## Four GNT Teams Head to Philadelphia



Flight A GNT
Jonathan Ernst - Bob Fritz Brady Allen - David Farris


Flight B GNT
Richard Curtin - Roxie Tom Kay Laird - Pat Prichard


Flight C GNT
Pawel Hanus - Chris Anderson Borgumil Krypuski - Brett Elliott

Buddy Hanby and Sally Wheeler, played in the Superflight and later played in Flight A as a team with Patty Griffin. That team went on to win the National flight A that year.

The Flight B winners, all from San Antonio, were unable to go and will be replaced with the second place Houston group.

Last year there were 12,17 and 11 teams in A B and C with 5 teams in the Superflight.

District 16 has done very well in all national events for a long time and we wish these teams the very best of luck.

38 teams played in the District finals to see which 3 teams would represent D16 in Flights A. B and C at the national Finals in July. The team of Chris Compton, Bart Bramley, Hemant Lall and Ira Chorush won the District 16 Superflight finals, played late March in Dallas

B and C teams first qualified for the district finals in their respective units. The A teams were all prequalified. All the flights played a 2 -session swiss and then the leaders in each flight played a KO. The top 2 teams in each flight, with the first place teams going to the nationals, were:

Flight A --- 8 teams 1/ Bob Friz, Brady Allen, Jonathan

Ernest, and David Farris 2/Jack Borenstein, Murray Berger, Bob Scallan, and Suresh Agrawal Flight B --- 21 teams
1/ Richard Curtin, Kay Laird, Roxie Tom, Pat Prichard
2/ Robert Reichek, Herbert Kalman, Jack Rawitscher, Jay Karkowsky Flight C --- 9 teams
1/Pawel Hanus, Bogumil Knypinski, Brett Elliott, Chris Anderson 2/ Jerrold Albom, James Richman, Suvabrata Biswas, John Pelletti

Pawel and Bogumil have won flight C 3 times. They played in the Superflight in March and just missed the KO round. The last time the Superflight was held before the other 3 flights three players, Jim Griffin,

## D16 Does Well in World Championship Trials



District 16 representatives gave a
strong showing in the recent trials players to represent the United States Mind Sports Games in Lille, France, from Aug. 9-23, 2012.

Bob Hamman, a 12 time world champion, was on the winning team in the Open team trials. Bob, playing with Zia Mahmood as his partner, is playing on one of the all time great teams. It also includes Frank Nickell,

Jeff Meckstroth Ralph Katz and Eric Rodwell. Donna Compton will serve as the non playing captain.

In the women's trials three of the final four teams contained district 16 members. Georgiana Gates and Sally Wheeler lost by 6 IMPS in the final. Two former D16 members, Cindy Bernstein and Patricia Norman, were also on the team. A trio of World Champions, Shawn Quinn and Mildred Breed on one team and Tobi Sokolow on another, lost in the semifinals. The one team out of four without a D16 player won.

In the Seniors trials Eddie Wold, John Sutherlin and Mile Passell lost in the finals. Hemant Lall made the
semifinals. In the quarter finals, Dan Morse lost by 6 IMPs to the eventual winners.

Additionally, 2 more district 16 players will play in the World Junior Championships in Tai Cang City, China (near Shanghai) from July 24th to August 4th Taylor Compton, daughter of Chris and Donna, will play in the Rona cup, which is for women under 26. Taylor will be eligible for this cup for many years. Mitch Towner will represent the USA in the Patino cup, for players under 26. Donna Compton will serve as the non-playing captain of the USA 2 team that will compete for the Patino cup.

## North American Pairs Have Started Again!

## By Melody Euler

Now's your chance to earn half red/ half black points at $100 \%$ sectional rating at your own local club. During June, July, and August, each club is allowed to hold two NAP games per sanction per month.

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qualifying rounds at the club, unit, and district levels. It culminates in a final held in conjunction with the 2013 St. Louis Spring NABC

The games are flighted. Flight eligibility is based on the May 6, 2012

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## DISTRICT 16

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All Pairs who qualify at the District level will receive a stipend to attend the NABC in St. Louis. 1st place qualifiers will receive $\$ 800 /$ per person, 2nd place $\$ 500$ and 3rd place $\$ 300$. In addition, there are no entry fees for the National event once you have qualified.
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Club level: June, July, August Unit level: September until before the District final.
District level: January 5-6, 2013 , Doubletree Hotel, Austin.
National level: Spring 2013 NABC in St. Louis

For more details, go to www.acbl.org play/special-events-info.php\#nap Or contact Melody Euler, D16 NAP Coordinator, at melodious@hot.rr.com or 254.718.2270.


GNT participation is holding steady; around 50 teams compete at the district level (total of all flights). The number of NAP club qualifying games held in 2011 was the highest of any district as a percentage of our membership. Club level qualifying for NAP has started again for 2012, so be sure to look for your opportunity to qualify through the end of August. Clubs are encouraged to schedule two NAP qualifying games per sanctioned session each

Tables played at D-16 Clubs

month. The more club NAP tables the district has, the more likely we are to get extra at-large qualifiers to Nationals.

## Membership \& Regionals

On the not so good news side, we are almost halfway through 2012 and the news on the membership front is not good; as of June 1, total district membership is down 37 from a year ago and at 8,904 we are below the 9,000 threshold that gives District 16 another regional. The district normally gets four regionals each year in addition to those held in Mexico. If we have more than 9,000 members, we can choose to hold a fifth regional. Also, any regional that meers, 300 anco regional that exceeds 3,000 tables three consecutive years becomes destination regional and doesn't co sis trict is entitled. The Houston Lone Star Regional earned that title this past February, so theoretically the district could hold up to six regionals each year if we stayed above 9,000 members. Having regionals in our district gives our members a chance to earn gold points while minimizing their travel and lodging expenses, so from that perspective it's a good thing.


The District Board puts together the schedule for district regionals - who gets them and when. They use success in hosting previous regionals as the criteria for formulating the regional schedule, with table count the main measure of success. So the more successful a unit is in their regionals, the more likely they are to get more regionals in the future (and vice-versa). Of course, the more local members a unit has, the more successful their regionals are likely to be, so we come back to the importance of membership. We all love the game, and if we want it to still be around ten or twenty years from now, we need to work hard now to attract new members. There are many activities Units can pursue that will bring in new members; they all boil down to doing things to get new players across the threshold of the local club and making them feel welcome. The importance of holding limited point games for newcomers can't be overstressed, and it's essential that everyone be friendly and polite to other players. Helping local teachers and students find each other is also very important. I strongly encourage every unit to pursue goals in these areas. If you are at a loss for what to do, I encourage you to call (713-8511511) or email (BertOnstott@comcast.net) me.

Here's wishing you success at the tables.

District 16 STaC
May 14-20, 2012
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Hover-J. Neal Marchbanks; Mon-Hover-J. Neal Marchbanks; Monterey 49'ers C5. Margot Cater-Ann Gorry; Spring Branch Duplicate Mon Eve Championship-44.5 Tables AB1. Patsy Rogers-Linda Cole

The Cactus A2. Kalpana SutariaSwadesh Mahajan; Bridge Center o Austin A3. Laurie-Ann Levin-Becky Mosely; Turtle Creek DBC A4/6 Jack Muzzio-Bill White; Arlington DBC Inc A4/6 Alberta Birk-Tommy Splitt gerber, The Cactus A4/6 Betty Sue B2. Mark Sanders B J Sand B2. Mark Sanders-B J Sanders, Bridge Center of Austin B3. Helen South-Jerry Burchell; ABC Club B Leslie Tramer-Arline Rubin; Turtle Creek DBC B5C1. Earl MulleyCharles Crawford; The Cactus James Willson-Laura Onsgard, Bridge Acad'y of N Dallas C3/4 Hope Garza-Leigh Broadway; The Cactus C3/4 Anna Thomas-Karl Wehner, The Cactus C5. Kathlee Monahan-C Fred Moore; Bridge Center of Austin
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## New Platinum Life Masters.



Paul Kelley of Austin earned his 10,000 th ACBL master point and became a Platinum Life Master. Paul went to the University of Texas Law School where he was part of the "Texas Union" group in the 70's, many of who went on to reach 10,000 and /or win national championships. Today Paul and his wife, Rosemary play regularly together and are both very active and productive teachers. Paul strongly recommends that the sooner a player starts playing the open games, the sooner they will develop their skills.


Donna Swarthout of San Antonio went over 10,000 to become a Platinum Life Master. A long time player and director in San Antonio Donna finished 99th on last year's top 500 in the ACBL. For the last few years Donna and her favorite partner and husband, Dave, have split their time between Texas and Michigan. They have had many bridge successes in both the far north and far south of the USA.

Paul and Donna bring the total number of players who are platinum or grand life master in District 16 to


Congratulations to of Jean Pistole of Odessa. She is 87 years old and was the top winner of the Midland Tall City Sectional. She is an active director in Odessa and Midland and is the score card columnist from Unit 209.

## Jacoby Award <br> Please get nominations to

 Scott Humphrey atSHUMPHRE@tceq.state.tx.us


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## "Can't anybody here play this game?" Casey Stengal

In the recent USBF open championships, to determine the US open representa-tive for the World Championships, the following hand was picked up. S 6 H AKQ D 4 C AKQ98765.

If given the chance partner would show some positive and a long diamond suit. Four world class pairs, all who have represented the USA in world champion-ships, held these cards. I suppose that most players below the rank of Grand Life Master would open with a force and then check for aces. But it was not that sim-ple. Anchored with key card ace asking tools 2 pairs realized that if they bid 4 NT they would either get a 5D 0 or 3 response or partner might treat the D king as a key card. So two pairs, including Eric Rodwell and Jeff Meck-
stroth, settled for 5 C. Partner did have an A and they were a tad dismayed and expected to lose a double digit swing. They won 12 and 13 IMPs. One set of opponents ended in 7C bait one and another-well they played in 4 NT off 6 spade tricks. Thus went the best laid plans of mice and men.


Scorecard July-August 2012
"Bridge and marriage
Bridge and marriage
Go together like ......
Complete the thought and it can be like hell on earth occasionally. Many loving couples have faced this perennial challenge, but without restraint and mutual respect you can't have one without the other.

I remember my parents arguing as they'd come back from the bridge club. It never reached the level of flying pots and pans, but it was enough to ruin the evening, maybe even the next 2-3 days. Interestingly, I played with my mother for years without a problem until her passing in 1997. Today I play with my father when he visits and we have a great time. They could play with others just fine, but together as partners it was very difficult.

Blair and Barbara Lapwing from Austin have been kind enough to submit their personal experience.
"Barbara and I like to play bridge together, which is lucky because
we live together. I say "lucky," but our continued cohabitation hinges much more on conscious efforts than luck. Five years ago, with an eye on our pending retirement, we decided to take bridge lessons. We wanted something we could do together and which would be both challenging and rewarding enough to hold our interest for a good while. Under the tutelage of the illustrious Scott Humphrey, we learned the game (Scott might say "more or less"--Barbara) and quickly succumbed to the lure of the Bridge Center of Austin. One of the first things we discovered about competitive bridge is that partnerships stress mightily under the weight of egotism, ambition, and pride. At those early games, we wit-nessed--sometimes in alarm, but more often in amusement--the very public clashes between partners. People were being rude to each other; they were unsympathetic over partner's trials; they were unsupportive when partner needed encouragement; they were behaving like complete jerks. We wondered why some of these dysfunctional partnerships persisted. Surely, we thought, these people could find someone else to play bridge with. Especially the married-or-equivalent partners. They, of all people, should manage to be helpful and constructive, not petty and acerbic. Full of our oh-so-righteous certitude that we were above such
caustic conflicts, we privately shook our heads, clucked and snickered, smugly confident we would do right by each other. Yes, we were married and ours was the best possible bridge partnership ever.
I was convinced we had a beautiful future together, playing bridge until we expired, virtually sparkling with a connubial gleam in gaming nirvana. Yep, we were good to each other . . . right up the point when Barbara, on the drive home after a game said, "You were way out of line all night. I don't respect it. I don't need it. Get a grip or get a new partner." (He's paraphrasing because there is no room for coarseness in this newsletter-Barbara.) My own egotism, ambition, and pride had taken me directly to the same place where I had found so much to ridicule in others. Now I was the ludicrous partner, and
unless I changed my ways, my future in bridge would be Barbara -less. We're both competitive, and we play to win. But a win is hollow and pyrrhic if we lose our partner along the way. Barbara was doing her bit for the partnership, but I was advising, steering, and discounting her skills, all in utter ignorance, considering my very limited experience in the game. Humbled by her warning, I sought a solution and found that the answer was directly in front of me, right there among the
other players. While the bad partnerships tended to attract my attention, I was blind to the beautiful relationships many of the married partners were enjoying. I watched the acts of kindness and forgiveness exchanged between partners and resolved to emulate them (good thinking--Barbara). In the process, Barbara and I came together in restored appreciation for the things we hoped to get when we started taking lessons.
Essentially, bridge is a shared pastime for us, not a no-holdsbarred assault in which total domination is the only acceptable outcome. It's true we have different levels of interest; I play more often than Barbara, but we have the Tuesday game plus a weekly social game to enjoy together. We recognize and respect each other's differences while appreciating our shared love of the game. Perhaps I have exaggerated my faults in a sort of act of contrition (you can never say "I'm sorry" too often--Barbara),
and I certainly do not want to appear righteous or selfaggrandizing, but the key to Barbara's and my future as bridge partners is something we've known all along: we treat people in the way we wish them to treat us. Some call it the Golden Rule, or the Ethic of Reciprocity, or even the Law of One. Verily, I say, "Do unto . . ." (Okay, hold it right there. This is all such a
large load of malarkey! Bridge is okay once or twice a week, I suppose, but the main reason I play with him is to keep him interested in the game. I just want him out of the house for a few hours several times a week--Barbara.)"

I am sure there are many married bridge couples that can relate to this experience. Blair and Barbara Lapwing, thank you for sharing your story with us.

We had our second Inter-Club Championship Game May $21^{\text {st }}$ with three participating clubs Bridge of the Permian Basin (Odessa/Midland), Bridge Center of Austin (Austin) and Turtle Creek Duplicate Bridge Club (San Antonio). Partners Susan Peterson and Evelyn Irene White from San Antonio came out first overall with a whopping $74.63 \%$. Congratulations!! Our next ICC game will be held on August $13^{\text {th }}$. If you would like to participate, please contact me.

To all teachers, new players and directors of newcomer games, please feel free to share your experiences, entertaining anecdotes and players you would like mentioned. I look forward to hearing from you.

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4. Center your photos if possible.
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6. After downloading the photos on the computer
a/ name the photos by the players' last names as they appear in the photo, for example: Hamman
Wolff for a
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right front for
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When you're hot, you're hot! And, while that happens a lot during San while that happens a lot during San
Antonio summers, some "hots" are particularly noteworthy. Our Unit boasts the District's winning Grand National Team, comprised of Pat Prichard, Roxie Tom, Kay Laird and Rich Curtin, all of whom will go to Philadelphia later this summer to compete for the national title. We wish you continued good luck and good spirits. Another 'hot" item: Donna Swarthout, who is as unassuming as she is successful at the table, just passed the 10,000 masterpoint landmark! Donna is part of the "Energizer"team with hubby, Dave, Gary Anziani, Ed Rawlinson and Bill Walker. I call them "Energizer" Bill Walker. I call them "Energizer"
because they just keep going and because they just keep going and
whatever they're doing, it just keeps working! They won the Thursday Swiss (A) and the Sunday Swiss (A) at the Summer Sectional. They also won the A Flight at the I-35 Cup, though the trophy was won by the Austin B and C teams. Our 299 team, Austin B and C teams. Our 299 team,
including Leslie and Jon Tramer and including Leslie and Jon Tramer and
Dolores Reiley and John Hilbig brought home the trophy for that flight. Hot, hot, hot were Becky Mosely and Jimmy La Fountain. they had a $75.89 \%$ game in May at Turtle Creek. (That's what I am referring to, what are you thinking?) Speaking of the Summer Sectional, Laurie Levin hosted a sectional for the first time since taking over Turtle Creek and did a bang-up job! Great hospitality, smooth organization, good spirit, all ably aided by the consummate director, Tom Marsh, and the helping hands of Susan Hernandez and Fran Vanecko. In addition to the "Energizer" team, some "upstarts" enjoyed their victories as well. The Dave Ticen team with Eleanor Sherwyn and Don Varvel, won the KOs on Friday and the Charles Loeffler team with Eugene Lux and George and Karen Fillis, won the KOs on Saturday. Congrats to all! And, if I may be permitted an editorial observation, all the more experienced players who were knocked out by the "upstarts" could not have been more gracious! This is part of why the community is so vibrant and cordial. (The full results of the Sectional events follow)

Our Unit games continue to be lots of fun. In May, the Unit sponsored the Eight is Enough game, a format we have all come to enjoy. The winning team was Marilyn Arnold, Carole O'Connor, Hank Eng and Brian Bankler. Your Unit Board is excited
about an upcoming game to be held on July 28 at BCSA. It is a new format for us and promises to be entertaining. Come as you are ...that is, no partner needed, since it is an individual game. We will each play four boards then move to another table to boards then move to another table to
facerent partner. Basically, we face a different partner. Basically, we
will all be limited to playing the "Yellow Card". Masterpoints will be earned individually. Please check the Winning Finesse for more information. Please join us for this new event. At the very least, it won't be boring and we will all have lots of stories to tell over Margaritas!

Table Tidbits: Phil Brown recently gave up directing for more table time. He is a Silver Life Master and has played since 1960 when he was in college. What you may not know or guess about Phil is that he graduated from West Point, where among his other pursuits, he was the Secretary of the Bridge Club. He told me that they were limited to Sunday games, no doubt because of the rigors of the curriculum. He spent 14 years on active duty, stationed in various places including Germany and Vietnam, and retired from the Army with the rank of Lt. Colonel. After the service, Phil served as a consultant to small businesses on the West coast. He moved to San Antonio from Las Vegas in 2001 to be nearer to his kids (two of three of whom live here.) Another tidbit about Phil which may surprise you is that he used to love to play golf and carried a 5 handicap at one time!

Milestones: Congratulations to Roxana Tom for becoming a Gold Life Master! Jo Neesvig and Hal Leonard are new Silver Life Masters; Harry Pierson and Homer Stevens reached Bronze.

