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Compton Wins Open Swiss; Baker Second in Women's Swiss *by David Sokolow*

Can you spell "draut"? Apparently, neither can I. But that's pretty much what District 16 has experienced the last two nationals. This time, our lone victor was Chris Compton of Dallas, who prevailed in the Open Swiss Teams on the final day of the NABC. Chris is no stranger to the winner's circle, having won the prestigious Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams in 1989. Known to almost everyone who's played in a District 16 regional or sectional, Chris proved himself once again to be the cream of the District 16 crop. Congratulations, Chris, on your win.



Lynn Baker of Austin started this year in pretty much the same form as she ended last year. She followed up her win in the Women's Pairs in San Francisco with a runner-up finish in the Women's Swiss Teams in Detroit. As previously reported, Lynn's team has a bye to the semifinals of the Women's International Team Trials to select the U.S. women's team for the world championships in Beijing this fall. Good luck, Lynn! Lynn was not the only District 16'er to shine in the Women's Swiss. Austinites Tobi Sokolow and Mildred Breed roared back from the bottom of the pack on the final day to finish third, only 1.55 IMPs behind Lynn's squad. Nice going!



And speaking of squeakers... In a virtual photo finish, Tobi and her husband, David, finished third in the national Mixed Pairs. With a round to go, they were a board behind the first- and second-place pairs, but a monster round of 123-1/2 out of 128 matchpoints, brought them within a hairsbreadth of the winners. Third is a very respectable finish in a national event, but let me tell you, a hairsbreadth feels like a gaping chasm when it's you who is oh-so-close to victory!

What about the NAOP events, you ask? Our district's standard-bearers did very well in Flight B. Jim Breihan and Mike Doyle of Houston finished fifth, while Phillip Jaeger of Austin and Thomas Hackenberg of Round Rock wound up eighth.

The only other district play-

ers to scale the top 10 in NABC events were Dallas denizens Bart Bramley, who reached the quarterfinals of the Vanderbilt Teams, and Donna Compton, who was tenth in the Women's Pairs. Bart's accomplishment is particularly noteworthy because his team played four-handed against the top players in the world. Most Vanderbilt squads have six players, so everyone can sit out one or two segments (of 16 boards) a day. My hat's off to Bart and his teammates.

The Summer NABC will be in Las Vegas July 17-27. The ACBL expects it to be the largest national ever, and why not? Those of you have never been to a Vegas NABC are in for a real treat: round-the-clock gaming; fabulous shows; incredible food, from 99 cent breakfasts to haute cuisine (*that* I can spell!); and four sessions of bridge every day (at 9 a.m.; 1 p.m.; 7:30 p.m.; and midnight). Lest you need any further incentive, just remember the city's motto: "What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas." No excuses!

NAOP Flight A - 14.0 Tables / Based on 35 Tables 11 Thomas Peters, Grapeland; John Zilic, Houston
Silodor Open Pairs - 78.0 Tables / Based on 151 Tables 21. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 38. Chris Compton, Dallas
Silver Ribbon Pairs - 52.0 Tables / Based on 89 Tables 19 Kerr Godfrey - John Zilic, Houston
Mixed Pairs - 65.0 Tables / Based on 127 Tables 3. Tobi Sokolow - David Sokolow, Austin 45. Thomas Peters - Carolyn Peters, Grapeland
Vanderbilt Knockouts - 75 Tables

5/8 Bart Bramley, Dallas 9/16 Eddie Wold, Houston 17/32 Chris Compton - Bob Hamman, Dallas 17/32 Dan Morse, Houston 17/32 Hemant Lall, Dallas ; Ira Chorush, Houston 17/32 Shawn Quinn, 30-218 Krakow Poland; Ira Hessel, San Antonio
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NAP SUMMER SWING *by Betty Starzec*

As the summer is approaching, so is the time you can get a lot of **RED** points just by playing in your local clubs! You can do this by participating in the North American Pairs (NAP) qualifying games. Those of you who are just starting to earn those elusive red and gold points recognize that they are won at NABCs and regional tournaments. Here is your chance to win them in your own backyard!

The NAP is a series of qualifying events culminating in a contest at the Spring NABC (it's Houston for 2009). During the months of June, July and August local clubs will have the first (Stage One) of the qualifying events.

Most clubs stratify their games in order to accommodate all players. Masterpoints are awarded at a sectional open rating and are 1/2 red and 1/2 black. Flight A is unlimited and open to all members. Flight B is for players with under 2000 masterpoints and Flight C is for non-Life Masters with fewer than 500 masterpoints. Clubs can have a "stand-alone" section for Flight C and may stratify the event with an under 100 masterpoint strat and another strat for under 20 masterpoints. The lower strats of Flight C award black points only, but they are still sectionally rated (which means you get more).

If you qualify to pro-

ceed to Stage Two, you will play in the Fall in your unit, typically one of the clubs in your area. Two-session unit qualifying events award a percentage of gold points to overall placers. This event is followed by the district NAP finals - where you have the chance to earn even more gold! (District finals will be held in Austin in January.)

If you are one of the top two finishers in your flight in the district finals, you will receive compensation to assist in your competition at the national level. Imagine you can represent District 16 at the Houston NABC in 2009 - and it all started at your club! If you don't see NAP qualifying games on your favorite club's schedule, please tell them you want to play in this event.

President's Message

Larry Davis
District 16
President



One way to generate some excitement among the newer players is to have a tournament just for them. I urge the units to host a 0-50, 0-100, 0-200, 0-300 or NLM (non-life master) sectional tournament. The cost and space requirements can be quite low, especially for 0-50 or 0-100 tournaments. Because you probably won't get a whole lot of attendance (mostly locals), you can probably use a location where a local club meets. (You won't have to rent a large (expensive) hotel site or convention center site.) You might be able to run the tournament concurrently with a weekend club game. You can have as few as two sessions, e.g. Saturday afternoon and Sunday afternoon. By obtaining the permission (not automatic) of the District 16 Chief Tournament Director, Tom Whitesides, one of your local club directors can run the tournament. (This should cut down considerably on ex-

penses.) You don't have to run an ad in the *Scorecard*. The *Scorecard* will still list your tournament, however (city and dates).

By the way, make sure that new players understand that they *are allowed* to play in any unrestricted tournament. New players often seem to have the misapprehension that they have to qualify or have a certain (large) number of masterpoints in order to play in an unrestricted sectional, regional or national tournaments.

If you would like to meet the District 16 President and give him a piece of your mind, make suggestions/criticisms and/or ask questions, I will have "office hours" at the Austin Regional Tournament this July. I will set up a "desk" in the lobby just outside of the main playing area and man the desk for an hour or so on Tuesday through Saturday. The time schedule will be printed in the regional newsletter. I also plan on having such "office hours" at the Dallas and Houston regional tournaments.

Dan Morse
District 16
Representative



DETROIT REPORT

The Marriott Hotel at the Renaissance center was a great place for a Tournament; the whole event was in one Hotel with lots of playing space and restaurants enclosed. If you wanted to get out there was a monorail that for 50 cents would take you to a place called Greek town that had a Casino and 15-20 restaurants. Detroit had the misfortune to be between San Francisco and Las Vegas plus a snow storm the first Weekend. So, in spite of a great job by the Tournament Committee, the attendance was down about 1000 tables from the expected number. Speaking of Las Vegas, it will be very large, probably over 20,000 tables, so make reservations as soon as possible if you want to stay at the host Hotel.

On a personal note I am pleased to have been elected President for the 2008, we had a productive and

smooth meeting in Detroit. However there are many issues to be settled this year, some important ones are where our headquarters will be in the future. We are considering the Memphis area, the Dallas area, the Atlanta area and Orlando. I hope we can resolve this soon. We also have issues with master-points for KO's and new rules for electronic devices in and around the playing areas, so 2008 will be a busy year. In addition I have been invited to many areas of the ACBL this year so I will not be in Texas as much as I would like (I will miss some of our good Texas Tournaments.).

2007 was a very good year for the ACBL with the number of sanctioned games going over 3,000,000 for the first time. Membership increased by almost 1000 members which is a trend I hope we can continue.

One of my priorities this year is publicity. I believe if social players and non bridge players read about our game in the newspaper or other media they will be more likely to try playing duplicate. I am asking every (Continued on page 3 Morse)

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The Circle of Life

Can you imagine a year without bridge?? Don't even try. One year ago I was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, "Leiomyosarcoma". In layman terms, it is a pelvic mass. My journey was long starting with six weeks of radiation, followed by surgery in September, and another surgery in December because of a staph infection that developed after my surgery. It was a long, painful, and frightening experience.

During these twelve long months, I would feel down, and one of my loving and considerate bridge friends would call, or send a "get well", or "thinking of you" card. Every call or card would lift my spirits so that I was able to concentrate on the most important issue...GETTING WELL. I've read before that part of healing with cancer is attitude. Well, because of my caring and loving bridge friends, and my wonderful caring and always present husband, I am **CANCER FREE!!!**

On April 2, it was my greatest pleasure to give back to all my friends that supported and loved and prayed for me through good days and bad. My husband Don and I hosted a "Celebration Party", at the Bridge Club of Houston, which included dinner, margaritas and bridge. It was a charity level matchpoint game with proceeds benefiting MD Anderson Hospital in appreciation to the research teams, Drs, nurses and volunteers that helped to save my life. This truly is the circle of life. Jayne Davis



Jayne & Don Davis



Cancer Survivors



Norm Gautier and Jayne Davis



Toni Snow, Eric Snow (seated), Don & Jayne Davis



Bert Onstott, Jayne Davis & Katherine Onstott



Paul and Karen Nimmons

DISTRICT 16 TOURNAMENTS

MAY

Austin	01-04
Richardson 0-300	02-04
Houston 0-300	16-18
Richardson	22-26
(Grand National Teams) Richardson	24-26

JUNE

Fort Worth	06-08
San Antonio	05-08
Midland	13-15
Dallas NLM	16-18
Bryan	20-22
District 16 Stac Various sites	23-29

JULY

AUSTIN REGIONAL	June 30-06
Tyler	11-13
Austin NLM	26-27

AUGUST

Lubbock	1-3
San Miguel de Allende (0-300)	1-3
Waco	1-3
Stafford	8-10
Abilene (0-300)	15-16
DALLAS LABOR DAY REGIONAL	Aug 26-Sept 1

SEPTEMBER

New Braunsfels	11-14
Richardson (0-nlm)	12-14
Spring	12-14
Austin	18-21
Athens (0-300)	25-27
Unit 174 STaC Houston Area	22-28
Odessa	26-28

Tommy Splitterger District 16 Resident Movie Star

Almost as long as I have played bridge in Texas I have been honored to know District 16 's most well known movie star, Tommy Splitterger, a.k.a. Tommy Twoclubs, for obvious reasons, He has appeared in such memorable flicks such as "Tora! Tora! Tora!" and the original "The Getaway". Tommy sold the train tickets to Ali McGraw.

I am pleased to announce that Tommy has donated his services to the Texas Department of Transportation. He is the main actor in a feature designed to keep people from drinking and driving. This is a must see . Check it out at www.whosdrivingtonight.com

After getting to this site click on the "money goat " and heed Tommy's advise.



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DEADLINE for May/June Issue

Advertising: April. 1st
Articles + Columns April. 6th
Copy must be typed.
E-mail is best.
Pictures cannot be returned.



25 Points For Game? By Greg Hinze



At a recent regional I picked up this hand:
AQ65 A82 J43 K75
My partner opens the bidding in first chair no one vul 2H showing both majors preemptive. Opposite Kxxxx KQxxx I would be cold for game with either major breaking That, of course, is wishful thinking, but my hand is certainly worth a game try. 2N is the asking bid, LHO overcalls 3D and partner volunteers 3H showing 4 spades 5 hearts and a good preempt. RHO lifts to 4D and my hand value increases as well so I try for the 4S game. The opening lead is the ace of diamonds and dummy tables:
KJ32 JT754 void JT62
Opposite AQ65 A82 J43 K75

Lots of work to do. I ruffed trick 1 and lead a club to the king which lost. A spade was returned which I won in hand to lead a club to the jack. LHO played the queen and lead another spade which I won in dummy as everyone followed. Now I played the jack of hearts which held the trick (it does no good for east to cover) following with the ace of hearts, west playing the nine RHO the queen, and exiting a heart as LHO pitches a diamond and RHO wins the King.

K
75
void
JT
void
void
KT98
9
A6
void
J4
7

With RHO on lead there is no answer, a club puts declarer in dummy to pull the trump and claim. A spade return is the same, so east plays a diamond to tap the dummy. Declarer now plays good hearts through east. If he ruffs south over-ruffs and returns to dummy with a club. The whole hand was:

KJ32
JT754
void
JT62
87
93
AKT982
AQ9
AQ65
A82
J43
K75

Did you spot the way to beat the contract? Tap the dummy. Win the club ace and tap the dummy again. Now on jack of clubs win the queen and exit a club. Now the ending is:

KJ
JT754
void
T
87
93
KT98
void
AQ65
A82
J
void

Declarer can no longer prevent losing either a trump or a diamond.

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Club and Unit to form a Publicity Committee who will work to get mentioned as much as possible. Please recommend this to your club and Unit.

Congratulations to Mike Passell and Nick Nickell on being elected the ACBL's Hall of Fame.

There are serious concerns about electronic devices; the ACBL believes conduct and ethical standards should be of the highest order. Starting in July with the Vegas National the following policy will apply to all nationally rated events at NABC's. Electronic devices, excluding health related equipment, capable of sending or receiving communication, including but not limited to headphones, earphones, cellular phones and mini-computers: 1. shall not be allowed in the playing areas, adjacent hallways, restrooms, or accessible break areas, and 2. shall not be used during a session. These restrictions shall apply to all pairs, team members, captains, coaches, recorders and kibitzers and shall apply throughout any actual playing segment. Violations of this policy shall result in a disciplinary penalty of one full board (or 12imps at that form of scoring) for the first offence. A second offence shall result in disqualification from the event. Kibitzers violating this policy shall be removed from the playing area for the remainder of the session. Please leave your cell phone in your Hotel room or car. Do not take it to the playing area.

There was an error in ACBL score that resulted in some top bracket KO's in January and February award-

ing too many master points. The awards have been corrected retroactive to the beginning of the year. Some players will notice a reduction in their master point total.

The new Strength of field concept that forms the basis of the new master point formula in use appears to be working; however two adjustments have been made. A new reduction formula is in place for bracketed KO's that have fewer than 16 teams (about 4% reduction for each team less than 16). Also the master point cap for a team has been raised from 40,000 to 45,000 and the maximum award is made only if the bracket average is 40,000 instead of 35,000. In addition any 3 session team will have a reduction of 60% from a 4 session event even if a 4 session was scheduled.

The new laws will be available soon and will be effective September 8, 2008. On advice of the Competitions and Conventions Committee the Multi 2 Diamond convention (opening 2 diamonds showing a weak 2 in a major) will no longer be allowed in pair games. It will still be allowed in team games of 6 boards or more (Only in Flight A Regional and higher) effective date August 1, 2008.

The ACBL expressed its disapproval of all non-bridge related public statements and demonstrations by any Zone 2 representatives participating in an international bridge competition.

As a trial project a shortened mini-bridge school program was approved effective September 1, 2008. It will

be similar to the existing school program except that. 1. No text will be provided. 2. Teachers will receive a subsidy of \$200 for a class of eight hours of instruction and supervised play. 3. It will be permitted through the 6th grade level only.

The ACBL Code of Disciplinary Regulations was amended; interested parties should download the new version from the ACBL website. One of the changes prohibits lawyers from representing those charged in front of committees. This was done to simplify hearing and make them less of a courtroom like atmosphere.

New member secondary mailings have been started. This is a program that sends new members a second bulletin quarterly which provides information about the game, common conventions and non-timely items to help new members learn how to enjoy the ACBL experience.

Effective March 31, 2008 a new policy regarding STAC charges will go into effect. The change is that sponsoring organizations will be charged a total fee based on table count, whereas previously charges included a sanctions fee, director session charges, and miscellaneous charges.

Over 4th of July the first ever youth National Tournament will be held in Atlanta. *If there are youth in your area do what you can to see that they attend and provide them with support.*

See you at the tables ,

Dan

The Union Game by Ira Hessel

*"With haunted hearts through the heat and cold,
We never thought we could ever get old.
We thought we could sit forever in fun
But our chances really was a million to one."* Bob Dylan

When I was an undergraduate at CCNY most of my early afternoons were spent in the cafeteria which was great for studying and playing either chess or go. 4PM to 6 PM was wrestling practice. But between seasons I did chance upon the union where I tried my hand at bridge. While I had too much on my plate to get hooked then the seeds were sown for my favorite pastime.

As a graduate student in Austin in the 70's a few of my fellow students engaged me at the Tuesday night duplicate at The Union at The University of Texas. We often had well over 10 tables and the competition was quite inconstant ranging from neophytes to the already experienced and quite capable group led by the likes of Ken Schutze. (As early as 1974 Ken placed 7th in the Reisinger). But we did have our illusions and to this day those fond memories remain. The game was run by Ed (fast Eddie) Davis and his roommate Deputy Dawg. Many players that emerged from that group went on to achieve a large share of national successes. Ken won 3 Grand National Pairs with Jim Griffin, another regular. Many others are Gold LM's or higher. One of the strongest was Paul Burka who went on to become an influential Editor at Texas Monthly. Paul was a strong influence of many of us. Although he does not get to play often, at the last Austin Regional Paul came out of hiatus to win the Swiss Teams with Ken. It was at this very comradish group I met Jim Musumeci, son of Aces coach MUS. A fine player in his own right Jim introduced me to backgammon.

The list of players was quite impressive. Besides the aforementioned, there are many players who accomplished a lot. Among the group who still play are Kerr Godfrey, Ed Davis, Steve Bruce, Paul Kelley, Dave Bugay, John Bowers, John Bromberg, Dale Crumbaugh, Ira Hessel and Dennis Sorenson, who not only won the Collegiate championship but also went on to win the ACBL top 500 one year.

Although he already an outstanding player we were often visited by the Sage of San Leana, Dr. George Pisk. Besides helping us on our way in bridge George was responsible for many of our nicknames. Not the least was "The Iron Monkey"

In the mid 70,s the Union closed for renovation and by the time it reopened the Union game sadly did not have the impetus to continue. We went on to play at the local duplicate club fondly run by Ray Robak. I always treasured the Saturday night Swiss where they served copious snacks and free beer! (A college students fondest wish.)

I am always glad to see the old Union players and always hoped there would be other groups like that. It was what all bridge games should be. While learning the game from advanced players we had fun and had a great source of friendships and companionship.

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**Unit 172
San Antonio**

David Mitchell

Unit 172 has four new Gold Life Masters- Marilyn Arnold, Judy Lewis, Al Lochli and Pat Russell; two new Bronze Life Masters, Becky Mosely and Jay Thorne; and a new Life Master, Carolyn Martinez. Congratulations to all!

