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Mildred Breed and Shawn Quinn Win Women's KO; Tobi Sokolow Second Mike Passell Second in Roth Open Swiss



Shawn Quinn



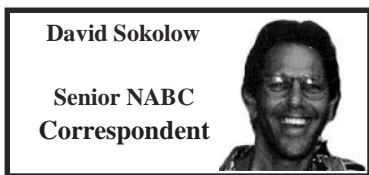
Mildred Breed



Mike Passell



Tobi Sokolow



David Sokolow

Senior NABC
Correspondent

The Philadelphia NABC was a lot smaller than I expected: only 12,000 tables compared to 14,000 last summer in Toronto.

This was surprising in light of the major population centers within driving distance (e.g., NY, DC). National events had many fewer entries than usual. There was also a dearth of District 16 players; other than the GNT winners and pros from our neck of the woods, there were few residents of Texas or Mexico to be seen at the tournament. As a result, District 16 had little to cheer about when it came to NABC-level events.

The primary exception was the Wagar Women's Knockout Teams (aka the Women's KO), which was dominated by District 16 players: Mildred Breed of Austin and Shawn Quinn of Sugar Land won, Tobi Sokolow of Austin was second, and Peggy Sutherland of Dallas and Nancy Passell of Plano finished third/fourth. Of course, Mildred and Shawn had each won the Women's KO several times before (separately and together), but this win had to be especially sweet, given their recent history in the event: Mildred was runner-up in 2009, Shawn was runner-up in 2010, and they were runners-up as partners in 2011). Congratulations on your ascent to the top!

And speaking of Passells...Mike was second in the Roth Open Swiss, the last event at the summer nationals. His runner-up finish capped a

successful NABC—he also finished 5/8 in the Spingold. In case you didn't know, Mike is approaching 70,000 masterpoints. He'll hit that milestone later this year. 70,000—that's the equivalent of 233 life masters. Dude, you're awesome! Sad to say, only one of our GNT teams made it as far as the quarterfinals. The bright spot was in the Championship Flight. Dallas denizens Chris Compton, Bart Bramley, and Hemant Lall, and Houstonian Ira Chorush made it all the way to the semifinals, where they lost to the eventual winners (and defending champions) from Florida. Nice showing, (ir)regardless.

Several District 16 players finished in the top-ten in NABC events. In the Life Master Pairs (the premiere pair event at the summer NABC), Sally Wheeler and Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands, finished ninth. In the Senior Swiss, Dan Morse, Houston, and John Sutherland, Dallas, were fifth, while Barry Schaffer, Frisco, ended up tenth. In the Open Pairs, Ira Hessel, San Antonio, and Joe Quinn, Sugar Land, finished fifth. Finally, in the Roth Open Swiss, John Mohan, Huixquilucan (Mexico), was sixth, Eddie Wold, Houston, placed eighth, and Greg Hinze, San Antonio, and Bart Bramley wound up tenth. Good going, you guys!

The fall NABC will be held in San Francisco from November 22 (Thanksgiving) to December 2. I know I don't have to cajole you into attending. There is a reason Tony Bennett left his heart there! San Francisco is the top tourist site in the country, and one of the most popular venues for NABCs, too. The last NABC to be held there ('07) had 15,000 tables—an incredible turnout for a fall NABC (traditionally the smallest NABC each year). Make

your reservations now—it's sure to be a sellout. Tobi and I are counting on seeing you there. Ciao!

- 121.86 Venkatrao Koneru San Antonio
- 106.33 Bart Bramley Dallas
- 106.17 Sally Wheeler The Woodlands
- 106.17 Buddy Hanby The Woodlands
- 101.74 Greg Hinze San Antonio
- 99.26 Chris Compton Dallas
- 91.88 John Mohan, Huixquilucan
- 91.06 Eddie Wold Houston
- 86.9 Dan Morse Houston
- 86.32 Barry Schaffer Frisco
- 80.44 Hemant Lall Dallas
- 69.28 Shawn Quinn Sugar Land
- 68.81 Mildred Breed Austin
- 67.95 Ira Hessel San Antonio
- 66.06 Tobi Sokolow Austin
- 64.46 Robert Morris Houston
- 58.18 John Sutherland Dallas
- 57.28 Ira Chorush Houston
- 51.68 Joe Quinn Sugar Land
- 51.25 Kaustubh Bendre Austin
- 48.7 La Quitta Talbot Keller
- 48.7 Herbert Fallin Jr Keller

0-1500 Young LM Pairs

- 11 Ankur Rathi, Fort Worth ; Mahesh Rathi, Austin
- 23 Brett Elliott, Houston ; Chris Anderson, Dallas
- 25 Pawel Hanus, Carrollton ; B. Knypinski, N Richland Hill

Life Master Pairs

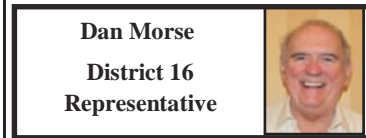
- 9 Sally Wheeler - Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands
- 20 Greg Hinze, San Antonio

GNT Championship Flight

- ¾ Bart Bramley - Chris Compton - Hemant Lall, Dallas ; Ira Chorush, Houston

Senior Swiss

- 5 John Sutherland, Dallas
- Dan Morse, Houston
- 10 Barry Schaffer, Frisco
- 17 Sally Wheeler - Buddy Hanby
- 20 Tom Breed, Kingwood
- 28 Susan Stubinski - Bruce Wick Houston



Dan Morse
District 16
Representative

Philadelphia Report

It was hot in Philadelphia, maybe even hotter than Texas but inside the Marriott it was always cool. The Table count was 11,913 a respectable number, but not quite as high as anticipated. The best thing about the location was Reading Terminal right across the street, where there were hundreds of good restaurants open from 8am to 6pm in the converted train station.

