff Flets, KEDTV program director, encouraging this series would be very helpful.

Unit tournaments scheduled are October 20-22, Rockport and in 2007, February 16-18, Rockport and a regional October 30-November 4 at the Omni. Mark your calendars for these important events.

Benjamin Klein, Sandra Parker, Lynn Shapiro, Charles Sommer, Lisa Sommer. Silver Life Master (1,000+ MPs): Jeffrey Brown, Dorothy Forman, Elizabeth Ghrist, Chuck Gillis, Lillian Jones, Eileen Kisseberth, Jeff Nuttall, Mark Steele, Lucy Terrill. Diamond Life Master (5,000+ MPs): Ira Chorush, Terry Currie. Grand Life Master (10,000+): Robert Morris.

Board News: (1) At the 2007 Houston Regional, (a) there won't be Senior Events because limited interest (low entries) doesn't justify the cost of additional directors; (b) THE TAP COURSE WILL BE HELD TO ACCREDIT NEW BRIDGE TEACHERS; and (c) there won't be any Director's Courses as they are or soon will be available online. (2) The next Nominating Committee Chair is Sue Williams and her committee is Dave Glandorf, Barbara LaVigne, Connie Robichaux, and Wolf Schroeter.

Although you will be seeing displays about and copies of Unit 174's recently adopted zero tolerance policy and procedures for handling violations in your clubs and at tournaments, I would be remiss not to mention here the following quoted examples of behavior that will not be tolerated because we have seen them (or done some or all of them ourselves!) too often: (1) "Badgering, rudeness, insinuations, intimidation, profanity, threats, or violence." (2) "Negative comments concerning opponents' or partner's play or bidding." (3) "Constant and gratuitous lessons and analyses at the table." (4) "Loud and disruptive arguing with a director's ruling."

On a lighter note here's a couple of anonymous sayings given to me recently which will help us avoid violating the Unit's zero tolerance policy: "Always keep your words soft and sweet just in case you have to eat them" and "Don't put both feet in your mouth at the same time because you won't have a leg to stand on."

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



Flip Flop Over to the ... Rockport Beach Sectional October 20-22, 2006

**Birders' Heaven, Golfers' Dream,
Fishermens' Delight & Shoppers' Paradise**

Friday, October 20

Stratified Open Pairs, single session 1:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 7:30 pm
International Fund Game - \$1 More & Regional Points (Rated Silver)
BEACH BALL NEWCOMER 0-100 GAMES BOTH SESSIONS!

Saturday, October 21 - Pizza Night!

Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
BEACH BALL NEWCOMER 0-100 GAMES BOTH SESSIONS!

Sunday, October 22 - Delicious Bar-B-Q Day

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

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

This is a non-smoking tournament with smoking breaks
& LOTS of FREE GOODIES!

Tournament Chairman

Martha DeCou
361.853.9196
mizcou@stx.rr.com

Playing Site

Saltwater Pavilion
Rockport/Fulton Beach

Hotel

Best Western Inn by the Bay
800.235.6076

Partnership Chairman

Betty Hill
361.729.1790
betty_hill2003@yahoo.com

Special Bridge rates

10/13 cut-off - Breakfast

Entry Fees


\$9 per session \$80 per team

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



Jerry Crooker Midland Sectional, June 9-11, 2006

Unit 209
Permian Basin
Jimmie Penn



Our Tall City Sectional—Jerry Crooker Memorial held June 9–11 was a resounding success. Thanks to Suzy Boldrick and Peggy Cook (Co-Chairs) partnership. Perhaps their contract has been extended!

Jerry Crooker was first 5,000 point winner of our unit. Jerry was honored at Allison Bridge in 1995—MVP was theme of covered dish affair. At TCS, Alan Copeland presented a brief bio of Jerry from Virginia to Midland by way of San Antonio—complete with the Crooker-Copeland self-inflicted 9-12 point NT opening which was short-lived, by request of their team mates!

An array of door prizes presented during each session was well received. Basket of gardening tools won by Beverly Taylor of Big Spring was neat! Bar-B-Q served-up by Johnny's was, as we've known it for years, tasty. Charlie Grimes was the traveling photographer—winners' photos are offered as part of his resume.

We had a NAP salad luncheon at ABC honoring Suzy & Peggy. Winners at this affair were Pat Barrett-Vicky Fisher; Flo Curry-Jimmie Penn; Mary Hammond-Jean Pistole; Laverne Etheredge-Judy Hawkins; Roberta & Bob Bacon; and Irene Hamm-Brenda Brauner.

Odessa hosted the June 24th ACBL Unity Game. Peggy Cook-Flo Curry were Overall A winners with 66% game. Don't know how they did OA across the board!

July 3rds All American Jr. Fund Game featured fried chicken, potato salad, beans, watermelon, freezer ice cream & apple pie. Those garnering points at this event were: Gloria Crites-Jimmie Penn; Leonora Slusher-Mary Hammond; Laverne Etheredge-Judy Hawkins; Helen South-Dorothy Brenneman; Kathryn Gesell-Irene Hamm.

Our thoughts have been with Peggy Leeton & Terri Tedford on the loss of a daughter & son, respectively.

See you at Odessa Sectional September 22-24!

Unit 237
Magic Valley
Judy O'Leary



During the winter months, our games are much larger while our summer games are not too shabby with continuing to have 7-9 tables each game. Some games produced seventy + percent; Ian Vignale & Steve Brauss 70.37; Walter Lauckner & Alan Johnston 74.20%; Walter Lauckner & Delores Jensen 71.34%; Dorothy Young & Chuey Lum 70.19%. Scores are averaging nearer the mid 60% now.

The date for Unit N. A. P. game will be on Oct. 28 and will be held at the regular Unit game site.

Bettie Sturkie has returned to our game after a long rehab. She is looking great and playing her stellar game as one would expect of our GOLD LIFE MASTER. Another note of interest is Marti Rawls and Betty Hollan came in with an over 70% game...no surprise to the Unit as they are true winners!

On a sad note Kay McNamee is in intensive care at Valley Baptist Hospital. Kay was instrumental in starting duplicate bridge in the South Padre Island area. Many of our regular players are very involved in duplicate bridge as a result of Kay efforts...She was a delightful and excellent director. We wish her well...and our prayers are with her.

Hank Alamo Palms Mid Valley Club received the Star Club award for 2005. Delores Jensen, Director. Don and Delores Jensen received the Goodwill award for Unit 237 District 16.



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A
Darlene Riely & David Mitchell



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
William Cook & Greg Loran



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B
Anne Spitler & Mary Bast



Sat Strat Open Prs A
Carol Schoenhals & Marc Levine



Sat Strat Open Prs B
Ann Servatius & Joan La Fond



Sun Strat Swiss Teams A
Alan Copeland & George Finley
Kathryn Locke & Gloria Crites



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs BC
Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Nancy Harris & Barbara Davis



Sat Strat Open Prs C
Sadie Hudson & Sadie Davidson



Sun Strat Swiss Teams BC
Gloria Robertson & David Watson
Helen Barker & Betty Hester

Results: Midland Sectional

Marc Levine, Lubbock, was the top masterpoint winner with 14.08 masterpoints.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Darlene Riely-C David Mitchell A2. Lena Nichols-Mary Anne Ochs B1.C1. Barbara Davis-Nancy Harris B2. Betty Horne-Patsy Rogers C2. Carlos

Humphrey-Willene Humphrey.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. William Cook-Greg Loran A2. Flo Curry-Jimmie Penn B1. Mary Bast-Anne Spitler B2. Billie Rush-Joyce Mitchell C1. Barbara Davis-Nancy Harris C2. Sadie Davidson-Sadie Hudson.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Carol Schoenhals-Marc Levine A2.B1. Joan

La Fond-Ann Servatius B2.C1. Sadie Davidson-Sadie Hudson C2. Beverly Lynn Martin-Sandra Davis.