Two of our members reached up well over 100 points at the February Houston Regional – Ira Hessel and Greg Hinze.

Doug Cross and Gary Anziani won the Friday Flight B Pairs. The Houston Regional was well attended and the weather was SUPER!

Don't know if this will be out in time, but our Spring Sectional, usually held in Kerrville, will be at Turtle Creek DBC here in San Antonio the second weekend in April.

Our board is tinkering with the Thursday PM schedule for that sectional. Board-a Match just doesn't generate the table count we want so we are trying IMP pairs and some team games and of course regular pairs.

Back in February the Unit held a free Pro/Am team game. Pro was any player with 500+ points and Ams were those with less than 500 points. No team could have more than two "Pro's". 35 table os player showed up, enjoyed the refreshments, many door prizes and yes, the bridge, too. The top four places went to :

1. Anne Veitch, Mary Jean O'Con-

nor, Ed Rawlinson & Bill Walker
2. Betsy Berg, Margaret Leonard, Chuck Jefferson & Judy Lewis
3. Sherry Johnson-DiBaggio, Tony DeBaggio, Cliff Jensen & Conie Matz
4. Linda Lawrence, Dan Blaettler, Sheryleen Grothus & Diane Olson
We are all pleased to see Tessa Bodnar back at the table after open heart surgery.

The Board has chose Donna Watkins & Sherry Johnson-DiBaggio to be our 2008 Goodwill members of the year.

Turtle Creek Bridge Club Sectional
April 10-13

- 1 25.78 Diane Olson,
- 2 21.36 Marilyn Arnold,
- 3 17.38 Greg Hinze,
- 4 16.71 Virginia Noelke,
- 5 16.71 Venkatrao Koneru
- 6 16.29 Ed Rawlinson,
- 7 15.59 Bill Walker,
- 8 14.38 Patricia Lozano
- 9 13.83 Josephine Grabow
- 10 13.24 Daniel Blaettler

Thursday Afternoon Pairs-29.5
Tables A1. Ed Rawlinson-Bill Walker A2. Miriam Dolan-Sandra Weber B1 Mike Huiatt-Terry Bickerton B2. Robert Mangas-Beverly Bannum C1. Judith Hoffman-Stephen Hoffman C2. Howard Janotta-Marilyn Jacobs

Thursday Evening Imp Pair-17.0
Tables A1. Everette Lewis- Richard Lampman A2. Sally Armstrong-Carole Price B1 Myra Ribak-Katherine RibbleB2. Arline Rubin-

Robert Barber C1. Susan Hernandez-Kenyon Daniel C2. Verlyn Stahlecker-Olivia Brown
Friday Afternoon Pairs-31.5
Tables A1. Diane Olson-Edie Keogh A2. Josephine Grabow-Greg Hinze B1. Mike Huiatt-Terry Bickerton B2C1. Pat Prichard-Kay Laird B2./3 Rand Schmidt-Joseph Caldarola B2./3 Olivia Brown-Verlyn Stahlecker

Friday Evening Barometer-22.0
Tables A1. Diane Olson-R Anziani A2. James La Fountain-Jon Richard Ware BC1. Andy Villastrigo-Liane Tsai B2. Keith Estep-M. Louise Wissler C2. Vivian Thompson-Jan McLaurin

Pro-Am KO-Bracket 1-7 Tables 1. Daniel Blaettler-Marilyn Arnold-Diane Olson-Wayne Dow 2. Donald Jackson-Patricia Jackson-Kenneth McBride-Donna McBride
Saturday KO-Bracket 2-5 Tables 1. Jerrold Harrington Garden Ridge Arline Rubin-Andy Villastrigo-Liane Tsai 2. James Wueste-Henry Irwin Jr -Harvey Browning-Ronald Turner
Saturday KO-Bracket 3-5 Tables Mark Heep-Liz Cooper-Vivian Thompson-McLaurin 2 Kay Karnau-Linda Garrett-Byron Fackenthall-Chloe Ella Fackenthall

Saturday Afternoon Pairs-29.0
Tables A1. Greg Hinze-Patricia Lozano A2. Darlene Riely-Janise Saul B1 Alonzo Britton-Mary Britton B2. Helen McCrae-Linda Williams C1. Esther Modliszewski-Piper Smith C2. Bernadine Abend-Beth Gale

Saturday Evening Pairs-18.5
Tables A1. Josephine Grabow-Julia Bomalaski A2. Venkatrao Koneru-Virginia Noelke BC1. Jerrold Harrington-Arline Rubin B2. Katherine

Gary-Dorothy Rippstein C2. Esther Modliszewski- Piper Smith
Sunday Stratified Swiss-30 Tables A1. Carolyn Riely-Terry Riely-Venkatrao Koneru-Virginia Noelke A2. Bill Walker-Marilyn Arnold-Donna Watkins-Ed RawlinsonB1 Katherine Gary-Dorothy Rippstein-Beula Mae Pearce-Roxana Tom-Roxana Tom B2. C David Mitchell-Thomas Trudeau-Bette Allen-Cecelia Zachar C1. Paula Warren-Kimi Lambert-Daniel Blaettler-Grant Coon II C2. Jo Neesvig-Tessa Bodnar-Byron Fackenthall-Chloe Ella Fackenthall



**Unit 176
Dallas**
Marvin Migdol

NEW OFFICERS: Congratulations to these hard workers who make the Dallas Unit tick. President, Charles Price. Charlie, an educator, has been a mainstay in North Texas bridge for many years. We are fortunate to have him in the top slot. Jim Bauer, VP; Jim Harp, Treasurer; Tomi Fitzgerald, Secretary; Bob Butterfield, Mary Jane McGinnis, Carolyn Bradford, Steve Birnbaum and Doug Tucker round out the capable Board.

COMMITTEE HEADS: We're grateful for their time and leadership. Membership, Steve Birnbaum; Education, Truett Cates and Carolyn Bradford; Disciplinary, Stan Kohan; Publicity, Marvin Migdol; Unit Game Coordinator, Bob Butterfield; Website Coordinator, Marion Gebhardt and Charles Price; District

Representative, Gerrie Owen; ACBL Electronic Contact, Charles Price; Tournament Chair, Dorsey Shaw; Bylaws Committee, Bob Butterfield, Jim Thurtel, Doug Tucker; Intermediate/Newcomer, Donna Compton; and Tom Edwards, Unit Recorder.

WHAT'S A RECORDER? He/she provides a method of dealing with complaints that by themselves do not warrant the filing of formal charges; are serious but evidence is lacking or are a request to have the player's behavior modified by counseling and/or education. Anyone playing in an ACBL sanctioned event, ACBL management or a Unit/District person can bring a complaint.

PLANNING: Long-range planning was the topic of a special Board meeting on March 10. Charlie Price and other leaders have a keen understanding of what needs to be done to make bridge better and enjoyed by more. In brief, the Board seeks financial stability, greater participation and enjoyment in bridge, recruiting more members and increased communication. There was excellent brainstorming.

DID YOU KNOW: The Mini Mac victor is determined by points won at Unit games. The Ace of Clubs is for points won at clubs. Both are based on calendar years.

PASSING BOARDS: the Board asks "not too fast, not too slow."

SAVE THE DATES: Dorsey Shaw, one of Dallas brightest stars, is Chair of the Dallas Labor Day Regional.



Thurs Eve Imp Pair Flt A
Rich Lampman and Everett Lewis



Thurs Eve Imp Pairs Flt B
Arlene Rubin and Robert Barber



Thurs and Fri Aft Stratified Pairs Flt C
Kay Laird and Pat Prichard



Thurs Aft Strat Pairs Flt A
Ed Rawlinson and Bill Walker



Fri Eve Strat A Barometer Pairs
Gary Anziani and Diane Olson



Fri Eve Strat B and C Barometer Pairs
Liane Tsai and Andy Villastrigo



Friday Aft Strat Pairs Flt A
Diane Olson and Edie Keogh



Thurs Eve Imp Pairs Flt C
Kenyon Daniels and Susan Hernandez



Sat Eve Strat Pairs Flt A
Jo Grabow and Julia Bomalaski



Sat Aft Strat Pairs Flt A
Gerg Hinze and Patty Lozano



Sat Aft Strat Pairs Flt C
Esther Modliszewski and Piper Smith

**Turtle Creek
Bridge Club
San Antonio Sectional**



Sat Eve Strat Pairs Flt B and C
Jerry Harrington & Arline Rubin



Saturday KO Bracket 2
Jerry Harrington, Arline Rubin, Liane Tsai, Andy Villastrigo



Saturday KO Bracket 3
Mark Heep, Liz Cooper, Jan McLaurin, Vivian Thompson



Sunday Swiss Flt B
Buela Mae Pierce, Dorothy Rippstein, Anne Gary, The Roxannas Tom



Sunday Swiss Flt C
Dan Blaettler, Kimi Lambert, Paula Warren and Grant Coon II



Sat Aft Strat Pairs Flt B
Mary and Alonzo Britton

She's past Unit President and best known for her ownership of Dorsey's Bridge Studio in Richardson. Richardson is again the site of our fantastic Labor Day Regional, Aug. 26-Sept. 1. It's at the beautiful Renaissance Hotel. The actual address is 900 Lookout Dr. What an amazing bargain for \$88! Call (800) 468-3571. PS You might pack a little extra caffeine. There are Midnight games Wed. through Sat.

DIRECTOR'S COURSE: Sept. 1, 9-6; Tues. Review 9-12. Register: cprice@texomawebs.com

UNIT GAMES: They're a hit on the first Sunday at 1:30. Open at VV; 499ers at Dorsey's.

SWEET SUE: We'll miss Susan Krausgill, who saw cards through a magnifying glass and strong light. We lost her in March.

NORMA STERN: Long-time player died in Plano. Her pre-deceased husband, Milton L. Stern, will be remembered by bridge buffs of the '70s and '80s. Milton patronized many pros and was credited with authoring "Expert Bridge: From Novice to Superstar in 90 Days...Perhaps?" Written in 1978 and aimed at novices, it included articles by Bergen, Blackwood, Goldman, Hardy, Lawrence, Mollo, Truscott and Woolsey.

NOT BRITE: Amy Albrite, a fixture at bridge, also left the table permanently in Feb. Despite much pain in later years, she always had a smile and pleasant, complimentary words for partners and opponents.

ALAN MARX: He was especially active in the '80s and '90's. Although he never made LM, he has met the

Grand Master in the sky.

MAY SECTIONAL: What a great time for a tournament! With Mon., May 26 as Memorial Day, you can pack as many as 5 days into one tourney We're back at the Richardson Civic Center (US 75 at Arapaho, SW corner), May 22-26. Grand National Teams Finals are May 24, 25 and maybe May 26 (depending on the number of teams entered). See ad or District 16 website for the complete schedule. All pair events are single session and on Sat., May 24 you can start at 9:30 am if you wish. Valley View Bridge Club is the sponsor. Retiring chair Gerrie Owen and Preston Morrow are Chairs. Larue Stott will turn in her usual perfect performance as Partnership Chair. Open and A GNT should register with Sandy Campbell. As usual, complimentary beverages and snacks every session and meal on Monday. Reserve a room at Holiday Inn Select, (972) 669-0508. Y'all come, y'hear!

1964: The Fall Nationals was held in Dallas. We're very indebted to Betty Ingram, formerly of Wichita Falls, for sharing the handsome Souvenir Program with us. We'll give you tidbits as space permits. The tourney was Nov. 27-Dec. 6 at the Adolphus & Baker Hotels. Gov. John Connally, later shot with President Kennedy, offered a page of greeting. So did Mayor Erik Jonsson, founder of TI, who I served as a PR person then. Seniors may remember Jerry Lewis, Chair; Ira Corn, Jr. and L.R. Robertson, Vice-Chairs; Dr. John Fisher, Jim and Judy Jacoby, Harry and Claire Weisz, and Dorothy Moore were among Hospitality Committee; Midge Cutler and Minda Brachman (buried at Sparkman-Hillcrest with husband Malcolm) were

in charge of the program. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schaen were District reps to the Charity Committee; Charles Adler, who worked for the *Dallas Morning News* many years, handled Publicity; Oswald Jacoby and Barbara Teel worked on Advertising. More info next issue.

DR. FISHER REMINISCES: Sat with Dr. John Fisher at a Stoneleigh Hotel luncheon recently. How much major tournament bridge do you need to play to win the Barry Crane Top 500 (formerly McKinney race)? Most bridge aces would say "all the time." John surprised me when he said he would generally leave his medical office around noon on Fridays, arriving back home in Dallas Sunday night. Winner in 1972 with 1387 points. Crane won it the year before, year after and other years. Although probably best known for his partnership with Crane (producer of "Mission Impossible," etc.), he told me that his favorite partner of all time was Emma Jean Hawes of Ft. Worth; 2 was Jim Jacoby; 3 was Crane, who many described as a difficult partner. Someone said that Crane played with a whip! John especially liked team play with Betty Ann Kennedy. He is 81 and started playing as a student at SMU. If you remember his partnership with Charlie Gabriel you're as old as I am! John is nearing 19,000 MPs.

UP THE LADDER: Special congratulations to Mike Dalton on reaching the milestone of Emerald LM. New Bronze LMs are Rene Franco, Billie Lewis, Phyllis Savell, Pamela Tharp, May Weiser and Dr. Paul B. Eaylor. Max Prey is a Master; Martha Gehrig and Emily Ray Regional Masters. Tommie Anglemeyer, Elizabeth Donner, R.J. Nowak, Diane Thompson

and Jerry Holton have Sectional Masters rankings. Reaching Club Masters level: Fred Curtis Jr, Judy Etchison, Pamela Lane, Corinne Roberts, Nancy Simpson, Dennis Van Patter, Susan Gabriel, Jean Rogers, Sarah J. Smith, Barbara Vines and Betty Wheeler.

SENIOR'S: Classic Residence by Hyatt is going to build a luxury living center at 3000 Turtle Creek Blvd. It will include a large card room. For info call personable John Robertson at (214)826-1234.

HELENE'S 50th: Dr. Joe and Helene Blumenau celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 30. What's the big deal? I've celebrated nearly 50, so what if it was to three wives? Helene and Joe were married in Johannesburg, South Africa and emigrated to Dallas in 1980.

NO LONGER ACCEPTED: ACBL gives us 12 reasons why members do not renew: regular partners is no longer available, lack of time, \$, lack of interest, players too rude, too complicated, etc. The Unit is no longer accepting Code A, deceased. In the future any deceased player will need to make provisions for a friend to prop him/her up in the chair and use a board for holding cards. We're simply losing too many members via the grave.

YOU IN PR! Want to do some public relations work for the world of bridge? I need some volunteers to work with newspapers, TV, radio, etc. It will look great on your resume. Let's talk!

GOT NEWS? Don't hide it; share it immigdol@tx.rr.com

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D16 New Silver Life Masters 2008

Vern Schmidt, Dickinson
Hazel Honaker, Abilene
Lera Lewis, Abilene
Margot Hirsch, Arlington
Dorothy Burns, Austin
Lawton Hutchison, Austin
William Ginger III, Beaumont
Barbara Russell, Big Spring
Joe Majors, Bridge City
Ann Crumpler, Corpus Christi
Eleanor Sherwyn, Corpus Christi
Jim Chaffee, Fort Worth
Ima Ruth Wood, Friendswood
John Johnson, Harlingen
Charlie Brown, Horseshoe Bay
Nadia Branisa, Houston
Leo L T Chiang, Houston
Puddin' Krueger, Houston
Catherine Miller, Houston
Edwina Corn, Hurst
John Taylor, Lago Vista
Jane Payette, Laredo
Gloria Rowland, Mabank
Sue Gerard, Mexico
G Tawil, Mexico
Joyce Mitchell, Midland
W Viser, New Waverly
Siraj Jiwani, Pearland
Helen Simonette, Salado
Sue McDonald, San Angelo
Roxana Tom, San Antonio
James Andre, Sugar Land
Sandra Parker, Sugar Land

D16 New Gold LM,s 2008

Alan Bachman, College Station
Marsha Bernstein, Houston
Glenna Esmond, Lubbock
Mary Gentry, Houston
Jerry Hess, The Colony
Judy Lewis, Atascosa
Anna Marlatt, Houston
Sharon Mefford, Beaumont
Lenny Roberts, Houston

District 16 GNT Finals & MEMORIAL DAY SECTIONAL

May 22-26, 2008 and May 24 - 26, 2008 (GNT Finals)

RICHARDSON CIVIC CENTER Richardson, Texas

Southwest corner of Arapaho and Highway 75 (Central Expressway)

Sectional Tournament Schedule

THURSDAY MAY 22

Stratified 299er Pairs	1:30	7:30
Stratified Open Pairs	1:30	7:30
Bracketed KO I (Cont. Friday 1:30, 7:30)		7:30

FRIDAY MAY 23

Stratified 299er Pairs	1:30	7:30
Stratified Open Pairs	1:30	7:30
Bracketed KO I (Semi Final & Final)	1:30	7:30
Stratified Swiss Teams		7:30

SATURDAY MAY 24

Stratified 299er Pairs	9:30	1:30	7:30
Stratified Open Pairs	9:30	1:30	7:30
0-20 Pairs	9:30	1:30	
Compact KO		1:30	7:30
Stratified Swiss Teams			7:30

SUNDAY MAY 25

Bracketed KO II	9:30	1:30	7:30
Stratiflighted Open Pairs		1:30	
Stratified Open Pairs			7:30
Stratified 299er Pairs		1:30	7:30
0-20 Pairs		1:30	

MONDAY MAY 26

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams	10:00 & TBA
299er Swiss Teams	10:00 & TBA

All Pair Events Single Session StratiFlighted: A: 4000+ AX: 0-4000 B: 1000-2500 C: 500-1000 D: 0-500
Open Stratified A: 2000+; B: 750-2000; C: 0-750
299er Stratified: A: 100-300 B: 50-100 C: 0-50

District 16 Finals Grand National Teams Schedule

SATURDAY MAY 24

Sessions 1 & 2	1:30	7:30
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SUNDAY MAY 25

Sessions 3 & 4	1:30	7:30
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MONDAY MAY 26

Sessions 5 & 6	10:00 TBA
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(If needed, based on number of teams entered)

GNT FLIGHTS Championship: Unlimited; A: 0-5000

B: 0-2000; C: NLM (less than 500 points) (B & C Flights require Unit qualifications)

Open & A-Flights should pre-register with Sandy Campbell
campbell617@yahoo.com 214.766.2571

Entry Fees: Pairs: \$11.00 per session Monday Swiss Teams \$90.00 per team.

Unpaid & Non-members Add \$1. per person per session

Membership applications available

Complimentary drinks & snacks every session. Meal will be provided Monday between rounds for all players.