The ACBL'S Mission: To promote and sustain the game of bridge and serve the bridge-related interests of our members.

Vision: We will be a growing, thriving organization that actively meets the diverse needs of our members and bridge players.

GOOD NEWS.

The ACBL hereby establishes a GRASS ROOTS FUND. The month of December is designated as "GRASS ROOTS FUND MONTH". Clubs may hold special games under the same rules and regulations applicable to the other special fund months (currently benefitting the Charity Foundation, Junior and International Funds). Funds raised shall be returned annually no later than March 31 to the individual District in which these funds were raised, and shall be used by the District to help fund Grass Roots Events

Wernher Open Pairs

- 5 Ira Hessel, San Antonio ; Joe Quinn, Sugar Land
- 23 Betty Starzec, Sugar Land ; Robert Morris, Houston
- 42 Lynn Baker, Austin

Wagar Womens KO Teams

- 1 Mildred Breed, Austin ; Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land
- 2 Tobi Sokolow, Austin
- ¾ Nancy Passell, Plano ; Peggy Sutherland, Dallas

NABC+ Fast Pairs

- 17 John Sutherland, Dallas ; Dan Morse, Houston
- 45 Bart Bramley, Dallas

Freeman Mixed BAM Teams

- 12/13 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio
- 14 Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman, Dallas
- 16 Sally Wheeler - Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands

such as the Grand National Teams and the North American Pairs.

The ACBL shall not charge the Districts any fee for the cost of collecting and disbursing these funds.

The Grass Roots Fund is an additional, eligible beneficiary from regionally rates games at sectionals. (One sectional game can get Regional rating by charging an extra \$1.00 per person to benefit an approved cause).

MEMBERSHIP

For the period January 1 thru June 30 the ACBL has signed up 6,431 new members, an increase of 2.4% over the same 6 months last year. Here in District 16 our membership has decreased slightly which is disappointing as we have generally been in the top 5 Districts for new members.

SPECIAL CLUB GAMES

When a Sectional (excluding STAC's) or higher rated event is being conducted within 25 miles of a club game's playing site, the club is permitted to hold only its regular scheduled club master-point games (no special games). This regulation does not apply to Limited/Restricted Sectionals.

PLAYING DIRECTORS IN STAC GAMES

Playing directors in STAC games and their partners are ineligible to receive overall STAC master-points

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Mini Spingold I KO Teams

- 9/16 Ira Garrison, Houston ; Philip Duterme, Bellaire

Roth Open Swiss Teams

- 8 Eddie Wold, Houston
- 10 Bart Bramley, Dallas
- Greg Hinze, San Antonio
- 14 Dan Morse, Houston
- 19 Bob Hamman, Dallas -Justin Lall
- 27 Kaustubh Bendre, Austin
- 36 Tobi Sokolow, Austin
- 37 Ira Hessel, San Antonio
- 47 Barry Schaffer, Frisco

Spingold KO Teams

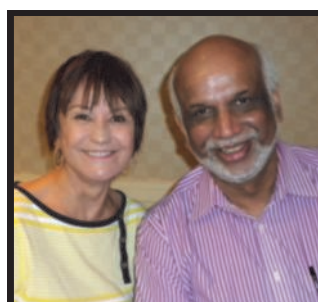
- 9/16 Eddie Wold, Houston
- 9/16 Chris Compton, Dallas
- 17/32 Bart Bramley, Dallas Mark Feldman, Austin
- 17/32 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio
- 17/32 Greg Hinze, San Antonio

AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE

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Petra Hamman and Hemant Lall Win Transnational Mixed Teams in Lille, France



Longtime successful partnership, Petra Hamman and Hemant Lall, won the Transnational Mixed Teams held in Lille, France August 6-23. Hemant and Petra played on the Milner team, captained by Reese Milner, also of the USA. Their teammates were Jacek Pszczola of Poland, Meike Wortel of the Netherlands and Gabriela Oliviera of Italy. The event started with 87 teams and after three days of a Swiss Team format, the top 8 teams that prevailed began a KO phase consisting of 80 board matches. They were behind 150 to 151 after 74 hands in the final but rallied 29-7 on the last 6 boards. Look for more details next issue.

In the Prestigious open teams Bob Hamman lost a heartbreaker to Sweden by 4 IMPS in the quarterfinals. Sweden went on to win the championship.

TEXAS STAR SERVICE AWARDS

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

Each Unit of District 16 has the right to annually designate a member of that Unit to receive a Texas Star Service Award. The Award can be given to a Unit member in good standing for outstanding and meritorious service to the Unit. The Award should not be given lightly and can be given only to someone who has not previously received this Award. The Texas Star Service Awards will be presented on Saturday before the evening session at the Houston Regional in February 2013

If your Unit decides to so honor one of your members for 2012, please initiate the process within your Unit. After your selection is made, send us a letter outlining your designee's contributions to your Unit, a brief personal sketch, and, if possible, a photograph suitable for publishing in the *Scorecard*. We must receive all this information by December 31, 2012. This is a great way to say "thank you" to a member who has worked hard in behalf of the Unit. Please keep your selection secret as surprise is an important part of the Award presentation. Feel free to call if you have any questions. Full criteria will be sent to the Unit Boards and will be included in the online edition of the Scorecard. Please send short bio (100-150 words) and picture to the scorecard, scorecard16@gmail.com., for publication in the March 2013 issue.