REMINDER: We are about to print and distribute a new membership directory for the Unit. Please make sure that your address, telephone number and e-mails are correct with ACBL. We get our information from them, so if it's wrong with them, it will be wrong in the new directory. To notify ACBL of changes, please call 662-253-3130 or e-mail addresschange@acbl.org.
Upcoming events: August 25-- Unit Game/Luau and Annual Meeting (Turtle Creek); September 6-9/ New Braunfels Sectional; October 4-7/ Willson Davis Election Sectional (Turtle Creek)

Don't' forget that you are welcome to attend our Unit Board meetings, held on the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Monday of each month, at 5p.m. at Turtle Creek. There will be four vacancies on the Board next year, with elections held
during the Election Sectional, among other times. The candidates are Roxie Tom, Steve Simpson, David Mitchell, Kathy Sinkin-Amor, Debbie Schweiss, Karen Fillis, Susan Hernandez and Barbara Morgan. Information about the candidates and the election process will be in the upcoming Winning Finesse and on the Unit website. Check it out! SEE YOU AT THE TABLE!

## San Antonio Summer

June 7-10, 2012
185 players 228 tables.
126.25 Dave Swarthout
226.01 Ed Rawlinson
323.63 Donna Swarthout
421.47 Gary Anziani

5 18.89 Eugene Lux
6 18.89 Charles Loeffler
716.76 Ira Hessel

8 16.76 Ellen Hessel 915.58 Rosemary Kelley 10 15.58 Paul Kelley Jr

Thursday Morning Open Prs-25.5 Tables A1. Dave Swarthout-Ed Rawlinson A2. James La FountainBecky Mosely B1. Phil Brown-Jay Thorne B2C1. Bob Steidel-Kathy Sinkin-Amor C2. Marjorie MillerDarla Barger
Thursday Afternoon Swiss-26 Tables A1. Ed Rawlinson-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout-Gary Anziani A2B1. Charles LoefflerEugene Lux-George Fillis-Karen Fillis B2. Harry Ingham-Elaine Mar-tin-Tessa Bodnar-Beula Mae Pearce C1. Catherine Supple-Richard Greenbauer-June Reimer-Jan Wingate C2. Leslie \& Jonathan TramerRowena Gorman-Jim Gorman Friday Morning Open Prs-23.0 Tables / Based on 26 Tables A1. Paul Kelley Jr-Rosemary Kelley A2B1. Charles Loeffler, -Eugene Lux B2 Anyemarie Weaver-Dee Baker C1. Earl Cutler-John Gibson C2. Rowena Gorman-Jim Gorman
Friday 199r Pairs 3 Tables AB1. Mabel Byrnes-Darlene Kinstley Friday Compact KO-8 Tables 1 David Ticen-Rebecca BrownEleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel 2. Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely-Jon Richard Ware-James La Fountain Friday Afternoon Open Prs-25.5 Tables / Based on 29 Tables ABC1. Dolores Reiley-John Hilbig A2. Ed Rawlinson-Gary Anziani B2. Roxana Tom-Katherine Gary C2. Stephen Simpson-David Herron
Friday Afternoon 199r Prs-3.5 Tables AB1. Jim McMullan-Ann McMullan AB2. Mabel ByrnesDarlene Kinstley
Saturday Compact KO-9 Tables 1 George Fillis-Karen Fillis-Charles Loeffler-Eugene Lux 2. Patty Hinze Greg Hinze-Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel Saturday Morning Open Prs-20.0


## New Braunfels Sectional

September 6-9, 2012
New Braunfels Civic Center
380 Seguin Ave New Braunfels, TX 78130

Thursday, September 6
10:30 am Stratified Pairs 3:30 pm Stratified Swiss Teams

## Friday, September 7

| 10:30 am | Stratified Pairs |
| :--- | :--- |
| $10: 30 \mathrm{am}$ | Compact KO\#1 |
| $3: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Stratified Pairs |
| 3.30 pm | Compact KO.\#1 |

Saturday, September 8

| 10:30 am | Stratified Pairs |
| :--- | :--- |
| $10: 30 \mathrm{am}$ | Compact KO \#2 |
| $3: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Stratified Pairs |
| $3: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ | Compact KO \#2 |

Sunday, September 9
10:30 am \& TBA Nell Morgan Stratified Swiss Teams

## 299er Games

Thursday-Saturday 10:30 am and 3:30 pm (3 table minimum)

## Stratifications:

Flight A 2000 Flight B $\quad 500-2000$ Flight C 0-500
All events will be stratified based on average master points
Card Fees
\$11/person/session Sunday Swiss/\$120 team (includes lunch) $\$ 1 /$ session more for non-member

Tournament Chair
Paula Warren 830-620-0004
Partnership Chairs
Janet \& Bill Moody 830-708-3612/ 830-
 632-6890

## Hospitality Chairs

Jan Wingate: 830-629-0212 /830-705 7558 June Reimer

Tables / Based on 24 Tables AB1 Roxana Tom-Katherine Gary A2. Phyllis Giffin-Phil Brown B2. Anyemarie Weaver-Dee Baker C1. Vijay Koli-Govindasamy Durairaj C2. Eliza Sonneland-Christine Collier Saturday Morning 199r Prs-4.0 Tables AB1. Mabel Byrnes-Darlene Kinstley A2. Catherine Supple-Linda Banks B2/3 Eugene Sawyer-Barbara Boren B2/3 Chuck Mundy- J Mike Robinson
Saturday Afternoon Pairs-21.0 Tables / Based on 25 Tables A1. Rosemary Kelley-Paul Kelley Jr, A2B1. Laurie-Ann Levin-William Scarpero B2. Brian Bankler-

Josephine Grabow C1. Catherine Supple-Linda Banks C2. Bob Steidel -Sisir Sharma
Saturday Afternoon 199r-3.5 Tables 1. Betty Cutler-Earl Cutle 2. Mabel Byrnes-Darlene Kinstley Sunday Stratified Swiss-25 Tables A1. Gary Anziani-Dave SwarthoutDonna Swarthout-Bill Walker-Ed Rawlinson A2. Patty Hinze-Greg Hinze-Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel B1. Becky Mosely-Kathy Sinkin-AmorGary Larson-Linda Lawrence B2C1, Stephen Simpson-David HerronAnne Evers-Robert Evers C2. Debbie Schweiss-Dolores Reiley-Cynthia Schwarz-Carolyn Schafer

## SAN ANTONIO SUMMER SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Thurs Morn Open Pairs A
Dave Swarthout - Ed Rawlinson


Thurs Morn Open Pairs B Jay Thorne - Phil Brown


Fri Morn Open Pairs A
Sat Aft Pairs A
Paul \& Rosemary Kelley


Fri Morn Open Pairs B Charles Loeffler, Gene Lux


Fri Handicapped KO
Dave Brown, Dle Varvel


Fri Morn Open Pairs C Earl Cutler, John Gibson


Thurs Aft Swiss Flt A Ed Rawlinson, Donna Swarthout, Gary Anziani, Dave Swarthout

Fri Aft Open Pairs A, B \& C
John Hilbig, Delores Reiley


Thurs Aft Swiss Flt B Sat Handicapped KO Gene Lux, George Fillis,


Thurs Morn Open Pairs C Kathy Sinkin-Amor - Bob Steidel


Thurs Aft Swiss Flt C June Reimer, Cathy Supple, Jan Wingate, Dick Greenbauer


Sat Morn Open Pairs A \& B Ann Gary, Roxana Tom

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Sat Morn Open Pairs C
Govindasamy Durairaj, Vijay Koli


Sat Aft Open Pairs B Bill Scarpero, Laurie Levin
 Cathy Supple, Linda Banks


Sunday Swiss Flt A Ed Rawlinson, Bill Walker, Gary Anziani


Sunday Swiss Flt B
Becky Mosely, Kathy Sinkin-Amor
Gary Larson, Linda Lawrence


Sunday Swiss Flt C Dave Herron, Bob Evers, Steve Simpson, Ann Evers

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## Intermediate/Novice

Kathy Hughes
281-437-1339; Ihughes39@sbcglobal.net Speaker program on Friday and Saturday. Watch the website for

## copics and times. <br> Caddies

Abbie LeCesne

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## Entry Fees

Friday \& Saturday ......................... $\$ 10$
Sunday (lunch included!): .............. \$13
\$2 more for non and unpaid members

Host Hotel
Houston Marriott Westchase
2900 Briarpark Dr, Houston, TX 713-978-7400
$\$ 89$ / night for up to four people.


## AWesome August Sectional

August 10-12, 2012
Houston Marriott Westchase
2900 Briarpark Dr, Houston, TX
713-978-7400

Stratification

## Stratified Open Events

A:2000+
B.750-2000 C:0-750 Stratified 299r Events A:200-300

A:20-50
A:4000+
B:0-2500

## Stratified 49r Events

Strati-Flighted Swiss
Ax:0-4000
A, Ax play together

Team or pair average used within strats.
No one with over $\mathbf{2 5 0 0}$ masterpoints allowed in Flight B.

## Event Schedule

Friday, August 10
1:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs
Stratified 299r Pairs
Stratified 49r Pairs
Handicapped KO (Session I of 4)
7:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs
Stratified 299r Pairs
Stratified 49r Pairs
Handicapped KO (Session 2 of 4)
Single Session Swiss

## Saturday, August 11

10:30 am
Stratified Open Pairs (Session 1 Of 2)
Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)
Stratified 299r Pairs
Stratified 49r Pairs
0-5 Pairs
Compact KO (Session I of 2)
Handicapped KO (Session 3 of 4)
3:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)
Stratified 299r Pairs
Stratified 49r Pairs
Compact KO (Session 2 of 2)
Handicapped KO (Session 4 of 4)

## Sunday, August 12

10:00 am \& TBA
Strati-Flighted Swiss (Double Session) Stratified Open Pairs (Double Session)
Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)
Stratified 299r Pairs (Single Session)

| Unit 174 <br> Houston |
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| Mary Jane <br> Kinnebrew |

Upcoming Special Games and Tournaments
August 2-5: Houston Bridge Studio 99er Sectional
August 10-12: Unit 174 August Sectional (Marriott Westchase)
September 14-16: Bridge Club of Houston 299er Sectional

Our Man with the Mostest! As the deadline for this issue approached, plans were in the works for a grand party at The Studio to honor Eddie Wold, who just passed the 60,000 masterpoint milestone. Eddie is a real star in our unit - top player, great teacher and mentor, kind (though obviously deadly) opponent, and good friend to many. We are all happy to be reminded once again of his success.

## August Sectional. Our unit's next

 August Sectional. Our unit's nextsectional is coming up August $10-12$ at the Marriott Westchase. If you haven't lined up your partners and teams, you need to get a plan. Always a great tournament at a great
venue
2012 USBF Championships A team including Sally Wheeler, Georgiana Gates and Pat Norman came in second in the Women's team event; Eddie Wold's team placed second in the Seniors team event. These events were held by the United States Bridge Federation, which will select the teams for the 2012 World Bridge Games, currently scheduled for August 9-23, 2012, in Lille, France. Congratulations these Unit 174 stars, who represent us so successfully at the highest levels of competition.

New Unit 174 Board Officers and Roles
President: Paul Cuneo
Vice President: Chuck Ensor
Secretary: Nancy Strohmer
Treasurer: Jim Woodward
Learnin' the Lingo. The ACBL has a handy new online members guide at this address: http://web2.acbl.org/ documentlibrary/about/ atozguide.pdf. Now you too can learn all about the differences between a knockout and a Swiss teams event - or about postmortems, pumps, pushes, and pianolas.

Away from the Table. Jan Rubenstein, who has been volunteering for the Holocaust Museum since the mid -90 s , was in the first docent class there. Jan's grandmother came to America as a teenager, and the family members she left behind in Lithuania were all murdered by the Nazis. Jan was named after one of them. For Jan, Bridge is intellectually stimulating; being a docent is emotionally fulfilling. She takes school kids on 3-hour tours to teach them what can happen in a country when a minority group is singled out for punishment, as the Jews were during World War II. Jan is also a voracious reader, and her interest in genealogy has led to a framed collection of 100-year-old photos of her ancestors.

Two NLM Sectionals Coming Up
Players with under 100 masterpoints have a chance to polish their tournament skills before the unit's August sectional. The Houston Bridge Studio is hosting a 99er Sectional August 2-5. Take advantage of this great chance to work on your game, have some fun, meet some new potential partners and teammates, and take home some silver.

In September, the Bridge Club of Houston is hosting a sectional for
those with under 300 masterpoints. As players try to finish up Life Master requirements, they are often still trying to round up those silver points. Don't miss good opportunities to add to your collection.

## Club Moves

The Kingwood Duplicate Club now holds their 6 p.m. Wednesday games at Luby's (24004 Highway 59).

Southwest DBC is presently meeting at the Houston Jewish Community Center (5601 S. Braeswood) and both Tuesday and Wednesday games will remain there through July $25^{\text {th }}$. Starting July $31^{\text {st }}$, and for most of August, the Tuesday games will meet at the Sosa Center (Wirt \& Westview), and the Wednesday games will meet at Tracy Gee. On games will meet at Tracy Gee. On
August $28^{\text {th }}$, the club will return to August $28^{\circ}$, the club will return to
the Merfish Center ( 9000 S. Rice) for the Merfish Center (9000
the remainder of the year.

Youth Incentive Program. The Bridge Club of Houston has started a new program to encourage young people to play Bridge. Everyone age 17 and under now plays for $\$ 4.00$ per game.

Movin' on Up! Congratulations to these Unit 174 members who have
reached new Bridge milestones: Life Masters: Belinda Brown, Diane Jobin, Kyle Leuders, Susan Skiles, and David Ticen
Bronze Life Masters: Owen Bunn, Harry Espey, Mary Janak, and Sandy Roth.
Silver Life Masters: Marie Johnson, Gulzar Mitha, Daad Rodgers, Janice Sandberg, Joseph Volanski, and Joan Wold
Gold Life Master: Richard Duble, Dorothy Forman, David Henke, Bobbie Kaufmann, Barbara La Vigne and Daniel Schomer
Diamond Life Master: Lew Levy
Opportunities for New Players at BCOH. The Bridge Club of Houston is working to give new players great chances to learn more about Bridge and to start out successfully: Mondays: Barbara Phillips gives free lessons at 11:00 a.m., followed by a $0-49$ game at noon.
Wednesdays: 0-199 game at noon, followed by a hand review with Barbara Phillips.
Fridays: Norm Gautier gives free lessons at 9:00 a.m., followed by a 0 299 game at 10:00 a.m.

N/S Chatter as I Arrived E/W:
"Do you think there might have been something we could have done

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on that hand if I had paid attention? "Well, she had the king of clubs and a $10-$ and she acted as if she deserved more!"

Well -- from now on I'm gonna bid -- 'cause I can't play defense." "My idea of camping is the
Hyatt."
"Partner, you need to work on your telepathy."

The 70\% + Club. Sandra Clark and Michael Tannery topped the big Memorial Day crowd at The Bridge Studio with a $70.09 \%$ game. The next day Patti Mullendore and Eddie Wold posted $70.37 \%$.

## It's a Complicated Game!

New player when asked what a 4-NT bid meant: "I think it's Underwood." New player when asked why he hadn't mentioned his 5-card spade suit in response to partner's 2-clubStayman bid: "That asks for a 4 -card suit. I had 5.'

Studio May 299er Sectional Win ners
A Pairs: Robert/Suzanne Stanley, Joanne Miller/Lisa Zummo, Shirley Vlaun/Caroline Wedel, Tishia Smulders/Gayle Longmire, Virginia Mayhew/Sharon Kirkland, Juanita Grady/Tomi Porterfield
B Pairs: Robert/Suzanne Stanley, Joanne Miller/Lisa Zummo, Shirley Vlaun/Caroline Wedel, Delores Shannon/Troy Carr, Virginia Mayhew/Sharon Kirkland, Darlyn Dusek/Bebe Walker
C Pairs: Cheryl Mathias/-Phyllis Grant, Joanne Miller/Lisa Zummo, Sara Hundley/Wilda Montgomery, Jane Vansanten/Gay Conner, Barbara Wood/Carol Montague Swiss: Kathryn McClure-Lynne

Andress-Lynn Gamblin-Walter Freitag

Condolences. Our hearts go out to family and friends of these Unit 174 members who have recently passed away: Larry Bluhm, Nancy Hulett, Sneed Lary, Nancy Perry, and Margie Taylor.