Host Hotel: HOLIDAY INN SELECT

1615 North Central Expressway

972/669-0508 Mention Civic Center Rate

Tournament Chairs: Gerrie Owen 214/477.4181 Preston Morrow 972/484.1702

Tourney Sponsor: Valley View Bridge Club, Dallas

Partnership Chair: Larue Stott 214/369.9576

Tournament Director: Tom Whitesides

Houston Brazos Valley Sectional June 20-22, 2008

Brazos Center 3232 Briarcrest Drive, Bryan, Texas

Intermediate/Novice Events

Friday, June 20

299'r Pairs.....1:30 pm
49'r Pairs (attendance permitting).....1:30 pm
299'r Pairs.....7:00 pm
49'r Pairs (attendance permitting).....7:00 pm

Saturday, June 21

299'r Pairs.....9:00 am
49'r Pairs (attendance permitting).....9:00 am
299'r Pairs.....1:30 pm
49'r Pairs (attendance permitting).....1:30 pm
299'r Pairs.....7:00 pm
49'r Pairs (attendance permitting).....7:00 pm

Sunday, June 22

299'r Swiss.....10:00 am & TBA
Play as Strat D of Strati-Flighted Swiss
299'r Pairs (single sessions).....10:00 am & TBA

The first session is free for first time tournament players with 0-5 master points!

Stratification

299ers: A: 200-300; B: 100-200; C: 0-100
49ers: A: 20-50; B: 5-20; C: 0-5

Open Events

Friday, June 20

Open Pairs.....1:30 pm
Open Pairs.....7:00 pm
Handicapped KO (Session 1 of 3).....7:00 pm

Saturday, June 21

Choice Pairs.....9:00, 1:30, 7:00
Play in any 2 sessions to compete for overalls.
Handicapped KO (Session 2 of 3).....9:00 am
Handicapped KO (Session 3 of 3).....1:30 pm
Compact KO (Session 1 of 2).....1:30 pm
Compact KO (Session 2 of 2).....7:00 pm
One session Swiss.....7:00 pm

Sunday, June 22

Strati-Flighted Swiss.....10:00 am & TBA
Open Pairs.....10:00 am & TBA

Stratified Events:

A = 1500+; B = 750-1500; C = 0-750

Strati-Flighted Event:

A: 3000+; AX: 0-3000;

B: 750-1500; C: 300-750; D: 0-300

A & AX play together; B, C & D play together

Tournament Co-Chairs

Barbara Nance: 979-219-3736;
Lauri Laufman: 281-235-8777;
Joe Nance: 979-219-1944;
Shirley Watts: 979-693-4689
Barbara Nance: 979-219-3736;
Bob Dowlen: 281-282-9314;

bridgeisforfun@aol.com
llaufman@texas2211.com
jhnbridge@aol.com

Partnership: Hospitality: Caddies: I/N:

bridgeisforfun@aol.com
bobdowlen@hal-pc.org

Host Hotels:

Travelodge Inn at Chimney Hill
901 University Drive East
College Station, Texas 77840
979-260-9150 \$85.00 by 6/1/08

Comfort Suites-College Station
907 E. University Dr
College Station, Texas 77840
979-268-5500 \$89.00 by 6/6/08

Free parking, snacks & drinks! Free lunch on Sunday!

A Silent Auction will be held Saturday to benefit the Houston 2009 Spring NABC. Cash or checks only, please!

Entry Fee

\$10 Friday and Saturday,
\$11 on Sunday,
\$1 from each entry goes towards Nationals.

Non-ACBL and non-paid members will pay \$2 more per entry per session

Unit 174 Houston

Anne Page



Condolences to Judith Hoffing on the loss of her husband and to all others who mourn the recent deaths of these members of our bridge community: Lanelle L. Bancroft, Annette T. Binger, Jodene Bond, Charlotte Chapman, Dr. George A. Chappell, John Hester, Ed Hoffing, Rebecca Hyzer, Helen K. Layman, Tom J. LaRocca, Myrtle Lowenstern, Helen C. Mitchell, Minnie Patterson, Nell K. Price, Bertha Tucker, Louise T. Wheeler.

Plan now to play at our June 20-22 Sectional in Bryan, Texas and spend \$\$\$ at the Silent Auction on Saturday that benefits Houston's 2009 Spring NABC. (To donate items, email Barbara Nance at bridgeisforfun@aol.com or call 979-823-5523 or 979-219-3736 by June 1)

QUALIFIED PART-TIME CLUB DIRECTORS NEEDED AT HOUSTON BRIDGE STUDIO! Call or email Sue Williams (281-980-9588; yenita@aol.com) to apply.

More Houston Regional News: Over 50 people attended the Director Course and Update taught by Guillermo Poplawsky before the Houston Regional. Betty Starzac had 14 new and 4 previously accredited bridge teachers in her TAP class. Some participants came from Calgary, Canada!

Congratulations to our Unit's Top Ten for being in the top 1/3 of the ranking of 3,555 players at the Detroit NABC: John Zilic (#155), Eddie Wold (#220), Ira Chorush (#221), Daniel Suty (#400), Dan Morse (#401), Tom Peters (#577), Philip Duterme (#618), Robert Morris

(#635), Sam Dodson (#879), and Kerr Godfrey (#919).

Event naming has begun for Houston's Spring 2009 NABC. Be an "early bird" to get the most out of your money. Memorialize or honor or thank somebody with the well-publicized recognition that event-naming provides.

Events range from \$150 to \$500. If just 20 players group to name a \$500 bracketed KO for their club, each pays just \$25. Those 20 purchasing a \$350 event only pay \$17.50. The more who group, the cheaper it gets per person, so let's try doing that and have an NABC event named for every club in the Unit! To purchase or get more information, email Terry Currie at tcurrie1@comcast.net or call 281-493-3671.

Congratulations to these recent Life Masters and Masterpoint Achievers for their accomplishments: NEW LIFE MASTER (300+ MPs): Kathy Baldwin, John Bedford, Beverly Cheatham, Nancy Crabtree, Donna Frederick, Ellen Greenfield, Francine Hargrove, Junior McKay, Janet Rauscher, Jack Roth, Darlene Thompson. BRONZE LIFE MASTER (500+ MPs): Barbara Atkins, Sibyl Bellview, Nancy Crabtree, Sharon Graber, Sarah Hardin, Terry Harrison, Larry Morris, Lotte Optekamp, Janet Rauscher, Ashok Shingavi, Darlene Thompson, Ann Van Volkenburgh, Billie Watkins. SILVER LIFE MASTER (1,000+ MPs): James Andre, Nadia Branisa, Leo L. T. Chiang, Siraj Jiwani, Catherine Miller, Sandra Parker. GOLD LIFE MASTER (2,500+ MPs): Vern Schmidt. DIAMOND LIFE MASTER (5,000+ MPs): Buddy Hanby, Ann Brinker Schwall.

We had 544 tables at the April Election Sectional with 2,059.44 masterpoints being awarded to 550 players. Top winners were almost tied: #1 Ed Groner (25.60) and #2

Vinh Tran (25.17). Thanks to Dale Crumbaugh and Natalie Greene who again did a super job of organizing and holding the election.

During the annual Membership Meeting, outgoing President Bert Onstott announced that Paul Cuneo and incumbents Karen Nimmons and Joyce Ryan had won the election and gave a "State of the Unit" report. He said our membership is growing most months because we are now able to keep the majority of the new players after we get them! He attributed the increased retention to improved table behavior throughout the Unit, excellent I/N programs, and super participation by LMs in mentoring games. Adding together our club games and tournaments, we are now averaging 26,000 tables!

Bert also announced that new projects underway this year to increase membership and participation will be development of an online web-based partnership desk for club games and tournaments and an initiative to interest social bridge players into trying duplicate bridge via special workshop/game days to be scheduled at different sites. Then, as recognition of their friendliness and active ethics at the bridge table, Bert presented the Unit 174 Goodwill Award for 2008 to Kay Johnson and Shirley Stanton. Congratulations to them and to all of our Unit's winners in the 2007 Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney competitions who were presented with their awards during the meeting.

Most of our Unit's local winners plus placers in the various categories also ranked high at the District and National levels. This list was compiled from the National rankings published in the ACBL Bridge Bulletin for the 2007 Ace of Clubs, Mini-McKenney and other masterpoint races. Some (marked with *) ranked

nationally in both Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney! Congratulations to (alphabetically) these players in the ACBL-wide rankings in their categories: *Susan Adamson, *Yin Choo, Nancy Crabtree, Philip Duterme, Kristy Garrison, Mary Pat Gentry, Muriel Gilmour, John Lai, Pat Levy, Jeanne Linzel, Shirley McKee, *Don Morgan, Sandra Parker, *Bathsheba Perry, Hans Strohmmer, Nancy Strohmmer, Richard Wilson, Eddie Wold, and John Zilic. Congratulations also to nationally ranked Senior player, Dan Morse, and Online player, Chuck Germeyer, plus (numerically) our Unit's players on the 2007 Barry Crane Top 500 lifetime masterpoints list: Eddie Wold (#6), Robert Morris (#34), John Zilic (#80), Dan Morse (#102), Philip Duterme (#238), Madhusudan Patel (#479), Don Morgan (#486), and Ralda St. Pierre (#489).

LOST AND FOUND AT THE APRIL ELECTION SECTIONAL: Jackets, purses, 2 rings, 2 pairs of glasses, shopping bag from the Rockets Shop with goodies bought there, and more. So, if you lost something, give a description to Arlene Weingarten (713-723-9732; arleneingarten@sbcglobal.net), and she may be able to reunite you with it.

Congratulations to Joyce Ryan on being elected District 16 I/N Coordinator during its Board Meeting at the Houston Regional. A lot of hard work goes with that title, and she is eminently qualified to do it. I played detective and learned FYI that she worked over 20 years as a public school teacher, counselor, and school principal. After "retiring" in 1997, she was a consultant for the Houston Annenberg Challenge to bring about school reform and improvement, taught classes at Houston Baptist University, and supervised student teachers for the University of Houston. When she was elected to our Unit 174 Board in 2005, she chose to stop that work so she could donate more time to the Unit and its activities. Now she will be sharing her expertise as an educator with District 16 as its I/N Coordinator while continuing to serve our Unit 174 as second term Director reappointed Education and I/N Coordinator. None of this would be happening if Joyce Ryan had not decided to learn our game and after taking some classes bravely played against advanced and expert Life Masters in stratified pairs. Had she been chased away by bad experiences at the tables, we would not be benefiting from the services of this full time volunteer worker dedicated to promoting ACBL duplicate bridge. So once again I say please, everyone, be nice and helpful to the novices. They are our future workers as well as players!

Enthusiastic applause please for Betty Freedman and her Communications Committee members (Judy Ensor, Jolie Hess, Robin Johnson, Mary Jane Killebrew, Bathsheba Perry, Billie Sampson, and Bridgette Sandifer) who toil behind the scenes doing a very important but tedious task of the Unit's membership initiative. They make hundreds of telephone calls a year! Last month, for example, they called to welcome 20 new members (and answer their questions) and gave verbal dues reminders to 13 non-renewing members (of which only 3 said they were no longer interested in bridge).

ATTENTION NOVICES! Houston Bridge Studio has added another Mentor-Novice game. It's the 4th Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and is expected to grow rapidly. The one the 2nd Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. had 37 tables in March! And don't forget that Bridge Club of Houston has a large Mentor-Novice game on the 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Congratulations to all our qualifiers who will join our automatically eligible Flight A teams at the District

16 Grand National Teams competition in May to try to qualify for the GNT Finals at the Summer NABC. Our top winning Unit 174 teams were Jennifer Breihan, Buddy Bass, Mike Doyle, Jimmy Breihan and Jon Ferguson in Flight B and Russell Long, John Bedford, Edwin Bain III and Francine Hargrove in Flight C. But everyone is equal again at District. So go win your flight there to have your trip to NABC subsidized!

NEWS FLASH! At its April 7 meeting, the Board appointed Bob Dowlen to complete the term of Director Jo Dene Bond who died last week. Then the Board elected the Unit's officers for the 2008-2009 year. Congratulations to President Jolie Hess, Vice President Pat Levy, Secretary Bert Onstott, and re-elected Treasurer Jim Woodward (which position does not require and he's not a Board member). The reins of the Unit are in very good hands!

If you have news to share, please send an email to annepage@hal-pc.org or leave a phone message at 281-442-1509 (days).

Houston Election Sectional

April 4-6 2008

- 25.60 Edward Groner
- 25.17 Vinh Tran
- 23.40 Eddie Wold
- 22.30 Eric Snow
- 21.10 Toni Snow
- 19.11 Mary Gentry
- 19.04 Beverly Hartin
- 18.89 Hallie Eads
- 17.66 David Dyer
- 17.54 Sadhana Dalal
- 17.54 Madhusudan Patel
- 17.54 Chris Curran
- 17.54 Ashok Shingavi

Friday Eve Open Pairs-27.5 Tables / Based on 40 Tables ABC1. Ken Altwater-Diane Jobin ABC2. Lee Levit-Edith Reed **Friday Evening 299r Pairs-12.5 Tables AB1.** Patrick Horsley-Joe Everette AB2C1. Robert Ziegler-Bill Chamberlain C2. Stephanie Slattery-Charlene Bollen Cypress

Saturday Aft 299r Pairs-14.0 Tables AB1. Brian Stevens-Melanie Dunn A2. John Lowenstein-Jane Goldring B2C1. Anne Davis-Dianne Foussac

Saturday Aft 49r Pairs-6.5 Tables AB1. Russel Powers Rockport-Katherine Powers Fulton AB2. Sandra Klein-Harvey Klein

Friday Afternoon Open Prs-47.5 Tables / Based on 72 Tables A1. Mary Gentry-Lew Levy A2. Jan Lall -Chuck Gillis B1. Susan McMahan-Marcia Modesett B2C1. Judith Smith -Joyce Seibert C2. Carolyn Campbell -Britt Siem

Fri Aft 299r Pairs-18.0 Tables A1. Rosa Materson- RaeDonna Jones A2. Diane Beardsley- Nancy Carlin B1. Brian Stevens-Melanie Dunn B2. Marilyn Hughes- Johnell McKee C1. Lilianna Ciccarelli-Martha Kessler C2. Edna Kelly-Norma Porter

Fri Aft 49r Pairs-6.5 Tables AB1. Susan McLaurin-Geri McKallip AB2. Renata Frutiger-Lilia Des-camps

Saturday Morning 299r Prs-9.5 Tables ABC1. Jane Buckman-Yoli Herrmann ABC2. Helene Sbar-Lita Hopke

Fri Eve KO-Bracket 1-15 Tables 1. Madhusudan Patel-Ashok Shingavi-Sadhana Dalal-Chris Curran
2. Beverly Hartin Eddie Wold-Ira Chorush-David Dyer-Hallie Eads
Fri Eve KO-Bracket 2-12 Tables 1. Carmen Keys-Darlene Moody-Peggy McKay-Junior McKay 2 Millicent Wear-Paul Wear-Jacqueline Fetzer-Donna Maddox
Fri Eve KO-Bracket 3-12 Tables 1. Lilianna Ciccarelli-Martha Kessler-Carolyn Lanier-Shirley Hooks 2. Gordon Yee-Yin Choo- John Lai-Cathy Chen

Saturday Compact KO Brkt 1-12

HOUSTON SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Aft 49r Pairs
Susan McLaurin - Geri McCallip



Sunday Swiss Teams B
Hugh Humphries - Kay Humphries
Marcella Thomas - Catherine



Fri Aft 299r Pairs B
Melanie Dunn - Brian Stevens



Fri Aft 299r Pairs A
Rosa Materson, - RaeDonna Jones



Friday Eve Open Pairs A
Ken Altvater - Diane Jobin



Fri Aft 299r Pairs C
Liliana Ciccarella - Martha Kessler



Fri Aft Open Prs A
Lew Levy - Mary Gentry



Fri Aft Open Prs C
Judith Smith - Joyce Seibert



Friday Evening 299r Pairs
Bill Chamberlain—Robert Ziegler



Saturday Choice Pairs B
Elizabeth Ghrist - Jeremy Dilbeck



Fri Eve KO - Bracket 1
Madhusudan Patel - Ashok Shingavi
Sadhana Dalal - Chris Curran



Fri Eve KO - Bracket 2
Carmen Keys - Darlene Moody
Peggy McKay - Junior McKay



Fri Eve KO - Bracket 3
Liliana Ciccarella - Martha Kessler
Carolyn Lanier - Shirley Hooks



Sunday Swiss Teams 1/2 X
Larry Washburn (NP) - Wayne Christensen Jr
Fred Wang - Amy Wang



Saturday Eve Swiss Teams B
Duane Friedrich - Mark Wallet
(NP) Daniel Jackson - (NP) Bill Ger-



Saturday Compact KO Brkt1
Charles Collins - Barbara Phillips
Anne Page - Charles Michalski



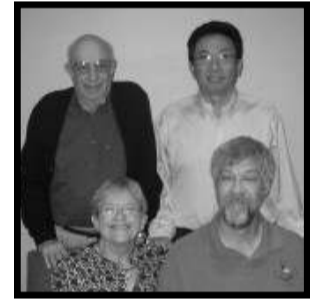
Saturday Compact KO Brkt2
John Lindsey - Theron Lindsey
Lisa Sommer - Charles Sommer



Saturday Compact KO Brkt3
Janet Smith - Barbara Langendorf
Carol Ostermeier - Shirley Christian



Saturday Eve Swiss Teams A
Janice Henderson - Charles Markowitz
Ed Harper - Naomi Spicer



Sunday Swiss Teams A
Eric Snow - Toni Snow
Edward Groner - Vinh Tran



Sunday Open Pairs A
William Baker - Royce Herndon



Sunday Open Pairs B
Ralph Herz - (NP) Art Desmond



Swiss Flt D
Mary Jane Kinnebrew-Margie
Nagle



Saturday Aft 299r Pairs B
Anne Davis - Dianne Foussac



Sunday Swiss Teams C Tito Ariwibowo -
Nancy Reader Hallie Eads - David Dyer NP
Beverly Hartin

Tables 1, Charles Collins-Barbara Phillips-Anne Page- Charles Michalski 2. Vinh Tran-Edward Groner-Gary King-Jolie Hess

Saturday Compact KO Brkt 2-16 Tables 1, John Lindsey-Theron Lindsey-Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer 2. Richard Fox-Jeff Nuttall-Joyce Ry-Robert Ellison Katy

Saturday Compact KO Brkt 3-16 Tables 1, Janet Smith-Barbara Langendorf-Carol Ostermeier-Shirley Christian 2. Lucy Hofmann-Marilyn Jordan -P Ralston-Roberta Graham

Saturday Eve Swiss Teams-22 Tables A1/2 Janice Henderson-Charles Markowitz-Ed Harper-Naomi Spicer A1/2 B1 Duane Friedrich- Mark Wallet- Daniel Jackson-Bill Gervais B2 Karen Nimmons-Christine Kollenberg - Pamela Dettmers-Norma Phillips C1 Hans & Nancy Strohm-Marvin Greenfield-Ellen Greenfield C2. Raymond Alexanian-Lois Alexanian-Chloe Ella Fackenthal-Jim Greaves

Saturday Choice Pairs-24.5 Tables A1, Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby A2.