Email: Scott.Humphrey@tceq.texas.gov

Unit	Column	Announcement	Results	Pictures
172 San Antonio	5	5.5		
174 Houston	5	6	6-7	7
176 Dallas	11	4		
183 Fort Western	7	8		
187 Corpus Christi	8	16		
197 Lubbock	11		11	12
201 Beaumont	8	16		
204 Fort Concho	9			
207 Texas Capital	9		9-10	10-11
209 Permian Basin	12			
224 Abilene	12	12		
225 East Texas	13		13	13-14
233 Central Texas	14			
237 Magic Valley	14			
353 Wichita Falls	14	14		
Go Away Cruises		3, 16		

NEW LIFE MASTERS



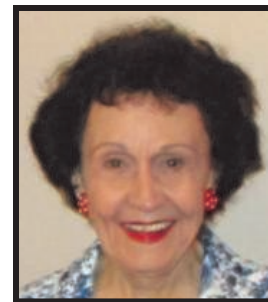
Andrew Small
Austin



Kathy Sinkin - Amor
San Antonio



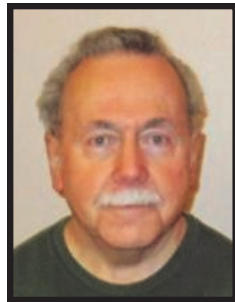
Joan Paradeis
Longview



Mary Kurio
Austin



Eugene Jackson
Austin



John Pelletti
Dallas



Marvin Schragger
Austin



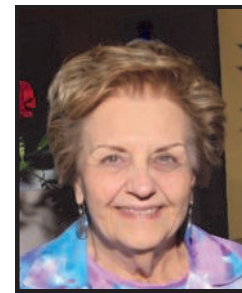
Dale White
Houston



Jim Glathar
Austin



Laura Lowe & George Lowe
Arlington



Betty Knaggs
San Antonio

DISTRICT 16 TOURNAMENTS

SEPTEMBER

New Braunfels (July Issue 4)	6-9
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Longview	28-3/2
Austin	28-3/3

North American Pairs Announcement

District 16 A/B/C finals will be January 5th (2 qualifying sessions) and January 6th (2 final sessions), 2013 at the Double Tree Hotel in Austin. Managers should send a list of club qualifiers within 3 days of last game to both Unit and District NAP Coordinators. **Unit Coordinators should send list of unit qualifiers within 3 days of unit final to Melody Euler, District Coordinator.** Email at melodious@hotmail.com.

Club-qualified players may play in any one Unit Final within District 16.

Please Check with local site as posted times may be tentative.

Unit #	Name	Flight	Date	Time	Location
172	San Antonio	ABC	Sat 9/29	10:00/ TBA	Bridge Club of San Antonio
173	San Miguel	ABC	Mon 9/10	4:30	Club de bridge amigos
174	Houston	AC	Sun 11/4	11:00/TBA	Houston Bridge Studio
		B	B Sat 11/3	11:00/TBA	Bridge Club of Houston
176	Dallas	C	Sun 9/30	1:30/TBA	BAND
		B	Sun 10/7	1:30/TBA	Dorsey's Bridge Studio
		A	Sun 10/28	1:30/TBA	BAND
183	Fort Western	AC	Sun 9/16	12:30/TBA	Ft Worth Bridge Studio
		B	Sun 10/7	12:30/TBA	Ft Worth Bridge Studio
187	Corpus Christi	ABC	Sat 9/15	10:30/TBA	Bridge Club of South Texas
197	Llano Estacado	ABC	Sun 10/28	1:00/TBA	The Bridge Center
201	Sabine Neches	ABC	Sat 11/3	9:30/3:00	Beaumont Bridge Studio
204	Fort Concho	ABC	Sat 11/3	10:00/2:00	Sue Barber Bridge Club
205	Amistad	ABC	Th 9/20	1:30	Lake Chapala DBC
207	Texas Capitol	ABC	Sat 10/6	10:00/2:00	The Bridge Center of Austin
209	Greater Permian Basin	ABC	Sat 9/22	10:00 /TBA	Allison Bridge Center
224	Fort Phantom	ABC	Sat 9/22	1:00	Mabel Lillius Bridge Studio
225	East Texas	ABC	Sat 11/3	10:00/1:00	Dottie Pirkle's DBSS
233	Central Texas	ABC	Sun 9/16	1:00	Temple CAC
237	Magic Valley	No event	Scheduled		
353	Wichita Falls	ABC	Sun 10/14	1:30	The Bridge Center

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DEADLINES for Nov/Dec Issue

Announcements: October 1st
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Texas Sectional at Sea

Non-Championship Sectional

March 2-9, 2013

Crown Princess

Round-Trip Galveston



Earn silver points as we sail round-trip from Galveston to the Western Caribbean. You will have the opportunity to play bridge every morning and every afternoon and enjoy the many amenities of the Crown Princess every evening.