Sun Strat Swiss Teams A1. Alan Copeland-Kathryn Locke-Gloria Crites-George Finley A2/3. Suzanne Dorris-Virginia Noelke-Jimmie Penn-Flo Curry A2/3. Carol Schoenhals-Marc Levine-Phillip Kielinski-Betty

Dickerson B1.C1. Gloria Robertson-Betty Hester-Helen Barker-David Watson B2. Dorothy Brenneman-Verna Chambers-Beverly Lynn Martin-Sandra Davis C2/3. Patti Horton-Dorothy Stripling-Beverly Taylor-Nancy Little C2/3. Barbara Davis-Judith Hawkins-Nancy Harris-Laverne Etheredge.

Herman Westbrook Magic Valley Webmaster was awarded a Texas star award for Unit 237 from District 16. He maintains online scores for all games. [D16Unit 237](http://D16Unit237.com) web page has all Unit information. Don and Delores who go to their "other home" in S. Dakota a couple months a year were in a serious road accident on the way in early June with another automobile entering an expressway while towing a travel trailer. Their car rolled several times and the trailer ended up on the other side of the expressway. Both Don and Delores were wearing seat belts and got banged up pretty bad. They recently reported that they are doing ok and expect to return to the valley in the early fall and begin their game in Alamo. Bob Chandler has recovered very well after his vertebra surgery. We missed his "corn pone" tales while he was out of pocket. Bad news has arrived that Clint Dunn, husband of Rosemary suffered a heart complication on their trip to New York in June. They are expecting Clint to recover nicely. We miss them and wish them safe return in the fall. Kay McNamee has been reported quite ill. Send your thoughts and prayers. Unit North American pairs final will be held in the fall.

VERY IMPORTANT NEWS!

Unit 237 Magic Valley Sectional Tournament will be held December 1,2,3, 2006 at La Copa Inn & Beach Resort (look it up online) on South Padre Island, Texas. Special rates for tournament will be available. Call: 1.866.452.2672 for rates. Mark your calendars for this date and site change. Contact amqu123@scbglobal.net for information or go to www.d16acbl.org/U237 webpage for schedule and venue. Advertisement is in this Scorecard issue and will be in the October Bridge Bulletin.

"Praise your partner and they will flourish" Your gain+score!

Unit 204
Fort Concho
Helen Barker

The Club extends congratulations to Jack and Maxine Todd on their marriage. You remember her; she used to be Maxine Rutherford. Best wishes and happiness to you both!!

Check out the August "Bulletin,"

page 26. Our own Joe Bailey and Louetta Green placed in the National Charity Games. They might even autograph your copy. It feels good to have our people's name in print, doesn't it?

Midland's Sectional held in June was a fun time. Deborah Brookins' novice students, Charles Crawford, Earl Mulley, Harold and Lillian Stephens, Bonnie Sansing, Theresa Knoche, Tina Martin and Gerald Lacy, all with 0-20 points, gathered up their nerve and went to play in the "big show". They trembled, they nervously giggled, and they tried to look like seasoned players and tried not to vomit. By the end of the Swiss Teams on Sunday, they were gathering their game strategies for the next time. Kudos to Deborah on her encouragement, and success with her new players. At last count, she had enlisted thirteen new members into ACBL! In the Swiss teams "A" Flights, George Finley's team came in 1st, and Ginny Noelke's team tied for 2nd. Down in the basement flight, the team of Gloria Robertson, Betty Hester, Dave Watson and Helen Barker won "B" and "C" flights. They tried to convince Tom Marsh that they had worked so hard, they should get the points for both levels, but he just responded by asking them to leave his table.

We have all heard the old sayings about how crazy bridge players are. Well, I guess it has been proven. Patsy Rogers and Betty Horne went to the tournament. Before they got into the building, Patsy fell and fell hard! She was obviously in distress and it was suggested she get checked out at the hospital. Patsy said there was no way she could go to the hospital; she had to play bridge!

Several of our members attended the regional tournament in Austin in June. Neal and Marcie Perlman did it again. Cleaned up on those gold points. At the rate they are going, it looks like we'll be having a Life Master Party pretty soon. Ginny Noelke's team won the Board-a-Match game, and Sharon Haney and Sue Henry placed well consistently throughout their games. This pair did about the same thing in Ruidoso. Congratulations to all these winners!

Speaking of winners, one of our novices, Debbie Farr, had a 72% game in July! When M.J. told her how rare a 70% game is, Debbie asked for a copy

of the result sheet to carry around with her to show to the bridge players she came across.

Jack Rochford is recovering nicely

from his hip replacement. Glad to have him up and around.

We want to extend our condolences to Carl McGill on the loss of his father.

Gonna be on the Island ...



Duplicate Bridge Tournament

December 1-3, 2006

La Copa Inn & Beach Resort

350 Padres Blvd. South Padre Island, TX 78597

(Located straight across Padres Blvd. off Bridge)

1.866.452.2672 OR 956.761.6000 ext. 451

Friday, December 1

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Knockouts (1 & 2) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Saturday, December 2

Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
(playthrough & single sessions)
Bracketed Knockouts (Finals) 10:00 am

Sunday, December 3

Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA
Stratified Open Pairs, one session 10:00 am
Pair Strats: A=1000+, B=500-1000, C=0-500

**Complimentary Sunday meal
provided for team members
Nonsmoking with hospitality breaks**

\$8.00 Per Player per session Fri & Sat

\$64 Sunday Swiss Team

\$1.00 Additional charge per session non-members ACBL

Contact Person Alla Westbrook

956.682.9302 amqu123@scbglobal.net

Partnership Charlotte Lundsford

Tournament Chairperson Donna Ahlquist

956.943.5453

Hospitality Trudy & Alan Johnston

Room Rates

\$50. Standard w/2 Q or 1K

\$60. Beachfront \$70. Beachfront w/Jacuzzi

District 16 Unit 237 www.d16acbl.org/U237

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Tyler Tournament of Roses, July 14-16, 2006



Fri & Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A
Bonita & Wendell Hays



Fri & Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs BC
Nancy Horvat & Helen Olechna



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Kay Wright & Emily Leake



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs B
Donna & William Garrard



Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs AB
Bonnie Gorman & Lanora Latham



Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs C
Theresa Brantley & Carol Sossamon



Sat Morn Strat Side Prs A
Gay Roach & Wanda Hartley



Sat Morn Strat Side Prs BC
Ginger Rhamey & Helen Shaw



Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs AB
Sandy Molander & Bonnie Magee



Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs A
Gloria & Jim Streifel



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A 1/2
Dori Smith, Helene Blumenau, Gail Wells & Larue Stott



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X
Joyce Simmons, Lela Mae Corley, Dottie Pirkle & Bari Hart



Fri-Sat Compact KO Teams
Ann & Bill Cook
Tamara Courtney & Claire Covington

Results: Tyler Sectional
K. Wright, Bullard, and Emily Leake, Tyler, were the top masterpoint winners with 25.62 masterpoints.

Fri-Sat Compact Teams 1. Bill Cook-Tamara Courtney-Ann Cook-Claire Covington 2. Joyce Richards-Fran Eason-Phyllis Savell-Irene Faletto.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Wendell Hays-Bonita Hays A2. K Wright-Emily Leake B1.C1. Elizabeth Smith-Ola Fay Anderson B2. Bridget Owens-Michael Henry C2. Becky Hamilton-Leland Davis.