Pat Levy-Mary Gentry B1, Elizabeth Ghrist-Jeremy Dilbeck B2C1, Charles Raines-V Kitchen C2, Richard Devaul - Billie Watkins

Sat Eve Strat Side Game-10.0 Tables ABC1, Brian Stevens-Melanie Dunn Montgomery AB2, Barbara Babbitt-Roger Marlatt C2, Dee Coats-Kay Bartle

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-21 Tables / Based on 71 Tables A1, Vinh Tran-Eric Snow-Toni Snow-Edward Groner A2, James Breihan-Jennifer Breihan-John Erickson-Jack LaVigne X1/2 Duane Friedrich-Mark Wallet-Philip Duterme-Steven Tuggle X1/2 Larry Washburn-Wayne Christensen Jr-Fred Wang-Amy Wang

Sunday BCD Swiss Teams B1, Hugh Humphries-Kay Humphries- Marcella Thomas-Catherine Brown B2, Alan Dennis-Don Morgan-Melva Keil-Shirley Boyd C1, Tito Ariwibowo-Nancy Reader-Hallie Eads-David Dyer -Beverly Hartin C2, Junior McKay-Peggy McKay- John Lai-Nancy Crabtree D1, Mary Jane Kinnebrew-Dianne

Seegerstrom-Margie Nagle-Muriel Gilmour D. Susan Adamson-Garold Adamson-Nancy Selander-Connie Burnett

Sunday Open Pairs-14.0 Tables A1, William Baker-Royce Herndon Jr A2BC1, Ralph Herz-Art Desmond BC2, Sandra Rice-James Woodward

Unit 183 Fort Worth

Kay Jones



Our favorite columnist, Laura Nash, consented to provide us with a heart-warming article about the first time she ventured into a duplicate bridge game. She was fortunate to have Henry and Bettye Weltman as the directors and as a result of the Weltmans' kindness and the players' courtesy, Laura was hooked good!

Thank goodness we have her in our unit! Here is her saga:

I think the year was 2002. With a couple of years of weekly rubber bridge under my belt, I forced a friend to try duplicate. (All I knew about it was it required boards. I dragged my mom's metal ones home from the estate sale many years before. Sentiment kept me from throwing them away). I'll admit this to you and nobody else: I actually looked for "Rubber Bridge" and "Party Bridge" in the phone book because I dreaded taking the "Duplicate" plunge. Guess what? Diving off the deep end was inevitable. The water was and still is fine!

We trekked over to Ft. Worth one Friday night. Henry Weltman met us at the door. I told him we knew nothing but basic bridge. I found his game in the yellow pages, and we were here to find out whether or not we might like the fancy brand of the game. He wel-

comed us warmly, sat us down and began the initiation.

First, there was a sheet of paper called a convention card. He asked what we played. That would be 5-card majors, strong jumps, and Gerber. He quickly (!) got that filled in.

Next, he showed us a bidding box. After a few minutes of getting the thumb action just right, we were lifting magnificent bids like one club, two diamonds, three hearts, four spades, and six no trump out of the red boxes! With the pass, double, and STOP cards mastered, we were ready. To leave actually. But that might hurt Henry's feelings. We stayed.

As the game started, he introduced us to the crowd, told everyone to be nice - that we were brand new duplicate players - and left us to the experts. When it was over we were dead last with 43%. Bettye, Henry's wife, told me that was not bad at all; we were

playing against Ft. Worth's best. How does Garth Brooks' song go? "Glad we didn't know; the way it all would end; the way it all would go!"

Sam and I still remember every person who spoke, welcomed us to their table, asked about us, and helped us relax. It was a safe place for two people who were greener than the pass cards. So we came back. Henry and Bettye won us over, then the players, then the game.

If the Weltmans had not set a pleasant tone for the evening, we might never have tried duplicate a second time. And to that I say: I'd be a lot richer today. No, wait. Well, yes, I would be richer, but bridge is better than money: the friends, the challenge, the fulfillment can't be measured.

There are Henrys and Bettyes all over the world. Without fanfare, directors set up tables, hunt for last minute partners, buy snacks, clean up before, during, and after games. They pass out movement cards just to find last minute arrivals walking through the door and change it all without wincing. And why? For the love of this game.

Timid kitchen bridge players tiptoe to duplicate clubs across North America for the first time on a daily basis. Lives are often changed forever. When interviewed on CBS Sunday Morning recently, Warren Buffett made a statement to the effect that bridge becomes a very meaningful part of a person's life. It isn't learned in an hour or two or three. All true. And it isn't learned at all without support. So to all you "supporters" on all your levels: Applause!!

Heart Of The Metroplex Grapevine

April 4-6 2008

- 1 31.60 Hemant Lall
- 2 31.60 Bob Hamman
- 3 29.06 Justin Lall
- 4 26.52 Petra Hamman
- 5 23.78 Marion Gebhardt
- 6 18.95 Roy Baughman
- 7 18.39 Jerry Derby
- 8 18.22 Linda Spangler,
- 9 18.19 Pat Cassidy
- 10 15.59 Stephen Kornegay

Friday Compact Consolation Bkt5

4 Tables 1. Jerry Hastings-Queenie Love-Nancy Estes-Margaret Browne
Friday Afternoon Open-13.0 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. Becky Price-Betty Finley Flower Mound A2. Pat Cassidy Jerry Derby B1. Janet Kerrigan-James Hardwick B2 C1. Jim Harp-Eric Diamond C2. Jean Helmers-Max Jackson

Friday Afternoon 299er-12.5 Tables A1 Jerry Jones-Jeff Newman A2 B1. Robert Preece-Therese Milford B2 C1. Kathy Paulson-Janet Smith C2. Pamela Yandell-Jacqueline Montgomery
 Friday Afternoon Newcomer-6.0 Tables A1. Kenneth McDowell-David Swiedom Midlothian A2. Shirley Walker-Pat O'Grady B1. JoAnn Scarborough-Gayle England B2. Karen Lowther-Gayle Lewis

Friday Evening Open-21.0 Tables / Based on 35 Tables A1 Roy Baughman-Marion Gebhardt A2 Jerry Derby-Pat Cassidy B1 Tom Moore-Dorothy Moore Keller B2 C1 Lorraine Little-Peggy Mc Cormick C2 Marlene Round-Janice Fisher
 Friday Evening 299er-11.0 Tables A1 Lyn Davis-Mike Davis A2 Jo Nell Scott-Corinne Easley B2 Tommie Motes-Joyce Taylor C1 Therese Milford-Robert Preece C2 Kenneth Dingler-Robert Razon

Friday Evening Newcomer-3.0 Tables A1. Sue Money-Twyla Whitesell A2. Shirley Walker-Sandy Kristoferson

Saturday Afternoon Open-34.0 Tables / Based on 55 Tables A1 Linda Spangler-Shaun Chooi A2 Marion Gebhardt-Peggy Duffey B1 Claybourne Waldrop Jr-Virginia Sherman B2 C1 Carol Black-Jan Kenyon C2 Joe Dean-Donna Dean

Saturday Aft Easy Bridge-5.0 Tables A1 Grace Ann Titone-Jay Titone AB2 Pamela Townsend-Jacqueline Nadel C1 Joe Sanders-Carol Sanders C2 Barbara Ferm-Emily Maduro

Saturday Afternoon 299er-16.0 Tables ABC1. Peggy Thomas-Stan Carr ABC2. Kenneth Dingler-Robert Razon

Strat Open-24.0 Tables / Based on 35 Tables A1. Gail Wells-Michael Walrath A2. Greg Resz Weatherford-Betty Finley BC1. Sandra Boddy-Fred Boddy B2. Steven Kastner-Sara Kastner C2. Pawel Hanus-Bogumil Knypinski

Strat 299er-11.0 Tables A1 Stephen Wuller Mansfield Eugene Wuller A2. Carol Claybrook-Mary Chambers B2 C1. Cindy Butler-John Butler C2. Kenneth Dingler-Robert Razon

KO Bracket I-7 Tables 1. Petra Hamman-Bob Hamman-Hemant

Lall Justin Lall 2. Kimmel Jones-Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Hugh Hillaker

Saturday KO Brkt 2-8 Tables 1. Joyce Zachry-Carol McConnell-Anna Box-Olive Wood 2. Robert Kennemer-Ann Kennemer-Patsy Walters-Virginia Reinier

Saturday KO Brkt 3-6 Tables 1 Bill Osborn-Bob McNeill-Richard McGill Tony Pellegrini 2 Helen Nelson-Linda Madding-Mary Ellen Stanton-Barbara Odom

Saturday KO Brkt 4-8 Tables 1. T Jean Kidd-Mary Lou Collins-Robert Bever-Thomas Miyake

2. Jean Helmers-Cornelia Friedman-Patricia Sears-Sue Rowe

Saturday KO Brkt 5-6 Tables 1. Nancy Horvat-Martin Schwartz-Roma Allison-Ruby Hill 2. Susan Flick-Carla Guthrie-Denise-Mimi Lempert

Friday Compact KO Brkt 1-6 Tables 1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay-Kimmel-Hugh Hillaker 2. Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger-Jim Clark-Ned Nolte

Friday Compact KO Brkt 2-8 Tables 1. Claybourne Waldrop Jr-Margot Hirsch-Virginia Sherman-Edwina Com 2. Bryan Morgan-Edward Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter-Ivan Uys

Friday Compact KO Brkt 3-8 Tables 1. Bill Osborn-Bob McNeill-Richard McGill-Tony Pellegrini 2. David Pearlman-Lauren Brown-Stephen Hibbard-Penny Mixon

Friday Compact KO Brkt 4-8 Tables 1. Ronald Neben-Bill Sanders-Charles Henderson-Arthur Wikoff 2. Helen Nelson-Linda Madding-Mary Ellen Stanton-Barbara Odom

Friday Compact KO Brkt E-8 Tables 1. Jean O'Neal-Shyanne Merritt-Jo Driscoll-Gay Schleicher 2. Cary Jennings-Kay Jennings-Larz Smith-Anne Smith

Flight AX Swiss Teams-14 Tables / Based on 51 Tables A1. Petra Hamman-Bob Hamman-Hemant Lall-Chris Compton-Justin Lall A 2. Joan Jackson-Norman Beck-Bryan Storey-Tom Edwards X1. Elaine Wood-Suresh Agrawal-Neal Perlman-J Bagwell X 2. Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger-Kevin Podsiadlik-Jim Clark-Ned Nolte-Steven Kastner

Flight BCD Swiss Teams-30 Tables B1. Mark Lombard-Mark Hupert M.D.-Andrew Fenves-James Woeber Jr B2. Margot Hirsch-Peggy Mc Cormick-Edwina Corn-Michael McCormick CD1. Kathy Paulson-Janet Smith-Jean Higgins-Louise Semones C2. Mark Craiker Carrollton Jim Harp-Paul Taylor-Robert Scrimale D2. Jerry Hastings-Nancy Horvat-Nancy Estes-Ruby Hill

299er Swiss Teams-7 Tables 1. Travis Roten-Judy Matlock-Lyn Davis-Mike Davis 2. Melba Clark-Pamela Rowen-Carol Claybrook-Mary Chambers



Last October Rockport Duplicate Bridge moved their location to the Rockport Yacht Club. The move has turned out to be a real bonus for the club. In the past the games were very small and sometimes even had to be canceled. Now because of the beautiful location and a much smaller playing fee attendance has climbed to eight tables. Several non-ACBL duplicate players have started coming as well as some party bridge players.

Bobbie Walker, club director, took the Teacher's Accredited Course in 2007 at the Houston Regional and has been giving lessons on basic review of Duplicate Bridge. March and April the lessons were on commonly used conventions. Congrats Bobbie on your dedication to the bridge world in the Rockport area!

The Live Oak Bridge Club player-of-the-month for December was Beula Mae Pearce with Steve Kassarijian in second. In January, Sarah Wayland was first with Norma Williams second. Mary Johnson was first in February and Walter Long and Sara Dunn tied for second. Live Oak plays on Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at the Beaty Christian Center in George West. At \$2.50 this is probably one of the best buys in the bridge world! Call 361/449-9482 to join the play. Informal bridge lessons on Tuesday evening.

Our congratulations to all the Mini-McKinley and Ace of Clubs winners. Winners in the Mini-McKenney in their respective categories are Gerald Reeves, Mary Driesbock, Phyllis Culp (Laredo), Jack Farmer, Joyce Wormser, Cynthia Struve, Kay Mrazek, Jason Kiker, Marilyn MacDonald, Mary Tryer (Kingsville) and Marilyn German. In the Ace of Clubs winners are Mabel Byrnes, Mary Driesbock, Phyllis and King Culp - tie (Laredo), Jack Farmer, Joyce Wormser, Richard Hahn (Kingsville), Linda Hahn (Kingsville), Jason Kiker, Betty Marriett, Mary Tryer (Kingsville), and Marilyn German. Awards were given April 15 at the

bridge club at a wine, cheese and pizza party. A good time was had by all.

Please send news to me at cdeor@aol.com.

Rockport Beach Rockport TX Feb 22-24

- 1 26.58 Paul Kelley Jr
- 2 22.88 Jerry Bigler
- 3 16.71 Vicki Goodykoontz,
- 4 16.71 Jack Goodykoontz
- 5 15.80 Rosemary Kelley
- 6 13.26 Gail Huie
- 7 13.19 Marilyn German
- 8 12.10 Ed Rawlinson
- 9 11.52 Michael Estep
- 10 11.52 Barbara Estep

Friday Afternoon Open Pr-28.0 Tables A1. Jerry Bigler-Paul Kelley A2/3 Sharon Mann-George Mann, A2/3 Ed Rawlinson,-Rosemary Kelley B1. Michael Estep-Barbara Estep, B2. Bill Clark-Jason Kiker, C1. Vivian Thompson-Jan McLaurin, C2. Arvid Stephens-Nancy Stephens,

International Fund Game-20.5 Tables A1. Jack Goodykoontz-Vicki Goodykoontz, A2. Paul Kelley Jr-Rosemary Kelley B1. Michael Estep-Barbara Estep B2 C1. Jean Stegall-Ben Ball C2. Margaret Crumpler-Bevely Estes

Saturday Afternoon 99er 3.0 Tables 1. Jack Farmer-David Wilson 2. Marjorie Mick-Ben Ball,

Saturday Open Pairs 25.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables A1. Jerry Bigler-Paul Kelley A2. Larry La Brecque-Suzanne La Brecque, B1. Ann Crumpler-Martha De Cou, B2. K Voges,-Ann Jensen, C1. Charles Raines-Jean Stegall C2. Kay Karnau-Linda Garrett, Gonzales TX

A/X Swiss Teams-9 Tables / Based on 24 Tables A1. Penny Snow, Beeville TX; Marilyn German-Gail Huie, Corpus Christi TX; Kim Cox, A2/3 Jerry Bigler-Paul Kelley Jr-Rosemary Kelley-Ed Rawlinson, A2/3 Julia Hirsch-B Paul Hirsch-Jack Goodykoontz-Vicki Goodykoontz, X1. Joyce Seitz,-Phyllis Pruet-Dee Schade,-Betty Marriett,

B/C/D Swiss Teams-15 Tables B1. Susan Ohm-Arline Rubin-Cecelia Zachar,-K Voges B2. Bill Clark-Jason Kiker-Ann Crumpler-Martha De Cou, C 1 Carita Gould-Pat Thompson-Willie Mae Timmons,-Tiny Beckham C2 D1. Cynthia Struve-Clemens Struve-Joyce Wormser-Marc Wormser

FEBRUARY ROCKPORT SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Eve Open
Vicki & Jack Goodykoontz



Fri Aft Open C
Vivian Thompson—Jan McLaurin



Fri Aft Open A & Sat Strat
Open A
Jerry Bigler - Paul Kelly



Sat Strat Open B
Ann Crumpler - Martha DeCou



Strat Swiss B
Arline Rubin - Susan Ohm
K. Voges - Cecelia Zachar



Strat Swiss A
Gail Huie - Marilyn German
Kim Cox - Penny Snow



Fri Aft Open B & Fri Eve Open B
Michael & Barbara Estep



Sun Swiss AX
Betty Marriett - Phyllis Pruet
Dee Schade - Joyce Seitz



Sun Swiss D
Clem & Cynthia Struve
Marc & Joyce Wormser



Sat Beachball Newcomer
Jack Farmer - David Wilson

**Unit 197
Lubbock**
Sandi Krahrmer

I am sad to announce the death of Inez Kindle. Inez was a permanent fixture at the Bridge Center for the last 8 or 10 years. She served on the Unit Board and on the boards of several clubs. She was a recipient of the Texas Star Award and helped with the lessons on Monday evenings. She will certainly be missed. We also extend our sympathy to Sally Luttrell, who lost her brother recently. Also, sympathy goes to Norma Buchanan, who lost her husband. Thank you to the many members who have remembered these people with contributions to our Memorial Fund, which had been used to help with the redecorating and the refurbishing of the Bridge Center.

Many thanks to our decorating committee who are responsible for the lovely decorations on the walls at the Bridge Center. They are Carolyn Cawthron, chair, Jan Hover, Sharon Owens, and Janelle Franklin. Betty Lowmiller has had some invaluable input, also. Thanks to Clyde King for the beautiful server in the entry way. Mozella Tew purchased it for us with the money that Clyde had donated.

Many thanks to Frances Green for helping to build up the attendance at the Sunday Unit game and for keeping me updated on the goings on with the members who play in that game. Also, thanks to Wanda Robinson from Tulia who directs our Plainview game and keeps us updated on all the new scoring software from ACBL. Wanda also sends me the Plainview news to be included in our calendar.

Congratulations to Marc Levine, who represented District 16 in the North American Pairs play-offs in Detroit with Chris Compton. Marc is a man of many talents as he is a well-respected cardiologist in Lubbock. A little bird told me that he is also a talented Harley rider!

By this time, our Regional will have come and gone. Gwen Wright and Mozella Tew put many hours into making a fine tournament for us. Please tell them you appreciate all the hard work they have done on our behalf. Hope you enjoyed the tournament and won lots of gold points. That's all for now. Sandi Krahrmer

**Unit 201
Sabine Neches**
Patsy Pierce



Bringing Back Bridge was the topic of the Feb. 17, 2008 CBS television interview with Warren Buffet and Bill Gates. During this interview,

Warren Buffet stated, "I've never met anybody that spent the time to learn the game of bridge that didn't consider it one of the great things in their life." I think we all can relate to that sentiment. For that reason, I feel that Beaumont is fortunate to have a nice Bridge Studio with games being played five days a week, one night, and special events on Saturday. While thinking of TV interviews, I want to thank KBMT Channel 12 of Beaumont for showcasing the Beaumont Bridge Studio. This nice segment was aired three times on Sunday, March 30. The credit for setting this up goes to Sally Blewett. Thank you, Sally, for this great publicity. Good job!!