## Nearly Summer <br> Houston Sectional

June 8-10, 2012
522 players 491 tables
126.23 Jack Balter
22.61 Thomas Peters 3 22.61 John Zilic, 422.61 Dan Morse 5 22.06 Donna Sparks 6 20.46 Vern Schmidt 720.46 Julia Blancet 8 20.27 Eddie Wold 9 19.91 John Du Bose Jr, 1019.83 Robert Morris,

Friday Aft Open Pairs-40.0 Tables / Based on 57 Tables AB1. Debi \& Jack Balter A2/3 Sam DodsonDonna Sparks, A2/3 W Lease- L Laird, B2. Jack Stone- Kay Humphries C1. Margot LeonardPauline Mitchell C2. Shih-Ming Yang-Shou Chao
Friday Aft 299er Pairs-12.0 Tables DE1. Katherine Wiener-Marilyn Leiman D2. Anne Gorry- Carol Winograd C1. Jayne Gross-D Jill Spence C2. James Soller- Shrestha Friday Aft 49er Pairs-4.5 Tables GH1. Ruth Sherman-Pushpa Bharani, GH2. Cheryl Mathias- Phyllis Grant Fri Eve Open Pairs-20.5 Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1. John Erick-son-Pat Levy A2. Robert MorrisPatti Mullendore B1. Michael
Miedema- Miller B2. Kathleen Mal
colmson-Robert Sandfield C1. Her bert Kalman,-Robert Reichek C2. Charles Newton Jr- Ann Bullard Friday Eve 299er Pairs-7.0 Tables D1. Mack Guderian-T Guderian D2EF1. Joan Shack-Paul Shack C2. Robert Komorn-Bernard Feldman Friday Eve Swiss Teams-16 Tables AB1. David Goldfarb-Harry ElliottLily Andre-James Andre A2. Robert Armstrong-Jane Armstrong-Betty Starzec-Carol Wilson B2. Edwin Zwald Aaro Shingavi-John Heath Zwald-Ashok Shingavi-John Heath George Keiller C1. James Morga oseph Ford-Monica Lett-Brenda Metze C2. Marcella ThomasCatherine Brown-Sophie Chen Rekha Parekh
Saturday Morn Side Pairs-5 Tables ABC1. David Goldfarb-Harry Elliott AB2.Naomi Spicer-Yvonne Pierce C2. Michael McKown-Marvin Livingston
Saturday Morn 49er Pairs-7.0 Tables A1. Jo Anne Knodel-Teresa Armstrong A2C1. Carol JewettSuzanne Suter C2. Edith PurgasonDana Parkey
Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-10.0 Tables DEF1. B J Renshaw-Betty Ryan ABC2. Robert KomornBernard Feldman
Saturday Open Pairs-22.0 Tables A1 L Laird-W Lease A2. Eddie Wold-Diane Kaminsky B1. Sanford Lobliner-Youssef Youssef B2. Max Levit-Ariel Leibovitz C1. Richard Polunsky-James Woodard C2. Gary Hercules-Carol Noble
Saturday Aft Side Pairs-5.5 Tables AB1. Mark Wallet-Himanshu Joshi AB2. Lewie Travis Jr-Cheryl Travi C1. Katherine McClure-Troy Carr C2. David Lueders-Kyle Lueders Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-8.0 Ta bles AB1. John Petersen--Mark Nemitz AB2. Robert Foote-Larry Holloway C1. Judith Boyce-Otilia Magee C2. Barbara \& Richard Chappell

Handicapped KO Brkt 1-11 Table . John Zilic-Dan Morse-Gil Micheletti, MD--Thomas Peters-Carolyn Peters,2. James Stevens-Sandra Ste-vens- Betsy Dubose- Robert Curl, Handicapped KO Brkt 2-9 Tables 1. Jim Middleton-Nancy CrabtreeMing Su- Shyue Yuan Wu 2. Daad Rodgers-Susan Belding-Carolyn Campbell-Ann Ankrum
Handicapped KO Brkt 3 1. David Crooks-Bill Kiehnhoff-Shyam Bhatia - Suvabrata Biswas 2. Dale \& Juanita Val Grady-Kenneth McAllisterPhyllis Kuchta -Troy Carr
Paturday Brkted Swiss 1-9 Tables Based on 44 Tables 1. Jonathan Holmes-Jack Balter-Fred FeigleyDonna Sparks 2. Joe Quinn- Phillip Grothus- Daniel Suty-Georgiana Gates-Toni Snow
Saturday Brkted Swiss 2-9 Tables Based on 31 Tables 1. Raymond Alexanian-Shou Chao-Shih-Ming Yang- Atsuko Nakamura, 2. Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer, ; Lily Andre-James Andre
Saturday Brkted Swiss 3-9 Tables Based on 15 Tables 1. Carmen KeysPaul Cuneo- James Clipson Jr-Jane Clipson 2. Joyce Gore- Yvonne Strangmeyer-Norman Moore Jr James Stech
Saturday Brkted Swiss 4 1. Patricia Ward-Elizabeth Vondy-Donna Floyd Judy Walker 2. Karen DittertDarlene Moody-Virginia Hillegeist Judith Stark
Saturday Aft 49er Pairs-4.5 Tables GH1. Joe Durrett-Carolyn Durrett GH2. Sheila Odell-Annette Ehrhardt Sunday Afternoon Open Prs-6.0 Tables ABC1. Bill Frank- George Elliff A2. Birendra BK Singh-Brent McDaniel B2. Renata Frutiger-Bob Dowlen C2. Kathleen Huggins-Laura McWilliams Sunday Morn Open Pairs-7.0 Ta bles 1/2 Barbara Grantham-Edith

Reed 1/2B1. John Stieber-Glenda Stieber B2C1. Elaine Brill-Donna Watkins C2. Laura McWilliamsKathleen Huggins
Sunday Brkted Swiss 1-7 Tables / Based on 32 1. Linda Rensi-Alfred Fortier III-Sherry Withers-Steve Tuggle 2. John Monroe Judy Fernald -Theron Lindsey-Jo Ann O'Malley Sunday Brkted Swiss 2-7 Tables / Based on 17 Tables 1. David DyerAnn Mc Dougal-Bob Chiang- ShiLin Yeh 2 William Van Dame-Lesly Van Dame-Ann Sinclair-Raj Pruthi Sunday Brkted Swiss 3-7 Tables / Based on 14 Tables 1. Robert Rei-hek-Carmen Keys-Paul CuneoHerbert Kalman 2. Raymond \& Lois Alexanian- Rani \& Kailash Sachdev Sunday Brkted Swiss 4-7 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1, Evelyn James, Don Lycette- Jabeen FarookiKathleen Hurst 2, Gordon Yee-Scott Hopke- Kitty Wong- John Lai Sunday Brkted Swiss 5-7 Tables / Based on 10 Tables 1. Donald Boyd James Ochsner-Allison OchsnerBonnie Boyd 2 Karen Dittert-Gail Gillespie-Willie Jo Schaefer-Judith Stark
Sunday Brkted Swiss 6 AM-8 Tables 1. James Morgan- Joseph FordBrenda Metze-Monica Lett 2. Joyce Davis-Karla Dunn-Molly Ann Kap-lan- Karen Cullar
Sunday Brkted Swiss 6 Aft-8 Tables 1. James Morgan-Joseph Ford, Brenda Metze-Monica Lett 2. Diane obin-Walter Freitag-Charo Barnette Joni Smith
Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-25 Tables / Based on 68 Tables AX1. Julia Blancet-Marilyn Leboy-John Du Bose Jr- Vern Schmidt, Dickinson 2 Eddie Wold-Terry Currie-Robert Morris- Carolyn Labouliere 2. Bar bara La Vigne-Jack La Vigne Thomas Jahnke, ; Bill St Clair Jr

HOUSTON NEARLY SUMMER SECTIONAL WINNERS


Fri Aft Open Pairs A
Jack \& Debi Balter


Fri Eve Swiss C
Sun Swiss B Bkt 6 Joe Ford, James Morgan,


James Woodard - Richard Polunsky


Sun Morn Open Pairs Tied A Glenda and John Stieber


Fri Aft Open Pairs C Margot Leonard - Pauline Mitchell


Fri - Sat KO Bkt 1
Gil Milcheletti-Tom Peters, Dan


Sat Bracket 1 Swiss Donna Sparks, Fred Feigley, Jonathan Holmes, Jack Balter


Sun Morn Open Pairs Tied A Edie Reed - Barbara Grantham


Fri Eve Open Pairs A


Fri - Sat KO Bkt 2
Shyue Yuan Wu, Ming Su,
Jim Middleton, Nancy Crabtree


Sat Bracket 2 Swiss
Shou Chao, Atsuko Nakamura,
Shih Ming Yang, Raymond Alexanian


Sun Swiss A, AX
Julia Blancet, Vern Schmidt, John DuBose, Marilyn Leboy


Fri Eve Open Pairs B Julia Miller - Michael Miedema


Fri - Sat KO Bkt 3
Suv Biswas, Shyam Bhatia


Sat Bracket 3 Swiss Carmen Keys, Jane Clipson, Paul Cuneo, Jim Clipso


Sun Swiss B Bkt Al Fortier, Steve Tuggle, Linda Rensi, Sherri Withers


Fri Eve Open Pairs C
Robert Reichek - Herb Kalman


Sat Open Pairs A
e - Larry Laird


Sat Bracket 4 Swiss
iz Vondy, Donna Floyd,
Pat Ward, Judy Walker


Sun Swiss B Bkt 3
Herb Kalman, Robert Reichek, Carmen Keys, Paul Cuneo


Sat Open Pairs B
Youssef Youssef - Sandy Lobliner


Fri Eve Swiss A \& B Lily Andre, David Goldfarb


Sun Aft Open Pairs A, B, C
Bill Frank - George Elliff (NP)


Sun Swiss B Bkt 5 Alison Ochsner, Bonnie Boyd James Ochsner, Don Boyd


Sat Aft Side Pairs
Himanshu Joshi - Mark Wallet


Sat Morn 49ers


Sat Aft Side Pairs


Sat Morn 49ers


Sat Morn Side Pairs
Elliott - David Goldfarb


Fri Aft 299ers


Fri Aft 299ers


Sat Aft 299ers


Fri Eve 299ers
ack Guderian - Tera Boy


Sat Aft 299ers
Mark Nemitz - John Petersen


Fri Eve 299ers


Sat Aft 49ers


Most of you are probably aware that Valley View Bridge Club has lost its lease and Gerry Owen is searching for a new venue. This situation has forced us to change our Unit Game format for now through September. BAND will continue to host the $0-49$ and 0-299 games, but the 0-999 game has been canceled. Instead, there will be Open games at both Dorsey's and Band. The dates of the games (generally the second Sunday of the month) and game times ( $1: 30$ ) remain the same at both locations. Open games will be stratified and the entry fee will be $\$ 10$ a person. At the June Unit games, there were about 20 tables at each location. Dallas bridge has had a host of players attaining higher ranks recently. New Life Masters in May and June were Janet Bell, Nancy Latner, Denise Shade, and Randall Smith. New Bronze Life Masters were Jerrold Albom, Billie Dalton, Brian Dalton, Nancy Fellman, Gene Kincaid, June Price, and Carol Reiger. New Silver Life Masters were Jeff Dater, Vi Ganeles, and Remi Houle. Our own Randy Ekman is the unit's newest Gold Life Master, and Jim Bauer has attained the rank of Diamond Life attained the rank of Diamond Life
Master. Be sure to congratulate these people the next time you see them at the table. They have worked hard to reach their new rank.
The Memorial Day sectional at the Richardson Civic Center was a hoppin' event between the normal sectional events and the Flight A, B, and
C GNT's. The sectional proper C GNT's. The sectional proper
hosted 753 tables and awarded 2985 masterpoints. The big winners were Petra Hamman and hubby Bob, followed closely by Peggy Sutherlin. Meanwhile, over at the GNT's, so many teams came out for the Flight B event that it ran 3 full days. Flight A and C only needed two days to crown champions. Going on to represent Flight A in Philadelphia are Bob Fritz, Brady Allen, Jonathan Ernest, and David Ferris. The Flight B winners, Richard Curtin, Kay Laird, Roxie Tom, and Pat Prichard have elected not to go to Philadelphia, so the district will be represented by the second place team of Robert Reichek, Jack Rawitscher, Jay Karkowsky, and Herbert Kalman. Our Flight C representatives will be Pawel Hanus, Bogumil Knypinski, Brett Elliott, and Chris Anderson. I think the Dallas unit can take pride in the fact that of the four qualifying teams (including the Suqualifying teams (including the Su-
perFlight), all but Flight B drew at perFlight), all but Flight B drew at
least half of their teammates from our unit.
Sometimes people forget that bridge
players have lives outside of the bridge world, and their achievements can be stellar. A case in point is Laura Onsgard, a Club Master who competes in international piano competitions. (She also plays the harpsichord and the organ and sings.) As if that's not enough, she holds a PhD in accounting and is a CPA with her own practice. What a fascinating person! The fact of the matter is that there are many extraordinary people in the bridge world, but if you don't in the bridge world, but if you don't
take the time to get to know them, take the time to get to know them,
you will miss the opportunity to enrich your own life. So say hi to that stranger sitting East. You never know what undiscovered treasure you will unearth.
Don't forget to mark your calendar so that you have a chance to qualify at the club level for the NAP's. Qualifying events will be held throughout the summer, ending on August 31. Ask the director or manager at your club when the club will have its qualifying events. Then in September and October, if you have qualified at the club level, plan to compete in the Unit Qualifiers. The Flight C qualifier will be September 30, followed by the Flight B qualifier on October 7 and the Flight A qualifier on October 28. The finishers in the top $60 \%$ of each flight -and any pair with a higher than $50 \%$ gamewill be eligible to play at the District qualifiers in January, with the top three or four pairs at the District competition eligible to play at the March Nationals in St. Louis. This event involves subsidies for travel, and there is no entry fee for the qualifiers at the National level.

## Dallas Memorial Day

Richardson, TX
678 players: 753 tables

## 1 46.76 Petra Hamman <br> 2 40.48 Bob Hamman

3 39.10 Peggy Sutherlin
4 31.92 Stephen Kornegay
5 30.84 Bill Staats
6 25.59 Barry Schaffer
6 25.59 Barry Schaffer
7 25.27 Nancy Passell
8 24.69 Tom Edwards
9 24.46 Gail Wells
10 24.42 Gary King
11 24.42 Donna Compton
12 24.42 Carolyne Fox
Thursday Aft Open Pairs-26.0 Thursday Aft Open Pairs-26.0
Tables / Based on 38 Tables A1 David Nurenberg-Lynne Wood A2. James Thurtell-Gerry McKim B1 Steven Kastner-Kathleen Bumgardner B2. Jimmy Justice-Paula Justice C1. Fonse Ragland-Sally Lancaster C2. Denise Shade-Kenneth Bickelhaupt
Thursday Aft 499er Pairs-6.0 Ta-
bles AB1. Shelley Early-Barbara Vines A2. Elizabeth Donner-Lynell Pinion B2. Barry Cooper-Lynn Cooper
Thursday Aft 199er Pairs-6.0 Tables ABC1. Patsy Rainwater-MadduKaren Roland A2. Mary Lynn Tren-tham-Louise Shanley AB2. David Quinton-Pat Glaser
Thursday AM Open Pairs-7.5 Tables A1. David Nurenberg-Lynne Wood A2. Marion Gebhardt-Gail Wells B1. Mary Pennington-Dorsey Wells B1. Mary Pennington-Dorsey
Shaw B2. Elaine Lagerstrom-Liane Shaw B2. Elaine Lagerstrom-Liane
Tsai C1. Cheryl Clark-David Luzzatto C2. Mary Cain-Margaret Ann Purse
Thursday AM 499er Pairs-7.0 Tables ABC1. Pat Glaser-David Quinton ABC 2 . Janice Trombello-Beverly ton ABC
Strauss
Thursday Compact KO-11 Tables 1. John McConnell-Carol McConnell -Michael Bossert-Sara Bossert A2. Jon Wolkenstein-Sheri WolkensteinNancy Latner-Jerr Boschee
Thursday Eve Open Pairs-21.5 Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay A2. Bart Bramley-Allen Pearlman B1. Norma Lunsford-Lee Lunsford AB2. Fonse Ragland-Sally Lancaster Thursday Eve 499er Pairs-6.0 Tables A1. Robert Clarke-Alma Farley A2/3 Judy Etchison-Betty Wheeler A2/3B1. Robert Shanley-Suzanne Shanley B2. Marguerite LavenderSharon Henry
Thursday KO Bkt 1-6 Tables 1 Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger- Ned Nolte- Jim Clark 2. Bill Osborn, Frisco TX; Tony Pellegrini- Rich Brandenburg- Joseph Gill, Richardson TX
Thuesday KO Bkt 2-5 Tables 1. Frank Durante-Diana Chen-Jackie Long- Lynn Gray 2. John Davis-Long- Lynn Gray
Bert Dempsey-Bonita Baker-David Reynolds
Friday AM Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 21 Tables A1. Lee Huber- Mark Hatkoff AB2C1. David Greims-Richard Page C2. Tom Lang-Carla Guthrie Friday AM 499er Pairs-9.0 Tables A1. Susan Bates-J Fletcher A2B1. Cindy Whitten-Nancy Young B2C1 Cindy Whitten-Nancy Young B2C1
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C2. Sue Money-Patty Dingle Friday Afternoon Open Prs-36.0 Tables / Based on 57 Tables A1. Derrell Childs-Pam LaShelle A2. David Foote-Robert Adams B1. Terry Manz-Carol Manz B2. James McCommons-Bob Butterfield C1. McCommons-Bob Butterfield C1
Bettie Reed-Gloria Aboussie C2. Bettie Reed-Gloria Aboussie
Bob Joyce-Joseph Kosanda Friday Afternoon 199r Prs-10.0 Tables AB1. Louella Josset-Selwy Josset AB2. Janet Pearce-Jill Andreas C1. Ian John Currell-Loretta Leathers C2. Patsy Rainwater-Maddu -Karen Roland
Friday Afternoon 499r Prs-11.0 Tables A1. Gowri Raj-Ira Nemazie A2. Susan Stell-Philip Metz BC1. Patty Dingle-Sue Money BC2. Jean

Higgins-William Higgins Friday Compact KO Bkt 1-9 Tables 1. Murray Berger-Jack Boren stein-Ned Nolte-Jim Clark 2. Claybourne Waldrop Jr-Melody GannVirginia Sherman-Gary Neisler Friday Compact KO Bkt 2-15 Tables 1. Richard McGill-Barbara Alli son-Jill Carroll-Sharon Driggers 2. Helen Nelson-Mary Ellen StantonCorinne Easley-Charles Raines Friday Eve Open Pairs-12.0 Ta bles / Based on 18 Tables A1. Barry Schaffer-Stephen Kornegay A2. Marion Gebhardt-Roy Baughman BC1. Janice Fisher-Roxie Cooper C2. George Cowart-Gayle Cowart Friday Eve Swiss Teams-29 Tables AB1. Forrest Gray-Fran VaneckoCecelia Zachar-Jeri Tribo AB2. Barbara Hollahan-Nancy DeanRichard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny C1. Jerrold Albom-James Richman Nancy Fellman-Kathleen Bumgardner C2. Fonse Ragland-Sally Lancas-ter-Bob Joyce-Theda Cook
Friday Eve 499er Pairs-6.0 Tables AB1. Dorothy Nance-Phillip Roberson AB2C1. Christian Remling -Max Forester C2. Beth CastleberryJosephine Basel
Friday KO-Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Edward Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter Michael Bossert-Sara Bossert A2. Stan Amstutz, -Frances Clem-Pat Jortner-Elinor Fries
Saturday AM Open Pairs- 11.0 Tables / Based on 26 Tables A1. Jerry Hess-Michael Sutterfield A2 Barbara Nelson-Pat Measley B1 Gary Booth-Kathleen Bumgardner B2. J Fletcher-Elinor Fries C1. Janet Folmar-Susie Summers C2. Carla Guthrie-Tom Lang Saturday AM 499er Pairs-8.0 Tables ABC1. Lynn Cooper-Barry Cooper A2. Maryanne Hon-Ira Nemazie BC2. Christian Remling-Max For-

Saturday AM 199er Pairs-7.0 Tables AB1. Josephine Basel-Beth Castleberry AB2C1. Richard Cul-hane-Lee Culhane C2. Marcia McClurg-Jerry McClurg Saturday Compact Brkt 2-14 Tables 1. Terri O'Brien-Liz CooperSandy Potts-Esther Ellis 2. Dion Dubois-Davie Cooper-Beach Aten Kathleen Aten
Saturday Aft Open Pairs-28.0 Tables / Based on 51 Tables A1. James La Fountain-Kevin Cline A2/3 Marion Gebhardt-Charles Price A2/3 David Nurenberg-Jeanine Wofford B1. Marcia Joy Varel-Judy Northup B2C1. George Burcham-Randolph Worsham, C2. Mary Beth DivisElda Kay Hampton
Saturday Aft 499er Pairs-10.0 Ta bles AB1. Andi Gordon-Renee TaAB2. Christian Remling-Max ForAB2.
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Saturday Aft 199er Pairs-12.5 Tables ABC1. Peggy Holt-Gay McAlister A2. Judy Dolginoff-N Milanister A2. Judy Dolginoff-N MilanC2. Jill Hartel-John Hartel Saturday KO-Bracket 1-5 Tables Stephen Kornegay-Barry SchafferStephen Kornegay-Barry Schaffer Linda Spangler-Gary King-Donn Compton-Carolyne Fox