Fri Aft Strat 199er Prs A1. Janie Wolaver-Jerrell Wolaver A2/3. Glen Easterwood-Thelma Matthews A2/3. Queenie Love-Mary Lou Collins B1.C1. Nancy Horvat-Helen Olechna B2. Carole Crockett-Betty Lane C2. Yvonne Houston-Sarah Niemann.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. K Wright-Emily Leake A2. Helene Blumenau-Dori Smith B1. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard B2. Miriam Rubin-Wanda Allen C1. Bobby Hodges-Fonse Ragland C2. Ginger Rhamey-Helen Shaw.

Fri Eve Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Bonnie Gorman-Lanora Latham A2/3.

Grover Gilbert-Gloria Streifel A2/3.B2. Charles Truby-Ann Truby C1. Theresa Ann Brantley-Carol Sossamon C2. Bonnie Magee-Sandy Molander.

Sat Strat Open Prs A1. Bonita Hays-Wendell Hays A2. Mary Bartley-Don Bartley B1.C1. Colin Chang-Barbara Chang B2. Keith Estep-Diane Estep C2. Wilma Luquette-Sylvere Luquette.

Sat Morn Strat Open Prs A1. Gay Roach-Wanda Hartley A2.B1.C1. Ginger Rhamey-Helen Shaw B2/3. Patricia Howard-Dianne Walters B2/3. Anne Dawson-Richard Helams Jr C2. Nancy Green-Martha Phillips.

Sat Morn Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Charles Truby-Ann Truby A2.B2. Lanora Latham-Bonnie Gorman.

Sat Aft Strat 199er Prs A1.B1. Sandy Molander-Bonnie Magee A2.B2. Richard Garcia-Delpha Garcia C1. Helen Olechna-Nancy Horvat C2. Mary Gill-Johne Hardeman.

Sat Eve Strat 199er Prs A1. Gloria Streifel-Jim Streifel A2. Marlene Phillips-Pat Cawley B1. George Whiteley-Carl Lombardino B2. Judith Kelley-Kay McMullen.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX A1/2. Larue Stott-Dori Smith-Helene



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams D
Sandy Molander, Jane Burglad, Yvonne Houston & Bonnie Magee



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams BC
Lee & Norma Lunsford
John & Sally Delk



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs C
Bobby Hodges & Fonse Ragland



Sat Morn Strat 199er Prs AB
Charles & Ann Truby



Sat Strat Open Prs BC
Colin & Barbara Chang



Fri Aft Strat 199er Prs A
Janie & Jerrell Wolaver

Blumenau-Gail Wells A1/2. Pat Cassidy - David Horner - Roy Baughman-Jerry Derby X1. Lela Corley-Bari Hart-Joyce Simmons-Dorothy Pirkle X2. Brady Allen-Mark

Lombard-James Woeber Jr,-Warren King. **Strati BCD** B1.C1. Norma Lunsford-Lee Lunsford-Sally Delk-John Delk B2. Joan Slaughter-Cissy Brown-Marcia Joy Varel-Milton

Aston C2. Ginger Rhamey-James Rhamey-Floyd Baxter-Mary Jane Baxter D1. Sandy Molander-Bonnie Magee-Jane Burgland-Yvonne Houston.



Unit 225
East Texas
Ginger Rhamey

Special Games: an ABA/ACBL Unity Game was held in conjunction with the Life Master party of Ginger Rhamey on June 24, 2006, the winners were; N/S 1st Karol & Ted Rank, 2nd Judy Adams & Dottie Pirkle, 3rd Sue Johnson & Betty Marrone, 4th Becky Hamilton & Gerry McGuffey, E/W 1st Brenda Baker & Peggy Parker, 2nd Dale & Flo Eckerberger, 3rd Ursula Brooks & Lela Mae Corley and 4th Luke & Wilma Luquette. In the novice game 1st Barbara Austin & Mattie Belle Ray, 2nd Joanne Abate & Susan Sensenbach, 3rd Charles & Susan Ford, 4th Sue Harris & Mary Jo Krohn and 5th Lila & Lyle McDermed.

Sandy Brown, Mary Priest and Marian Wilson were honored at a Life Master's Party on Tuesday, June 6 at the Canton Country Club. Mary and Sandy were also honored with a party at Dottie Pirkle's DBC.

Seventy Percent Games: Brenda Baker & Peggy Parker 71.05% at Dottie Pirkle's DBC during the ABA/ACBL Unity Game; Patsy Williams and

Khalifa Ahmed 75% & Jack and Edna Wilder 72.3% at Longview DBC; Bonnie Magee and Sandy Molander 73% at Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek; Khalifa Ahmed and Jack Wilder 70.36% at Ore City DBC; Tillie Reed and Roz Tullus 70.50% at Canton Country Club.

Moving on up the ladder: Dan Cowling, Diane Duncan, Dr. Wray McCash, J. Dale Molander Victor Marks & Don Ozer new Junior Masters; Vona Nason new Club Master; Valarie Chapman new Sectional Master, Theda Cook & Jim Rhamey new Regional Masters; Edna Wilder new NABC Master.

Congratulations: Jack Yarbrough on becoming both a Life Master and a Bronze Life Master; Judy Adams on becoming a Silver Life Master.

Members in and out: Welcome to Debbie Jones of Athens, Marion & Neva Davis of Canton and Barbara Lee of Holly Lake Ranch, our newest members. Members that have relocated to our unit are, Jerry Bandy, Helen Corey and Janice Payne we are glad to have you.

Tournaments & Special Events: Make plans now to attend our annual Black Eyed Pea 299'er sectional tournament. The tournament will be

held at the First Presbyterian Church in Athens Texas. Tournament dates are September 22 & 23, 2006. NAP Unit Qualifying game will be held on November 4 at Dottie Pirkle's DBC in Athens. The game will be two sessions starting at 10:00 A.M. - Bring a sack lunch.

New Games: Raymond Derr has started a new game on Thursdays at

the University Christian Church - 3500 Old Omen Road in Tyler. The game starts at 12:30 and has masterpoint restriction of 0-500.

Upcoming Unit Games: Unit games are now being held at the Garden Valley Senior Citizens Building - 1915 Garden Valley Road, Tyler Texas. Upcoming games will be held on: October 21st with a Board meeting @ 11:00 A.M. game

@ 12:30 P.M. November 4th, Unit 225 NAP Qualification Game, 10:00 A.M. at Dottie Pirkle's DBC in Athens. November 18th, Board Meeting @ 11:00 A.M. game @ 12:30 P.M. December 9th, 11:00 A.M. Catered Luncheon, Life Master & Achievement Awards & game @ 12:30 P.M.

Please see note below regarding the MS Bridge Across America Week.

Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Bridge Across America

October 9-15, 2006

During the week of October 9th through October 15th, 2006 M.S. BRIDGE ACROSS AMERICA will be represented in more than 150 bridge clubs from Maine to Texas. During this week clubs will be holding local charity games to benefit Multiple Sclerosis research and awareness. Clubs will receive literature to be distributed to club members.

Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a chronic disease of the central nervous system affecting the brain and spinal cord. Most people are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 40. Symptoms may be mild such as

numbness in the limbs or severe paralysis or loss of vision. Many people with multiple sclerosis live with severe fatigue, depression and cognitive problems which affect their ability to continue in their careers. The funds raised through this event will support research into the cause, cure and treatment of MS.

Thank you in advance for your support of the mission of the National MS Society to end the devastating effects of Multiple Sclerosis.

This effort was started three years ago with ten bridge clubs. Last year we had 34 clubs participating. Next year with the help of volunteers

through out America, we hope to reach clubs in every state. Clubs have raffled off "play dates" with their best players, restaurant dinners, hotel stays, arts and crafts and other donated prizes to help raise additional funds.