In the January 16, Charity Club Championship the overall winners in A were Martha Sigler and Flora Gillispie with Arline Meyers and Joan Hataway placing 2nd and Cynthia Stueber and Juanell Jones coming in 3rd. The B strat victors were Arline Meyers and Joan Hataway with Jack Evans and Jan Niederstadt in 2nd and Loretta Gary and Mary Nix placing 3rd. In strat C the winning pair was Jack Evans and Jan Niederstadt, 2nd was Ronnie Spector and Edgar Serrafian, and 3rd was Dana and Joan Burnett. Champs in the 0-200 Pairs Game were Don and Juinez Moss, with Lucy Fanette and Katherine Fouts in 2nd and in a close 3rd were Jean Hammer and Norma Crane. The January 18th game was won by Paul Keedy and Jack Evans, 2nd was Martha Sigler and Flora Gillispie with Donald Moss and Juinez Moss placing 3rd. On January 23rd, the winning pair was Nancy Smalley and Aiyannadar Bharathi. Coming in second were Merrill Lott and Tipton Golias. Flora Gillespie and Martha Sigler took the 3rd spot.

On January 30th the Orange Community Bridge League held a one session Swiss Team Game with the winners in A strat being Lela Wilson, Sharon Mefford, Merrill Lott and Tipton Golias. Members of the winning Strat B team were Lorena Strange, Beverly Hulsey, Billy Tiger, and Nelta Devine. In strat C the winning team members were Dee Payne, Jackie McClintock, Violet Branch, and Ruby Collins. The Swiss Team Game on February 7th at the Beaumont Bridge Studio again had the winning team of Lela Wilson, Sharon Mefford, Merrill Lott and Tipton Golias. Second place went to Carol McGill, Steve Gerhard, Verna and Wilbur Dahlquist. The March 6, one-session game at the Orange Community Bridge League was won by the team of Lee Rogers, Cora Lee Book, James Steffler, and Steve Gerhard. Placing 2nd was the team of Lorena Strange, Billy Tiger, Violet Branch, and Beverly Hulsey.

The February Junior Fund Games were well attended and the competi-

tion was fierce as usual. The overall winners in the February 1st game were Cynthia Stueber and John Smalley, 2nd place went to Joan Hataway and Arline Meyers, and 3rd place was taken by Thelma Stockdale and Nelta Devine. On February 4th, the winning pair was John and Nancy Smalley, 2nd was Beverly Herring and Shirley Chapman, with Loretta Gary and Betty Long coming in third. The overall winners in the February 11th game were Marian Jones and Nancy Smalley, Aiyannadar Bharathi and Tipton Golias were second and Edna Mazzola and Thelma Stockdale took 3rd place honors. February 13 was lucky for the team of Martha Sigler and Flora Gillispie. Second place was taken by Merrill Lott and Tipton Golias with Thelma Stockdale and Dolores Belton coming in 3rd position. On Valentine's Day, the candy and flowers went to Dana Burnett and Gertrude Cherry, the winners of the Mentor Game. Second place went to Edna Mazzola and Norma Crane with Joan Burnett and Gretchen Glass placing third. On February 18, the Junior Fund game was won by Betty Poindexter and Jack Evans. The second place pair was Tipton Golias and Sharon Mefford, with Loretta Gary and Arline Meyers coming in third. The February 22nd game was won by Tipton Golias and Aiyannadar Bharathi, Cynthia Stueber and Emmy Ferguson came in 2nd, and Bill Ginger and Don Holst took the 3rd position. Sally Blewett, Norma White, and Mary Lou Terry and her partner Barbara White tied for 3rd place. In Strat C, Paul Keedy and Jack Evans were the winners.

The Grand National Teams Unit Final B & C was held on Saturday, February 16th. The team of Don Holst, Beverly Leger, William Ginger, Arline Meyers and June Aulbaugh came in first and qualified to represent our Unit in Richardson in the B Stratification. In second place, and also qualifying was the team of Loretta Gary, Mary Nix, Nelta Devine and Billy Tiger. The February 25th ACBL Senior Game was well attended at the Beaumont Bridge Studio. Overall winners for that event were Joan Hataway and Jane Eisen, with an impressive 72.79 percent game. Other A winners were Don Holst and Bill Ginger placing 2nd, Kas Bell and June Aulbaugh in 3rd place, with Tipton Golias and Bill Turner coming in fourth. In strat B, Don Holst and Bill Ginger were 1st, Juanell Jones and Blanche Sibley were 2nd, Bill Lucas and W. Osberg 3rd, with Sally Blewett and Patsy Pierce finishing in 4th position.

The Club Championship Game on March 3rd was won by Jerry Heckman and Marian Jones. Bill Lucas and W. Osberg placed 2nd, Mary Lou Terry and Martha Bookman took 3rd place, with Beverly Leger and Jayne Eisen coming in

fourth. The March 13, Mentor Club Championship found Betty Poindexter and Edgar Sarrafian in 1st, Naldia Reeves and Lynette Trahan placing 2nd, with William Ginger and Rachel Arnold finishing in 3rd place. A Club ACBL Membership Championship was held on March 21st. Overall winners were John and Nancy Smalley, with Tipton Golias and Aiyannadar Bharathi placing 2nd. The third place finishers were Thelma Stockdale and Helen Kay. The Wednesday Morning Club Championship was won by Tolene McGreevy and Pat Schiwart. Jane Kalkbrenner and Jo Woody placed 2nd with Miriam Cooper and Betty Kirwin finishing in 3rd place. A Junior Fund Game, played on March 5, featured June Albaugh and Beverly Leger in 1st place, Nancy Smalley and Jayne Eisen in 2nd place, and Rajendra Dhamankar and Marvin Park placing 3rd in A, and 1st in both the B and C strats. The March 17, Junior Fund Game was won by Kazue Bell and Marian Jones, 2nd place was taken by Nancy Smalley and Cynthia Stueber, with Mary Lou Terry and Martha Bookman coming in 3rd.

The Orange Community Bridge League has really been partying down. First, a Life Master Party for Ruby Collins was held on February 5th. With good food, good friends, and good bridge, the party was a great success. Congratulations to Ruby!! The overall winners for the occasion in A were Lee Rogers and Cora Lee Book with Carol and Robert McGill in 2nd, and James Steffler and Steve Gerhard came in third. Other B winners were Charles and Marcella Galanie in 2nd, Joe and Mary Majors in 3rd, with Ruby, the honoree, and her partner Jerry Fairchild taking 4th place. Marilyn Maxum and W. Osberg placed in 1st in strat C. Again, congratulations to Ruby for her accomplishment and for the good game. On Friday, February 21, a Silver Life Master Party was given to honor Lorena Strange, Nelta Devine, and Joe Majors at the Orange Community Bridge Club. As always, the Orange Club had good food and fun preceding the game in honor of these Silver Life Masters. The overall winners for the day were Phyllis Ryan and Ruby Collins, 2nd was Lee Rogers and Steve Gerhard, with W. Osberg, Linda Adamchik and Violet Branch and her partner Raymond Carlson tying for 3rd place honors. Carol McGill and Doug Rogers came in fourth. Congratulations to Lorena, Nelta, and Joe for achieving the rank of Silver Life Master.

Unit 201 is happy to welcome the Lufkin Bridge Club into our unit. If you are in the Lufkin area and interested to playing bridge you may contact Bobbi Robinson at 936 639-1849 for information. The Club is currently playing at the Lufkin Senior

Center every Wednesday at 1:00 pm. Welcome additions to our local games are the Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club and the Tower Bridge Club. The Tuesday Afternoon Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays with the Tower Club meeting on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. Both groups had been meeting at the Beaumont Country Club before joining us. We are pleased to have these lovely ladies making the Beaumont Bridge Studio their bridge home.

I want to thank everyone who worked tirelessly to help make the Spindletop Sectional another success. All the members who contributed to the hospitality table are especially appreciated. The chairs of the various committees did a superb job of getting everything organized but without the help of the entire club it would have been difficult to pull it all together. Our bridge family is the GREATEST.

SPINDLETOP SECTIONAL

MARCH 27-30 2008

Thursday Morning Pairs 1A. Tipton Golias-John Zilic 2A. Rose Black El Paso-Bob Black 1B. Marian Jones William Ginger 2B. Dolores Belton Thelma Stockdale 1C. Norma White Edwina Landrum 2C. Astrid Clement -Bill Matthews

Thursday Afternoon Pairs 1A1B Don Holst-William Ginger 2A Tipton Golias-John Zilic 2B1C W. Koperna Livingston-Clair Kretschmann 2C Gretchen Glass Helen Kay

Friday Morning Pairs ABC1 Beverly Herring Ernestine Fisher 2A2B Don Holst-William Ginger 2C Peggy Dugger Jean Davis **Friday Afternoon Pairs** 1A. Tipton Golias-John Zilic 2A. Nancy Smalley Cynthia Stueber 1B Beverly Leger - Rajendra Dhamankar 2B1C. W. Koperna Livingston-Clair Kretschmann 2C. La Verne Harris-Hilda Hahn

Saturday 2 Session Open Pairs 1A. Rose & Bob Black 2A1B. Loretta Gary-Mary Nix 2B. Thelma Stockdale Lorraine Brown 1C. Linda Adamchik W. Osberg 2C. Gretchen Glass -Elton Wagner

Sunday Stratified Swiss 1A. Chuck Gillis-Charles Markowitz Aleksandr Adelman-Siraj Jiwani 2A. Dianna Gittelman-Gary King-Robert Morris-J Gittelman 1B. Loretta Gary Mary Nix-Nelta Devine Groves-Lorena Strange Bridge City 2B. Charles Sommer-Lisa Sommer-Lily and James Andre 1C. Rebecca Elder-Barbara Robinson Lufkin-Dolores Jones Paulette Huegele Nacogdoches 2C. Jeanne Ingrahm Frank Ingrahm Alan Zane Susan Zane

Pictures Below



Thurs Morn Open Prs C
Norma White - Edwina Landrum



Thur Aft Open Prs A & B
William Ginger - Don Holst



Sat 2 Sess Open A
Rose Black & Bob Black



Fri Aft Open Prs C
Clair Kretschmann - W Koperna



Thurs Morn Open Prs B
Marian Jones - William



Sun Swiss A
Aleksandr Adelman - Chuck Gillis
Charles Markowitz - Siraj Jiwani



Fri Morn Open A, B, C
Ernestine Fischer - Beverly Herring



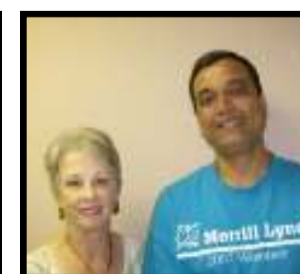
Sat 2 Sess Open C
W Osberg & Linda Adamchik



Sat 2 Sess Open B
Mary Jo Nix & Loretta Gary



Sun Swiss B Mary Nix - Loretta Gary
Lorena Strange - Nelta Devine



Fri Aft Open B
Beverly Lege & Rajendra



Sun Swiss C
Delores Jones - Barbara Robinson
Rebecca Elder - Paulette Huegele

Unit 204 Fort Concho <hr/> Helen Barker	
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First of all, let me retract one of my statements. I said Dave Watson won the Truby Bunch Award. Well, no, it was the Velma McCandless Award. Sorry about that; congrats again though, Dave.

February ninth was the date of Helen Barker's Life Master party. Ten tables of well-wishers came to help celebrate her momentous occasion. The women of the Fort Concho Club have to be among the best cooks in Texas. There were delectable dishes of every variety. Even Candyce Gregston cooked a casserole! Maxine Todd and Betty Horne created a skit that had the entire audience in stitches. It was the **BEST** party ever thrown! Norma Murray and Joanne Crowell from Menard, Gene Gammill from Mason, and Merlyn Bucy from Brady all made the trip to help celebrate. Remember in the last issue, when I said it was hard to write about my making Life Master? Well, this time I can brag on everyone in our club. How very special they made me feel. I will never attend another Life Master Party with the idea it is just about getting to eat and play cards.

Our Fort Concho Sectional was held Feb 22-24. As usual, the hospitality room was the talk of the tournament. We have a good reputation for our goodies. The tournament was smaller this year due to sickness. Seems like the flu and various stomach viruses were widespread. Everyone there agreed it was a good, fun tournament. One lady told me that after she returned to San Antonio and told everyone what a good tournament we have, that next year we can expect a good crowd from there. Sounds good to me. Norma Walker, our tournament director, kept the ship afloat one more time; Neal Perlman excelled as our official photographer, and Betty Horne and Linda Cole did an excellent job on the partnership desk. Thanks for your hard work. We all appreciate it, even if we don't tell you often enough. Neal has all the winners' pictures, but I want to congratulate the following: Friday Open Pairs; Maxine Bunyard/Betty Horne, 1st in "B" Flight and Linda Reichenau/Toni Hurlbert of Mason, 1st in "C". Saturday afternoon Open Pairs; Marifrances Mackey/Dave Watson, 1st in "C". Saturday evening Open pairs; Bonnie Sansing/Debbie Farr tied with Candy Mikeska/Deb Hartgrove for 1st in "C". Saturday KO's; Bob/Lou Morton and David/Johnnie Gist won in their category; and Sunday Swiss found MJ McCord/Mary Bloodworth/Fran Grogan/Jean Marsh 1st in "B". Bud & Sherry Goeble/Norman & Carolyn Sunderman, 1st in "C". Our local champion for the tournament was Carl McGill with a whopping 16.89 points! Congratulations to all.

The first of March, we lost Ron Godbey after a valiant, courageous battle with cancer. Our condolences go to Martha and her family.


Previously, I told you about new players on Monday nights. On March 10th, Debbie Farr, Bonnie Sansing, Frances McQueen, Gloria Roberson, Steve Raby, Pat Bitner and I went to play a session with them. We had so much fun, and they are doing so well to have **never** played before. I promised to put their name in the Scorecard, so, in alphabetical order, here they are: Ron & Colleen Dell, Helen Fullerton, Tom Killingsworth, Loretta Palowski, Deborah Patterson, and Elton Thorp. Harold & Lillian Stephens have played, but are taking lessons with the group. Keep playing, and when you win, you will get to see your

name in print again.

M.J. McCord was honored at a "Granny" shower the 19th of March. Over thirty friends showed up for a luncheon, then "showered" her with well wishes and gifts. We got to meet her daughter-in-law, Christine, who is lovely. The baby should be here by the time we read this.

We are so happy to have Wayland Myers back playing with us. Welcome back.

I asked for any news from around Unit 204. My email address is (hebgeb@suddenlink.net), my phone number is (325-224-2912).

Unit 209 Permian Basin <hr/> Jimmie Penn	
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From the desk of Judy Hawkins, Chairman of the Unit 209 Texas Star Award Committee—Our Committee has chosen BOB BACON for the Texas Star Award for his continuing contribution to bridge in the Midland/Odessa areas.

Bob has played duplicate in this area since 1960's. Bob became a director (1990's)—has been directing "2" weekly games since 2002—Midland Country Club (Friday)—Unit's Sunday game at Allison Bridge Center. He takes care of ACBL business w/these clubs plus ALL ODESSA CLUBS.

In 2004, Odessa clubs had to relocate—thanks to Bob's assistance we are now enjoying a large & comfortable facility.

We are so LUCKY to have Bob as a "Go-To" person in Unit 209—This Texas Star honor is our reward to BOB BACON!

We're having winter & spring taking turns w/winds for all seasons—grass fires have been very destructive—Big Spring area suffered great losses.

Odessa hosted the ACBL-Wide Intl. Fund Game on Feb. 2—Strat "A" winners were: 1. Peggy Cook-Deborah Brookins 2. Laverne Etheredge-Judy Hawkins 3. Aggie Anguish-Ricki Perry. Strat "B"—1. Cook-Brookins 2. Hawkins-Etheredge 3. Roberta & Bob Bacon.

St. Valentine moved in early—on Wednesday "13" 1 PM—Big Spring had Club Championship & Party at Country Club. Midland at 7 PM—finger foods, etc.—Junior Fund Game—Feb. 14—Odessa 1 PM—finger food—winners were Strat "A" 1. Sarah White-Billie Rush 2. Fran Fischer-Jean Pistole 3. Gloria Crites-Jimmie Penn—Strat "B" 1. White-Rush 2. Judy Hawkins-Wayne Rector 3. Jimmy Cox-Ann Servatius. Feb. 14—Thursday PM—Invitational—Junior Fund—Winners: 1. Helen Davis-Billie McConnell 2. Les Neal-John Seymour 3. Linda Aaron-Ann Parish.

Midland's claim to fame at San Angelo Tourny—Belle Harris & Wayne Rector were O/A winners in Saturday event—Congratulations!

Feb. 25—ACBL-Wide Senior Game—Allison Bridge Center—N/S "A" 1. Gloria Crites-Jimmie Penn 2. Ricki Perry-Aggie Anguish 3. Jim Hawkins-Frances Levin. "B" 1. Hawkins-Levin 2. Barbara Steinert-Jane Myers 3. Dorothy Brenneman-Verna Chambers. E/W "A" 1. Lena Nichols-Fran Fischer 2. Clarence Marley-Ann Servatius 3. Sarah White-B. J. Filley. "B" 1. Marley-Servatius 2. Filley-White 3. Wy Whitlow-Janet Stoltz. Lena & Fran were OA first in the event.

Moving right along to ACBL-Wide Charity Game—Winners: Strat "A" 1. Jimmie Penn-Gloria Crites 2. Helen South-Ricki Perry 3/4. Leonora Slusher-Linda Evans 3/4. Ann Servatius-Kathryn Gesell. Strat "B" 1. South-Perry 2. Gesell-Servatius 3. Roni Oppenheim-

Charlie Grimes.

March 17—St. Patrick's Day Charity Club Championship w/ green finger foods (no eggs & ham) green grapes—cucumber sandwiches, etc. Lots were due pinches since they weren't wearing GREEN—Winners were N/S "A" 1. Sue Gardiner-Jimmie Penn 2. Sally Whiteley-Kathryn Gesell 3. Jean Pistole-Gloria Crites. "B" 1. Whiteley-Gesell 2. Carol Hastings-Richard Stein. E/W "A" 1. B. J. Filley-Ann Servatius 2. Barbara Davis-Nancy Harris 3. Kathryn & Nunzio Martorina. "B" 1. Harris-Davis 2. Helen South-Dorothy Brenneman.

April 5th was a nice day with lunch for nine teams playing in the GNT Game—coordinated by Flo Curry—at Allison Bridge Center. Winners: 1st in "A" Kathryn Martorina-Nunzio Martorina-Gloria Crites-Jimmie Penn 2nd in "A", 1st in "B" and "C" Barbara Miles-Phyllis White-Phyllis Laird-Brenda Brauner.