Bridge Highlights
 Daily 9AM and 1PM stratified games with **SILVER POINTS**
 Open: C=0-750, B=750-2,000, A=2,000+
 299er: C=0-50, B=50-150, A=150-300
 Swiss Team and other special events scheduled
 Card playing area reserved exclusively for our group



DAY	DATE	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART	GAME	GAME
Sat	2-Mar	Galveston	xxx	5:00 PM	xxx	xxx
Sun	3-Mar	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Mon	4-Mar	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Tues	5-Mar	Roatan	8:00 AM	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Wed	6-Mar	Belize	7:00 AM	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Thur	7-Mar	Cozumel	7:00 AM	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Fri	8-Mar	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Sat	9-Mar	Galveston	7:00 AM	xxx	xxx	xxx

DON'T DELAY!
 The first 50 people to sign up will SAVE \$200 per person!

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For more information or to make your reservation, please call John Sobel at Go Away Travel 954-349-2800 1-800-721-5927 www.BestBridgeAtSea.com BestBridgeAtSea@GoAwayTrav.com

CAT	CABIN	SIZE	BALCONY	DECK	DOUBLE	SINGLE
AC	Mini-Suite	264 sq ft	59 sq ft	9	\$2,000	\$3,275
BB	Balcony	185 sq ft	46 sq ft	14, 10	\$1,875	\$3,050
D	Outside	179 sq ft	none	5	\$1,400	\$2,075
F	Obstructed Outside	179 sq ft	none	8	\$1,250	\$1,875
J	Inside	162 sq ft	none	10	\$1,150	\$1,725

Past passenger discounts may apply. Please provide us with your Captain's Circle Number when making your reservation.

Prices are per person, cruise only, based on either single or double occupancy and include the following: Port charges, government taxes and fees, gratuities, insurance and all of our bridge activities. Non-bridge participants may deduct \$150. Fuel surcharge (if any) is additional. All categories are subject to availability and all prices and offers are subject to change. A deposit of 20% is required to reserve a cabin and is fully refundable until the final payment date of December 7, 2012. Cancellations made after this date are subject to penalties. If you do not make your reservation with Go Away Travel, you must register with us prior to December 7, 2012. A \$400 per person non-refundable bridge registration fee will apply.

“Can't anybody here play this game?”

At the recent USBF open championships, to determine the US open representative 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 championships, 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 simple. Anchored with key card ace ask-

ing tools 2 pairs realized, as their auction went, that if they bid 4NT 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 Meckstroth, 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 4NT off 6 spade tricks. Thus went the best laid plans of mice and men.

RICHARDSON FALL SECTIONAL

November 1 – 4, 2012

Richardson Civic Center 411 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson, TX SW Corner Arapaho Road & US-75 (Central Expressway)

Thursday, November 1

Students Play Free 9:30 am
Stratified 299er Pairs 9:30am, 2:00 & 7:00pm
Stratified Open Pairs 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:00pm
Bracketed KO Teams I 9:30, 1:30, 7:00

Friday, November 2

Students Play Free 9:30 am
Stratified 299er Pairs 9:30am, 2:00 & 7:00pm
Stratified Open Pairs 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:00pm
Bracketed KO Teams II 9:30, 1:30, 7:00
Board-A-Match 7:00pm

Saturday, November 3

Stratified 299er Pairs 9:30am, 2:00 & 7:00pm
Stratified Open Pairs 9:30 am, 2:00 & 7:00pm
Single Session Swiss Teams 7:00pm
Bracketed KO Teams III 9:30, 1:30, 7:00

Sunday, November 4

Strati-flighted Swiss Teams 10:00am & TBA
499er Swiss Teams 10:00am & TBA
Open Pairs 10:00am & TBA

STRATIFICATIONS:

Stratified Pairs : A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750
Stratiflighted: A: 4000+, AX: 0-4000 (Play Together)
B: 750-2000, C: 0-750 (Play Together)
299er Stratified: A: 100-299, B 50-100, C 0-50

Entry Fees: All Pair Events Stratified Single Session Entry Fees: \$12.00 per session. Sunday Swiss: \$100.00 Team of Four

Tournament Chairperson Dorsey Shaw 214.356.887

Co-Chairperson: Carol Rieger 817.475.0496

Director in Charge: Tom Whitesides

Partnerships: Mimi Lempert: 972.921.7022

Snacks and Drinks all Weekend Meal Between Sunday Swiss Team Games

Host hotel: Hampton Inn: 1577 Gateway Blvd. Richardson, TX, 972-234-5400 Ask for Bridge Tournament Rates - \$60.00

Morse (Continued from page 1)

awards, but are eligible to receive section awards. Effective January 1, 2013.

VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT

I would like to recommend that each unit appoint a Chair for Volunteer's. Many players would volunteer for service if asked and we are an organization of volunteers.

ONLINE TEACHER DIRECTORY

Currently there are 1,743 teachers who have elected to be listed on the ACBL's "Find a Teacher" web site. This compared to 1,695 teachers listed on the site last year.

TEACHER RECRUITMENT

New members recruited by teachers in 2011—1,246
In 2010---1,111

TAP TRAINERS

Someof the current TAP trainers will be retiring within the next couple of years. Plans are underway to create a succession plan to identify and train new TAP Trainers.

COOPERATIVE ADVERTISING PROGRAM

During the first five months of 2012, a total of \$58,257 has been distributed to 131 qualified advertising campaigns which compares to \$67,372 distributed to 153 advertising campaigns thru May 2011. This is a great program which should be used more by Clubs and Teachers in District 16.

TOURNAMENT ADVERTISING

A total of 259 tournament ad e-mail blasts has been distributed the first 6 months of 2012.