Saturday KO-Bracket 2-7 Tables Richard Langland- Karen CatonPeter Hudson- Sandra Campbell 2. George Cowart-Gayle CowartPamela Tharp-Robert Tharp Sat Eve Swiss Teams-15 Tables A1. Bob Hamman-Petra HammanJoan Jackson-Jeffrey Juster A2. Marion Gebhardt-Derrell Childs-Pam LaShelle-Marcia Hutchison BC1 Richard McGill-Jan Kenyon-Colin Chang-Barbara Chang B2. Edwina Corn-Margot Hirsch-Dorsey ShawCatherine Tucker C2. David Luzzatto -Betsy Goldsmith-Sally LancasterFonse Ragland
Saturday Eve 499er Pairs-5.5 Tables ABC1. Minnie Morgan-Dorothy Nance ABC2. Louise LeRoux-Bryan Keyes
Sat Eve Open Pairs-8.0 Tables / Based on 14 Tables A1. Pat Cassidy -Billy Leeper A2BC1. Janet BorgMaria Gregorat BC2. Brian GellesJanet Gelles
Saturday Compact Brkt 1-9 Tables 1. Nancy Passell- Mark Bumgardner Peggy Sutherlin- Bill Staats 2. Michael Murphy-James Thurtell-S Ko-han- Marcus Poe Jr
Sunday AM Open Pairs-7.5 Tables / Based on 14 Tables A1. Cath erine Miller-Hugh Miller A2. Gail Wells-Marion Gebhardt BC1. Brian Gelles-Janet Gelles B2. Peter Grenier-Lynne Wood C2. Kate Hop kins-Jane Kirby
Sunday AM 499er Pairs-6.0 Tables A1. Darrel Strelitz-Barbara Ferm A2B1. Anne Kyle-Stan Hsu B2. Patsy Rainwater-Maddu-Karen Roland
Sunday Aft Open Pairs-24.0 Ta
bles A1. Mark Bumgardner-Bill Staats A2BC1. Tom Lang-Carol Rieger C2. Eric Ho-Preston Morrow C2. Randolph Worsham-George Burcham
Sunday Aft 499er Pairs-4.0 Tables A1/2 Sharon Driggers-George

Sanders-Mark Sanders-Daniel BakerKhalifa Ahmed
Sunday Eve Open Pairs-12.0 TaMichael Hout-Karen Hes AB1 Michael Hout-Karen Hout A2. Neal PerIman-J Bagwell B2C1. George
Farrington-Brian Dalton C2. Phillip

Jaeger-Thomas Hackenberg AB1. Bryan K99er Pairs-5.0 Table AB1. Bryan Keyes-Louise LeRoux AB2.Judy \& Dick Thompson Monday A/X Swiss Teams-25 TaHamman or
lin-Peggy Sutherlin A2. Linda Spangler-Gary King-Donna Comp-on-Carolyne Fox X1. Jack \& Natalie Rollier-Ilene Greene-Jessica Brown 2. Randolph Worsham-George Burcham-John Pataki-Sají Husain
bles B1. Jeff Dater-Judith LotridgeRich Brandenburg-Tony Pellegrini B2C1. John Davis-Bert DempseyBonita Baker, -Carmen Fish C2. Morey-Mary Ann White-Melba lark-Sue Kay Reeder
Monday 499er Swiss Teams-17

Tables A1/2BC1. Janice Trombello Beverly Strauss-Elaine \& Michael Lowenkon Al/2 Josephine Basel Beth Castleberry-Beach \& Kathlee Aten B2. Frank Durante-Emil Maduro-James Willson-Barbar Ferm

## DALLAS MEMORIAL DAY SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Thurs Morn \& Aft Open Pairs A


Jeri Tribo - Fran Vanecko
Cecilia Zachar - Forrest Gray


Sun Aft Open Pairs
Mark Bumgardner - Bill Staats


Thurs Morn Open Pairs B


Kathy Bumgardner - Jerrald Alborn
James Richman - Nancy Fellman


Sat Aft Open Pairs B
Judy Northrup - Marcia Varel


Thurs Aft Open Pairs B


Thurs KO Bkt 2
Jackie Long - Lynn Gray


Sat Morn Open Pairs B


Sat Aft Open Pairs A
Kevin Kline - James LaFountain


Sum BAM
Kevin Kline - James LaFountain Jim Bauer - Tomi Fitzgerald


Sun KO Bkt 2
Mac Foyd - Kristy Garrison
Mack Meigs - Zach Garrison


Fri Aft Open Pairs A


Fri KO Bkt
ara \& Michael Bossert


Sun BAM Flt B
Margot Hirsch - Dorsey Shaw Edwina Corn - Catherine Tuck

un Morn Open Pairs B \&
Janet \& Brian Gelles


Fri Aft 499ers
wrie Raj - Ira Nemazi


George Farrington - Brian Dalton


Eve Open Pairs
A Billy Leeper - Pat Cassiday


Sat CKO Bkt
Liz Cooper - Tero P’Brien


Fri Morn 199ers


Thurs KO Bkt 1 \& Fri CKO Bkt JimClark - Ned Nolte


Sat Aft 499er
Andi Gordon - Renee Levy

un Eve Open Pairs A \& B
Karen \& Mike Hout

## STaC

Linda Harrison; Ore City DBC C5. Earl Cutler-John Gibson; BC of San Antonio
Wed Morn Championship-102.5 Tables A1. Tom Clark-Janet Clark; Bridge Center of Austin A2. Melody Gann-Bill White; Arlington DBC Inc A3. Mary Gentry-Pat Levy; Southwest DBC A4. Mary Watters-Joan Pleason; Houston Bridge Studio A5 Audley Karrasch-Bert Onstott III; Audey Karrasch-Ben Bridge Studio B1. Tessa Bodnar-Susan Hernandez; Turtle Creek DBC B2. Patsy Howell-Anne Knott; Clear Lake BC B3C1. Sandi Murphy-Diane Rektorik; Pebble Creek Dup BC B4. Barbara McMinn -Larry Laudig; Mid-Cities DBC B5. Tom Wulfers-Brent McDaniel; Clear Lake BC C. Lynn Luster-Suzie Wilson; Houston Bridge Studio B3. Nancy Beard-Margaret E Touchstone; Pebble Creek Dup BC B4. J Dale Molander-Robbie Bergman; Mid-Cities DBC B5. Chris White nis-Pauline Mit
Bridge Studio
Wed Aft Championship-157.0 Tables A1. Shirley Naumann-Sunny Laird; Marble Falls BC A2. Norma Walker-Judy Wilde; Wednesday BC A3. Alta Peck-Betty Kirkwood; Monday + Wednesday Dupl A4 Mary Hinkle-Richard Hinkle; Dottie Pirkle's DBC A5. Bill GemasWilliam Lindner; BC of Houston B1. Betty Cloud-Janice Walker; Rolling Hills BC B2. Joe Everette-Jeffrey Hills BC B2. Joe Everette-Jefrey
Kroll; BC of Houston B4. Raya Krohn-Michelle Mizrahi; Aurora's Bridge Studio B5. Wayne BahrJohnnie Dayton; Lubbock DBC C2.

Allen-Nancy Simpson; Bridge Acad'y of N Dallas C3. Jane Lunce-ford-Mary Williams; Dottie Pirkle's DBC C4. Alicia Reyes Retana Monica Schapira; Aurora's Bridge tudio C5/6 Sue Latham-Joan Cobb Longview Duplicate Club C5./6 Beryl Cobb-Colleen O'Neal; Long,
Wed Eve Championship-63.5 Tables A1. Jo Smith-Don Dwyer; Fort Phantom A2. Mark Rosen-Paul Kel ley Jr; Bridge Center of Austin A3. Gail Wells-Marion Gebhardt; Bridge Acad'y of N Dallas A4. Jane ArmDBC 5 Bl DBC A5BI. Dorothy BrennemanMarlene Blumentritt; Permian BC nc B2. Pamela Dettmers-Edmontine Baker, Kingwood Duplicate BC B3C1. Andrew Small-Dan Baker, Bridge Center Po Ausin BC. Khalifa Ahmed-Joan Paradeis, BC B5. Frances Simmons-Betty Sale Murphy; Kingwood Duplicate BC C2. Sandr Reynolds-Mark Anderson; Bridge Center of Austin C3. Paul De Mars Jeff Parker; Sugar Land DBC C4. Barbara Pope-Carol Parish; Kingwood Duplicate BC C5. Tony Aber nethy-Ben Kirkland;
Thu Morn Championship-97.0 Tables A1. Rita Holzsweig-Joanne Crandall; Friendly BC
A2. John Monroe Jr-Jim Goodale Houston Bridge Studio A3. Joe Black-Laura Delfeld; Bridge Center of Austin A4. Shirley Stanton-Julie Halperin; BC of Houston A 5 BC Kathy Wandrisco-Eleanor Bump, Turtle Creek DBC B2. Jabeen Farooki-Kathleen Hurst; Houston
Bridge Studio B3. Walid Hakim-

Corinne Roberts; Dorsey's Bridge
Studio B4 Donald Pigg-Milton Bi Studio B4. Donald Pigg-Milton Bir mingham; Sotogrande B5. Leslie Tramer-Tessa Bodnar; Turtle Creek DBC C2, Art Widen-Steven Andersen; Bridge Center of Austin 6 C3. Robert Frederick-Fred Halperin; BC of Houston C4. Bob Matlock-Bill Chamberlain; BC of Houston C5 Nancy Caldwell-Joseph Cunningam; BC of Houston
Thu Aft Championship-145.0 Tales AB1. Harry Kenny-Peggi Kenny; Sul Ross BC AB2. Juanita Butler-Roy Butler, Bridge Studio of Temple 6 AB3. Nancy Green-Jimmy Wright; Dottie Pirkle's DBC A4 udy Fernald-Jo Ann O'Malley Spring Branch Duplicate A5. Nancy Lira-Miguel Reygadas; Amigos BC A3B4. Gary Carey-Mary Lou Collins; Denton Bridge Studio A5B1. Bobbie Chandler-Philip Now ell; Lake Chapala DBC C2. Beulah Kelso-Charles Kastner; Heritage/ Westlake DBC C3. Elroy ShornLouis Luckenbach; Highland Lakes Duplicate C4. Sunny Laird-Tom Rice; Highland Lakes Duplicate C5 Michael Luckenbach-Lucy Morley; Highland Lakes Duplicate
Thu Eve Championship-51.0 Tables $\mathrm{ABC1}$. Tod Pontius-Kathleen Adams; Long's BC ABC2. Marifrances Watson-David Watson; Ruff Crowd A3. Richard Stell-Julia Blancet; Clear Lake BC A4. Gary Blaiss Carol Schoenhals; South Fork DBC A5. Albert Postar-Bonta Thompson; South Fork DBC B3. Beth Hankins Peggy Singer; Longview Duplicate Club B4. Steve Vaughn-Charles Collins; BC of Houston B5. John
Abney-Mary Ann Anthony; South

Fork DBC C3. Douglas Hensley-
Pamela Hensley; Brazos DBC C4.
Gloria Robertson-Larry Hettick; Ruff Crowd C5. Liz Jacobson-Pam Rowe. Brazos DBC 5
Fri Morn Championship-101.0 Tables A1. Ida Morrow-Edith Reid; Clear Lake BC A2. Tom Clark-Steve Bruce; Bridge Center of Austin A3. Mariiln Joyner-Fred Feigley; Houston Bridge Studio A4. Ula Skovdal Mavis Warren, Lake Conroe DBC S. Cd Rawns BC1. Waker; Tur le Creek DBC BC1. Michele Halli-gan-Tim Halligan; Houston Bridge tudio B2. Barbara Webber-Julie Brand; Houston Bridge Studio B3. Kathy Baldwin-Bob Young; Star BBC B4C2 Lacy Nelson-Peggy. Ross; Star DBC B5. Shirley Edmis-Ron-Sue Lee; Star C3. Martha Kessler-Liliana Ciccarelifi; BC of Houston C4. Geri Noel-Margot Cater; Houston Bridge Studio 5 Sandra Press-Sheila Stein; Turtle Creek DBC
Fi Aft Championship-194.0 Tables A1. Alta Peck-Brenda Baker; Longiew Duplicate Club A2. Vic Sowers -John Byrnes; Apple Too DBC A3BC1. Charlie Klestadt-Ann Klestadt; Lake Chapala DBC A4. andy Molander-Gloria Rowland; Brdg Studio @ Cedar Creek A5B2. Beth Hankins-Peggy Singer; Longview Duplicate Club B3. Janice Walker-Betty Cloud; Temple DBC B5. David Crooks-Bill Kiehnhoff; Apple Too DBC C3, Maggie PyeJudy Wells, Lake Chapala DBC C4 Shyue Yuan Wu-Ming Su; Apple Too DBC C5. Jon Mathias-Annie

Kraemer; Amigos BC
Sat Aft Championship-122.5 Tables A1. Tom Clark-Jerry Bigler; Bridge Center of Austin A2. Jessica Brown-Gail Wells; Bridge Acad'y of N Dallas A3. Mack Meigs-Mark Meigs, Clear Lake BC A4. Frida Harari-Laura Salinas; Amigos BC A5. Eddie Wold-Betty Starzec; Houston Bridge Studio B1. Walter Langendor-Howard Huy, South lains DBC B2C1. Noel Buff-Paul Keedy; Beaumont Bridge Studio B Sally Lancaster-Fonse Ragland, Brige Acady of N Dallas B4C2 Alick Einav-Daniel Leightman; Houston Bridge Sturio BJC3. Bob Matlock-Bill Chamberlain; BC of Houston C4. Paricia Bell-Earl Joh on; Beaumont Bridge Studio C5. ose Carral-Lorenza Carral; Amigo BC Sun Aft Championship-96.0 Ta bles1 AB1. Robert Kacher-Tim Stelly; Beaumont Bridge Studio A2 William Charowhas-Billie Black; Highland Lakes Duplicate A3B2 Sharon Hoger-Mark Craig; Bridge Center of Austin A4. Janet ClarkTom Clark; Bridge Center of Austin A5. Melody Gann-Gary Neisle unday Fun B3. Dee McKinle Helen Cash; BC 34. Carolyn Chapman-Richard Brynt; Longview Duplicate Club B5C Tuck Harvey-Joan Paradeis; BC C2 Earl Johnson-Marilyn Adams; Beau mont Bridge Studio C3. Carol Hast ings-Richard Stein; Greater Permian Basin C4. Ruth Buss-Sandy Holtlag; Highland Lakes Duplicate C5 Bridge Acad'y of N Dallas


We said goodbye to spring with Memorial Day games on Sunday and morial Day games on Sunday and
Monday in the Fort Worth Studio Monday in the Fort Worth Studio
and turned the a/c down to get ready and turned the a/c down to get ready
for summer's heat. Make lots of dates for summer's heat. Make lots of dates
to play bridge in your local clubs and to play
chill.

There are a lot of interesting special games scheduled during the upcoming weeks. Please check the Unit The Seturday game in the Fort Wort The Saturday game in the Fort Worth Studio is a bargain at $\$ 5.00$, with special point games costing 6.00. Game time is 1:00. Don't forget Steve and Darlene's Sunday Fun at 1:30...Darlene provides a very nice lunch for you...ask for her special chicken salad...yummy.

Two special games were offered on Saturday April 14. Arlington honored Gary Neisler with a party to honor his new status as a Gold Life Master. In Fort Worth, we had a Race for the Cure game honoring all cancer survivors.
Awards Night has now become Awards Day. A special game was held in the Fort Worth Studio on April 28 with 24 tables in play. Our delicious lunch was once again provided by Nora Oliver. The Open winners were Steve Shirey and Donna Rosz N/S and Billy Leeper and Randy Ausmus E/W. Flight B was won by Soni Fair and Millie Williams N/S and DeWitt and Elizabeth Hudson E/W. In the 0-750 game the winners were Greg Sucec and Jo Kuhn N/S, with George Eggleston, Jr. and Jim Logsdon winning E/W. It was a wonderful afternoon of bridge.


Sat KO Bkt 3
Max Frey - Rich Brandenburg Joyce \& Marlow Muldoon


Fri Aft Open Pairs Flt A


Fri Eve Open Pairs Flt A


Sat KO Bkt 1
Stephen \& Nancy Kornegay
Kimmel Jones - Hugh Hillaker

Unit 183 thanks you for making
our Spring Sectional at the Crowne our Spring Sectional at the Crowne Plaza Hotel a success. Thanks so much to all who worked so hard make this tournament a success.
World Wide Pairs games were held on June 2 in both Arlington and Fort Worth. The winners in Arlington Thurtell with $58.80 \%$ and James N/S. N/S. Caron Peck and Karen Caton were the winners E/W with a $61.81 \%$ game. Fort Worth Winners N/S were Bill Ream and Darlene Shirey with a $58.87 \%$ game and Billy Leeper and Randy Ausmus E/W with a 67.37 game. Congratulations winners!