Was great to see Brenda Leonard back in the Bridge World—Sat. Jr. Fund Game in Odessa—she's been out a long while.

Our Tall City Tournament is in the mill—check it out on computer.

Unit 225 East Texas <hr/> Becky Hamilton	
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If you have information that you want me to include in the *Scorecard*, please send it to be_hamilton@yahoo.com or to my physical address in the address box.


Moving on up the ladder: We have many who are advancing in their play. I am glad to see them doing so well, and we offer congratulations to: Mary Kirby of Mabank, *Junior Master*; Shirley Lewis, Murchison, Dr. Wray McCash, Longview; Margo Nelson, Canton; and Frederick Williams, Gilmer *Club Masters*; Lyle and Lila McDermed, Tyler; Grover Gilbert, Tyler; Paulette Huegele, Nacogdoches; and Donald Oxer, Athens *Sectional Masters*; Dee Gemmel, Athens; Frances Sanders, Mabank *Regional Masters*.

Members in and out: Julia Tidwell of Texarkana and Bill Milton of Mabank are new members joining our unit, and Pauline Hynard has transferred from Dallas Unit 197 to Longview. Welcome to Unit 225. Only one person has left our unit recently. We are sorry to lose her, but wish her many happy bridge days in her new unit. Linda Detwiler has moved to Portland, OR and will be a member of Unit 487

Eighty Percent Game It is not often that we hear of an 80% game, but at the Longview DBC Shirley Shelton and Mike Graham had a 82.5 % Game. We all wish we could do as well. Congratulations.

Seventy Percent Games: During this reporting period, we have had numerous 70% results. At Mid-Cities DBC on 2/18/08, Joe and Jane Eillis from Maypearl had a 72% game. At Nacogdoches DBC on 2/19/08 Gay Roach and Bobbi Robinson had a 76.04% game, at Mineola DBC on February 29, Dorothy McCasland and Liz Guthrie had a 70.8 %, at Ore City DBC on March 3, Vahid and Glenda Bagherian had a 71% game. On March 13, Shirley Shelton and Mike Graham had a 70% game at the Longview DBC. On March 21, Emily Leake and Brenda Baker had a 71.85 % game at Rosecity DBC and Judy Allen with partner Nell Velvin had a 74% game at Dottie Pirkle's DBC. J. L. Allen and Bari Hart had a 73.51% game on 3/24/08 at Dottie Pirkle's DBC. Marilyn and Steve Chionsini had a 70% game at the Tyler Bridge Club on 3/26/08. Congratulations to all of

MIDLAND INVITES YOU TO THE RUTH FAHRIG MEMORIAL TALL CITY SECTIONAL
 JUNE 13-15, 2008



Friday, June 13		
Wildcatters' Open Pairs		1:30 PM
Drillers' Open Pairs		7:00 PM
Saturday, June 14		
Roughnecks' Knock-Outs*(I)		9:00 AM
Roughnecks' Knock-Outs(II)		1:30 PM
Floorhands' Open Pairs*		1:30 PM
Roughnecks' Knock-Outs(III)		7:00 PM
Toolpushers' Open Pairs		7:00 PM
*The Knock-outs are bracketed and may be handicapped per the directors discretion.		
Sunday, June 15		
Roustabout Swiss Teams		10:00 & TBA
Stratification A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500 299ers Stratified: A: 200-300, B:50-200, C: 0-50 \$10/Session \$80/Swiss Team \$1.00 extra for seat & unpaid ACBL members Featuring West Texas Hospitality-Door Prizes FREE Coffee & Snacks 299er Overall Awards Sunday Lunch-Johnny's Famous Bar-B-Q		
Host Hotel Hilton Midland Plaza 117 W. Wall 432-683-6111 Bridge rate \$84 Reservation Deadline-June 6	DIRECTOR TOM MARSH	Tournament Chair Peggy Cook 432-934-7075 peggycook@yahoo.com
Playing Area Midland Center 109 N. Main		PARTNERSHIP Deborah Brookins 432-978-4085 dbrookins@suddenlink.net

you and I hope to be able to print your names in this column again.

Special Games: Unit 225 had their special awards luncheon on April 5th. Steve Lawrence was given the Goodwill award and many players were given the Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKinney certificates. The following people received the certificates



- 0-5 Phillip Brantley, Joyce Moneta, Troy Lankford
- 5-20 Marion Davis, Robert Cowling, Lyle McDermed
- 20-50 Yvonne Houston, Karen Cowling, Frances Sanders
- 50-100 Carol Sossamon, Theresa Brantley, Jean Roach
- 100-200 Betty Wilkerson, Sandy Molander, Rachel Lee
- 200-300 Khalifa Ahmed, James Rhamey, Ted Rank
- 300-500 Ginger Rhamey, Ursula Brooks, Carol Walliser
- 500-1000 Joyce Austin, Alta Peck, Gloria Rowland
- 1000-2500 Gay Roach, Jonathan Ernest, Dorothy Parker
- 2500-5000 Brenda Baker, Jacquelyn Kimberley, Emily Leake
- 5000-7500 Royce McCray
- Over 10,000 Steve Lawrence

Since we have the new website, <http://www.d16acbl.org/U225/gardenv/>, I am not writing about the winners of the Unit 225 games in this column. I hope most of you can go online to see those game results.

This & That: At the Tyler DBC club on the first Monday, there will be a birthday party celebration to honor all players having a birthday during that month. Players need to sign the calendar on their birthday so they will be honored and also on some month to help with the refreshments. Everyone is invited to come play and participate.

I have been informed that three of the Unit 225 members have passed away. I had played against the first and found him and his wife



Unit 225 2007 Ace of Club Winners

- 0-5** Phillip Brantley, Joyce Moneta, Troy Lankford
- 5-20** Marion Davis, Robert Cowling, Lyle McDermed
- 20-50** Yvonne Houston, Karen Cowling, Frances Sanders
- 50-100** Jean Roach, Theresa Brantley, Carol Sossamon
- 100-200** Sandy Molander, Betty Wilkinson, Rachel Lee
- 200-300** James Rhamey, Khalifa Ahmed, Ted Rank
- 300-500** Ursula Brooks, Nancy Green, Carol Walliser
- 500-1000** Joyce Austin, Gloria Rowland, Alta Peck
- 1000-2500** Dorothy Parker, Vermell Boucher, Peggy Parker
- 2500-5000** Brenda Baker, Jacquelyn Kimberley, Sara Granger
- 5000-7500** Royce McCray
- Over 10,000** Steve Lawrence

Unit 225 MINI-MCKINNEY Winners

to be very nice players, who were very friendly and pleasant to be around. Jack Wilder was a longtime member of both the Longview and Ore City Duplicate Bridge Clubs. He will be sorely missed by both clubs. He is survived by his wife, Edna, who is director for the Ore City Club and assistant director in Longview.

Since, I have only lived here a short time, I did not know the second, Gordon "Gordy" Olson. I have been told, he was one of the "good guys", just like his favorite screen hero, John Wayne. People were impressed by his high standards and his attention to details. "Measure twice, cut once" was his favorite saying.

The third person was Jay Shields. Jay and I moved to Tyler about the same time. I played with him several times before he became ill. He was a great player who understood the conventions and played the hands very well.

All three of these ACBL players will be missed.

Upcoming Unit Games:

Unit games are now being held at the Garden Valley Senior Citizens Building - 1915 Garden Valley Road, Tyler Texas on the second Saturday of the month, unless there is a change. All games start promptly at 12:30 P.M. If you need a partner please call Wanda Allen 903-526-5575.

Tournament & Special

Events: The Tournament of Roses will be at the Holiday Inn Select July 11-13. Look for the advertisement in this issue for the game times. Nell Velvin and Karen Owen are the co-chairs of the tournament. As the time gets closer, if you need a partner, you can call Jean Cravey (903-549-2347) or e-mail Ursula Brooks at Waldbrook@Prodigy.net. I hope to see most of you there.

Black Eyed Pea Sectional Athens TX

April 10-12, 2008

- 1 17.19 K Wright
- 2 17.19 Jacquelyn Kimberley

- 3 17.19 Emily Leake
- 4 17.19 Brenda Baker
- 5 13.85 Helene Blumenau
- 6 13.85 Dori Smith
- 7 13.18 Larue Stott
- 8 13.18 Gail Wells
- 9 9.79 Khalifa Ahmed,
- 10 9.79 Ennis Dyess,
- 11 9.79 Cliff Dillard
- 12 9.79 Carl Witt

Thursday Morning Pairs-5.5 Tables AB1. Charles Ford-Ursula Brooks AB2C1. Jo England-Joan Daniel

Thur Aft 299er Prs-8.5 Tables A1 Ann Thomas-Gunner Thomas A2B1. Wanda Prokop-Vona Nason B2. Frances Sanders-Sarah Niemann C1. Joan Daniel-Jo England C2. Norton Lovell-Lou Lovell

Thursday KO Bracket 1-8 Tables 1. Emily Leake-Brenda Baker-Jacquelyn Kimberley-K Wright 2. Elizabeth Smith-Ola Fay Anderson-Martha Taft-Carol Walliser

Thursday KO Bracket 2-7 Tables 1 Ennis Dyess-Carl Witt-Cliff Dillard, Tyler TX; Khalifa Ahmed 2. Shirley Rumpy-Pat Cawley-Martha Sue Harris-Mary Krohn

Thu Two Session Pairs-10.0 Tables / Based on 17 Tables AB1. Helen Stevens-Betsy Smith 2 Marian Maley-Howard Tureff B2. Nell Velvin-J Lynn Allen

Thu Eve 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Sarah Niemann-Frances Sanders A2 Barbara Williams-Jean Roach B2. Donald Oxer-Shelby Weaver

Fri Morn Open Pairs-3.5 Tables / Based on 8 Tables AB1. Charles Ford, Kemp TX; Ursula Brooks AB2. Gayle Mauldin-Jimmy Hubbard

Fri Morn 299er Pairs-4.5 Tables AB1. Jo England-Joan Daniel AB2. Sue Ritschel-Nancy Strain,

Fri Aft Open Pairs 1/1-7.0 Tables ABC 1 Elizabeth Smith-Ola Fay Anderson A2 Joyce Austin-Peggy Parker B2/3 Nell Velvin-J Lynn Allen B2/3 C2 Charles Ford-Ursula Brooks

Fri Aft 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables AB1. Mary Krohn-Martha Sue Harris AB2 Noelene Hardy-Dee Gemmel
Fri 2 Session Open Pairs-6.0 Tables /

Based on 14 Tables A1 James Bauer-Judy Northup, A2B 1. David Sterner-Donna Jordan B2. Gayle Mauldin-Jimmy Hubbard

Fri Eve Open Pairs 1/1-6.0 Tables A1 Helene Blumenau-Dori Smith A2 Larue Stott-Gail Wells BC1. Deanna Drab -Theresa Ann Brantley B2. Ginger Rhamey-James

Rhamey C2. Marion Davis-Robert Cowling

Friday KO Bracket 1-6 Tables 1. Emily Leake-Brenda Baker-Jacquelyn Kimberley-K Wright 2. Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd-Joe Dean-Donna Dean

Friday KO Bracket 2-8 Tables 1. Jan Holcomb-Neva Davis-Sandy Molander-Bonnie Magee 2. Ennis Dyess -Carl Witt-Cliff Dillard-Khalifa Ahmed

Saturday Flight AX Swiss-5 Tables / Based on 25 Tables 1. Helene Blumenau-Dori Smith-Larue Stott-Gail Wells 2. Stewart Angel-Jonathan Ernest-J Wiegmann-Pamela Wiegmann

Saturday Flight BCD Swiss-20 Tables B1. Marcia Joy Varel-Milton Aston-Joanna Kaspar-Carol Nicoud B2C1. Carl Witt-Ennis Dyess -Cliff Dillard-Khalifa Ahmed C2. Jan Holcomb-Neva Davis-Bonnie Magee-Sandy Molander D1. Mary Krohn-Martha Sue Harris-Laura Canterbury-Gail Beaupre Gwen Boyd Acapulco Gro Jim Brown Arlington

D16 New Life Masters 2008 Jan-April

- Lauren J Brown Arlington
- Nancy A Garrett Arlington
- Barbara Hollahan Austin
- Ronald B Lantz Austin
- Marilyn J Sharratt Austin
- Junior L McKay Brookshire
- Kathy G Baldwin Bryan

Tyler Tournament of Roses
"Everything's Coming Up Roses"
 Unit 225 - Sectional
 July 11, 12, 13, 2008

Holiday Inn Select - 5701 S. Broadway Tyler, Texas
 Call (903-561-5800) by June 25 for "Bridge Rate" of \$74

Friday - July 11

Bracketed KO Teams I (3 sessions): 9:00 a.m. 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
 Stratified 199er Pairs: 9:00 a.m. 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions): 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs Side Games: 9:00 a.m. 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Saturday - July 12

Bracketed KO Teams II (3 sessions): 9:00 a.m. 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
 Stratified 199er Pairs: 9:00 a.m. 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions): 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.
 Stratified Open Pairs Side Games: 9:00 a.m. 1:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Sunday - July 13

Judge Steger Stratiflighted Swiss Teams: 10:00 a.m.
Complimentary Lunch for Swiss Teams

Entry Fees: \$10.00/session for ACBL members
 \$11.00/session for non-ACBL member or unpaid member
 \$96.00 per 4-person Swiss Team

Stratifications: A: 1500+, B: 500-1500, C: 0-500
199er Pairs: A: 100-200, B: 50-100, C: 0-50
Teams: A: 3000+, AX: 0-3000 (play together)
 B: 500-1500, C: 200-500, D: 0-200 (play together)

Tournament Co-chairs: Nell Velvin (903-675-7356) Nvelvin@aol.com
 Karen Owen (903-675-3053) kowen@embarqmail.com

Partnership Co-chairs: Jean Cravey (903-549-2347)
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- Mark Hatten Carrollton
- Boyd Green Chillicothe
- Nels J Nielsen Corpus Christi
- John Galey Dallas
- Mary J McGinnis Dallas
- Robert Scrimale Dallas
- Paul B Taylor Dallas
- Judy Kincaid Denison
- Nancy M Horvat Denton
- Rosalie Manuel Fort Worth
- Kay Karnau Gonzales
- Ann Mc Douglass Houston
- Hans Strohmer Houston
- Nancy A Strohmer Houston
- Francine C Hargrove Houston
- Beverley C Cheatham Houston
- Nancy K Crabtree Houston
- Janet Rauscher Katy
- Jack M Roth Kingwood

- Bob J Ingebritson Lewisville
- Jean M Higgins Lewisville
- Kenneth R Woodard Lubbock
- Gary T Goodman Mansfield
- Sarah Venguer Mexico
- Helen L Skiles Plano
- Tony Pellegrini Plano
- Judy W Mays Richardson
- Helen E Barker San Angelo
- Carolyn Martin San Antonio
- Becky Mosely San Antonio
- John Bedford Spring
- Ellen M Greenfield Sugar Land
- Darlene R Thompson Sugar Land
- Donna Frederick The Woodlands
- Paula E Olivares Valencia
- George Poole Waxahachie
- Bill Parrish Woodway



Thursday & Friday Morning Open Pairs 1st A & B Charles Ford & Ursula Brooks



Thursday KO1 Bracket 1 & Friday KO2 Bracket 1 Winners Brenda Baker, Jacquelyn Kimberley, K Wright and Emily Leake



Thursday Evening 299er Sarah Niemann of Emory & Frances Sanders



Friday Afternoon Open Pairs 1st ABC Elizabeth Smith and Ola Fay Anderson



Thursday KO1 Bracket 2 Winners Flight BCD Swiss 1st C Ennis Dyess, Khalifa Ahmed Carl Witt & Clifford Dillard



Thursday Two Session Pairs Betsy Smith of Athens & Helen Stephens



Friday KO2 Bracket 2 Jan Holcomb, Neva Davis, Sandy Molander and Bonnie Magee



Flight AX Swiss Helen Blumenau, Dori Smith, Larue Stott & Gail Wells



Friday Evening Open Pairs 1st BC Theresa Brantley & Deanna Drab

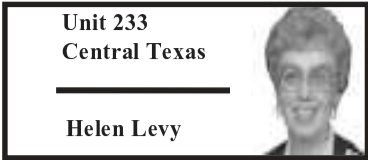


Swiss 1st in D Gail Beaupre of Mabank, Laura Canterbury of Canton, Martha Sue Harris & Mary Jo Krohn of Canton

Black Eyed Pea Winners Athens Sectional



Flight BCD Swiss 1st B Marcia Varel, Milton Aston, Joanna Kaspar & Carol Nicoud



**Unit 233
Central Texas**
Helen Levy

As a result of all the hard work of Co-Chairs David Pennington and Dick Cunningham; Bobbye Hays, partnerships; Dale Allen and his door prize committee; Tom Denson, photos; Raby Smalley, tables; and to over 56 generous members who brought food, we enjoyed a record-breaking attendance of 346 tables at the Heart of Texas Sectional Tournament Feb. 29-Mar. 1, exceeding last year's count by 59.5 tables. The beautiful wall decorations of fresh fruits created by David Pennington with used bridge cards were also enjoyed. A very special "thank you" to all of you and to the 31 donors of over 100 door prizes.

Congratulations to Mike Miller who was the Unit member who earned the most masterpoints in the tournament and will receive the Maxine Tessmer memorial tournament award.

Winners of the ACBL-wide Senior Game at the 500 Duplicate BC Feb. 25 were: 1A, B, Donna Gerber and Jo McDaniel (64.58%); 1C, Marge Juren and Lenora Parrish (60.74%); 2A, Mike Miller and Rich-

ard Wall (63.94%); 2B, Mary Aurillo and Ralph Aurillo (61.06%); 2C, Genevieve Lockley and Shirley Griffith (60.58%).

Players at Marlin BC at Sul Ross were treated to "The Big Spring Fling" Mar. 14 by Peggi Kenny and Lenora Parrish. These two good cooks provided an array of fine food along with the Easter bunny.

Heartiest congratulations to Unit achievers Mike Bukala, Diamond LM (5000 MP's); Helen Simonette, Silver LM (1000 MP's); and Bill Parrish, new Life Master; also to Melody Euler and Ann Wallace who were recently presented the District 16 Goodwill Awards for 2007 by President Dick Cunningham at the Rolling Hills BC.

Mary Adams has accepted appointment as Unit Education Liaison and is in the process of coordinating beginners' bridge classes for high school students during April and May at the CAC in Temple. Various Unit members have volunteered as teachers.

We welcome Kay Lynch, a transfer from Unit 207, and new members Robert Juenger and Paul Rothhaus, both of Temple.