Clubs can contact us to sign up for games during the charity week. Volunteers are encouraged to contact us as well.

Paul and Marilyn Weintraub at paul.weintraub@axa-advisors.com, tel. 215.885.8536, fax-215.885.5059.

You may also contact: Ginger Rhamey at 903.469.3006 or ginggerrhamey@msn.com.

Abilene 299er Sectional, August 4-5, 2006



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs ABC
Marge Bradley & Jane Weatherby



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A
Ginger Taylor & Jim Hawkins



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs BC
Robin Julien & Amelia Montes



Sat Strat Swiss Teams A
Norma Labarthe & Wilma Black
Janice Harkins & Jackie Stowe



Sat Strat Swiss Teams BC
Bill & Maedene Armer
Cleta & Will Dix

Wilma Black, Norma Labarthe, Janice Harkins & Jackie Stowe, Abilene, were the top masterpoint winners with 3.48 masterpoints.

Fri Aft Strat Prs A1.B1.C1. Marge Bradley-Jane Weatherby A2.B2. Sara Branch-Lynn Reeves C2. Toni Hurlbus-Linda Reichenay.

Fri Eve Strat Prs A1. Jim Hawkins-Ginger Taylor A2. Phyllis White-Barbara Miles B1.C1. Robin Julien-Amelia Montes B2.C2. Linda Reichenay-Toni Hurlbus.

Sat Strat Swiss Teams A1. Jackie Stowe-Wilma Black-Norma Labarthe-

Janice Harkins A2.B1.C1. Will Dix-Cleta Dix-Bill Armer-Maedene Armer

B2. Ken Woodard-Anita Woodard-Jim Casey-Theresa Casey.

victory in flight C. Linda Lawrence and Becky Tanner also repeated with a win in the Saturday Choice pairs with a 1st in C. Phil Brown played in a Saturday evening Swiss and earned a 1st in B flight. Sunday evening a 1st in A was won by the team of Ed Davis, Donna Watkins, Darlene Riely and John Bowers. The Zip KO on Sunday evening found Patty Lozano and her team placing first. In the Monday side game Horatio and Jacquelyn Aldridge had a 1st in C. The Sunday-Monday KO's found Phil Brown a winner again in Bracket 2. The Tuesday Swiss, X flight, earned Patty Lozano another first. The Tues Swiss B/CD flight was won by Carole Price, Betty Allen, Sally Armstrong and Cecelia Zachar. Congratulations to all of our players who did so well!

Darlene Abbott and Uyvonda Slager are on our get well wish list after surgery. Sally Parker, a board member and great friend to so many of us, is going through some tough times right now and we are all sending prayers and positive thoughts her way. Paula Warren, another board member has broken her arm. We wish her a speedy recovery

There is an exciting new opportunity now available to local bridge players. Three of our finest, Ed Rawlinson, Bill Walker and Donna Watkins are offering FREE lessons every Thursday following the regularly scheduled game. These lectures will introduce the Max Hardy 2/1 bridge approach to anyone wanting to learn this system. It is bridge for the 21st century. Come, listen and learn.

Our Unit Board has offered another opportunity to add players to our unit. Players bringing a first time player to Bailey's Bridge Studio will receive a free play. We want to thank Turtle Creek for participating in this program during July and August. Bailey's will continue the program indefinitely.

Becky Mosely has accepted a place on the Board to fill the void left by the resignation of Patrick Cardullo. Thanks Becky. And thanks to you, Patrick, for all the hard work and good things you have done for us. You know it is almost election time again and some of you have offered to give your time and talent to us. Whether you win or lose we thank you for offering to serve!

And remember: To get some happiness from life and pass it on to other folk. (Thomas H.B. Webb)



Unit 183
Fort Worth
Kay Jones

By the time you receive this Scorecard, the Ann Carb Memorial Labor Day Regional will be over and I know it will be successful. Tom and Peggy Hughes, Steve Shirey, Diane Washabaugh, and Byron Taylor are only a few of the hard workers who do a fantastic job and we thank them! Coming in October will be the Fort Western Fall Sectional which will be held at the Fort Worth Convention Center and we urge everyone to come celebrate the fall season with us.

This month we are spotlighting a player who has consistently played in our studio for years — before he retired he played in the evening and since retiring he plays almost every day. He pitches in when asked and does small maintenance on our bulletin boards and kitchen cabinets; he installs door locks like a professional! Although he likes to eat tomatoes with his fingers, it doesn't mean he's not a nice person. He is well-known to the Fort Worth bridge world...he is Grady Fuller!

Grady was born one of seven children in El Dorado, Arkansas of parents who were supportive and who stressed the importance of education. He attended school there as well as multiple colleges, receiving electrical engineering degrees from University of Arkansas and Louisiana Tech. He has been working since age 11 in some sort of job but retired from Lockheed after 20 years and also worked for E-Systems and Electrospace before forming his

own company as a forensic electrical consultant. Over the years he has won tournaments in dancing, bridge and snooker and enjoys table tennis and bass fishing. He has written his memoirs as well as a book of poetry, both books being published this year.

He is an excellent bridge player and some of his favorite partners include Randy Ausmus, Jeanne Love, Bob Sparks, Yvonne Lee, Mary Jane Orock, Peggy Hughes, Jo Carol White and Billy Leeper. He notes that he really enjoys playing with his wife, Fran, and he always volunteers for the Pro-Am game. He tells of the time he was playing with Jerry Masters and they both psyched on the same hand and it was the last time they played. They won and then Jerry had a heart attack and died. (What a way to go!)

Grady says he experiences a tremendous amount of excitement playing bridge and writing. Both give him a marvelous degree of exhilaration. He loves bridge so much that he has always scheduled work and other activities around his bridge games. He admits he has a strong drive to succeed and he is willing to put forth whatever effort is required to do so. He takes pride in completing a task promptly and earned commendations for this work ethic throughout his career.

He has a lot of love for his family and actively participates in their lives. He is working on another book titled "Bridge Strategy" which will be completed within the next few months. He says it will be unique in the annals of bridge books and we look forward to reading it. Strategy from a master bridge player is always welcomed. I want the first copy, Grady



Unit 172
San Antonio
Carol Campbell

The Fourth of July Regional in Austin was a good event, as usual. We have shared 4th's with the fine Austin folk for many years and everyone looks forward to the "sister cities" Regionals.

Unit 172 players had lots of success in various events: The Wednesday-Thursday KO's in bracket 3 was won by Linda Lawrence, Becky Tanner, Pat Prichard and Kay Laird. Thursday Evening Board-A-Match winners were George and Sharon Mann playing with Ken and Donna McBride. Bracket 4 KO winners were Arline Rubin, Olivia Brown, Cho Mayo and Jerrold Harrington on Thursday. In the Friday evening side game Tony DiBaggio and Sherry Johnson were first in Bracket C. On Saturday our two winners in Bracket A, Ira Hessel and Greg Hinze teamed with Dan Morse and Nagy Kamel. In Bracket C Mike Huiatt and Eric Watson were winners. Cho Mayo and Olivia Brown were winners on Saturday morning side game with a

Ask a new player to be your partner at a club game.