Several of our members have passed masterpoint milestones: Georgie Jaeger and Michael Heymann are Gold Life Masters and Peggy Byrnes is a New Life Master. Just shows hard work pays off...way to go!! It's always fun to post a $70 \%$ game...just ask me...Sharon Tucci and I had a $73 \%$ game on April 21 (I think the bridgemate must have manfunctioned). Mary Jane Orock and Clay Waldrop had a $72 \%$ game at Steve's Wednesday game and J'Neane Huey and Ann Sutherland had a $70 \%$ game as well.
Judy Staser has agreed to be the Studio Manager of the Ft. Worth Bridge Studio..she will be asking some of you to help her out with the physical chores...ple a s e s a y
"yes"..volunteering can be fun and yes"...volunteering
These past days have brought much sorrow to our community. Our deepest sympathy to Jane Clark who lost a son and Roger Neathery who lost his wife. We also mourn the loss of two of our players...Bob Marvin and
Nina Hobss. Bob Nina Hobbs. Bob helped Nora so much in the preparation and serving of all our good food, as well as being our "Sam's Club shopper"...he will be missed. Nina was one of the loveli-
est ladies to ever sit at a bridge table. Neither will soon be forgotten.
Get out your calendars and mark August 28 through September 3 for the Fort Worth Labor Day Regional Tournament at the DFW Hilton Hotel. This is a great mid-cities location. We are working hard to make sure you have a great time at this tournament

Don't forget we're kicking off our "Mentor Magic" program on Saturday evening on June 19. at 6:00. This program will run through October 20. Pizza will be served all for the great price of $\$ 5.00$. Please sign up at the Fort Worth studio...this should be a very fun time...please join us.
Have news? milliewms@yahoo.com
Play Well and Have Fun!!
Millie Williams

## Fort Western Spring

315 players. 300 tables.
1 25.44 Pat Cassidy
2 23.25 Kimmel Jones 3 23.25 Hugh Hillaker 4 22.94 Billy Leeper 5 22.65 Tom Edwards 6 22.65 John Bromberg 7 22.65 Bryan Storey 822.65 Barry Schaffer 9 21.19 Mary Orock 10 21.05 Marion Gebhardt Fri Aft Open Pairs-14.5 Tables Based on 18 Tables A1. Linda Spangler-Michael Murphy A2B1. Jay D Shah-Phyllis Siegel B2. Paula Justice-Jimmy Justice C1 Peggi Kenny-Harry Kenny C2. James Overtree-Bodil Overtree
Fri Aft 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1 Donna Gooch-Harriet Motter AB2. Darlene Reynolds-G Nell Carpenter Fri Eve Open Pairs-12.5 Tables A1 Pat Cassidy-Robert Buchanan A2 Preston Morrow-Carolyn Motes

BC1. Judy Floyd-Ginger Kennedy Friday Evening Swiss Tms-20 Ta Friday Evening Swiss Tms-20 Ta Bles A1. Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger-Marion Gebhardt-Roy Baughman A2. Susan Key-Chris Compton-Kimmel Jones-Hugh Hil-laker-Steve Shirey B1. Francis Chang-Kathy Coleman-Jean Helmers Bruce Mann B2. Mark Zeitlin-Linda McDaniel-Robert Bever-Sandy Doyle C1. Sue Kay Reeder-Don Farrell-Betty Boring-Letty Garek C2 Frank Durante-Diana Chen Fri CKO Bracket 1-15 Table Fri CKO Bracket 1-15 Tables 1. Bryan Storey-Barry Schaffer-Iom Edwards-John Bromberg 2. Davi Pearlman-Michael Bossert-Sar Bossert-Henry Muzzio Jr ri CKO Bracket 2-16 Tables 1 acqueline Montgomery-Jane Lari-more-Rosalie Manue-Ginny Collett 2. Jerr Boschee-William OldsBarbara Ferm-Ginger Morgan Saturday Morning Pairs-5.0 Tables A1. Mary Hinkle-Richard Hinkle A2BC1. Peggi \& Harry Kenny B2. Khalifa Ahmed-William Morris Jr C2.Nell Carpenter-Darlene Reynolds Sat Eve Open Pairs-8.0 Tables Based on 11 Tables A1. Dee BergSam Long A2. Linda Spangler-Mary Orock Pawel Hanus-Bogumil Knypinski, 2 Jim Chaffee-Bill Ream Sat Eve 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables A1B1. Ben Benjamin, Arlington TX; John Robbins A2B2C1. Philip Macdonald-John Biel C2. John Ma-on-Margaret Mason
Sat Eve Swiss Teams-10 Tables 1. Susan Key-Chris Compton-Steve Shirey-Greg Hinze-Patty Hinze A2 Barry Schaffer-Bryan Storey-Tom Edwards-John Bromberg B1. Joyce Zachry-Anne Lidiak-Carol McCon-nell-Georgie Jaeger B2C1 Linda Williams-Nedra Sims-Eleanor Cher ryholmes-Jim Logsdon
Saturday KO Bracket 1-8 Tables Nancy Kornegay-Stephen KornegayHugh Hillaker-Kimmel Jones 2. Ankur Rathi-David Pearlman Michael Bossert-Sara Bossert

Saturday KO Bracket 2-8 Tables Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Karen Can-Mrencis Coin 2. Kathy ColeBruce Mann-Diane Washelmer Saturday KO Bracket 3-8 Tables Saturday KO Bracket 3-8 Tables Rich Brandenburg-Max FreyKarlow Muldoon-Joyce Muldoon 2. Katye Kowiersche-D ryan-Lynda Bradley
Sat Afternoon Open Pr-27.0 Tables / Based on 30 A1. S KohanMichael Murphy A2/3 Larue Stott Gail Wells A2/3 Pat Cassidy-Billy Leeper B1. Bill Rea Win Char B2 Ana Box-Olive Wood C1. Judy loyd-Helen Nelson C2. Richard Saturday Afternoon 299er-9.5 Saturday Aftrioon 299er-9.5 Tables ABC1. Philip Macdonald-John Biel AB2. Frank Durante-Dian Chen C2. G Nell Carpenter-Darlene eynolds
Flight A Swiss Teams-18 Tables / Based on 53 Tables A1. Mary Orock Billy Leeper-Jerry Derby-Pat Cassidy A2. Roy Baughman-Marion Gebhardt-Derrell Childs-Marcia Hutchison X1 Michael Hout-John Schwartz-Stephen Sinclair-Gerry McKimX2. Dee Berg-Sam Long errell Cosby-J'Neane Huey Flight B Swiss Teams-26 Tables B Linda McDaniel-Gregory Sucec SrHelen Olechna-Sandy Doyle B2C1 Wendy Plant,Sheila Patterson-Roma Allison-Martin Schwartz C 2 Kim Brinkman-Bruce Brown-Hung Shen Tai-Thomas Miyake
299er Morning Swiss-9 Table AB1. Alan Robson-Bonnie Jan Robson-Stan Hsu-Anne Kyle AB 2. William Olds-Jerr Boschee-Barbara Ferm-Ginger Morgan C1. Diane Quin-Rojean Smith-Ethel Warren-
299er Morning Swiss-9 Tables AB1. Frank Durante-Ratham Vasanthkumar-Nancy Latner-Diana Chen, AB2. William Olds-Jerr Boschee-Barbara Ferm-Ginger Mor gan C1. Harivadan Shah-Arvind Shah-Manik Vora-Upendra Vora


Sam Long - Dee Berg


Fri Aft Open Pairs Fit B
Jay Shah - Phyllis Siegel
Jay Shah - Phyllis Siegel


Sat Morn Open Pairs Flt A


Sat KO Bkt 2
Karen Caton - Charles Burke
Michael Cain - Caron Peck


Fri Aft 299ers
Donna Gooch - Harriet Motter


Sat Aft Open Pairs Flt A Stan Kohan - Michael Murphy


Sat Eve Swiss Flt C
Nedra Sims - Eleanor Cherryholmes Linda Williams - Jim Logsdon

FT. WESTERN SPRING SECTIONAL WINNERS


Sat Eve 299er John Robbins - Ben Benjamin (NP)


Fri Eve Swiss Flt A
Murray Berger - Jack Borenstein Roy Baughman - Marion Gebhard


Aft \& Sat Morn Pairs Flt C Peggi \& Harry Kenny


Bill Leeper- Jerry Derby
Mary O Orock - Pat Cassidy


Fri Compact KO Bkt 2
Ginny Collett - Rosalie Manuel
Jane Larimore -Jacqueline Montgomery


Sat Aft \& Sat Eve 299ers
John Biel - Philip Macdonald


Sun Morn 299 er Swiss
Diana Chen - Frank Durante
Ratham Vasanthkumar - Nancy Latner

Sue Kay Reeder - Don Farrell Sue Kay Reeder - Don Farrell
(NP) Betty Boring - Letty Garek


Sat Aft Open Pairs Flt B
Bill Ream - Jim Chaffee


Sun Aft 299er Swis
Alan \& Jan Robson
(NP) Anne Kyle - Stan Hs


We have had some special games including the unit awards party on Tuesday, April 17. Seven tables enjoyed pizza, wine \& an Italian Cream cake provided by Mary Ross. Awards were presented to players present for the Ace of Clubs \& the Mini-McKinney for 2011. First overall were Bill \& Marilyn MacDonald, second Bob Gerberich \& Mary Tryer. Third in A and first in B were Betty \& Jay Mengle. Peggy Kennedy \& Kay Mrazak were second in B.

STaC week was enjoyed by all participants. We had a total of 43 tables. Kim Cox \& Marilyn German were $4^{\text {th }}$ in the District for Tuesday evening. Mary Ross \& Dee Schade were $10^{\text {th }}$ for the Wednesday afternoon game. Kim Cox \& Marilyn German were $9^{\text {th }} \&$ Phyllis Pruet \& Dee Schade were $13^{\text {th }}$ for the Friday afternoon game. Congratulations to aftern
all!

NAP qualifying games are being held in June, July \& August. The unit finals will be on Saturday, September 15. It will be a double session with lunch served between sessions. Grab your favorite partner \& come on out! You do not have to play in the finals with the same partner with whom you qualified. The requirement is that both of you have to have qualified.

Our pizza nights always seem to get
people out so on Tuesday, July 17, we are going to repeat a winning formula - pizza, wine \& a club championship. August 21 we will do it again for a NAP game. These will be fun evenings so make your dates.

Martha DeCou reported that the unit has qualified for an additional club championship due to recruiting 10+ new members. How wonderful! Mor teaching classes. Many of our for teaching classes. Many of our
new folks have come from this new folks have come from this
group. Please welcome all new players \& encourage them to become ACBL members.

This month please get to know Phyllis Cox Pruet. Born in Charleston. SC, Phyllis attended $1^{\text {st }}$ grade in Tabor City, NC then her family moved to Birmingham, AL. She finished high there at age 16. She went to the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. She celebrated her $17^{\text {th }}$ birthday in August while going through rush. She pledged Alpha Chi Omega. Her sophomore year she met Bill Pruet, was pinned in her met Bill Pruet, was pinned in her
junior year, then engaged in her senjunior year, then engaged in her sen-
ior year. She \& Bill married the Saturday after her last final on Friday. Bill had another semester of college left, so Phyllis went back to school \& earned her master's degree in education. Bill was in ROTC \& was committed to Air Force for 3 years. They moved to Fort Walton Beach, FL, where Bill worked at Eglin Air Force Base. Phyllis started teaching in an elementary school, then the following year taught at Chocohatchee High School in Fort Walton. Phyllis \& Bill had started playing bridge in college \& around a military base, it was easy to find bridge games. Phyllis said while in bridge games. Phyllis said while in
FL they played with everyone who invited them. Their first child, son Tray, was born at Eglin Air Force Hospital. When he was 8 months old, Bill got orders. They had been anticipating Vietnam, but instead went to Wurzburg, Germany, Bill worked at Gielbestadt, but that base was closing, so after a year, he was moved to ing, so after a year, he was moved to
Wiesbaden USAF headquarters. Wiesbaden USAF headquarters.
They played bridge in both places. While in Wiesbaden, daughter Dana,
was born. In 1970 Bill got out of the Air Force \& they moved to Birmingham, AL. Phyllis worked as a guidance counselor in the public school system \& Bill got a job with a paint company out of Louisville, KY. They started playing duplicate in Birmingham \& fell in love with the game. ham \& fell in love with the game.
When Bill's company wanted to When Bill's company wanted to
transfer him to Louisville to be the transfer him to Louisville to be the
national sales manager he said, "I'm far enough north already". At that time they decided to move to Corpus Christi. Bill came in December of 1975 to help get a business started. They were going into partnership They were going into partnership
with Phyllis' sister \& her husband, with Phyllis sister \& her husband,
Vanessa \& Fred Braselton. They opened "Trend House" as a paint \& wallpaper store. Phyllis stayed in Birmingham to finish the school year \& to sell their home. Bill immediately began playing at Jack's Bridge Club. He told Phyllis that he just couldn't wait until she got here to couldn't wait until she got here to
meet all the nice people at the bridge meet all the nice people at the bridge
club. Phyllis arrived in June of 1976 club. Phyllis arrived in June of 1976
\& played bridge the $1^{\text {st }}$ Tuesday night $\&$ played bridge the $1^{\text {st }}$ Tuesday night
she was in town. The couple played every evening game, many tournaments \& were quite successful. Bill served as president of unit 187 \& worked hard to increase attendance at local tournaments. Then Bill decided local tournaments. Then Bill decided
to run for the city council. He served to run for the city council. He served
for 2 terms \& bridge went on the for 2 terms \& bridge went on the
back burner. Following his time on the council, he served as chairman of the Convention \& Visitors' Bureau. Phyllis really needed to be at Trend House, which had rapidly expanded to include furniture \& accessories. Bill passed away very unexpectedly Bill passed away very unexpectedly
in September 2002. After several in September 2002. After several
years of continuing to operate the Trend House, Phyllis got an offer for the building she couldn't refuse, so she sold it \& retired in early 2011. Now she gets to play all games \& with encouragement from other directors, Phyllis became a club direcrectors, Phyllis became a club direc-
tor last year. She is a Silver Life tor last year. She is a Silver Life
Master \& one of the most popular players we have. Always sunny \& helpful to everyone!

Please send your club news to me at cdeoro@aol.com. 0

## Unit 197

Sandi Krahmer

## Hi Everybody!

Once again, I want to thank everyone for all the wonderful help in our Regional. We made a little money that may allow us to keep our playing fees pretty low for awhile. The Unit Board did vote not to have another Regional since our Unit is so small now. We have lost many members to sickness and death, and we need to think about our Bridge Center and all the expenses we need to cover to maintain it. We are unable to jeopardize our financial situation to try to hold another Regional. Charlotte and Gary did a wonderful job for us as did Julie, Betsy, and Jane and her husband. There isn't enough room here to mention all the wonderful vere to mention all the wonderful who brought food, handed out prizes, took pictures, worked Registration and manned the hospitality room to give Julie a break. Thank you all again very much.

Carol Schoenhals and Marc Levine had a $75 \%$ game. That is the only one in the box this month. We had lots of people place in the STaC games. Betty Lowmiller went over 4000 points in a $68 \%$ game with Al Postar. They had the highest percentage of anyone from Lubbock in the StaC games. Jan Hover made her Life Master when she and Neal Marchbanks came in. We had so many new Life masters that I can't even remember them all. I know I even remember them all. I know I
caught some of them last month, but we have added Cheryl Thompson
and Grant La Fleur. I may have omit ted a few. Put a note in my box, and I will catch you next month.

North American pairs have started. They cost $\$ 6$ a person, and there are always extra points. You must have qualified by being in the top $50 \%$ of a local game to be eligible for the 2 session play-off in October that will allow you to compete in the district. Strats go up to 2000 points for flight B so you may want to consider the Unit final and going onto Austin for the District finals.

We lost 2 members to death this month. Janelle Franklin died of pancreatic cancer after a long and courageous 18 month battle. Lottie Jo Walker died recently in an assisted living facility. Our sympathy goed out to their families. Janelle had served several stints on the Unit Board and had helped plan parties and other special events where she did a wonderful job. She will certainly be missed. Lottie Jo was a lovely lady also from Tahoka who hadn't played much lately but was always a joy to be around.

The Unit Board also voted to hold the 8 is Enough game once every quarter. Gary Blaiss has consented to direct for free, and Bonta Thomopson has offered a third Sat. for the game. We will only serve snacks with no formal food organization-just pot luck. Charlotte and Betty will take a rest as 2 people will volunteer to organize a game so that the burden doesn't fall on the same people each quarter. There will be some rule changes so that the same people won't play together each time. More on this later.

Many thanks to Bonta Thompson who had a new bookcase made for us. She found someone to do the work and paid for it out of her own pocket. You are free to borrow from the bookcase whenever you like and are on the honor system to return what you have borrowed. Donations of your old books are welcome.

A nominating committee was appointed by the Board to find 4 people pointed by the Board to find 4 people
to serve for the 2012-2013 Board of to serve for the 2012-2013 Board of
Directors. The committee consisted of Charoltte Blaiss, Mozella Tew, Gina Schultz, Walt Langendorf and me. The new people to be put up for consideration at the Annual meeting between sessions of our Sectional are Robbie Butts, Norma Buchanan, Becky Howard, and Gina Schultz. Please thank all these people for their time.

This article has a lot of information. I hope I didn't miss anything. Please put a note in my box, and I will include it next time if I did. Don't forget our Sectional August 10, 11, and 12. Sandi Krahmer

## King Cotton Regional

April 24-29, 2012
278 players. 556 tables
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## Knockouts

Tues/Wed KO-Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Marc Levine, Lubbock ; Clement Jackson, Albuquerque NM; David Caprera, Denver CO; Chris Comp-
ton, Dallas 2. Carolyn Lanier-Mary Pat Gentry-Eddie Wold-Robert Mor ris, Houston ; Betty Starzec-Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land 3/4 Kenneth Woodard-Anita Woodard-Mary Ann Anthony-A Beckman Divilbiss, Lub bock ; Irene Oppenheim, Cherry Hill NJ; Charles Grimes, Midland 3/4 L Dale Harris, Jr, San Angelo ; Alan Copeland, Midland ; Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio ; John Grantham, Amarillo ; Rebecca Rogers, Las Vegas NV
Tues/Wed KO-Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. J. Neal Marchbanks-Jan HoverWayne Bahr-Johnnie Dayton, Lubbock 2. Annette Sides-Norma Bu chanan-Kay Davidson-Cheryl Thompson, Lubbock 3/4 Margot Leonard-Rosa Materson, Houston Jean Westfall, Lubbock ; RaeDonna ones, Kingwood 3/4 Patti HortonNancy Little-Ladd Smith-Betty Smith, Big Spring
Tues/Wed KO-Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Barbara Miles, Odessa; Phyllis Laird-Carol Hastings-Richard Stein, Midland 2. Barry Allen-Albert Tomlin, Edmond OK; Robert Patrum, Shawnee OK; Sherman Layman, Okemah OK 3/4 Becky Hamil ton-Tawnya Cole-Lynda McBride, Lubbock ; Frank Whitney, Roswell NM 3/4 Tim Jones, Overland Park KS; V Myers-W Wagnon Jr-Jane Giddens, Lubbock
Wed/Thurs KO-Bracket 1-14 Tables 1. Robert Patton, Abilene Douglas Wagner, Birmingham AL; Mark Lair, Canyon ; Thomas Turgeon, Memphis TN 2. Jerr BoscheeWilliam Olds-Nancy Latner-Frank Durante, Dallas 3 Phillip Kielpinski, Amarillo ; Betty Dickerson, Mid land ; Gary Sawyer, Alto NM; Billie Mitchell-Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock ; Linda Spangler, Ft Worth 4 Donna Murray-Richard Murray, Jr, Larkspur CO; Gayle SchendzielosDale Schendzielos, Colorado Spgs Dale
CO

Thursday B/C/D Pairs-9.0 Tables A1. Fern Hamilton, Fritch ; Ronnye Bishop, Dalhart
Thurs/Fri KO-Bracket 1-9 Tables