We are saddened to report the sudden death of Twalah Jackson on Mar. 30. Twalah was an avid bridge player who will be greatly missed.

Plan now to attend the Bridge on

the Brazos sectional tournament Aug. 1-3 at the Waco convention center.

Heart of Texas Temple

Feb 29-Mar 2 2008

- 1 27.98 Roy Baughman
- 2 27.98 Pat Cassidy
- 3 25.54 Sally Wheeler
- 4 25.54 Nagy Kamel
- 5 25.54 Kenneth Schutze
- 6 25.54 Buddy Hanby
- 7 22.88 Mike Miller
- 8 22.88 James Bauer
- 9 22.55 Marilou Powell
- 10 18.27 Mike Bukala
- 11 18.27 Hugh Hillaker

Friday KO Bracket 1-8 Tables 1. James La Fountain-S Brooks-Art D'Entremont-Jon Richard Ware 2. Roy Baughman Pantego James Bauer Mike Miller Pat Cassidy

Friday KO Bracket 2-8 Tables 1 Jan McLaurin-Vivian Thompson-Robert Pollsen-Jack Goldhammer 2. Wanda Carter-Donna Anglin-Bennie Hansson-Jacque Ekho

Friday KO Bracket 3-7 Tables 1. Liz Hinkle-Sonya Armstrong-Helen Kirby-Doris Howard 2. John Smit-Annette Rut-Suzann Patterson-Diane Smith

Fri Eve Stratified Open-29.5 Tables A1. Hugh Hillaker-Mike Bukala A2B1. Kathy McCabe-Pam Phillips B2C1. Debra Bellan-Marvin Greenfield C2 Edna Lassetter-Frank Hefley

Friday Afternoon Open Pr-38.5 Tables A1 Jack Lacy-Melody Euler A2 Peggy Phelps-Lyndon Phelps B1 Harvey Browning Henry Irwin Jr B C1 Winford Boyd-Janice Boyd Euleess C2 Lee Ellis-Joy Thomas

Sat Afternoon Open Prs-35.5 Tables A1. Marilou Powell-Pam LaShelle A2. John McCormack-Janet McCormack BC1. Barbara Williams Malakoff Jean Roach Kaufman B2. Richard Cunningham-David Pennington C2. Sandy Molander Malakoff Bonnie Magee Mabank

Saturday KO Bracket 1-7 Tables 1. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Kenneth Schutze-Nagy Kamel 2 Bill Staats-Mike Bukala Mark Bumgardner-Hugh Hillaker

Saturday KO Bracket 2-7 Tables 1 Bill Parrish-Lenora Parrish-Peggi Kenny-C McCauley 2 Pam Phillips-Kathy McCabe-Ellen Meyer-Peggy Geiler

Saturday KO Bracket 3-8 Tables 1 Jo McDaniel-Donna Gerber-Mickie Damon-Arlene Freeman 2. Wanda Carter-Donna Anglin-Jacque Ekho

Barbara Lyons 2. Genevieve Lockley-Shirley Griffith-Patricia Johnson-Bobby Woods Hays

Saturday KO Bracket 5-8 Tables 1. Liz Hinkle-Sonya Armstrong-Helen Kirby-Doris Howard 2. Annette Ruth-John Smith-Suzann Patterson-Diane Smith

Sat Eve Stratified Open-26.5 Tables A1. Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely A2. Peggy Phelps-Martha Black B1 Ross Sams Jr-Minta McCauley B2. Billie Graves-Beverly Geurin C1. Margaret Ellis Rockwall Billie Dalton Garland C2. David McCarron-Mary McCarron

Flight AX Swiss Teams-17 Tables / Based on 54 Tables A1. James Bauer-Mike Miller-Roy Baughman-Pat Cassidy A2X1. Charlene Sands-Mary Anne Laier-Virgil Massey-Marilou Powell X2. Warren King-Mark Hupert-Mark Lombard-James Woeber Jr

Sun B/C/D Swiss Teams-38 Tables B1. Helen Levy-Dorothy White-Eiko King-Evelyn Keegan B2. Donna Garrard-William Garrard Jr-John McCormack-Janet McCormack C1. Joyce Cooper-Jennifer Stocker-Ginger Lake-Carol Nelson C2. Jesse Gordon-Greg Schepens-Terry Richardson-Stan Kurtzer D1. Susan Flick-Leah McCarthy Mc Kinney E J Nowak McKinney Jackie Hertweck Ednd OK

TEMPLE SECTIONAL WINNERS



Friday, Flight B, open pairs
Henry Irwin Jr. & Harvey Browning



Friday Flight A
Jack Lacy & Melody Euler



Friday Flight C
W. Craig & Jan Boyd



Friday Eve. Flight C, open pairs
Debra Bellan & Marvin Greenfield



Friday Eve. Flight B, open pairs
Kathy McCabe & Pam Phillips



Friday Eve., Flight A, open pairs
Hugh Hillaker & Mike Bukala



Saturday Flight C open pairs
Bonnie Magee & Sandy Molander



Saturday Flight B open pairs
Jean Roach & Barbara E. William



Sat. Eve. Flight B, open pairs
Minta McCauley and Ross Sams



Saturday Flight D KO
Inez and Don Gride
Kay Lynch - Barbara Lyons



Saturday Eve. Flt A open pairs
Terry & Carolyn Riely



Friday Flight A KO
Art d'Entremont - Richard Ware
Sherril Brooks - James La Fountain



Swiss Teams Flight A
Roy Baughman - Mike Miller
Pat Cassidy - Jim Bauer



Friday and Saturday Flight C KO
Doris Howard - Helen Kirby
Sue Armstrong - Liz Hinkle



Swiss Teams Flight C
Jackie Hertweck - Leah McCarthy
E.J. Nowak - Susan Flick



Saturday Flight A KO
Lenora Parrish - Peggi Kenny
Clyde Mc Cauley - Bill Parrish



Swiss Teams Flight B
Evelyn Keegan- (NP Dorothy White)
Eiko King - Helen Levy

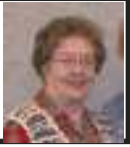


Friday Flight B KO
Jack Goldhammer - Bob Pollsen
Viv Thompson - Jan Mc Lauril



**Unit 224
Fort Phantom**

Pat Hess



IN March I mentioned hoping that you would enjoy Aces and Kings at the Bridge tables. Obviously, during this past year quite a number of you did just that—and played them well. Congratulations to the winners of the Mini McKenney and Ace of Clubs Awards. And congratulations to Lera Lewis for achieving Silver Life Master. We are proud of all of you!

Don't forget the Fort Phantom Unit 224 0-299 Bridge Tournament scheduled for mid-August.!

We are missing Henry Doscher at the bridge tables these days. It is so nice to have Margaret Gregory back.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Jay Shields, a long time bridge player at our unit. And, our condolences are also sent to the family of Fran Herchenhahn. Such a special lady and fine bridge player. They will be missed.

The Mabel Lilius Bridge Center is about to have a "Face Lift". The outside of our building will soon be sporting a new coat of paint and other repairs. As we embark on this improvement to our building, it seems appropriate to review the history of our bridge unit and of the Mabel Lilius building itself. Howard Wilkins wrote such an article several years ago and has graciously agreed for me to use it in this column. Hope all who have played bridge in our center through the years will enjoy remembering and learning of the Center's history.

When I returned to Abilene in 1952, duplicate bridge sessions were being conducted in the Wooten Hotel. They were directed by Mabel Lilius. I believe they had been in existence for only a few years at that time. The sessions were on Monday night and were open to anyone. Sometime along about this time duplicate bridge sessions were When I returned to Abilene in 1952, duplicate bridge sessions were being conducted in the Wooten Hotel. They were directed by Mabel Lilius. I believe they had been in existence for only a few years at that time. The sessions were on Monday night and were open to anyone. Sometime along about this time duplicate bridge sessions were started at the Abilene Country Club. These games were for Country Club members only and were held on Wednesday nights. Before too many years passed San Angelo and later Sweetwater began open duplicate sessions on Tuesday nights. It was not unusual for Abilene players to go occasionally to San Angelo and frequently to Sweetwater to participate in their duplicate games. The Monday night game in Abilene consistently had visiting players from many towns in a 90 to 100 mile radius of Abilene.

At some point the open duplicate bridge sessions were moved from the Wooten Hotel to the Windsor Hotel and for many years we played on the mezzanine on that hotel. Eventually, they grew tired of putting up with us and we started moving to other places like motels and, for a while, the Senior Citizens Center in Rose Park. Finally, in 1978 Jerry Mark convinced the bridge players that we could build our own bridge building. He and I went before the Parks and Recreation Board of the City of Abilene and asked for permission for us to build the building in Rose Park. That Board approved our request and the bridge players entered into a lease

agreement with the City of Abilene to lease the land where the Mabel Lilius Bridge Center now sits. The lease is for ten years and is renewable at the end of each term. Consideration is \$10.00 per each ten years. The bridge building was built in 1978. Eugene Knabel of Hamlin was the general contractor. The building was 30' by 80' and total cost of the project was \$46,261.84. The building was paid for as follows: Individual Contributions, \$9,185.00; Garage Sale, \$2,343.30; Calcutta, \$211.00; Abilene Bridge Club, \$7,522.54; Fort Phantom Bridge Unit, \$5,000.00; as well as a few personal loans. Total cost was \$46,251.84.

The loan was finally paid off in July 1986. Repayment came from game income and from income earned at our annual tournaments. The bathrooms were woefully inadequate (you couldn't sit down and close the stall doors at the same time) and there was no storage room, but we were overjoyed to finally have a place of our own that no one could throw us out of. In 1991 we did an extensive remodeling of the Bridge Center. We added an extension to the east for handicapped accessible restrooms, a smoking room, and a storage room. We also added a handicapped accessible entrance to the building. Don Faulkner was the contractor and Newt Newberry was the architect. The total cost of the remodeling was \$62,597.72. In 2002 the unit did another remodeling of the Bridge Center. We bought new chairs, put down new carpeting and linoleum, insulated the attic, and repainted the kitchen. The \$11,673.82 cost of the remodeling was paid for with income from our regional tournament in 2001.

It is apparent that we have a considerable investment in our Bridge Center, but it is worth that investment to have a nice place of our own which we control and which is available at all times for our bridge games. I am grateful for all of the people who have worked and given through the years so that we might have this facility. I hope we can continue to enjoy it for many years to come.

And, we invite YOU to come play some bridge with us.

**Unit 237
Magic valley**

Gretchen Chapa



I want to express my gratitude and thanks to our members for making the Upper Rio Grande Valley Sectional Tournament a success. Our gracious hospitality ladies, Jean Killelea and Shirley Saulsbury, greeted the players as they signed in for the Friday and Saturday drawings for free sessions during the tournament. Trudy and Alan Johnston provided the ice tea and water, and Fran Buckingham donated the coffee. My "right hand helper", Marie Woods, monitored the snack table to insure that our players would not go hungry, and Richard Burgess was always ready and willing to do whatever I asked. Judi and Eric Marshall, players from Kingston, NS, helped me with the equipment, and Rene Wallace, our Texas Star Award winner, provided the prizes. A special thanks goes to all those who brought the fruit trays, cookies, breads and other snacks and also to those who gave monetary donations. The complimentary lunches served each day, especially the barbecue on Sunday from Willie's in Alamo, were enjoyed by all. We were fortunate to have a very

competent and well-organized Tournament Director, Kevin Perkins, from Austin. Congratulations to all the tournament winners and thanks to Herman Westbrook, our official photographer, who managed to find the winners and take their pictures.

Our Unit 237 Annual Meeting and unit game were held on Saturday, March 15, at the First Presbyterian Church in Harlingen. The officers for 2008-2009 are John Johnson, President; Walt Lauckner, Vice President; Martha Hensel, Secretary; and Mary Ellen Kenyon, Treasurer. Board Members for 2008-09 are Fran Buckingham, Barbara Cooper, Shirley Saulsbury, and Darleen Thomasson. Congratulations to the following players who received a Mini-McKenney Award: Chuey Lum, Rene Wallace, Mrs. N. Tarbet, Andrea Klein, Richard Burgess, Jackie Burroughs, Albert Krall, BettiJane Krall, Gretchen Chapa, and Joyce Stukenholtz. We also want to acknowledge those players who received an Ace of Clubs Certificate: Chuey Lum, James Bagley, Dianne VanderPutten, Andrea Klein, Richard Burgess, Glen Mabee, Albert Krall, BettiJane Krall, Gretchen Chapa, and Marie Woods.

Congratulations to Jacqueline Bordeleau and Judy O'Leary, who scored 72.44 % on March 3, at our weekly game at Las Palmas Community Center in McAllen, and to Ilse Drawe and Joanne Way who scored a 73.61% on March 25, at the game in Harlingen.

Jean Burgoine, Director of the Monday and Wednesday games at the Elks Club in Harlingen, reported that the Harlingen Bridge Club held an Inter-Club Championship game on Monday, March 17. Internationally, Marvin Lecker and Nancy Almond placed 11th in A and 5th in B, and Richard Papineau and Mike St. James placed 7th in C. Jean noted that these players are Winter Texans from Canada who play in her games during their stay in the Rio Grande Valley.

There has been noticeable decrease in the number of players at our weekly games in McAllen and Alamo. Many of our players from Canada and the northern states have been leaving the warmth and sunshine of our Magic Valley. We hope that they have a safe journey home through all that snow and ice. We look forward to their return next fall.

On behalf of our members, I want to extend our condolences to those who have lost family members this year.

**Unit 353
Wichita Falls**

Shirley Bond



Unit 353 is looking forward to meeting at a new facility for their Unit Meetings each month. The new facility is the Platinum Room, 3711 Maplewood, Wichita Falls.

Shirley Smith is recovering from a broken hip at Health South Rehabilitation Hospital in Wichita Falls. Shirley, we hope to see you back at the bridge table soon.

Our sincere sympathy to Helen Probst on the recent death of her brother. Faye Morrison has had three deaths in her family this past month. Our heartfelt sympathy to Faye on the loss of her mother, her sister and her aunt.

Plans are in the making for our Sectional Tournament on October 3, 4, and 5. Tournament. Chairman is Gail Simpson. Gail has already made the following Committee Chairmen se-

lections: Shirley Donnell, Saturday p.m. breakdown tables and set up for Sunday lunch and secure caddies; Ronni Davis, goody bags, registration and decorations; Virginia Klinkerman, goody bags, registration and decorations; Shirley Bond, food and contact MPEC prior to tournament; Lois Robertson, lodging and kitchen; Bernie Lange, set up tournament, get rid of trash, check men's restroom for paper needs; Cathy Zinn, Sunday lunch, pictures and trophies; and Gloria Kennedy, mail outs, partnership desk, and check ladies restroom for paper needs.

Congratulations to the following recent 70% game winners: Anne Halsell and Susan Couch 75% game at the Vernon Duplicate Club; Bill and Babs Kleinecke 72.50% game at Bridge-A-Gap; Bob Cunningham and Gene Probst 72.09% game at Bridge-A-Gap; Jamie Bourland and Martha Smith 72.01% games at the Vernon Duplicate Club.

Recent Unit 353 travelers are: Shirley and Marie Donnell, Kathleen Brown, Gloria Kennedy and Trudy Downey. Shirley, Marie, Kathleen, and Gloria toured London, Paris and throughout Scotland. Trudy visited relatives in Germany and toured Egypt.

We hope the flu season is behind us and everyone has a great summer.

**Unit 207
Austin**

Linda Anthony



Congratulations to newly elected board members Harriette Bowles, Larry Davis, Mark Miller, and to Robert Donathan who was re-elected. Continuing board members are Charlie Aufill, Joe Black, Mark McAllister, Leonard McCormick and Phyllis Tate. Board officers are: Mark McAllister - President; Charlie Aufill - Vice-President; Leonard McCormick - Secretary.

Each year the board selects a member of the unit who personifies qualities we all should aspire to as bridge players. This year's recipient of the Goodwill Award is Sonje Hinich. Her love of the game, desire to improve her skills, cheerful demeanor and graciousness to partners and opponents made Sonje an easy choice for the award.

Since congratulations seem to be the order of the day, kudos to the following players who've achieved personal milestones. Our newest Life Masters are: Jim Brown, Barbara Hollohan and Ronald Lantz. New Bronze Life Masters are Joyce Cooper and Dean Yarian. Dorothy Burns is our newest Silver Life Master. Others achieving major masterpoint milestones are: Tobi Sokolow - 15,000; Mildred Breed - 14,000; Paul Kelley and Ken Schutze - 8,000; Louis Sachar - 2,000; Geoff Blandy, Barbara Burks, Janet Clark and Claudette Hartman - 1,500; Diane Daley and Jeanette Hughes - 750; Michael Ford and Gloria Wilson - 200; Marcia Jameson; Patsy Martin, Jan McLaurin and Charles O'Neil - 100; Lucerne Bunch, Bobbie Gruhkey and Diana Whitfield - 50. Well played!

The Spring NonLife Master Tournament was well attended and Austin players won first place in each of the three sessions. Stan Kurtzer and Terry Richardson won the Saturday afternoon session with a 78 percent game! Clara Wood and Priscilla Baker took first place in the evening session, and Stan Kurtzer and Terry Richardson teamed up again to win first place in Sunday's session.

Austin area players also fared well at the Temple Sectional. Jan McLaurin, Vivian Thompson, Robert Poll-

sen and Jack Goldhammer won Friday's Bkt. 2 KO. Friday Afternoon Open Pairs was won by Jack Lacy and Melody Euler and Kathy McCabe and Pam Phillips placed second in the evening session. Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs was won by Marilou Powell and Pam LaShelle. Saturday KO Bkt. 2 second place winners were Kathy McCabe, Pam Phillips, Ellen Meyer and Peggy Geiler. Bkt. 3 was won by Jo McDaniel, Donna Gerber, Mickie Damon and Arlene Freeman. The team of Charlene Sands, Virgil Massey, Mary Anne Laier and Marilou Powell finished second in the AX flight of Sunday Swiss Teams. Well done!

Spring's a busy time for local clubs, so please keep an eye on the web calendar for special games in the upcoming months. The next unit event will be the Ice Cream Social/Stratified Open Pairs held Saturday, May 31 at the BCA. Start making plans for the July Regional which actually starts June 30 and runs through July 6 at the Doubletree Hotel. Our summer NLM will be held later that month, July 26 - 27th at the BCA. A light meal will be served between sessions Saturday.

Usually this column makes note of our expanding membership, but recently we've lost several longtime players. Pat and Jim Griffin moved to Sacramento, Ca.; Bob Chambers has moved to Lufkin and Charles Hampton has relocated to Waco. Goodbye and good luck!

Lastly and sadly, condolences to the families and friends of Jo Bennett; Jane Moe and Theo Windsor.