ACBL.ORG

The top site visited on acbl.org is clubresults.acbl.org. This is a great service for any club that does not have their results on the internet.

CLUB AND MEMBERSHIP

They are now sending out Happy Birthday emails which have been well received.

About 4%. Of the clubs are still submitting their month-end reports by hard copy. In the near future we will

be looking at ways to assist clubs to the use of ACBL SCORE, thereby reducing processing costs and providing better service to our members. It would be nice if units would help educate clubs in their area in the use of ACBL SCORE.

VOTING

Units now have the option on voting in person at a board meeting or voting by e-mail.

HANDICAP FORMULA

I am on a committee reviewing the Handicap formula and rules for Handicapping KOs and Handicapping Compact KOs. Anyone who would like to provide input can email me at danmorse@sbcglobal.net or Samwhitten@acbl.org

I am looking forward to San Francisco in the fall and St. Louis next March. If you can attend I am sure you will have a good time.

See you at the tables,

Dan

Dewitt Hudson

Board of Governors



PHILADELPHIA NABC 12 JULY TO 22 JULY 2012

This was a great tournament held at the Philadelphia Marriott and the Philadelphia Convention Center located at: 1001 Arch St. The playing area had outstanding facilities surrounded by many great restaurants and retail businesses. Just a short walk gave bridge players the added bonus to visit "the cradle of the United States Democracy" by visiting many historic attractions: like the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, the Betsy Ross home, the Benjamin Franklin Library, etc, etc.

CO-CHAIRS: John Marks and Joan Glasson did a great job in organizing the Summer NABC. Lots of goodies, snacks, and a fabulous "Las Vegas Night" where players got to enjoy, poker, blackjack, roulette, etc, and won great prizes like a Kindle, boxesof wines, cheeses, and many more prizes.

TABLE COUNT: The table count

for the Summer NABC was 11,913. This is slightly below average. The Summer NABC in Las Vegas still owns the record for the highest table count of 24,221 for the year, 1991.

MEMBERSHIP: The total count for ACBL is: 166,637. However, from January to June there was an increase of 1,219 members.

TOURNAMENT DIVISION: Average table count at tournaments has seen a slight decline over the first six months of 2012 as compared to 2011. Average table count at regionals is down 4%. However, there were ten more Regionals held in 2012, resulting in a 12% overall increase in table count (101,145 vs. 90,047). Average table count at Sectionals was flat. However, there were eight fewer Sectionals held in 2012, resulting in a 3% overall decrease in table count (83,180 vs. 85,385). Thirty-two STaCs were held in the first six months of 2011 and 2012. Total table count was down 2% (51,728 vs.52,745)

MASTERPOINTS: Masterpoints are awarded only for sanctioned games that follow the laws of Duplicate Bridge, with the exception of teach-

ing games, where teachers are encouraged and often do use specially prepared hands to establish a lesson point. Effective : July 1, 2013.

LEARN TO PLAY BRIDGE OFFER: A direct mail campaign offering eight weeks of bridge lessons and an ACBL membership for: \$49 dollars. There were 15,000 direct mail pieces sent to three different market areas: Denver, Co., Houston, Tx. and Charleston, SC. There were two classes offered in each of these markets areas. 62 persons responded to this offer.

CLUB AND MEMBER SERVICES: Approximately 4% of the clubs are still submitting their month-end reports by hard copy. In the near future we will be looking at ways to assist clubs to transition over to the use of ACBL score, thereby, reducing costs and providing better service to our members.

SPECIAL CLUB GAMES: When a Sectional (excluding STaCs) or higher rated event is being conducted within 25 miles of a club playing site, the club is permitted to hold only its regularly schedule club Masterpoint games. (i.e.no special games). This regulation does not apply to Limited Restricted Sectionals.

UNIT TRANSFERS AND BOUNDARY CHANGES: In general, areas for transfer from one Unit to another should follow county lines. An area seeking to transfer to an adjacent Unit must include all counties between the proposed area for transfer and the existing area.

The ACBL will contact the parent Unit, the Unit of proposed affiliation, the District Organization and the District Representative to the ACBL Board of Directors seeking the opinion of each regarding the proposed transfer. Should all parties agree that it is in the best interest of all concerned to effect the proposed transfer, the ACBL will take the necessary steps to make the change including ACBL Board of Directors approval.

FALL NABC will be Nov. 22-Dec. 2nd, 2012 in San Francisco, California, See you all there!!

Top Clubs in District 16

Here is the list of the top clubs by table count in District 16. Some clubs may have a larger average per game but less games per month. The top table count in the ACBL was Laguna Woods DBC, Ca. with 14,537. in 2011. Houston bridge studio ranked 32 in 2011 and the bridge Center of Austin was 45.