San Antonio Willson Davis Jr

Election Sectional

November 9-12, 2006

NEW LOCATION

Northern Hills Country Club

13202 Scarsdale (Across the street from Bailey's)
San Antonio, TX 210.655.4148

Thursday, November 9

Stratified Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00pm
Board A Match Teams 7:00pm

Friday, November 10

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

Saturday, November 11

Early Bird Pairs 9:00 am
KO Teams 9:00 am, 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Stratified Pairs, single sessions 1:00 & 7:00 pm

Sunday, November 12

Strati-Flighted Teams 10:30 & TBA

Stratifications

Pairs: A 2000+, B: 500-2000, C: 0-500
Teams: A: Unlimited; AX: TBD, B: 750-2000, C: 300-750, D: 0-300
Flight A & AX play together; BCD stratified together.

NEWCOMER PROGRAM PRESENTS

0-99er EVENTS SCHEDULE

Thursday, November 9

Election Day Pairs, single session 1:00 pm
Win! Win! Win! Pairs, single session 7:00 pm

Friday, November 10

Voting Pairs, single session 1:00 pm
Rerun Pairs, single session 7:00 pm

Saturday, November 11

Incumbent Pairs, single session 1:00 pm
Challenger Pairs, single session 7:00 pm
Stratifications: 50-100, 20-50, 0-20 (3 Table Minimum)

Hospitality

Smoking Breaks

On-Site Buffet between sessions on Sunday

From I-35: Take Thousand Oaks Exit. Scarsdale is the 2nd traffic light after nacogdoches. Turn right and go all the way to the back.

From West: From Thousand Oaks, take a left at the light at Scarsdale and go all the way to the back.

Tournament Chairmen
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Fees: \$9/paid ACBL member
\$5/student Swiss Teams \$80

Cowtown's Non-Life Master Silver Spur Sectional October 7 & 8, 2006



Silver
Points

Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club
528 Fielder North Plaza
(Fielder @ Randol Mill)
817.795.1188



Silver
Points

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

Stratified Pairs
Stratified Pairs
0-20 Newcomer Game
Stratified Pairs



9:00 am
1:30 pm
1:30 pm
7:30 pm

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

Stratified Swiss Teams, single sessions 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Hot meal served to team members between Sunday sessions.

Stratifications

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

Host Hotel

Howard Johnson Express Inn
2001 E. Copeland Drive
Arlington, TX 76001
817.461.1122

\$45 1-4 people
(Mention Bridge Rate)

Entry Fees

Saturday sessions \$9/person \$5/students
Sunday Swiss \$10/person/session \$5/students

Director-In-Charge Steve Shirey



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299er Editor



Intermediate/Newcomer



Corner



I want to cover a few tips on topics of which that I see intermediate players often fail to take full advantage. These are not necessarily connected by any theme other than the fact that I chose to include them on this list. Some are bidding, some are play of the hand, and some are defense. They are not presented in any particular order.

#1 - Stretch to overcall at the one level with a reasonable suit and little else. You should consider the one level almost free bidding space. Although it may be right for the opponents to double you for penalties upon occasion, it is rarely possible to do so. Most doubles at the one level are conventional and even if they manage to do so it takes enormous fortitude for the partner to leave in a one level double. The reason you need to stretch to bid at the one level is quite simple. Help partner with the opening lead and/or subsequent defense. You should overcall with a five-card suit headed by two of the top three honors and nothing else (AKxxx, AQxxx, or KQxxx). You should even consider very strong four-card suits (AKQx, AKJx, AQJx).

#2 - Do not make a penalty double when holding support for partner that you have not shown. When you hold three or four card support for partner, his or her judgment is skewed when you hold support. Partner will overestimate the potential for defensive tricks and will leave in the double when it should be pulled.

#3 - Stretch to overcall when your suit takes up bidding space. You should learn to maximize the preemptive value of your overcall and be aggressive when it is highly preemptive. Understand that I am not speaking of jump overcalls. I am referring to simple overcalls. I would look for reasons to bid 2C after a 1D opening because it eats up a lot of bidding space (the opponents can no longer bid 1H, 1S, or 1NT). I would be much more solid when deciding to bid 2C after a 1S opening because it eats up very little bidding space (the opponents can no longer bid only 1NT).

#4 - Force your self to make a plan for the play. Pause at the right time. Take 30 to 60 seconds at a minimum before playing from the dummy to trick one. Make sure you have collected all the facts from the bidding (or lack thereof) and the opening lead. Make a mental note of the factors that are required to make the contract. If possible, try to have a Plan A and a fall back Plan B. If the contract looks like it is not in any danger then look for all the suit distributions that could go wrong to put it in danger.

#5 - When you have one critical suit, do not rush into things. If I have seen it once I have seen it a thousand times. Declarer is in a contract that needs a guess in a key suit (say choosing between drop and finesse or which way to take a two-way finesse). Too many times I have watched as declarer tackles the suit at trick two or three. Put it off

until as late in the hand as possible. First, the defenders make discard or lead the suit and take away your problem. Second, later in the hand you may know more about the unseen hands that lets you guess with a higher probability.

#6 - Lift your head and look at dummy. At least consider that setting up the dummy is easier than setting up your hand as declarer. I have watched many times late in the hand as declarer studied his cards intently when every card in the dummy was good! As declarer you have to play both hands. Limiting yourself to one hand only is reducing your chances of success.

#7 - Choose your opening lead by process of elimination. Picking the correct card from any suit is almost 100% mechanical. Opening lead is about picking which of the four suits to attack. Start by eliminating any suits that are clearly not right. From the remaining suits, rank them in order of risk. Which has the highest and which has the least cost of being wrong?

#8 - Keep track of how many trump are left in declarer's hand. If there are eight cards left to play and declarer has six trumps left (and your side has none) then you need to focus on what possibilities exist for the two tricks you might have a chance to win. Holding on to Jxxx in a side suit might not be of any value.

#9 - In the end game do not win the trick if you know that declarer will make the hand if you do. For example, you are down to the last three tricks. Declarer leads and you can when the trick, but if you do you will have no choice but to give declarer the rest of the tricks with your return. The answer? Do not win the trick! This is not a guarantee of success but it is right in the long run,

#10 - Do not lead trump when you want to get or give a ruff. That sounds painfully clear, but it needed to be said. The reverse is true as well. If partner leads a trump, then it is safe to assume that partner holds no shortness, ability, or desire to ruff.

#11 - Keep guarding the side suits by holding the same length as declarer. Dummy holds four hearts and you hold four hearts. Do not throw a heart unless declarer throws one first. This applies to declarer's hand as well. You may know from the bidding the suspected length in a key suit.

#12 - Make things easy on partner. The situation may not be as clear to partner as it is to you. If you can take over the defense and do the right thing then do not leave things to chance. Overtake the tricks, cash winners, and make discards absolutely clear and obvious.

Work to apply these twelve concepts and it will improve your game.

Chicago North American Bridge Championship July 2006 299er Events

1st Fri Eve 100/200/300 Strat Prs A3.B2.C2. Hans Strohmer-Nancy Strohmer, Houston **1st Sun Morn 5/20/50 Strat Prs** A5. Frances Grogan, San Angelo-Candace Gregston, Crp Christi **1st Sun Aft 199/200/300 Strat Prs** C2. Nancy Strohmer-Hans Strohmer, Houston **1st Sun Eve 100/200/300 Strat Prs** A5.B4.C2. Candace Gregston, Crp Christi- Frances Grogan, San Angelo **Harriette Buckman 10/20/50 Strat Prs** A3. Frances Grogan, San Angelo-Candace Gregston, Crp Christi **Tues Morn Levy's 100/200/300 Strat Prs** A3.B2.C2. Hans Strohmer-Nancy Strohmer, Houston **Tues Eve 5/20/50 Strat Prs** A2. Barbara Nebgen, Beaumont A4.B1. Frances Grogan, San Angelo-Candace Gregston, Crp Christi **Thurs Eve 100/200/300 Strat Prs** A2. Sarah Hardin, Montgomery **2nd Sat Morn 100/200/300 Strat Prs** A3.B3. Sam Dodson, Houston **2nd Sat Eve 50/200/300 Strat Prs** A4/5. Sarah Hardin, Montgomery-Don Morgan, Houston **2nd Sun Morn 115/200/300 Strat Prs** A1. Sarah Hardin, Montgomery-Don Morgan, Houston.