1. Clement Jackson, Albuquerque NM; Marc Levine, Lubbock ; David Caprera, Denver CO; David Grainger, Bend OR 2. John Rollinson -Jerry Beck, Clovis NM; Suzy Stiles, Lubbock ; Billie Armstrong, Ransom Canyon 3/4 Ronald Francey, Corpus Christi ; Don Malone, Wonewoc WI Jerrold Albom, Dalllas ; Phyllis Vierra, San Jose CA 3/4 L Dale Harris, Jr, San Angelo ; Alan Copeland, Midland ; John Grantham, Amarillo Rebecca Rogers, Las Vegas NV Marilyn Arnold, San Antonio
Thurs/Fri KO-Bracket 2-10 Tables 1. Judy Floyd-Nelle Hixson-Charles Raines, Arlington ; Ginger Kennedy, Fort Worth 2. Barry Allen-Albert Tomlin, Edmond OK; Robert Patrum, Shawnee OK; Sherman Layman, Okemah OK 3/4 Barbara Miles, Odessa ; Phyllis Laird-Carol Hast-ings-Richard Stein, Midland 3/4 Belle Harris-Linda Aaron, Midland ; Patti Witt-Brenda Leonard, Odessa Fri/Sat KO-Bracket 1-10 Tables 1. Robert Patton, Abilene ; Mark Lair, Canyon ; Douglas Wagner, Birmingham AL; Thomas Turgeon, Memphis TN 2. Mercedes Barker, Odessa Deborah Brookins, Midland ; Tommy Splittgerber, Mason ; Joy Hardy, San Angelo 3/4 Virginia Noelke-Neal Perlman, San Angelo ; Flo Curry, Midland ; Gene Gammill, Mason 3/4 Mark Mundt, Los Alamos NM; Deborah Reichman, Al godones NM; Pam Himes-Jerry Himes, Albuquerque NM
Fri/Sat KO-Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Gina Schultz-Walter Langendorf Will Anthony-Howard Huynh, Lubbock 2. Don Cosby, Ft Worth ; Fran cis Thornberry-Don Sikes-Beth Sikes, Lubbock 3/4 Kay Bickham-

Miles, Odessa ; Phyllis Laird-Carol Hastings-Richard Stein, Midland 2. Gina Schultz-Walter LangendorfWill Anthony-Howard Huynh, Lubbock 3 Sandra Fix-Paula Boone, Oklahoma City OK; Jan Hover-Grant La Fleur, Lubbock
Sunday Bracketed B3 Swiss 1. Sandie Walser-Barbara McDonaldParkerlene Pillans-Joyce Attebury, Amarillo 2. Bonnie Jan Robson-Alan Robson, Denton ; Rebecca Howard, Lubbock ; Brenda Johnson, San An onio
Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-11 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. Gene Gammill, Mason ; Neal PerlmanVirginia Noelke, San Angelo ; Flo Curry, Midland A2. Robert Patton, Abilene ; Mark Lair, Canyon; Douglas Wagner, Birmingham AL; Thomas Turgeon, Memphis TN A3. Clement Jackson, Albuquerque NM Marc Levine, Lubbock ; David Grainger, Bend OR; David Caprera, Denver CO A4. Mark Mundt, Los Alamos NM; Deborah Reichman, Algodones NM; Pam Himes-Jerry Himes, Albuquerque NM X1. Mercedes Barker, Odessa • Tommy Splittgerber, Mason ; Deborah

## Brookins, Midland ; Joy Hardy, Sa

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## Side Series

Tues/Wed Side Series-6.0 Tables A1. Gene Gammill, Mason ; Flo Curry, Midland A21. Vicky Fisher, Big Lake ; Judy Wilde, San Angelo B21C .Amanda Shaw, Odessa; Frances Austin, Lubbock C2. Jerry BlairJohnny Hughes, Lubbock 54.00\% Tues/Wed Side Series-6.0 Tables A1. Gene Gammill, Mason ; Flo Curry, Midland A2. Betty Dickerson, Midland ; Phillip Kielpinski, Amarillo B1. Bruce Hook-Myrna Pyke Lubbock B2. Sharon Owens, Weatherford ; Carolyn Cawthron, Lubbock
Tues/Wed Side Series-4.0 Tables A1. Flo Curry, Midland ; Gene Gammill, Mason A2B1. Bonnie George, Lubbock ; Nancy Greer, Dimmitt B2 Robert Whitaker-Faye Whitaker, ubboc
Tues/Wed Side Series-6.5 Tables AB1. James Randall, Steamboat Sprig CO; Sandy Potts, Austin A2 Wanda Wilson, Lubbock ; Sharon Bishop, Helotes B2C1. Jerry Blair

Johnny Hughes, Lubbock C2 Marilyn Higgins, Midland ; Helen Davis, Odessa
Evening Side Series-11.0 Tables A1. Gene Gammill-Tommy Splitt gerber, Mason A2/3B1. John Rollinson-Jerry Beck, Clovis NM A2/3 Pam Himes-Jerry Himes, Albu querque NM B2. Irma AndrewsPeter Andrews, Aptos CA B3. Betty Horne-Maxine Bunyard, San Angelo C1. Bruce Hook-Myrna Pyke, Lubbock B2. Howard Huynh, Lubbock Richard Leonardon, Santa Fe NM Richard Leonardon, San, FM Thurs/Fri Side Seriowe, Arlingto hur/. Side Series-5.0 Tables AB1. Jean Rochford-Jack Rochford San Angelo A2. Dorene Dulaney, Shallowater ; Sue Willhoit, Lubbock B2C1.. Darlene Wilbanks-Becky Hamilton, Lubbock C2.. Johnny Hughes-Jerry Blair, Lubbock Thurs/Fri Side Series-4.5 Tables AB1. Bonnie George, Lubbock Nancy Greer, Dimmitt AB2C1. Bar bara Bridges-Norma Labarthe, Abilene
Friday Eve Side Swiss-9 Tables AB1, Belle Harris, Midland ; Karel Toohey-Kat Tiano, Albuquerque NM; Diane Todd, Cedar Crest NM

A2. Robert Patton, Abilene ; Mark Lair, Canyon ; Douglas Wagner, Birmingham AL; Thomas Turgeon, Memphis TN A3. Virginia NoelkeNeal Perlman, San Angelo; Greg Loran-Howard Huynh, Lubbock B2C1. RaeDonna Jones, Kingwood Rosa Materson, Houston ; Delores Maddox, Cordell OK; Barbara Privett, Altus OK B3. Wayne BahrSue Willhoit-Cheryl ThompsonJohnnie Dayton, Lubbock 55.00 Evening Side Series-5.0 Tables A1/2B1. John Rollinson-Jerry Beck Clovis NM A1/2 Gene Gammill, Mason ; Flo Curry, Midland A1. Fern Hamilton, Fritch ; Ronnye Fern Hamilton,
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Thurs/Fri/Sat Side Series-3.5 T bles A1. Dorene Dulaney, Shallowa ter ; Sue Willhoit, Lubbock BC1. John Abney-John Clarke, Lubbock Evening Side Series-4.0 Tables A1 Deborah Reichman, Algodones NM Mark Mundt, Los Alamos NM BC1 Julie Benson, Levelland ; Grant La Fleur, Lubbock
Tues/Wed Side Series-15.25 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1/2 Flo Curry, Midland 1/2 Gene Gammill, Mason 3/4 Wanda Wilson, Lubbock

3/4 Sharon Bishop, Helotes 5. Bonie George, Lubbock Evening Side Series - 19 Tables 1 Gene Gammill, Mason 2/3 Jerry Beck, Clovis NM $2 / 3$ John Rollinson, Clovis NM $4 / 5$ Ronnye Bishop, Dal hart 4/5 Fern Hamilton, Fritch Thurs/Fri/Sat Side Series-7.0 Ta bles A1. Sandra Krahmer-Wanda Wilson, Lubbock A2. Alison Beer New Zealand; Marie Milsum, Rotoua New Zealand A3 1. Joh Rollinson-Jerry Beck, Clovis B2C1 Grant La Fleur, Lubbock ; Kaia Hawley, Ransom Canyon C3B2 Ann Jay-James Jay, Gorman B3 David \& Jerre McAfee, San Angelo Thurs/Fri Side Series-17.75 Tables 1. Wanda Wilson, Lubbock 2. Grant La Fleur, Lubbock 3. John Abney, Lubbock 4/5 Sue Willhoit, Lubbock 4/5 Dorene Dulaney, Shallowater Sunday Bracketed B1 Swiss-7 Tables / Based on 21 Tables 1. Wanda Robinson, Tulia ; Evelyn Kurkin, Petersburg ; Andrea Ford, Lockney John nie Bea Brown, Lubbock 2. Elaine Ireland, Wichita Falls ; Carole Hall, Bandera ; Richard Leonardon, Santa Fe NM; Lynda McBride, Lubbock 3. Wayne Bahr-Franc

## KING COTTON LUBBOCK REGIONAL




Fri \& Sat Strat Pairs A
Bob Esch - Rose Black


Deborah Brookins, Tommy Splittgerber, Mercedes Parker, Joy Hardy


Sat Strat Pairs B
Sandy Potts - Becky Hamilton


Fri - Sat KO Bkt 2
Gina Schultz, Howie Huynh Will Anthony, Walt Langendorf


Sat Aft Side Game
Sue Wilhoit - Dorene Dulaney


Sat Eve Swiss A, Sun Swiss
Flo Curry, Gene Gammill, Flo Curry, Gene Gammill,
Neal Perlman, Virginia Noelke


Sat Aft Swiss A
Linda Spangler, Billie Mitchell, Carol Schoenhals, Gary Sawyer


Sunday Bracketed Swiss
Andy Ford, Evelyn Kurlin,
Wanda Robinson, Johnnie Bea Brown


Sunday Bracketed Swiss
Carol Hastings, Barbara Miles,
Richard Stein, Phyllis Laird


Sunday Bracketed Swiss
Barbara McDonnell, Joyce Attebury
Sandie Walser, Parkerllene Pillans


Fri - Sat KO Bkt Fri - Sat KO Bkt 1
David Caprera, Marc Levine,
David Grainger, Clement Jackson

Unit 201
Sabine Neches
Patsy Pierce

The Beaumont Bridge Studio was saddened to learn of the death of Walt Wagner. Our sympathy goes out to Walt's family and friends. He will be missed.
The first Neches River Festival made its debut in Beaumont in May 1949. The 64th annual Neches River Festival officially kicked off when King William Benning arrived by boat at William Benning arrived by boat at
Collier's Ferry Park. The Beaumont Collier's Ferry Park. The Beaumont
Bridge Studio's annual Neches Bridge Studio's annual Neches
River Tournament has long been a part of these exciting festivities. On Friday, King Benning and his court joined our club for a luncheon in their honor. Following the luncheon, our regular tournament event resumed. Trophy winners for the week of the tournament were: Monday,
afternoon session $-1^{\text {tt }}$ Dr. Bharathi afternoon session $-1^{\text {st }}$ Dr. Bharathi
and Ed Rasmussen, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Frankie Hall and Connor Smith. Evening session winners - $1^{\text {st }}$ Janis and Don Williams, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Sarah Smith and Betty Kirwin. Tuesday Morning session $1^{\text {st }}$ Bill Delboy and Susan Nimmo, $1^{\text {sd }}$ Bill Delboy and Susan Nimmo,
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Francis Price and Natalie Hall2 Francis Price and Natalie Hall-
mark. Afternoon session $-1^{\text {st }}$ Juinez Moss and Liz Karnicki,, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Pat Schiewart and Sarah Smith.
Wednesday Morning session - $1^{\text {st }}$ Thomas Comte and Gretchen Glass, $2^{\text {nd }}$ E.W. Sweeney and Paul Aguillard. Afternoon Session - $1^{\text {st }}$ Ed Rasmussen and Connor Smith. $2^{\text {nd }}$ Nancy massen John Smalley. Friday afternoon session - $1^{\text {st }}$ Arline Meyers and Joan Hataway, $2^{\text {nd }}$ John and Nancy Smalley. Sunday Afternoon Session
$-1^{\text {st }}$ Aiyanadar Bharathi and Ed Ras-- $1^{\text {st }}$ Aiyanadar Bharathi and Ed Ras-
mussen Congratulations to all the winners.
Dana Burnett has recently achieved the rank of Bronze Life Master. Dana is a great asset to our club. He assists Nancy with her Wednesday morning teaching game and also helps me keep up with all the game helps me keep up wine Garth has also
winners. Mary Jane winners. Mary Jane Garth has also
completed the requirements for the rank of Bronze Life Master. Mary Jane, known for her generosity and great parties, is an integral part of our membership. Bob Black, a wellknown local lawyer, has recently advanced to the rank of Emerald Life Master. Bob is one of the top ranked Master. Bob is one of the top ranked
online bridge players and we hope online bridge players and we hope
that in the future he finds more time to join us at the club. Congratulations to all of you.
We "Rocked Around the Clock" as we celebrated Liz Karnicki's Life Master achievement with a 50 's party. What a shock when Marilyn Monroe walked in taking the place of our honoree!!. We especially enjoyed meeting her lovely family and hearing some interesting tales from them and others. Winners of the best 50 's attire were Don and Janis Williams, Don Moss, Jerry Heckman, and Gretchen Glass. Patsy Pierce won the "Bridge Quiz" category. All in all, it was a fun filled event. Overall winners of the following game
were John and Nancy Smalley. Second place was taken by Martha Sigler and Flo Gillispie with Joan Hataway and Jan Niederstadt finishing third. Others placing were Keith Dotson and Earl Johnson taking $2^{\text {nd }}$ Dotson and Earl Johnson taking 2
in Flight B and Liz Mackinzie and Gertrude Cherry placing $3^{\text {rd }}$ in B.

Glenda Bass and Gretchen Glass finished in $3^{\text {rd }}$ place. placed $3^{\text {rd }}$ in Flight C. Great party, Liz. Congratulations on your accom-
plishment!! plishment!!
I want to spotlight our players who posted a $70 \%$ or better and joined the April 70's Club. Dave Becker and Betty Poindexter, 72\%, Gloria Ayres and Nixie Lynch, $70 \%$, Bill Matthews and Sarah Smith, $70 \%$,and thews and Sarah Smith, $70 \%$,and
Dr. Bharathi and Ed Rasmussen, 70\%. May 70's Club - Robert Kacher and Tim Stelly, $70 \%$ This was a STaC Game and gave Robert and Tim an overall $1^{\text {st }}$ in District. Although Susan Nimmo and Johnny Vernor did not reach the $70 \%$ mark, they did place 1st in District on the Thursday afternoon STaC game earning them extra master points.. Congratulations, all
April's Mentor Pairs Game was won by Sylvia Street and Juinez Moss. Second and third places were shared by Gretchen Class and Flo Gillespie with Julia Hooper and Gillespie with Julia Hooper and
Carol McGill. April Mentor Team Game saw the $1^{\text {st }}$ place trophy going to the team of Paul Keedy, Jo Ellen Lavergne, Jack Evans, and Liz Mackenzie. Earning the $2^{\text {nd }}$ place trophy were Pat Bell, Susan Mandel, Martha Sigler and June Eddingston. May's Mentor Pairs Game was May's Mentor Pairs Game was
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dingston. Placing $2^{\text {nd }}$
were Betty Kirwin and Cynthia Stueber with Sylvia Street and Juinez Moss finishing $3^{\text {rd }}$. The May Mentor Team Game was won by the team of Pat Bell, Martha Sigler, Linda Briggs and Lorena Strange. Second place went to E. W. Sweeney, Ann Montwent to E. W. Sweeney, Ann Mont-
gomery. Sarah Smith, and Earl Johngomery. Sarah Smith, and Earl John-
son with Kris Cherry, Dee Payne, Martha Oliver and Anna Smith placing third.
Party bridge met duplicate at our Get Acquainted Party for local party bridge players. Thanks to Liz Karnicki, Juinez Moss and team, we had a delicious lunch before Don Moss presented a brief lesson on the use of bridge boards, bid boxes and scoring. N/S winners for the day were Dee Payne and Wayne Outlaw. Juinez Moss and Jim Walker placed $2^{\text {nd }}$ with Robert McGill and Paul Aguillard in $3^{\text {rd }}$. E/W winners were Susan Nimmo and Johnny Vernor with Pat Bell and Cindy Smith in $2^{\text {nd }}$ place. Earl Johnson and Sally Blewett finished in $3^{\text {rd }}$ position. This game was well attended,and filled with laughs and fun. Hopefully, we were able to create interest in the wonderful world of duplicate bridge.
Our annual Memorial Day Celebration was hosted by our president, tion was hosted by our president,
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chef. This was a time for us to comchef. This was a time for us to com-
memorate all men and women who have died in service of our country and to officially mark the start of the summer season. We did it in style with a great meal and a challenging bridge game. The winners of the game were Aiyanadar Bharathi and game were Aiyanadar Bharathi and
Robert Kacher. Martha Sigler and Robert Kacher. Martha Sigler and
Beverly Leger came in $2^{\text {nd }}$ with Don and Juinez Moss finishing $3^{\text {rd }}$ in Flight A. Others placing were Mary Jane Garth and Loretta Gary at $2^{\text {nd }}$ in Flight B with Lorena Strange and Nelta Devine in $3^{\text {rd }}$ place. In Flight C, Tim Stelly and Bill Lucas finished $2^{\text {nd }}$ with Noel Buff and Earl Johnson coming in $3^{\text {rd }}$ place. The evening Memorial Day game was won by Paul Aquillard and Bill Delboy. Janis and Don Williams placed 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ with Sarah Smith and Betty Kirwin

While in Memphis, Sally and I entertained ourselves at breakfast by reading the menu at the Blue Plate Café. In their list of Rules for Life, I found one I have to share with you as I think it applies to Bridge as well as life. Develop Self Discipline, in life. Develop Self Discipline, in
other words, do what you're supother words, do what you're sup-
posed to do, not what you want to do, until what you're supposed to do is what you want to do. Have a great game; see you at the table.