2012 Top 10 Clubs by Table Count in District 16 Jan- May

Club	City	Total	Monthly Average
Houston Bridge Studio	Houston	2,930	586
Bridge Center of Austin	Austin	2,570	514
Bridge Academy of North Dallas	Dallas	2,332	466
Bridge Club of Houston	Spring	2,100	420
Arlington DBC Inc	Arlington	1,852	370
Clear Lake Bridge Club	Houston	1,713	343
Turtle Creek DBC	San Antonio	1,448	290
Beaumont Bridge Studio	Beaumont	1,432	286
Bridge Club of San Antonio	San Antonio	1,368	274
Lake Chapala DBC	Ajijic	1,223	245

2011 Top 10 Clubs in District 16 by Table Counts

Club Name	City	Tables	Monthly Average
Houston Bridge Studio	Houston	6660	555
Bridge Center of Austin	Austin	6107	509
Bridge Club of Houston	Spring	4465	372
Arlington DBC Inc	Arlington	4298	358
Bridge Academy of North Dallas	Dallas	3978	332
Bridge Club of San Antonio	San Antonio	3685	307
Beaumont Bridge Studio	Beaumont	3375	281
Valley View Bridge Club	Dallas	3202	267
Clear Lake Bridge Club	Houston	3022	252
Dorsey's Bridge Studio	Richardson	2824	235



New Platinum Life Master

Congratulations to Barry Schaffer of Frisco who went over the 10,000 point to achieve the rank of Platinum Life Master. Barry learned the game when he was 13 in Peoria when he was recruited by his best friends parents to fill in. To this day his friends father still recalls the 1S 2S 3S 4S auction. The bids were by N S E and W! Barry believes the key to good bridge is good partners his favorite partners are Colby Vernay and John Bromberg. Barry and Colby won the world pairs, the back up game to the Cavendish pairs, 3 times. Recently retired, Barry hopes to increase his playing time.



New Grand Life Master

Congratulations also to Georgiana Gates of Houston who went over the 10,000 point to achieve the rank of ACBL Grand Life Master, which requires a n ACBL National Championship. Georgiana won the Women's Pairs this Spring, her third national Championship. She also has 3 seconds. She was born in Chicago, and came to Texas to attend Rice, where she started playing bridge at the Bridge Studio of Houston. Georgiana joined the ACBL in 1965. She retired from a career as a computer programmer, mostly in the oil and gas industry, in 2010.

**Unit 172
San Antonio**

Rebecca Brown



You know what they call you when you have 24 different partners in the course of one afternoon? A professional escort? A masochist? Tired? How about a lucky member of Unit 172?! On July 28, the Unit hosted an Individual game, the first time the format was used in San Antonio in recent memory. A whopping crowd of 88 players enjoyed the surprisingly smooth movement organized and directed by the one and only Tom Marsh. All players, the great and far from great included, were restricted to playing the "Yellow Card", hereinafter called the "Great Equalizer!" I did a very informal survey of many participants; one or two candidly stated they would never do it again, but almost everyone said how much fun it was. It may not have produced the best bridge, but it was a resounding social success. Congratulations to Robert Miller, who took first overall, followed by Ellen Hessel and Kay Laird, who came in second and third respectively. The game was held at Bridge Club of San Antonio which graciously accommodated the big crowd. Gary Anziani and Ira Hessel hosted and provided lots of goodies. My personal conclusion is that the Unit members would enjoy this format once a year or so. If you disagree violently, let me know.

Table Tidbits: Richard Ware is a man of surprises. He grew up and went to college in Wichita Falls, TX. Fifty years ago, after college, his aunt taught him to play bridge. (It was

about this time in the conversation that I called him a liar for claiming to be that old!) Fast forward 50 years and 3500 points, Richard is busy traveling to bridge competitions, but as often as not, he is traveling with his wife and sweetie, Roxanne (not a bridge player), to compete nationally as Swing dancers (aka West Coast Swing). They met 15 years ago and have been dancing together ever since, racking up championships and trophies. Richard reluctantly admitted that they won the US Open in California, America's Classic and are in the Dallas Dance Hall of Fame! They will be competing at the Dallas Fairmont over Labor Day if you care to swing by (pun intended!) Richard also finds time to work, selling residential real estate in New Braunfels, in addition to competing at bridge with his friend and bridge partner of 30 years, Jimmy LaFountain. Richard told me that in all their playing years, he and Jimmy never had a "bridge divorce, not even a trial separation, though he certainly hasn't liked some of my bids!" Evidence that Richard is a good partner on the dance floor and at the table!

Milestones: Congratulations to Myra Ribak for becoming a Gold Life Master! Betty Knaggs reached Bronze, and the lovely Kathy Sinkin-Amor made Life Master during the Austin Regional, to many rounds of applause from her friends and even more rounds of Margaritas!

SECOND 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. Enquiring minds want to know: Will Nell Morgan show up in Lederhosen (or some version of a national costume) in honor of the upcoming New Braunfels Sectional? Stay tuned... Don't forget to vote for the four vacant Unit Board positions. Candidates are Karen Fillis, Susan Hernandez, David Mitchell, Barbara Morgan, Debbie Schweiss, Steve Simpson, Kathy Sinkin-Amor and Roxie Tom. Voting will begin at the clubs in October and conclude at the October Willson Davis Election Sectional. Upcoming events: September 6-9/ New Braunfels Sectional; September 29/ Unit Championship -North American Pairs (BCSA); October 4-7/ Willson Davis Election Sectional (Turtle Creek)

You are welcome to attend our Unit Board meetings, held on the 2nd Monday of each month, at 5p.m. at Turtle Creek.

SEE YOU AT THE TABLE!

**Unit 174
Houston**

 Mary Jane
Kinnebrew

Upcoming Special Games and Tournaments

September 14-16: Bridge Club of Houston 299er Sectional Tournament
October 8-14: Unit 174 STAC
October 25-28: Houston Bridge Studio 299er Sectional Tournament
October 30: Unit Pro-Am Club Championship
November 3: Flight B Unit NAP Qualifying
November 4: Flights A/C Unit NAP Qualifying
November 9-11: Fall Sectional, South Shore Harbor

Our Regional Schedule Is Online.