**District 16 Deceased
Members 2008**

(reported to ACBL)

Jo Bennett Austin
Robert M Dean Austin
W R Dunkelberg Austin
Jerome Valentine Austin
Theo G Windsor Austin
Arrie Cooper Big Spring
Helen K Layman Bryan
P V Hitt Crowley
George A Chappell Cypress
Amelia M Albrite Dallas
Barbara Sebastian Dallas
Gordon C Skinner Dallas
George B Stephenson Dallas
Lura G Rundell Farwell
Adrain E Booth Granbury
Jo Dene Bond Houston
Joanne P Chadderdon Houston
Charlotte L Chapman Houston
J B Hester Houston
Edgar H Hoffing Houston
Tom J LaRocca Houston
Helen C Mitchell Houston
Nell K Price Houston
Ann C Simpson Houston
Louise T Wheeler Houston
Peggy M Grosser Kerrville
Nancy L Hiner Kerrville
Lanelle L Bancroft Lake Jackson
Kathleen A Gaulke Lavernia
John W Wilder Longview
Inez Kindle Lubbock
Lera Ohnemus Lubbock
Herschel Ford Luling
Ruth Fahrig Midland
Annette T Binger Missouri City
Walter W Still New Braunfels
Elaine Piwetz Pasadena
Althea E Gehri Port Aransas
Madelyn Loeb Rockport
Lee Goudchaux San Antonio
David A Hadden San Antonio
Henry James San Antonio
Joanne B Young San Antonio
Bertha S Tucker Sugar Land
Gordon G Olson Tyler
Jay M Shields Tyler

King Cotton Regional Lubbock Texas

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- 1 69.95 Robert Morris
- 2 69.95 Eddie Wold
- 3 69.95 Clement Jackson
- 4 65.56 Marc Levine
- 5 65.56 Keith Garber
- 6 65.56 Ira Hessel
- 7 65.56 Chris Compton
- 8 64.23 Carol Schoenhals
- 9 60.11 Florine Davis
- 10 56.92 Dianna Gittelman

From Gwen Wright, Tournament Chairman.

I want to thank Robert and Faye Whitaker for the hospitality room. It was a delightful place to start your playing day. The partnership chairs were Sue Wilhoit, Sammie Johnson, and Kaye Kirk. They personally helped with all new partnerships and teams and did an exceptional job. The registration and newcomers chairs were Alice Floyd, Sarah Rice, and Darlene Wilbanks. They were always busy but always had a smile on their faces. Ken and Anita Woodard helped many many ways. We had many volunteers that brought food, helped at the many activities going on during the tournament. Ava Huddleston, Sandra Newton, Darlene Wilbanks, and Gwen Wright furnished over 100 prizes given away during the sessions for all. Thanks to all for the warm and kind west Texas hospitality

Tues-Wed KO Bracket 1 -10 Tables
1 Gary Sawyer -Billie Mitchell -Betty Dickerson -Phillip Kielpinski -Carol Schoenhals -Charlotte Blaiss 2. Chris Compton -Marc Levine -Ira Hessel -Keith Garber 3/4 Bonnie George -Johnnie Bea Brown -Nancy Greer Dimmitt-Dickie Chandler 3/4 Florine Davis -Eddie Wold -Robert Morris -Dianna Gittelman -Clement Jackson

Tues-Wed KO Bracket 2 -10 Tables
1. Kenneth Woodard -Anita Woodard -Don Sikes -Lexie Reese 2. Janelle Frusha Conroe-Mavis Warren -Brian Stevens -Melanie Dunn 3/4 Karen Wilson -Fred Blosser -Mozella Tew -Gwen Wright 3/4 Charles Ensor -Judith Ensor -Bob Dowlen -Don Deal

Tues-Wed KO Bracket 3 -9 Tables
1. Bobbie Hill -Sharla Shurbet -Joyce Wartes -Judith Mitts 2. Garner Fielding -Bobby Melton -Amarillo-Jackie Bradley -Teddy Rhodes 3/4 Carol Wilson -Carolyn Lanier -Shirley Hooks -RaeDonna Jones 3/4 Evelyn Schmidt Gun Barrel Cy-Rachel Lee Terrell-Deanna Drab -Theresa Ann Brantley

Wed-Thu KO 2 Bracket 1 -9 Tables
1. Al Beebe -Jayne Simonds-Dena Sanders -William Cook 2. Jonathan

Hart -Kathryn Ritterbush-Peter Yeaton-Sandra Newton 3/4 Judy O'Neill-Robbie Butts -Gene Templeton-Bryan Morgan 3/4 Vicky Fisher-Iris Warren-Judy Wilde-Peggy Jackson
Wed-Thu KO 2 Bracket 2 -10 Tables
1. Doris Ekleberry -Donna Gibbs -Gary Carey -Ruby Hill 2. Frank Whitney -George Spillers -Vivian Thompson -Jan McLaurin 3/4 David Sanchez -John Groves -Karl Swartz -Patricia Plummer 3/4 Jean Adams -Jane Graham -Jo Goen -Joy Smitherman

Fri-Sat KO -Bracket 1 -9 Tables
1. Florine Davis -Eddie Wold -Robert Morris -Dianna Gittelman -Clement Jackson 2. Carol Schoenhals -Joseph Clark -Donna Compton -Gary King 3/4 Chris Compton -Marc Levine -Ira Hessel -Keith Garber 3/4 Britain Beezley -Shelba Parmley -Rudy Krall -Merlene Krall

Fri-Sat KO Bracket 2 -10 Tables
1. Kaye Kirk -Ava Huddleston -C Jean Hiers -Peter Yeaton 2. Karen Wilson -Fred Blosser -Mozella Tew -Gwen Wright 3/4 Barbara Davis -Nancy Harris -Laverne Etheredge -Judith Hawkins 3/4 Helen Lauderdale -Sammie Johnson -Sue Willhoit -Dorene Dulaney -K Wright

Fri-Sat KO Bracket 3 -10 Tables
1. Betty Smith -Edwina Syx -Lois Timmons -Ladelle Boyd Throckmorton 2. Barbara Miles -Phyllis Laird -Carol Hastings -Richard Stein Sarah Rice -Idamay Sanders 3/4 Kenneth Woodard -Don Sikes -Mona Barr -Anita Woodard 3/4 Don Cosby Ft Worth-Francis Thornberry -Mary Ann Anthony

Morn Compact KO Bkt 1 -6 Tables
1. Landon Blair -William Cook -Dena Sanders Amarillo-Mark Pedersen 2. Gary Sawyer -Billie Mitchell Gary King -Donna Compton

Morn Compact KO Bkt 2 -11 Tables
1. Lauri Laufman -Gary Hercules -Don Sikes -Lexie Reese 2. Carol Wilson -Shirley Hooks -Carolyn Lanier -RaeDonna Jones 3. Frank Whitney -George Spillers -Norma Sayles Labarthe -Barbara Bridges 4. Marian Endicott -Warren Endicott -Grant La Fleur -Tawnya Cole

Sat Compact KO Bracket 1 -6 Tables
1. Eric Snow -Toni Snow -Betty Dickerson -Phillip Kielpinski 2. Gary Sawyer -Billie Mitchell Charlotte Blaiss -Gary Blaiss

Sat Compact KO Bracket 2 -12 Tables
1. Jean O'Neal -Nancy O'Fallon -Bob Frink -Glenda Cooper 2. Marian Endicott -Warren Endicott -Jean Westfall -J. Neal Marchbanks 3. Doris Ekleberry -Donna Gibbs -Gary Carey -Ruby Hill 4. Betsy Bloechl -Patricia Rivers -Jane Doviak -Darlene Wilbanks

Wednesday Strat Pairs -10.0 Tables
A1. Flo Curry -Gene Gammill Mason A2. B Paul Hirsch -Julia Hirsch A3B1. Charles Truby -Ann Truby A4. Nancy Stanton Frisco-Beth Coker BC2. Bruce Hook -Sharon Owens B3. Sandy Doyle -Linda McDaniel

Thursday Strat Swiss Team -26 Tables
A1. Florine Davis -Dianna Gittelman -Eddie Wold -Robert Mor-

ris -Clement Jackson A2 Chris Compton -Keith Garber -Ira Hessel -Marc Levine A3. Alan Copeland -John Zilic -Anton (Tony) Haddad -Jo Smith A4 Eric Snow -Toni Snow -Gary King -Donna Compton A5/6 Britain Beezley -Shelba Parmley -Rudy Krall -Merlene Krall A5/6 Herbert Williams -Eric Bell Norman OK; Joe Hill -Tom Brown B1. Janelle Frusha -Mavis Warren -Melanie Dunn -Brian Stevens B2. J McNeal -Opal Thurman -Terry Manz -Carol Manz B3. Karen Wilson -Fred Blosser -Mozella Tew -Gwen Wright B4C1. Candyce Gregston -Frances Grogan -David McAfee-Jerre McAfee C2/3 Bobbie Hill-Sharla Shurbet -Adell Thompson -Elaine Rains C2/3 Charles Ensor -Judith Ensor Seabrook-Don Deal Nassau Bay-Bob Dowlen

Thursday Strat Senior Pr -9.0 Tables
A1. Beth Coker-Nancy Stanton A2. June Stanton -Lexie Reese A3. Julia Hirsch -B Paul Hirsch B1/2 Joy Hardy -Norma Murray B1/2 Mike Pomper -Dennis Mitchell B3 Barbara Wright -Betty Horne C1. Mike Dowling -Gail Dowling C2. Ann Truby -Charles Truby

Friday Eve Open Pairs 16.0 Tables
A1. Mark Pedersen-Birch A2. Howard Wilkins-Dee Stearns A3/4 Lena Nichols-Gloria Crites A3/4 Julia Hirsch-Paul Hirsch A5. Gerrie Owen-Leonard Schaan B1. Patricia Rivers-John Castleman B2C1. Mary McGinnis-Vi Ganeles B3C2. Lauri Laufman-Gary Hercules B4. Wayne Rector -Martha Poss C3. Sandra Newton -Velda Holcomb

Saturday Stratified Open -13.0 Tables / Based on 11 Tables
A1. Mark Pedersen -Tommy Birch Coker A2. Nancy Stanton -Beth Coker A3. Flo Curry -Gene Gammill A4. L Snyder -Betty Lowmiller A5. Lena Nichols -Gloria Crites BC1. Vi Ganeles -Mary McGinnis B2. Claudia Prince -John Rollinson B3. Jerry Beck -Bob Sanders B4. Frances Staniforth -Dickie Chandler C2. Paulette Turner -Frances Barton

Sunday Flight AX Swiss -14 Tables / Based on 38 Tables
A1. Joe Harris -Cindy Harris -Karin Griffin -Ann Economidy A2/3 Leonard Schaan -Vi Ganeles -Gerrie Owen -Mary McGinnis A2/3 Marc Levine -Chris Compton -Ira Hessel -Keith Garber A4. Florine Davis -Eddie Wold -Robert Morris -Dianna Gittelman -Clement Jackson A5. Carol Schoenhals -Joseph Clark -Donna Compton -Gary King X1. Jonathan Hart -Kathryn Ritterbush -Dorene Dulaney -K Wright

Sunday BCD Swiss -24 Tables
B1. Wanda Robinson -Johnnie Bea Brown -Bonnie George -Dickie Chandler B2. Andrea Ford -Mary Jeanne Moore -Bette Belk -Clara Beedy B3C1. Patricia Plummer -Gary Carey -Linda Thomas -Phil Merkel B4. Wayne Rector -Belle Harris -Cheryl Thompson -Jan Hover B5. Janelle Frusha Conroe-Mavis Warren -Melanie Dunn

Wed-Thu Morn Swiss Teams -8 Tables
A1. Ira Hessel -Chris Comp-

ton -Keith Garber-Marc Levine A2. Billie Mitchell -Gary Sawyer -Betty Dickerson -Phillip Kielpinski -Carol Schoenhals -Charlotte Blaiss A3B1. Vicky Fisher -Iris Warren -Judy Wilde -Peggy Jackson B2. Karl Swartz -John Groves -Jonathan Hart -Kathryn Ritterbush C1. Kay Davidson -Norma Buchanan -Cheryl Thompson -Annette Sides

Thursday AM Side Series -5.0 Tables
AB1. Bryan Morgan -Jane Doviak AB2. Marilyn Smith -Shirlene Kehoe Brian Stevens C2. Sandra Newton -Velda Holcomb -Marion Riley -Arthur Brown C3. Karen Wilson -Mozella Tew -Fred Blosser -Gwen Wright D1. David McAfee -Jerre McAfee -Barbara Bridges -Norma Sayles Labarthe

Tuesday Evening Swiss -7 Tables
A1. Merlene Krall -Rudy Krall-Shelba Parmley -Britain Beezley A2/3 B1/2 J McNeal -Opal Thurman -Terry Manz -Carol Manz A2/3B1/2C1. Wayne Rector -Linda Aaron -Carol Hastings -Richard Stein

Friday Eve Open Pairs -16.0 Tables
A1. Mark Pedersen -Tommy Birch A2. Howard Wilkins -Dee Stearns A3/4 Lena Nichols -Gloria Crites A3/4 Julia Hirsch -B Paul Hirsch A5. Gerrie Owen -Leonard Schaan B1. Patricia Rivers -John Castleman B2C1. Mary McGinnis -Vi Ganeles B3C2. Lauri Laufman -Gary Hercules

Friday Eve BAM Teams -10 Tables
A1/2 Dewayne Kimbell -P Vick -Landon Blair -Dena Sanders A1/2 L Snyder -Janise Saul -Joe Hill -Eric Bell A3B1. J McNeal -Opal Thurman -Terry Manz -Carol Manz B2. Janelle Frusha Conroe-Melanie Dunn -Mavis Warren -Brian Stevens B3C1. Jean O'Neal -Nancy O'Fallon -Bob Frink Plano-Glenda Cooper

Saturday Morn Side Series -4.0 Tables
A1 Bryan Morgan -Joe Hill A2B1 Judy O'Neill Alto NM; Robbie Butts B2. Jerry Beck Bob Sanders

Saturday Eve Swiss Teams -16 Tables
A1. Chris Compton -Marc Levine -Keith Garber -Ira Hessel A2. Tom Brown -Herbert Williams Yukon OK; Joe Hill -Eric Bell A3B1. Janelle Frusha Conroe-Mavis Warren -Melanie Dunn -Brian Stevens A4. Dewayne Kimbell -P Vick -Landon Blair -Dena Sanders Amarillo A5B2. Barbara Wright -Betty Horne -Joy Hardy San Angelo-Norma Murray B3/4C1 Sharon Harrison -Betty Higgins -Betty Goodin -Peggy Minkley C2. Bob Dowlen -Judith Ensor -Charles Ensor Seabrook-Yiqun Huang

Tues Aft Side Pairs ABC1. Linda McDaniel-Sandy Doyle AB2. Norma Buchanan -Kay Davidson C2. Richard Jensen -John Clarke

Tues Eve Side Pairs -8.0 Tables
ABC1. Jan McLaurin -Vivian Thompson A2. Joy Hardy -Norma Murray A3. Tom Brown -Herbert Williams C2 Gary Carey-Ruby Hill

Tuesday Stratified Pairs -7.0 Tables
A1. Flo Curry Midland -Gene Gammill A2. Howard Wilkins -Dee Stearns A3. Iris Warren -Peggy Jack-

son B1. Lera Lewis Abilene-David Sanchez B2. Judy O'Neill -Robbie Butts B3C1. Carolyn Cawthron -Sharon Owens C2. Charles Truby -Ann Truby

Wed Morn Side Series -5.5 Tables
ABC1. Jan McLaurin -Vivian Thompson AB2. Ava Huddleston -Jayne Simonds C 2. David McAfee -Jerre McAfee

Wednesday Afternoon 299er -4.0 Tables
AB1. Dorothy Mcdaniel -Bettye Miers A2. Jane Doviak -Joan Boney B2. Jim Farley -Judy Farley Wednesday Evening Swiss -11 Tables
A1. Florine Davis -Eddie Wold -Robert Morris -Clement Jackson A2B1. Helen Lauderdale -Ava Huddleston -C Jean Hiers -K Wright A3B2. Opal Thurman -J McNeal -Terry Manz -Carol Manz A4B3C1. Evelyn Schmidt -Rachel Lee -Deanna Drab -Theresa Ann Brantley C2. Carol Wilson -Shirley Hooks -Carolyn Lanier -RaeDonna Jones

Wed Eve Side Pairs -6.5 Tables
AB1. Joy Hardy -Norma Murray Menard AB2C1. Betty Gibson -John Gibson C2. Carol Hastings -Richard Stein

Thurs Aft Side Pairs -8.0 Tables
A1. Janise Saul -L Snyder A2BC1. Peggy Paradee -Larry Paradee B2. Mona Barr -Patricia Rivers C2. Sarah Rice -Mary Ann Anthony Wed-Thu KO 2 Bracket 1 -9 Tables
1. Al Beebe -Jayne Simonds NM; Dena Sanders -William Cook 2. Jonathan Hart -Kathryn Ritterbush -Peter Yeaton -Sandra Newton 3/4 Judy O'Neill -Robbie Butts -Gene Templeton -Bryan Morgan 3/4 Vicky Fisher -Iris Warren -Judy Wilde -Peggy Jackson

Thursday Eve Side Pairs -9.5 Tables
A1 Vicky Fisher -Judy Wilde A2. Rodger Arnold -Francie Straw A3B1. Judy O'Neill -Robbie Butts B2. Dennis Mitchell -Mike Pomper B3. Robert Whitaker -Faye Whitaker C1. Idamay Sanders -Marion Riley C2. Don Cosby -Francis Thornberry

Friday Morn Side Series -3.0 Tables
AB1/2 Marilyn Smith -Shirlene Kehoe AB1/2 Carolyn Cawthron -Sharon Owens

Friday Afternoon Side Pr -10.5 Tables
A1. Janise Saul -L Snyder A2. Al Beebe -Jayne Simonds A3B1. Robert Whitaker -Faye Whitaker B2. Norma Buchanan -Annette Sides C1. Marion Riley -Idamay Sanders R C2. Paulette Turner -Frances Barton

Friday Eve Side Pairs -4.0 Tables
A1. Tommy Splittgerber -Marilyn Matthews AB2C1. Kay Beck -Harry Beck C2. John & Betty Gibson

Saturday Aft Side Pairs -6.0 Tables
A1. Al Beebe -Albert Postar A2BC1. Linda Thomas -Phil Merkel BC2. Kathryn Tye -Florabel Tisdell

Morning Side Series -10.00 Tables / Based on 5 Tables
1. Bryan Morgan 2. Jane Doviak 3/4 Robbie Butts 3/4 Judy O'Neill

Afternoon Side Series -20.75 Tables / Based on 9 Tables
1/2 Janise Saul 3. Al Beebe 4. Albert Postar

Evening Side Series -21.50 Tables / Based on 8 Tables
1/2 Francie Straw 1/2 Rodger Arnold 3/4 Norma Murray 3/4 Joy Hardy