Congratulations to all 2011 Winners in both categories:
Ace of Clubs (All points won during a calendar year at the club level with the exception of those won in STaCs, progressive sectionals, NABC fundraiser events, the North American Open Pairs and the Grand National Teams.)
0-5 Anna Thomas
5-20 Betty Whitten
20-50 Chuck Anderson
50-100 Carolyn Reed
100-200 Kurt Fangmeier
200-300 Toni Hurlbut
300-500 Dave Watson
500-1000 Maxine Bunyard 1000-2500 Judy Wilde 2500-5000 Sue Henry
Mini McKinney (All points won during a calendar year excluding points won online.) same as above unless noted below
20-50 Dale Harris
100-200 Alberta Birk
300-500 Candyce Pfluger
500-1000 Gene Lux
1000-2500 Barbara Wright
2500-5000 Virginia Noelke
Honorable mention across both lists went to Wiley Bunton, Ramonda Ballard, Jo Ann Beauchamp, Pat Bitner, Fran Grogan, Marifrances Watson, Jerre McAfee, Larry Hettick, Linda Reichenau, Charles Loeffler, MJ McCord and Neal Perlman.
After 5 lessons two of MJ's new students in San Angelo decided to jump into the duplicate pool. Margaret Porter and Mike Williams had the goal to "not be bottom"; they stayed afloat and ended in the middle. At the end of the session they were making plans for the next game.
Several San Angelo folks attended the late April Lubbock Regional and did themselves and Unit 204 proud: especially Gene Gammill-47points and Dale Harris-24. Other winners included Vicky Fisher, Judy Wilde, Iris Warren, Peggy Jackson, Barbara Wright, Patsy Rogers, Norma Walker, Suzanne Dorris, Virginia Noelke and Neal Perlman. During a break we found a super atmosphere of rock n roll and the 50 's at the Holly Hop ice cream shop and the scream was delicious.
Of course San Angelo had some STACS games and first place district wide winners were Linda Cole + Patsy Rogers for a Monday eve 67\% --congratulations! Alberta Birk from Mason completed the Life Master quest that same night playing with Tommy Splittgerber-well done Alberta. Honorable mention for second places district wide also goes second porma Walker + Judy Wilde for
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Wedn aft-67\% and Dave Marifrances Watson for Thurs eve-68\%.
Worth repeating, -- from Bob Hamman's autobiography, Dallas Aces coach Joe Musumeci's seven deadly sins: 1 -no win declarer play; 2-no $\frac{\text { sins. }}{\text { win }}$ defensive play; 3 -unilateral actions; 4-bidding without values; 5tions; 4 -bidding without values; 5 -
impulsive actions; 6 -system violaimpulsive actions; 6 -system viola-
tions and 7 -mechanical errors. In other words and regrettably, the following incomplete list of recent errors included lazy inattention, not counting, taking tricks prematurely, giving it to declarer and lack of awareness of mistakes.

Again, worth repeating, excerpts and paraphrases from ACBL 4/99 bulletin Robert Wolff's advice to Junior squad: Check your ego at the door and leave emotional baggage you have. A disciplined player is always ready to play. A disciplined player doesn't try to win the match all by himself. A disciplined player always plays hard. A disciplined player knows agreed system. Play without emotion. Steeling oneself to overcome adversity by putting a bad result in the past immediately. Be consistent so partner always knows what to expect.

San Angelo had a 12 table Memorial

Day game and Ginny
Noelke+Louetta Green had a $75 \%$. Noelke+Louetta Green had a $75 \%$.
Then the local winners in the June Then the local winners in the June
$2^{\text {nd }}$ World Wide game in San Angelo were A: Ginny Noelke+Louetta Green $70 \%$ and B: Martha Godbey+Nancy Harris $57 \%$.

Any stories and scraps of the present or past for this column are still welcomerand appreciated
(neal.perlman@gmail.com). Thanks in advance in helping me report our 204 news and shared memories.


Paul Kelley, a long time member of Unit 207, recently collected his 10,000th ACBL master point and became a Platinum Life Master. He becomes a member of a very select group of duplicate bridge players numbering only 533 players in the United States. Born in Colorado, but calling Texas home since early on, Paul became hooked on bridge as a college student at West Texas State back in the early 60s. Following graduation, he ended up in the Army and in Viet Nam. Returning to civilian life, he enrolled in and graduated from the University of Texas Law

## Austin Fall Sectional Sept 20-23 2012 Bridge Center of Austin 6700 Middle Fiskville Rd

Thursday Sept 20 \& Friday Sept 21 KO Teams (0-1250) KO Tams ( $1250+$ Hand $10 \mathrm{am}, 2 \mathrm{pm}, 7 \mathrm{pm}$ Stratified Pairs, Singl Sessions $10 \mathrm{am}, 2 \mathrm{pm}, 7 \mathrm{pm}$ trairs, Single Sessions $10 \mathrm{am}, 2 \mathrm{pm}, 7 \mathrm{pm}$<br>\section*{Saturday Sept 22<br><br>Bracketed KO's (Handicapped*) $10 \mathrm{am}, 2 \mathrm{pm}, 7 \mathrm{pm}$ Stratified Pairs, Single Sessions $10 \mathrm{am}, 2 \mathrm{pm}, 7 \mathrm{pm}$ 199er Pairs, Single Sessions $\quad 10 \mathrm{am}, 2 \mathrm{pm}, 7 \mathrm{pm}$<br><br>Sunday Sept 23} normal ACBL handicap, but no team with an average of $4000+\mathrm{MP}$ will receive any

handicap. Swiss Teams: If any team member has $4000+$ MPs, the team will be in Fligh handicap. Swiss Teams: If any team member has $4000+$ MPs, the team will
A. Director will have discretion on the A/X masterpoint break.

## Stratifications

(for pair games based on average masterpoints of pair) Open Pairs: A: 2000+, B: 500-2000, C: $0-500$ (director may adjust) 199er Pairs: A: $100-200$, B: $50-100, \mathrm{C}: \mathbf{0 - 5 0}$ (director may adjust)

Fri \& Sat Eve Pair Games are International Fund Games Meal Served Between Morning \& Afternoon Sessions General Convention Card Only Except Midchart For A/X Swiss

Entries: $\$ 10 /$ session ( $\$ 11$ non/unpaid members); $\$ 80 /$ Swiss Team


School. After he began his legal career, he once again took up the game of bridge, developing a life long enthusiasm for the game. When asked about one of his more memorable tournaments, he immediately recalled making Life Master at a Corpus Christi tournament in 1978 and remembers it well! For 25 years Mike Bukala and Paul were partners. They played many systems, and Paul says that it's the intellectual competisays that it's the intellectual competitiveness of the game that has kept him intrigued all these years, not any particular system. Today he and his wife, Rosemary Kelly, play regularly together and are a formidable team, both playing and teaching. Asked what advice he would give aspiring players Paul states unequivocally that the sooner a player starts playing the open games, the sooner they will develop their skills. Secondly, he adds: start counting the cards. Two approaches are available: cards. Two approaches are available:
point possibilities in each hand; and point possibilities in each hand; and
cards played and in what order. Get cards played and in what order. Get
the count. Congratulations Paul! We the count. Congratulations Paul! We have bee
Unit 207.
The Unit 207 Board began the Intermediate/Advanced lesson series on May $26^{\text {th }}$, with Rosemary Kelly preMay 26 , with Rosemary Kelly pre-
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upside-down discards for suit prefer-upside-down discards for suit prefer-
ence and Odd/Even signals. The lesson was appreciated by all attending and gave everyone something new to think about! Thank you Rosemary - and thanks to the Board for sponsoring these lessons. The intent, of course, is to give back to the membership and present advanced treatments of current topics in bridge. Each lesson is planned to be about an hour session, with handouts, folhour session, with handouts,
lowed by questions and discussion.

Austin has a new location for bridge players in the Cedar Park area. A new game has been introduced at the Treasure of the Hills Senior Center at 408 Ridgewood Drive, just off US 183. Game time is Saturdays at 1:00. For more information, contact Terry Newman: 512-331-6000.
Milestones: New Life Masters: Dan Baker, Michael Harris, Suzann Patterson, Julie Valentine - way to go! Bronze Life Master: Lee Hilton, David McCarron; Silver Life Master: Harry Ingham; Platinum Life Master: Paul Kelly. Other milestones: 8,000 Points: Jack Lacy; 3500 Points: Jim Hilton; 3000 Points: Genie Kaplan; 1500 Points: Eric Goff, Kevin Perkins; 750 Points: Irene Parker, Robert Pruiett, Points: Irene Parker, Robert Pruiett, Terri O'Brien; 200 Points: Sonya Armstrong, Blair Lapwing, Bill Kalmback, Susan Matthews, Richard Ryan, Art Widen; 100 Points: Robert Caldwell, Helene Norris.
The big winners of our Unit's May Sectional held at the Austin Bridge Sectional held at the Austin Bridge
Center were Virgil Massey and Charlene Sands with 31.30 points each. Hey you two, you just outdid yourselves - that's about 6 points more than most people ever win in a sectional. You are going to be an inspiration or a challenge to lots of players! You're becoming famous. In second place was Elizabeth Tobias with 22.32 points. There were 339 tables of bridge and a total of 1236 points awarded. The tournament was run by Unit 207 with Clara Woods sharing hospitality with George Watkins. It was a seamless tournament. Thanks to all of you for making it a nice tournament

And finally: the Austin City Championship was played on June 16. Unit 207 hosted the 2 game session with a lunch served mid-day, and the big
winners who will get their pictures up for a year, are: Flight A: Janet and Tom Clark; Flight B: Edna Whitworth and Glorianne Perrizo; Flight C: Genie and Loren Nyer; and 0-200: Gary Marquart and Bruce Mansbridge. Congratulations to all.

## Austin May Sectional May 3-6, 2012

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B2. John Taylor-Sue Gerard C1. Martha Norman-Vivian Collins C2 Marcia Jameson-Maddy Bergen Friday Morning 199r Prs-9.0 Tables D1. Kathleen Sato-Jean Marsh D2. Marlene Golden-Merry Balis E1. Patricia \& Jimmy Rutledge E2. Rachell Jackson-Ann Bower F1. Lucy Adcock-Nancy Miller F2. Tho mas Hughes-Mindy Kerber Saturday KO-Bracket 1-5 Tables 1 Roxana Tom-George \& Karen Fillis Hank Eng 2. Jerry Bigler-Thomas Clark- Dave \& Donna Swarthout Saturday KO-Bracket 2-7 Tables Patrick Wang-Dennis KriventsovAnant Rathi-James Andrew Pruet 2 Mary McCarron-David McCarronEdna Whitworth-Glorianne Perrizo Saturday Evening Open Prs-7.0 Saturday Evening Open Prs-7.0
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## AUSTIN MAY SECTIONAL WINNERS



Thurs Aft Open Pairs A
Charlene Sands - Virgil Massey


Fri Eve Open Pairs A


Fri Aft Open Pairs B
Sally Sekac - Joe Black


Sunday Swiss C Stan Kurtzer - Elaine Martin Grant Coon - Harry Ingham


Thurs KO Bkt 2
Elaine Martin - Stan Kurtzer
Terry Richardson - Harry Ingham


Thurs Morn Open Pairs C Steve Andersen - Art Widen


Fri Aft Open Pairs A
Beth


Sunday Swiss D
Julie Valentine - Gilda Reynolds Steve Hollahan - Reid Delfeld


Thurs KO Bkt 1
Dean Truair - Joe Black
McMinn - Hutch Hutchi


Thurs Morn Open Pairs A
Mildred Breed - Karen Snyder


Sat Morn Open Pairs A


Sat KO Bkt 1
Roxana Tom, Hank Eng,


Fri KO Bkt 1
Jan Clark - Donna Swarthout


Fri Morn Open Pairs A


Sat Morn Open Pairs B
Swadesh Mahajan \& Kalpana Sutaria


Sunday Swiss B Theda Cook - Joyce Cooper


Fri KO Bkt 2
Rob Caldwell, Anita Albert, Martha Norman, Sandy Potts


Thurs Eve Open Pairs C David Myers - Juanita Painter


Fri Morn Open Pairs C
Lucerne Bunch - Margie Butler


Sunday Swiss A
irgil Massey - Charlene Sand


Sat Eve Pairs B
Belle Harris - Ann Parish


Fri Morn Pairs A
Norma Walker - Suzanne Davis


Sat Morn Pairs A
Flo Curry - Gene Gammill


Sat Eve Pairs A
Jane Myers - Aggie Anguish


Fri Morn Pairs B
Debbie Kemp - Sandy Thomas


Sat Morn Pairs C
Nancy Hollyfield - Shyla McGill


Fri Aft Pairs A
Bob Bacon - Roberta Bacon


Sat Morn Pairs B Debbie Kemp - Sandy Thomas


Fri Aft Pairs C
Jean Banks - Janet Pollard


Sat Aft Pairs A


Sun Swiss Teams A
Betty Dickerson, Charlotte Blaiss,
Carol Schoenhals, Gary Blaiss


Fri Aft Pairs B
Vicky Fisher - Judy Wilde


Sat Aft Pairs B


Sun Swiss Teams B \& C
Marifrances Watson, David Watson Ann Bailey, Gloria Robertson


Fri Eve Pairs C
David \& Marifrances Watson


Fri Eve Pairs B
Ann Servatius - Joan LaFond


Most of April \& May were not as "party-ing" as the previous two months, though we were "plagued" with many Charity Games during April which are divided between local \& ACBL Charities. Tax season came \& went and Big Spring held an "After Tax Party" on April 18 \& players were treated with Poor Boy sandwiches.

## Lubbock Regional was the main

 attraction from the $24^{\text {th }}$ thru the $29^{\text {th }}$. The Gold attracted many from our Unit. Flo Curry\& Gene Gammel won 39 plus points \& won the Flight A Swiss Team playing with Virginia Noelke and Neal Pearland and Deborah Brookins \& Mercedes Barker placed $1^{\text {st }}$ in the Flight Ax Swiss Team event. Deborah \& Mercedes also placed $2^{\text {nd }}$ in the Fri//Sat. Knockout competition. Excited Plyllis Laird, Barbara Miles, Carol Hastings \& Richard Stein were victorious in getting Phyllis her Life Master award winning over 9 points. Congratulations and a Life Master Party for Phyllis \& Barbara will be held on June 16 with a "Pot Luck" luncheon at 12:30 p.m. You-all come! Many others won in their respective categories - too many to mention but worth of congratulations also. An Easy Bridge student Amanda Shaw placed $1^{\text {st }}$ in a " C " side game Tues./Wed. series. Alan Copeland was instrumental in partnering with Dale Harris from San Angelo \& winning 22 Gold points toward his life master points. Lena Nichols \& Gloria Crites won over 13 Gold. Also May Day May1st - the Tuesday afternoon Midland club had a wine \& cheese party \& Club Championship Game.STaC Games were from May 14 thru May 20 with STaC Games everyday \& it is too much to name winners; however Dorothy Brenneman \&
Marlene Blumentritt placed overall Marlene Blumentritt placed overall
with a $61+$ percent winning 6.71 points in overall awards.

May 17 Thursday night club had
another "8 is Enough" Swiss Team game with 8 tables in play-Roberta Bacon, Lelani Matthews, Sarana Savage \& Don Troy were $1^{\text {st }}$ and Georgia Temple, Marilyn Higgins, Helen South \& Jerry Burchell were $2^{\text {nd }}$. This has been a great drawing card \& Belle really has everyone fired up!

I noted in the Scorecard in the District 16 Ace of Clubs awards that I, Jean Pistole,, was \#5 overall in the Jean Pistole,, was \#5 overall in the
$2500-5000$ category and Gloria Crites placed in the 5000-7500 group.

Memorial Day was observed by the Midland bridge group on Monday, May 28 , with our thanks \& praise for those who serve \& who have served our nation. A hot dog supper \& a Club Championship Game were enjoyed amid beautiful red, white \& blue décor.

We were saddened by the loss of another of our players as Kathryn Gesell lost her valiant fight with cancer. She was a very interesting \& talented artist. She had just received her Honorary Life Master Certificate that she had looked forward to but could not finish her $1+$ point due to her failing health. Condolences to her family - we will miss our friend.

We still have several who are just not "up to par" so as to speak. Wyoma has been in the hospital and Ann Servatius' husband, Jim, has been hospitalized \& is now recuperating at Manor Park Rehab. We have others 1with aches \& pains \& we wish them continued "get well wishes". Gloria spoke with Mary Hammond this week; even though she is not too happy there she has great accommodations \& attention.
Time for Midland Tall City Sectional Tournament is June 8, 9, \& 10. We are looking forward to a good tournament \& as always a good timegood bridge \& good "snacks"

Until the next one--------Jean

## Midland Tall City

101 players. 115 tables.
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Fri. AM Stratified Prs.-8.5 Tables A1. Norma Walker-Suzanne Dorris A2B1. Debbie Kemp-Sandra Thomas B2. Don Malone-Agnes Anguish C1 Patricia Grace-Marlene Blumentritt C2. Trudie Thomason-Belle Harris Fri. Aft Stratified Prs.-20.0 Tables A1. Robert Bacon-Roberta Bacon A2. Jean Pistole-Gloria Crites B1 Vicky Fisher-Judy Wilde B2. Billie Rush-N.Dale Beck C1. Jean BanksJanet Pollard C2. Marlene Blumen-tritt-Marilyn Higgins
Sat. AM Stratified Prs.-10.0 Tables A1. Flo Curry-Gene Gammill A2B1. Sandra Thomas-Debbie Kemp B2/3C1. Nancy Hollyfield-Shyla McGill b2/3 Peggy Jackson-Iris Warren C2. Marilyn Higgins-Georgia Temple
Sat. Aft Stratified Prs.-15.5 Tables A1. Gloria Crites-Jean Pistole A2B1. Barbara Wright-Betty Horne B2. Robert Baker-Kathryn Evans C1. Marifrances Watson-David Watson C2. Shyla McGill-Nancy Hollyfield Sat. Eve Stratified Prs.-11.0 Tables A1. Jean Pistole-Gloria Crites A2BC1. Belle Harris-Ann Parish B2 Gloria Jackson-Frances Levin C2. Nancy Hollyfield-Shyla McGill Fri. Eve Stratified Prs.-14.0 Tables A1. Jane Myers-Agnes Anguish A2. Rebecca Kinsey-Gloria Crites B1. Ann Servatius-Joan La Fond B2C1. David Watson-Marifrances Watson C2. Brenda Leonard-Patti Witt Sun. Stratified Swiss-18 Tables A1 Betty Dickerson-Carol SchoenhalsCharlotte Blaiss-Gary Blaiss A2BC1. David Watson-Marifrances Watson Gloria Robertson-Ann Bailey B2. Ann Parish-Marty Massie-Charles Grimes-Shyla McGill C2. Marlene Blumentritt-Irene Hamm-Brenda Brauner-Jane Taylor


Player Success. Jo Smith went to the Rocky Mountain Regional in May and partnered Mark Lair, the bridge professional from Canyon, Texas. Lair, whom many local players have met at Abilene tournaments, has more than 58,500 points, which makes him the sixth highest-ranking Grand Life Master. Jo reports that playing with Lair was a real pleasure and that his patience removed any nervousness that she might have had. nervousness that she might have had.
Jo's team won four events. Lair was Jo's team won four events. Lair was
the tournament's high scorer, and Jo's 101.5 points put her in second place.
Coyita Bowker, Barbara Bridges, Ann and James Jay, Norma Labarthe, Robert Patton, and Carol Whitten played in the Lubbock Regional that began in late April. Everyone earned points, and Robert was in fifth place overall, thanks in part to his team's wins in a Swiss and a knockout.

Unit 224 participated in the Sectional Tournament at Clubs (STaC) for a week in May. This involved identical hands simultaneously played at clubs throughout ACBL's District 16, which includes Mexico and almost all of Texas. The local star was Don Dwyer, who placed third of the 2,653 players who earned points (plus surely some hundreds of others who did not). He played only five times, winning twice - once with times, winning twice - once with
Bobby Grier ( $68 \%$ and once with Jo Bobby Grier ( $88 \%$ and once with Jo
Smith ( $70 \%$. Jo placed $12^{\text {th }}$ overall.