Start thinking about partners and plans for our 2013 Lone Star Regional (January 28th through February 3rd). Here's the link to the schedule: <http://www.acblunit174.org/Flyers/2013%20LSR.pdf>. I counted 22 events where you can earn gold masterpoints. Get your partners and teams lined up, and plan on a great week of great Bridge.

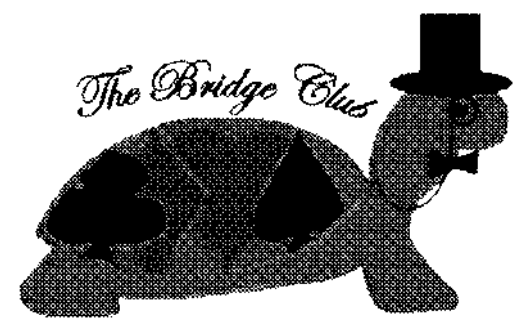
Flauntin' It in Philly. Shawn Quinn's team won the Wagar Women's KO. Big time Bridge! Ann Ankrum, Daad Rodgers, Susan Belding, and Carolyn Campbell won their section of the Sunday/Monday Knockout.

Getting the Word Out. Isn't the board's new newsletter about coming attractions and classes a great addition to our unit's communication system? Way to go, Nancy!

Away from the Table. When my doctor asks if I exercise, I tell him that I sometimes play East/West. In direct contrast with the MJs of the world, there are people like Geri McKallip, who cycles 35 miles or so every Sunday and takes cycling trips all over the world. Ask Geri to tell you the story about arriving in Cambodia on one of those trips and finding out that her luggage didn't arrive with her.

Fall Class Notes. If you're not taking a class every now and then, you're not keeping up your end of your Bridge partnerships.

Terry Currie (http://www.houstonbridgestudio.com/Classes/Terry_Currie.htm): Bidding in the 21st Century: September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. 10-12 a.m. or 7-9 p.m.
Errol LeCesne (<http://www.acblunit174.org/Classes.htm>):



Willson Davis, Jr. San Antonio Election Sectional October 4-7, 2012

Turtle Creek Bridge Club
2343 NW Military Hwy San Antonio 78231
210.375.0500 www.tcdbc.com

Thursday, October 4

10 am Stratified Open Pairs and 199er Pairs
3 pm Swiss Team

Friday, October 5

10 am & 3 pm Compact KO #1
10 am Stratified Open Pairs and 199er Pairs
3 pm Stratified Open Pairs

Saturday, October 6

10 am & 3 pm Compact KO#2
10 am Stratified Open Pairs and 199er Pairs
3 pm Stratified Open Pairs

Sunday, October 7

10 am & TBA Strati-flighted Swiss – Lunch included

Tournament Chair: Laurie Levin (210) 213-3631
Partnership Chair: Susan Hernandez 210-378-7764

Card Fees: \$10/person/session \$96/Swiss Team

50% Student discount Unpaid and non-ACBL members plus \$1
Averaged Stratifications: Open Pairs: A 2000+ B 500-2000 C 0-500
Separate Section for 299ers and below

Swiss: A - 2000+ A/X - 1000 - 2000 B - 500 - 1000 C - 0 - 500

We're outside Loop 410, inside Loop 1604, just north of Lockhill-Selma in North Salado Village
Host Hotel: Hilton Airport Hotel - Ref. Bridge Tournament for special rates.

Intermediate Bridge: Thursdays, October 18 - November 8. 6-9 p.m.

Shawn Quinn (svquinn@vahoo.com)

Fundamentals of 2/1: September 6 - 27, Thursdays. 2-4 p.m.

Joyce Ryan

Beginning Bridge: Tuesdays, September 18 - Nov 13. 10:00-12:00.

Defense: September 18 - November 13, Thursdays. 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Play of the Hand: September 13 - November 8, Thursdays. 10:00-12:00.

More Commonly Used Conventions: September 13-November 8, Thursdays. 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Eddie Wold and Bob Morris

(<http://www.acblunit174.org/Flyers/Wolds-World-IV-Slam-Bidding.pdf>)

1-Day Workshop on Slam Bidding: October 27, 9:30 a.m. -4 p.m.

Nearly Summer Sectional Winners

Friday Open Pairs: Pat Levy/ John Erickson (A), Michael Miedma/Julia Miller (B), Herbert Kalman/Robert Reichel (C)

Saturday Open Pairs: L. Laird/W. Lease (A), Sanford Lobliner/Youssef Youssef (B), Richard Pulunsky/James Woodard (C)

Knockout Brackets:

1 - Gil Micheletti, Carolyn Peters, Tom Peter, John Zillic, Dan Morse
2 - Nancy Crabtree, Jim Middleton, Shyue Yuan Wu, Ming Su

3 - David Crooks, Bill Kiehnhoff, Suvabrata Biswas, Shyam Bhatia

Sunday Open Pairs: Bill Frank/George Elliff (A, B, C)

Sunday Swiss:

A/X: Julia Blancet, Marilyn Leboy, John Du Bose, Vern Schmidt

B1: Linda Rensi, Sherry Withers, Steve Tuggle, Alfred Fortier

B2: David Dyer, Shi-Lin Yeh, Ann Mc Dougal, Bob Chiang

B3: Robert Reichel, Herbert Kalman, Carmen Keys, Paul Cuneo

B4: Evelyn James, Don Lycette, Jabeen Farooki, Kathleen Hurst

B5: Donald Boyd, James Ochsner, Allison Ochsner, Bonnie Boyd

B6: James Morgan, Joseph Ford, Brenda Metzke, Monica Lett

Our November Sectional at South Shore Harbour.