Congratulations to all D16 members who participated in the Summer NABCs!

Austin NLM Sectional

June 17-18, 2006

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Lynn Gunn-Danna Redford A2. David Dickson-Laura Dickson B1. Paula Wissman-Jay Thorne B2. Charles Strawn-Deann Strawn C1. P. J. (Jack) Perryman-Donna Williams.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Lynn Gunn-Danna Redford A2.B1. Jay Thorne-Paula Wissman B2. Wanda Kuehler-Mary Kurio.

Sun Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Terry Pierce-Virginia Horsman A2.B1. Jim Glathar-Joan Glathar B2. Paula Wissman-Jay Thorne.

UNIT 176 MEMBERSHIP GROWTH SEMINAR

Valley View Bridge Club
11411 No. Central Expressway, Suite N
Dallas, TX

Friday September 8, 2006

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm Dessert & Coffee
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Membership Growth and Retention Idea Presentation

Saturday September 9, 2006

8:30 am - 9:00 am Doughnuts & Coffee
9:00 am - 12:00 pm Brainstorming/Organization Session
12:00 pm until... Pizza & Sodas for Participants and New Committee Members

Attention Dallas Unit 176 299er Players ...

Please make plans to attend this FREE seminar to share your ideas of how our unit can better serve your needs as up and coming players.
RSVP to Donna Compton 214.363.9252



Dallas Unit 176

299er Sectional

October 21-22, 2006

NEW LOCATION!

Dorsey's Bridge Club

580 W. Arapaho Rd. Richardson, TX
972.808.0001

Saturday, October 21

Pastries, Doughnuts, Coffee, & O.J. 9:00 am

Bracketed KO Teams 9:30 am, 2:00 pm & 6:30 pm
299er, 199er, 49er, 0-20 Stratified Pairs 9:30 am
0-5 Pairs 9:30 am

0-5 Paris is Supervised Play with 16 Boards

Each player may ask TWO questions during the session.

Mini Lesson 1:15 pm
299er, 199er, 49er, 0-20 Stratified Pairs 9:30 am
0-5 Pairs 9:30 am

0-5 Pairs is Supervised Play with 16 Boards

Each player may ask TWO questions during the session.

Pot Luck Dinner Between 2:00 & 6:30 pm sessions

Bridge a dish and stay for the Mini Lesson!

(A-D Appetizer, E-H Vegetable, I-L Meat, M-O Salad, P-S Fruit, T-Z Dessert)

Mini Lesson 5:45 pm
299er, 199er, 49er, 0-20, 0-5 Stratified Pairs 6:30 pm

Sunday, October 22

Pastries, Doughnuts, Coffee & O.J. 9:30 am

299er, 49er, 0-20 Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00 am
Sandwiches and drinks served between sessions.
299er, 49er, 0-20 Stratified Swiss Teams 2:00 pm

Sponsored by Unit 176 Intermediate/Newcomer Program

All events are single session * Silver Points

Trophies, Pictures, Section Top Prizes

Hand Records, Snacks & Drinks

Entry Fee \$10.00

Partners Guaranteed!!!

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Austin Non-Life Master Sectional

October 21-22, 2006

Bridge Center of Austin
5555 N. Lamar, Suite H126

(Just South of Koenig/RM 222 - Behind Half-Price Books)

Austin, TX 78751 512.300.2743

Saturday, October 21

Stratified Pairs 12:30 pm

A: 200-NLM, B: 50-200, C: 0-50

A light meal will be served between sessions Saturday
(for those playing both sessions)

Stratified Pairs 5:00 pm

A: 200-NLM, B: 50-200, C: 0-50

Sunday, October 22

Stratified Pairs 1:30 pm

A: 200-NLM, B: 50-200, C: 0-50

Snacks & Free Coffee All Weekend Non-Smoking With Breaks

Tournament & Partnership Chair

Larry Davis 512.343.6942
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Bridge on the Brazos Waco Sectional, August 4-6, 2006



Fri Aft & Eve Strat Open Prs A
George Watkins & Scott Humphrey



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs B
G. Cunningham & Minta McCauley



Fri Aft Strat Open Prs C 1/2
Jo McDaniel & Donna Gerber



Fri Eve Strat Open Prs BC
E. Hutchison & Carol Scott



Sat Aft & Eve Strat Open Prs A
Marilyn Arnold & Derrell Childs



Sat Eve Strat Open Prs B
Beverly Larsen & Helen Simonette



Sat Aft Strat Open Prs BC
Sat Eve Strat Open Prs C
David Buck & Rene France



Sat Bkted KO Teams Bkt I
Mike Bukala & Michael Dalton
Alex Kolesnik & Hugh Hillaker



Sat Bkted KO Teams Bkt II
Clyde McCauley & Lenora Parrish
Peggy Kenny & Bill Parrish



Sat Bkted KO Teams Bkt III
Caroline Baumann & J. Townsend
Marcy Cochran & Mickie Damon



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams A
Jerry Derby & Roy Baughman
MerriJo Hillaker & Pat Cassidy



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams X
Becky Price & Tom Corlett
Jim Reynolds & Nancy Peterson

Results: Waco Sectional

Mike Bukala, Waco, was the top masterpoint winner with 27.20.

Fri Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Scott Humphrey-George Watkins A2. Derrell Childs-Marilyn Arnold B1. Minta McCauley-Garnell Cunningham B2. Kurt Brescoll-Peggy Mc Cormick C1/2. Carol Scott-Elizabeth Hutchison C1/2. Donna Gerber-Jo McDaniel.

Fri Aft Strat 99er Prs 1. Don Grider-Inez Grider 2/3. Patsy Gordon-William Gordon Jr 2/3. Deanna Drab-Sarah Niemann.

Fri Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Scott Humphrey-George Watkins A2. Derrell Childs-Marilyn Arnold B1.C1. Elizabeth Hutchison-Carol Scott B2.C2. Gloria Wilson-Sandra Harris.

Sat KO Teams Bkt I

1. Alexander Kolesnik-Hugh Hillaker-Mike Bukala-Michael Dalton 2. Mike Miller-Paul & Rosemary Kelley-James Thurtell
Bkt II 1. Bill & Lenora Parrish-Peggy Kenny-C McCauley 2. Zachary Brescoll-Janet & Kurt Brescoll-Peggy Mc Cormick
Bkt III 1. Marcy Cochran-Caroline Baumann-Jean Townsend-Mickie Damon 2. Joe & Donna Dean-Melvin & Gay Nell Ball.

Sat Aft Strat Open Prs A1. Derrell Childs-Marilyn Arnold A2. Janise Saul-Donna Watkins B1.C1. David Buck-Rene Franco B2.C2. Verna Frank-Elizabeth Peterson.

Sat Eve Strat Open Prs A1. Derrell Childs-Marilyn Arnold A2. Martha Black-Pat McMullin B1. Helen

Simonette-Beverly Larsen B2. Truett Cates-George Cates C1. David Buck-Rene Franco C2. Donna Gerber-Jo McDaniel.

Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams AX

A1. Roy Baughman-Jerry Derby-MerriJo Hillaker-Pat Cassidy A2. Alexander Kolesnik-Hugh Hillaker-Mike Bukala-Michael Dalton X1. Thomas Corlett-Jimmy Reynolds-Nancy Peterson-Becky Price
Strati BCD B1. David Farris-Peter Hudson-Charles Newton Jr,-Christian Stevens B2. Janis McIntosh-C McCauley-McLennan-Peggy Kenny C1.D1. Don Grider-Inez Grider-Bill Wisdom-Gyree Wisdom C2. Gloria Wilson-Sandra Harris-Nancy Dean-Marilyn Sharratt.



Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams CD
Bill Wisdom & Don Grider
Gyree Wisdom & Inez Grider
Don & Inez also won
Fri Aft 199er Prs



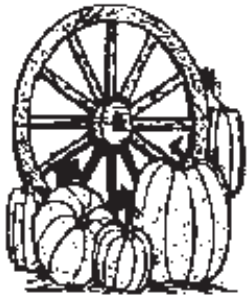
Sun Strati-Flted Swiss Teams B
Charles Newton & David Ferris
Chris Stevens & Peter Hudson

Fort Western Fall Sectional

October 27-29, 2006

At the Fort Worth Convention Center
1201 Houston St (Downtown just off I30)

Meeting Rooms 121ABCDE at the NE end of Convention Center



Friday, October 27

Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions
Stratified 0-300 Pairs, single sessions
Bracketed KO Teams, session 1

1:30 & 7:30 pm
1:30 & 7:30 pm
7:30 pm

Saturday, October 28

Bracketed KO Teams, sessions 2 & 3
Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions
Stratified 0-300 Pairs, single sessions

1:30 & 7:30 pm
1:30 & 7:30 pm
1:30 & 7:30 pm

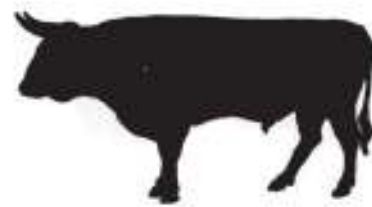
Sunday, October 29

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams
Stratified 0-300 Teams, 2 single sessions

10:00 am & TBA
10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Stratified A: 1500+, B: 750-1500, C: 0-750
Stratified 0-300 Pairs: 200-300, 100-200, 0-100
Strati-Flighted A: 3000+, AX: 0-3000 (play together)
B: 750-1500, C: 0-750 (play together)



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Entry Fees

Single Sessions: \$10/player
Two Session Swiss: \$88/team
*Additional charge of \$1.00/session
for non-ACBL members

Bridge Lectures

Friday & Saturday 7:00 pm
Dinner between sessions on Sunday
Non-smoking with breaks
Student Discounts

Unit 176
Dallas

Marvin Migdol



FOCUS ON DORSEY: Dorsey Shaw-Hensel, one of the most popular people in Dallas bridge, opened her beautiful new bridge club on Sept. 5. It's located at 580 W. Arapaho, Richardson, Suite 433. That's west of Central Expy. Phone 972.808.0001. She's betting on a market with an abundance of games for newer or less experienced players, as well as the big guys. There's a full, ambitious schedule. Please note that there are frequently 2 different sessions going on at approximately the same time.

DORSEY'S SCHEDULE: Mondays 10 a.m. 499er's plus 0/20; 2 p.m. Open and 0/99; 7 pm 499er's and Open; Tuesday 10 a.m. Open and 299er's; 7 p.m. Open and 99er's; Closed Wednesday; Thursday 10 a.m. Open and 299er's; 2 p.m. Open and 0/20; 7 p.m. Open and 299er's; Friday 10 a.m. Open and 199er's; 7 p.m. 1st and 3rd Fridays Open and 2nd and 4th Fridays Stratified Swiss Teams; Saturday 9 a.m. Supervised Play for 299er's and 0/20; 1:30 p.m. Open and 299er's; 7 p.m. Open and 299er's; Sunday 1:30 Open and 299er's; 7 p.m. Open and 199er's.

She told *Scorecard*: "We will always have brownies and sandwich fixings for all. Coffee is free and an assortment of sodas and bottled water will be available for purchase. Our approach will be to provide a nice place to play, helpful and congenial directors, snacks and a strict zero tolerance policy. We will always have boards available for novices for practice sessions. Travelers will be in the boards with a final contract suggestion and a lead suggestion. Any foursome is welcome to come in, find a table and play. Free plays will be given

for overall winners in each strat in all open games." Dorsey, a past President of DBA, has long been a workhorse of the Unit. For many years she owned a popular club in Plano. She is well known for her expertise in teaching and is a fine player.

UNIT GAME DILEMMA: Sorry that this columnist did not get the Dallas Board report of June 9 until it was too late for the last *Scorecard* issue. In brief, DBA had a committee consisting of Bob Butterfield and Charlie Price, Co-Chairmen, plus Jim Bauer, Kevin Pfeiffer, Steve Shuman and Lynne Wood. They met 4 times and surveyed other Units. The Committee recommended that Unit Games continue at the Richardson Civic Center Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm, at least through December. Various suggestions for improving attendance were noted: maximize Masterpoints, discount frequent players, incentives for bringing in new players, reduce entry fees (\$5 throughout the rest of the year), get bridge community support (e.g. clubs/teachers), advertise, consider separate game for novices, and consider cash prizes.

UNIT GAME SURVEY: We just got survey results on July 13. Sunday and Saturday afternoons are slightly more popular than Thursday nights. Most of those surveyed did not like 7:30 night games. There is interest in moving it to a club. This writer suggests 7 pm Thursday starts. Why not give it a try? Stay tuned!

UNIT DIRECTORY: Doug Tucker is heading a committee to publish the 2006-2007 DBA directory. Dorsey Shaw and I are assisting him. I always wanted to have my name in lights and so my parents almost named me "EXIT." Your name, company name or any message that's not obscene can appear in this frequently used resource for almost pennies. How about a

professional card ad? Or an apology to your partner for all of the contracts you doubled and were made? The Directory is expected to be spiral-bound. Call Dorsey or me for low, low ad rates. Maybe you'd just like to be in a list of donors for \$10 or more. Say yes and you won't get embarrassed in the column. Say no and- well you remember what happened to Mel Gibson when he had too much to drink? **BORENSTEIN ON ADVERTISING:** Jack showed us a billboard ad placed by an unhappy lady:

Hi Steven,
Do I have your attention now?
I know all about her, you filthy, sneaky, immoral, unfaithful, poorly-endowed slime-bag. Everything caught on tape.
Your (soon-to-be-ex) wife,
Emily
PS I paid for this billboard from OUR joint bank account.

YOU'LL NEVER PULL A DOUBLE AGAIN! Steve Olson is a fine player. Sometimes, in our younger years, we're more flamboyant. I recall playing against Steve in the '70s, when Valley View was in a motel on Central Expy. in Richardson. Bud Creed was directing. Steve opened the bidding with a Diamond and his partner eventually bid 3NT after some competitive bidding. The opponents were vul and when they got to 6 Clubs Steve could stand it no more. There were no bidding cards but Steve's call of "Double" was unmistakable for meaning. Partner, after some hesitation, pulled it to 6 Diamonds. "7 NT," Steve bellowed. "That will serve to remind you not to pull my obvious penalty double!" I'm afraid that Steve and p didn't make it.

THE RABBI'S RULE: Being Jewish, some friends ask me to explain "The Rabbi's Rule." "When the king is (offside) singleton, play the ace!" There are times you can work out if an opponent has a singleton king. In some cases you might only make your contract if you guess right.

PLAYING YOUR CARDS RIGHT: Brainy card games like contract bridge, raise the production of a key blood cell involved in repelling illness. After 90 minutes of play, players have

increased levels of immune cells, according to the Society of Neuroscience. Skills like planning ahead, using memory, initiative and keeping parts of the frontal lobe active plays a part of the immune system. Play more bridge and ward off viruses and other threats.