Big club games included Bobbie Olson and Betsy Duncan on 12 April (73\%) and Coleen Grisham and Bette Byrd ( $76 \%$ ) on 10 May, both at Bridge etc.

Congratulations to all these winners, especially those who went to tournaments. Moving past one's comfort zone either by defending against or partnering with better players is the best way to improve one's game.

Abilene Regional Tournament. This space will continue to remind readers of the regional tournament that Unit 224 will sponsor for an entire week in October 2013. This event will allow Unit members to play the game with a variety of the nation's top bridge professionals without having to travel. The oppor-
tunity to see long-time bridge friends, earn a bushel of points, and improve one's game should make participation irresistible.

Unit President Jo Smith, who also serves as First Vice-President of ACBL District 16, lobbied mightily for our Unit to host regionals. The cynical might suspect that political deals were cut in the smoke-filled rooms. The naïve might assume that politics only occur in Congress. Whichever way the reader leans, the result was that we will host a regional tournament every three years.

Robert Patton will organize the tournament and is taking notes as he attends other regionals. It will be important for many reasons to produce the same first-class event that attendees to our sectionals have come to expect, and there will be a role for each of us. We can start now by talking up the 2013 Abilene Regional with our out-of-town friends.

Mabel Lilius Bridge Center. The Unit 224 Board of Directors has voted to let contracts to repaint and recarpet the clubhouse. We are one of the few units in the district with ownership of its facility, and maintenance comes with the territory. Sue Patton and Barbara Bridges have agreed to assume the responsibility of directing the contractors, a task that is always frustrating. The entire membership is grateful to them.

The carpet below the wainscoting has been removed and that on the floor will be replaced. The color scheme has been revised to warm neutrals, and the bulletin board is now where the window to the storeroom was. Gargantuan banners depicting a 7 Notrump hand and a Yarborough hand will decorate the walls. Other much-needed changes and a comprehensive freshening of the interior will result in what will look like a completely new facility. When the work is finished a celebratory game will be in order.

Players have spontaneously made donations for various elements of the project.

Special Unit Games. Darla Mawson reports that lessons for advanced
beginners and intermediate players will begin in June. Jackie Sonnenburg's 199er games continue on Thursdays. Jackie and Mary Lou Gross have made a fine start with their Meal and Deal games, and these will continue on the second Saturday of each month, when attendees can expect the best homecooked lunch in town and some equally excellent bridge.

As the Unit's newest Texas Stars, Sue and Robert Patton were honored at a game in May when Don Dwyer grilled hot dogs.

The ACBL's North American Pair games will occur in June, July and August, when each club is allowed to hold two NAP games per month. This will be an opportunity to earn half red/half black points at club games. This prestigious event, which is stratified, is staged in qualifying rounds at the club, unit, and district levels. It culminates in a final held in conjunction with the 2013 St. Louis Spring North American Bridge Championship. 1


The Blackeyed Pea Sectional Tournament in Athens was a big success the weekend of April 19, 20 and 21. Great hospitality as always, and lots of fun was had by all! Co-chairs Ginger Rhamey and Karol Rank and their staff did a bang-up job as always! Top masterpoint winners were the quintet of Shirley Matthews, Mike Graham, Kay Wright, Jimmy Hubbard and Shirley Shelton, who

## won 14.80 mp in winning both Bracket I knockouts.

Peggy Singer was honored in Longview as she became Life Master at the Blackeyed Pea Tournament. Peggy amassed her 500 mp , including 50 gold, 50 red, and 75 silver in just under two years. The theme of her party was "The Singer 500" and the racetrack theme was carried out in the decorations, as well as her poem, which equated Mrs. Singer to Mario Andretti! The Longview DBC hosted the event, with 13 tables in attendance. Peggy was given a beauattendance. Peggy was given a beau-
tiful necklace, plaque, and a 3-year tiful necklace, plaque, and a 3-year
membership renewal with the ACBL.
Congratulations to Longview's newest Life Master,Beth Hankins, she became Life Master at the Hot Springs Tournament.

Unit Games at a Glance:

## April Winners:

Open Game
1st Dick and Mary Hinkle
2nd Don and Mary Bartley
3rd Richard Bryant and Alta Peck Non-LM Game
1st Helene Hall and Patsy Wood 2nd Sally McAnulty and Diane Duncan
3 rd
3rd Sandy Lansing and Jean Huskey

## May Winners:

Open Game:
lst Reaves Murphey and Brenda Baker
2nd Jimmy Wright and Charles Ford 3rd Richard Bryant and Alta Peck

## June Winners:

1st Karol Rank and Ginger Rhamey 2nd Reaves Murphey and Brenda Baker

## Tournament of Roses

## July 12-15, 2012

Holiday Inn Express 5701 S Broadway, Tyler Tx Call $903-561-5800$ by $6 / 24 / 12$ for "BridgeRate" $\$ 89 /$ Nite

## Thursday July 12

Dottie Pirkle Bracketed KO 11 \& 2 of $4 \quad 1: 30$ 7:30
Open Pairs (Single Session)
1:30 7:30
299er Pairs
1:30 7:30
Friday July 13
Dottie Pirkle Bracketed KO 1 Sessions 3 \& 4
Open Pairs (Single Session)
299er Pairs (Single Session)
Dottie Pirkle Bracketed KO 2 1, 2, \& 3 of 4
9:00 1:30
9:00 1:30 $\quad 7: 30$
9:00 1:30 7:30
Dottie Pirkle Bracketed KO 3 Teams Session 1 of 4
9:00 1:30 7:30

## Saturday July 14

Dottie Pirkle Bracketed KO 2 Session 4 of 4
Open Pairs (Single Session)
299er Pairs (Single Session)
Dottie Pirkle Bracketed KO 3 Sessions $2,3 \& 4$ 9:00 1:30 7:30
9.00 1.30 7.30

Sunday July 15
Judge Steger Strati-flighted Swiss Teams 10:00 and TBA Flt A: Open Flt AX: 0-2500 (Play together) Flt B: 500-2500 Flt C: 0-500 (Complimentary Lunch for all Swiss entrants)

Open Pairs Flt A: Open Flt B: 500-2500 Flt C: 0-500
299er Pairs and Swiss Flt A: 200-300 Flt C: 100-200 Flt C: 0-100

## KO's to be 8 Team brackets by MP's and <br> handicapped @ double ACBL guidelines

Entry fees: \$12/ session ACBL members, \$15 for non-members. Swiss teams: \$112

Tournament Chairman
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Jean Roach (972-932-6601) jeanroach@embarqmail.com Noelene Hardy (903-849-6776) dnhardy2759@embarqmail.com Tea and water available. Snacks served Thurs. Fri. and Sat. evenings. Lunches may be purchased at Hotel for $\$ 10$ incl, tax and tip

3rd Cled and Peggy Painter
Congratulations are in order for Unit 225's own Jonathan Ernest, who was a member of the Flight Grand National Team winners for District 16 . Jonathan and his team will represent Jonathan and his team will represent
our District athe NABC in Philadelour District athe
Plans are in full force for the annual Tyler Tournament of Roses, to be held at the Holiday Inn on July 12, 13, 14, and 15. Chairman Jimmy Wright and his committees are hard at work to make this year's event an work to make
$80 \%$ Club: $80.40 \%$ Fred and Sammy Borum at Twin Cities DBC

70\% CLUB: $77.78 \%$ Kay Wright and Shirley Shelton Longview DBC $75.00 \%$ Peggy Wright and Gay Roach Nacogdoches DBC $72.92 \%$ Shirley Matthews and Shirley Shelton Longview DBC 71.88\% Evelyn Schmidt \& Robbie Bergman Gun Barrel DBC $71.48 \%$ Brenda Baker and Alta Peck (this game came in 1st in A during District 16 Stac week) Longview DBC
71.00\% Jackie Kimberly and Alta Peck Dottie Pirkle DBC $70.84 \%$ Mike Graham and Shirley Shelton Longview DBC $70.83 \%$ Shirley Matthews and Shirley Shelton Longview DBC $70.42 \%$ J. L. Allen and Bari Hart (this game came in 2nd in A during District 16 Stac week) Dottie during Distic
Pirkle DBC
$70.37 \%$ Karen Cowling and
Sue Ritschel Canton DBC $70.24 \%$ Mike Graham and Pat Jeffrey Longview DBC $70.14 \%$ Karol and Ted Rank Dottie Pirkle DBC $70.00 \%$ Dick and Mary Hinkle Dottie Pirkle DBC


Congratulations to our members who placed district-wide in StaC Championship Pairs $5 / 16,5 / 17$, and $5 / 18$ : Wed., Janice Walker and Betty Cloud, A7,B1, 63.99\%; Rita Wiegenstein and Kay Lynch, B6, $59.87 \%$. Thur., Harry Kenny and Peggy Kenny, A1,B1, 74.70\%; Juanita Butler amd Roy Butler, A2,B2, $67.26 \%$; Asa Waterman and Richard Wall, A6, 64.29\%; Mary Sturtevant Wall, A6, 64.29\%; Mary Sturtevant
and Trudi Lamendola, B9, $61.31 \%$. Fri., Janice Walker and Betty Cloud, A7,B1, 63.99\%; James Goodwin and Paul Rothaus, A19,B7, 61.25\%,; Rosemary Nichols and Marilyn Miller, C6 , 57.08\%. After receiving 15.59 silver points in the StaC game, Harry achieved Life Master. He and Peggy were honored with a great pot -luck party at Sul Ross BC May 22. Well done!
Congratulations to $70 \%+$ game achievers 4/7--6/6/12: Sul Ross, 4/10, Lyndon Phelps and Peggy Phelps $75.42 \%$ and $4 / 13,71.53 \%$. Phelps $75.42 \%$ and $4 / 13,71.53 \%$.
Stillwell BC, $4 / 11$, Marci Ives and Stillwell BC, 4/11, Marci Ives and
Ron Ives $72.32 \%$. Temple DBC, 4/13, Thomas Corlett and Richard Wall $76 \%$. Bridge Studio, 4/13, Judy Mathews and Vennie Lee $72.92 \%$.

Congratulations to winners playing in the Worldwide Bridge contest at the Bridge Studio June 2: Norma Swaim and Roger Swaim $1^{\text {st }}$, Juanita Butler and Roy Butler $2^{\text {nd }}$, and Ann Wallace and Lennie Wilkins 3rd.

There were 11 teams in the " 8 is Enough" mentor game on May 30 at Rolling Hills BC. Mark your calenRoling Hilst BC. Mark your calen-
dars and get your teams ready for " 8 dars and get your teams ready for "8
is Enough" team games on the fifth Wed. and Fri. of the month. A mentor/mentee open pairs game is also

Holiday Inn Waco Northwest<br>1801 Development Dr., Waco, TX<br>Exit 339 off IH 35, located on East side of IH35 one block North of intersection. Right on Research Blvd. 254-799-9997<br>FRIDAY, August 10<br>Bracketed KO teams* (three sessions) $\quad 9$ a.m., 1:30 p.m., 7 p.m. Stratified pairs (single sessions) $\quad 1: 30$ p.m. \& 7 p.m.<br>299er pairs<br>1:30 p.m. \& 7 p.m.

*KO may be handicapped per director's discretion
(MPS for pairs and teams are averaged)
SATURDAY, August 11
Bracketed KO teams* (three sessions) $\quad 9$ a.m., 1:30 p.m., 7 p.m. Stratified pairs (single sessions) $\quad 1: 30$ p.m. \& 7 p.m. 299er pairs

1:30 p.m. \& 7 p.m.

## SUNDAY, August 12

Raby Smalley Stratiflighted Swiss Teams*
10 a.m \& TBA
*Swiss format may be changed by agreement of Tournament Chair and Director In Charge

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| :--- | :--- |
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| 254.799.9997 (local number) | Lenora Parrish lop@hot.rr.com |
| 800.465.4329 (toll-free) | 254.776 .9359 |

Entry Fees ACBL Members \$ 11.00/Session Non-Members \$12.00/Session Students-\$5.00 entry Swiss Team \$96.00/Team

Swiss: A/AX To be Stratifications
Pairs: B: 750-2000 C: 100-750 D: 0-100 (Play together)
Pairs: A: $2000+$ B: $750-2000$ C: $0-750$
COFFEE \& DONUTS
SMOKING BREAKS
held on the fifth Mon. of the month at the 600 Duplicate Club.

We hope your plans are already made to attend the Bridge on the Brazos tournament at the Waco Holiday Inn NW on Aug. 10-11. Chair Ila Bates et al is working hard to make this a great event.

NAP club qualifying games for the Unit final are being held in June, July, and August. Don't miss qualifying for the Unit game at the CAC on Sun., Sept. 16, beginning at 1 p.m.

Other Unit events include the Unit Christmas party and election at the CAC on Sun., Dec. 2, beginning at 10 a.m. and the Temple sectional tournament Feb. 22-24, 2013.


We have now been in our Bridge Center six months and the Board is pleased with the financial status of the Center. We want to thank our two directors, Kathleen Brown and Barbara Cunningham for their hard work and cooperation. Also a big thank you to all the members who have supported the center and have helped to maintain a clean and friendly place to enjoy playing bridge.

We would like to extend our condolences to Joan Paradeis on the death of her mother, Virginia Paradeis and to Dee McKinley on the death of her daughter-in-law, Beverly Green.

We are happy to report that Lois Roberson received a good report after her recent surgery and is back at the bridge table. Our prayers and support go out to Cula Burch and Bernie Lange and their recent health problems.

Congratulations to the following unit game winners: March unit game winners were Tomie Johnson, Dave Hertzog, Dee McKinley and Helen Cash. April unit game winners were Gladys Barley, Julia Lucas, Stefan Davis and Gene Probst.

High percentage games in March were Lois Roberson and Nell Lister at Bridge Club; Anne Halsell and Susan Couch at Vernon Duplicate; Trudy Downey and Wanda Gaynor at Bridge-A-Gap. High percentage games in April were Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson at Bridge Club; Anne Halsell and Susan Couch at Vernon Duplicate; Faye Morrison and Jolene Brantley at Bridge-AGap.

Master point leaders in March were Tomie Johnson at Bridge Club; Anne Halsell at Vernon Duplicate and Trudy Downey at Bridge-AGap. Master point leaders in April were Tomie Johnson at Bridge Club; Anne Halsell at Vernon Duplicate and Khalifa Ahmed at Bridge-AGap.

Remember to mark your calendars September 28-30th for the Wichita Falls Sectional Tournament. New tournament site this year is Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, 401 Broad Street, Wichita Falls. We are look ing forward to a big turn out.

# Fort Worth Labor Day Regional 

August 28-September 3, 2012

## 2012 Schedule Highlights

New Knockouts begin every day Tuesday through Saturday 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday! Compact Knockouts Thursday, Saturday and Sunday! Choice Pairs Friday and Sunday!
299er Swiss Teams Monday two sessions
Free lunch between sessions on Monday!
Prizes: Section tops in pairs games First place teams in KO's and Swiss.

## Knockout Teams

Tuesday Kickoff Knockout Teams \#1 $\qquad$ 7:00 p.m. Continues Wednesday.....................3:30 a.m., 1:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday Knockout Teams \#2............. 1:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Thursday-Friday Knockout Teams \#3......................1:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Friday-Saturday Knockout Teams \#4. $\qquad$ .1:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Saturday-Sunday Knockout Teams \#5 $\qquad$ 1:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Compact Knockouts
Thursday-Friday AM Compact Knockouts \#1 ................9:30 a.m. Saturday-Sunday AM Compact Knockouts \#2. ..9:30 a.m.
Sunday Compact Knockouts \#3. 1:30 \& 7:00 p.m.
Pairs Events
Tuesday Stratified Open Pairs single session...
... 1:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Wed.-Thurs.-Sat. Strati - Flighted Pairs two sessions. ...1:30 \& 7:00 p.m Wed.-Thurs.-Sat (0-750) Gold Rush Pairs two sessions............. 1.:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Fri. and Sunday Choice Pairs pick 2 of 3 sessions........9:30 a.m., 1:30 \& 7:00 p.m Monday Stratified Open Pairs two sessions.................................10:00 a.m. \& TBA

## Swiss Teams

Wednesday-Sunday Swiss Teams single session...................................7:00 p.m. Monday Strati -Flighted Swiss two sessions.. 10:00 a.m. \& TBA Monday Flight B (0-2000) Gold Rush
Bracketed Swiss two sessions. 10:00 a.m. \& TBA

## Intermediate/Novice Events

A: 200-300
B: 100-200 C: $\mathbf{0 - 1 0 0}$
Tuesday 299 er single session
B: 100-20
1:30 \& 7:00 p.m Wednesday - Sunday 299er single session..................9:30 a.m.,1:30 \& 7:00 p.m. Monday 299er Swiss Teams two sessions. 10:00 a.m. \& TBA
Wednesday - Sunday.........Daily Lectures............................................12:45 p.m.

## Side Game Series

Mornings, Wednesday through Sunday single session..........................9:30 a.m.
Afternoons, Wednesday through Sunday single session. 1:30 p.m.
Evenings, Wednesday through Sunday single session.
7:00 p.m.
Tournament Chair: Carolyn Pinto: 817-845-0185; Bridge.pinto@gmail.com Partnerships: Darlene Shirey: 817-292-4719; shireysa@charter.net Caddies: Janet Jordan: 817-797-9465; janetjordan50@hotmail.com

Card Fees: $\$ 13$; $\$ 15$ for unpaid and non-ACBL members
Saturday - all sessions $\$ 14$ (NABC)
Monday (lunch included): 2 session Swiss $\$ 120 /$ team; 2 session pairs $\$ 15 /$ session
https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome ei new\&eventID=5663437

## Tuesday, Aug 28



## Flights \& Strats

Stratified events: A: 2000+; B: 750-2000; C: 0-750
Strati-Flighted Pairs: A: 2500+, AX: 0-2500 (A and AX play together) B: 300-
750, C: 0-300 (B and C play together)
Strati-Flighted Swiss: A: $5000+$, AX: $0-5000$, B: $0-2000$ Bracketed (8 team brackets by masterpoints)
See you at the 2012 Fort Worth Regional!

## Friday, Aug 31



## Monday, Sept 3

10:00 a.m. \& TBA
Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions) ...10:00 a.m. \& TBA Flight B ( $0-2000$ ) Gold Rush Bracketed Swiss Teams ( 2 sessions)...10:00 a.m. \& TBA
Stratified Open Pairs (2 sessions)................................................10:00 a.m. \& TBA 299 Swiss Teams (2 sessions). .10:00 a.m. \& TBA