YOU PLAY WEAK TWOS, DON'T YOU? Jessica Brown, who has made contributions to bridge in TX, told this story. LHO opened 2S, P and then LOL with only 6 points bid 4. Obviously playing strong two bids. Next hand, the lady who raised 2S to 4 asked her LHO: "Do you play weak twos?" "Yes." "Well me too-2S." (Of course the LOL played weak twos *when it suited her!* Pun intended.)

MOON WALK? BIG DEAL! Fran Beard, a mainstay in bridge for many years, recalls playing in a Tyler Sectional the weekend of July 21, 1969. There was a pause in play while attendees could watch a very historical scene on TV: man walks on the moon. ("Small step for man, a giant leap for mankind.") The sight mesmerized many people. However, riding back to Dallas Dr. John Fisher complained because they were late due to the pause with a cause. "Why the heck did we have to wait for the funny little men to walk on the moon?" the champ complained. That just goes to prove that bridge is a lot more important than one of the most historical events of our time. But there is a PS. Dear Dr. Fisher, do you know how many times players have had to wait for you?

THANK GOD, STILL AROUND! Recently seen at VV, Midge Cutler playing with Don Moorman. Lennie Schaan, who lives near Little Rock, was a recent partner. Frank and Virginia Matthews also live in AR. Isn't it great bumping into fabulous old friends at the bridge table?

HAVE A STORY? Send anecdotes to me at fmmigdol@comcast.net

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A big thank you to Co-Chairs Tom and Ethel Corlett; Bettye Guthrie, partnerships; Mike Bukala, caddies; Melody Euler, pictures; and Raby and Verna Smalley, tables; and to all who

may have assisted with the Bridge on the Brazos sectional in Waco August 4-6. Attendance exceeded last year's by 17 tables from 240.5 to 257.5. Our special thanks to all who attended.

Mike Bukala was again the Unit member who earned the most MP's in the tournament and will receive the Maxine K. Tessmer memorial award.

At the board of directors' meeting August 4, David Pennington was appointed Unit Representative to the District Board. Special thanks to Tom Corlett who has served in an exemplary manner as Unit Representative the past nine years, serving as District President in 2004. He always attended the District meetings and brought his report to the Unit board. We appreciate David's acceptance of the appointment and know he will do a fine job as well.

The board voted to extend paying entry fees to District-final NAP and GNT games for another year. To qualify for the District finals, plan to attend the Unit-final NAP qualifying game September 17 and the GNT Unit qualifying game January 28, 2007, at the CAC in Temple.

Congratulations to Mary Adams and David Pennington whose Ft. B Swiss team placed 1st/2nd at the Chicago NABC with 76 tables competing. They were also 6th/8th in Ft. A.

The Unit has received a "Thank You" plaque from the District for membership growth the past quarter.

Welcome new member Martha Bailey of Belton and Lucretia Loflin of Brenham who has transferred back to our Unit from Unit 174.

Our deepest sympathy to Betty Zelisko whose son, John, was killed in a trucking accident during a sandstorm in Arizona June 22.

Sybil Cloudt, one of our members since early years, died June 21 at 91 years of age. Sybil and Helen Brown known affectionately as "The Ladies of the Lake" will be remembered by many for their expertise at the bridge table. Helen died several years ago.

The Unit Christmas party and election will be held Sunday, December 3, at the CAC. Three new members will be elected to the board to replace Kathleen Midkiff, Peggi Kenny, and Eiko King whose terms expire. Richard Wall will direct the two Unit championships beginning at 10 a.m. Plan now to attend. It's always a great party.

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Beginning Week of September 4

Wednesdays 3:00 pm-5:00 pm - *Advanced Conventions



September 6 - Negative Doubles
September 13 - Advanced Doubles
September 27 - Advanced Overcalls
October 4 - 2-Suited Overcalls
October 11 - Negative Double SP
October 18 - Advanced Doubles SP
October 25 - Advanced Overcalls SP
November 1 - 2-Suited Overcalls SP
November 8 - Blackwood/Gerber
November 29 - Slam Cuebidding
December 6 - Slam Bidding SP



Fridays 10:00 am-12:00 pm - Modern Bidding

Beginning week of September 11

Mondays 6:30 pm - Basic Bridge

Wednesdays 10:00 am - Defensive Carding Pt I

Thursdays 10:00 am - Play of the Hand Pt I

Thursdays 12:30 pm - Basic Bridge

Beginning week of October 2

Mondays 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm - *Basic Conventions

October 2 - Strong 2C Bid, October 9 - Weak 2 Bids

October 16 - Stayman, October 23 - Jacoby Transfers

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Dallas 2005 Fall Sectional

November 9-12, 2006

Richardson Civic Center

SW Corner Arapaho Road & US-75 (Central Expressway) Richardson, Texas

Thursday, November 9

Newcomer 199er, 49er Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO Teams-I, 1st of 3 sessions 7:30 pm

Friday, November 10

0-5 Up 'n Coming Pairs 1:30 pm
0-20 Newcomer Pairs 1:30 pm
Stratified 199er, 49er Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Bracketed KO Teams-I, 2nd & Final of 3 sessions 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Board-A-Match Teams 7:30 pm

Saturday, November 11

0-5 Up 'n Coming Pairs 9:00 am
0-20 Newcomer Pairs 9:00 am
Stratified 199er, 49er Pairs 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
Saturday Bracketed KO Teams-II 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:30 pm
FAST PAIRS NEW!!! Finished By 10pm 7:30 pm

Sunday, November 12

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA
299er Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA

Stratifications

Stratified Pairs: A: 2000+, B: 500-2000, C: 0-500
Strati-Flighted: A: 3000+, AX: 0-3000 (Play together)
B: 1000-2000, C: 500-1000 D: 0-500 (Play together)
299er Stratified: A: 200-300, B: 50-200, C: 0-50
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LESSONS begin the week of September 11th. Schedules will be available during our Grand Opening week.



Grand Opening Game
Tuesday, Sept. 5th, 10:00am
\$6.00 card fee waived Sept 5th-10th

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SUNDAY

- 1:30pm: Open & 299ers
- 6:00pm: Open & 299ers

MONDAY

- 10:00am: Open, 499ers & 0-20
- 2:00pm: Open & 299ers
- 7:00pm: Open & 499ers

TUESDAY

- 10:00am: Open & 299ers
- 7:00pm: Open & 299ers

WEDNESDAY

- No games — it's our week-middle!

THURSDAY

- 10:00am: Open & 299ers
- 2:00pm: Open & 0-20
- 7:00pm: Open & 299ers

FRIDAY

- 10:00am: Open & 99ers
- 7:00pm: Open & 299ers
 - 1st & 3rd weeks: Stratified Pairs
 - 2nd & 4th weeks: Stratified Swiss

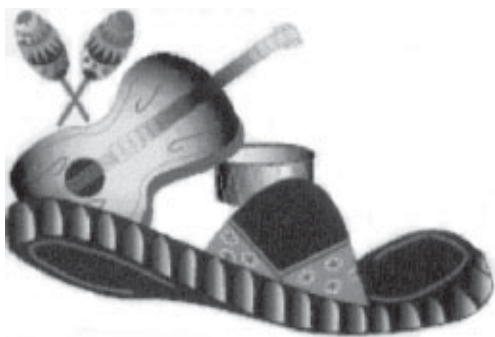
SATURDAY

- 9:00am: Supervised Play (299ers & 0-20)
- 1:30pm: Open & 299ers
- 7:00pm: Open & 299ers

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