What a great time of year to get to spend some time out on Clear Lake! Enjoy the beautiful marina, sunsets, etc. from the hotel; check out some of the great restaurants in the area; and, of course, play a lot of bridge. Our board has been working for a long time to find the right venue for a tournament on the southeast side of our area. This sounds perfect.

Help a Friend. Help Fredi Weinbaum battle chronic lymphatic leukemia by donating blood or platelets. Call 713-792-7777 to set up an appointment. Any blood type works.

Movin' on Up! Congratulations to these Unit 174 members who have reached new Bridge milestones:

Life Masters: Dianne Boundy, Reggie Lewis, Tomi Porterfield

Bronze Life Masters: David Goldfarb, Dianne Segerstrom

Silver Life Master: Susan Adamson, Barbara Atkins, Carolyn Campbell, Harry Elliott, John Heath, George Keiller, Ann McDougal, Ashok Shingavi, Michael Tannery, Gordon Yee.

Gold Life Master: Sandra Clark
Grand Life Master: Georgiana Gates

Up in the Stratosphere. Betsy Dubose and Kay Johnson had a

Bridge Club of San Antonio November 1-4, 2012

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On Nacogdoches, 1.2 miles north of Loop 410
1.4 miles south of Wurzbach Parkway

Thursday, November 1

10:30 am Stratified Open Pairs
10:30 am 299er Pairs
3:00 pm Stratified Swiss Teams
3:00 pm 299er Pairs

Friday, November 2

10:30 am Stratified Open Pairs
10:30 am 299er Pairs
10:30 am Bracketed KO Teams (1 of 3)
3:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs
3:00 pm 299er Pairs
3:00 pm Bracketed KO Teams (2 of 3)

Saturday, November 3

10:30 am Stratified Open Pairs
10:30 am 299er Pairs
10:30 am Bracketed KO Teams (3 of 3)
3:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs
3:00 pm 299er Pairs

Sunday, November 4

10:00 am & TBA Stratiflighted Swiss Teams
Meal between sessions

Partnership Chair:

Susan Hernandez 210.710.8240

Stratifications:

A 2000+B 500-2000 C 0-500
299er at director's discretion

Average Masterpoints will be used in all events

Co-Tournament Chairs:

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Hospitality Chair:

Kathleen Pigott 210.828.7261

Card Fees:

\$11/person/session \$100/Swiss Team
Unpaid/non-ACBL members add \$11

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STRATIFICATION

Stratified Open Events

A:2000+ B:750-2000 C:0-750

Stratified 299r Events

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

Stratified 49r Events

A:20-50 B:5-20 C:0-5

Strati-Flighted Swiss

A:4000+ Ax:0-4000 A, Ax play together

B:0-2500 Bracketed

Team or pair average used within strats.

No one with over 2500 masterpoints allowed in Flight B.

ENTRY FEES

Friday & Saturday: \$10

Sunday (lunch included): \$13

\$2 more for non and unpaid ACBL members

EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday, November 9

1:30 pm

Stratified Open Pairs

Stratified 299r Pairs

Stratified 49r Pairs

Handicapped KO (Session 1 of 4)

7:00 pm

Stratified Open Pairs

Stratified 299r Pairs

Stratified 49r Pairs

Handicapped KO (Session 2 of 4)

Single Session Swiss

Saturday, November 10

10:30 am

Stratified Open Pairs (Session 1 of 2)

Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)

Stratified 299r Pairs

Stratified 49r Pairs

0-5 Pairs

Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 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

Bracketed Swiss (Session 2 of 2)

Handicapped KO (Session 4 of 4)

Sunday, November 11

10:30 am & TBA

Strati-Flighted Swiss (Double Session)

Stratified Open Pairs (Double Session)

Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)

Stratified 299r Pairs (Single Session)

76.82% game at The Studio on June 27th.

Awesome in Austin.

2-Session Pairs Winners: Leora Norwitz/Goldie Rose (B), Troy Carr/Katherine McClure (C)

Knockout Winners: Art Desmond/Mary Watters/Anne Gorry/Carol Winograd (3), Janelle Frusha/Mavis Warren/Vicky Martinez/Sarah Hardin (AX), Claudette Roush/Geri McKallip/Elisabeth Cabiness (3), Eric Sandberg/Janice Sandberg/Nancy Reader/Bob Arnett (3), Anant Rathi (4), Benjamin Klein/Joyce Klein (3), Charles Ward (5), Eddie Wold/Betty Freedman/Bob Morris/Patti Mullendore

Side Series: David Ticen

Overheard at the Table

S: "Rainy day!" E: "A good day for playing bridge." S: "Every day's a good day for playing bridge."

"Life is just one long Bridge game." "You're doubling me? It's been 5 years since I went down."

S (as Declarer/N starts to play from her hand): "Board, partner?" N: "No, I'm having a fine time."

E (as partner took what seemed like hours to lead to a 7NT contract): "Just lead your Ace." N (after W led an Ace): "Director, please."

N: "I hate this game!" S: "And, you know, it's not heart healthy either."

My partner: "I don't mind if I don't get to play many hands. I'm happy to sit here and be ornamental."

BCOH 499er Sectional Winners

Pairs (A): Phyllis Chaney/Theresa Devereux, Nancy Caldwell/Joseph Cunningham, Linda/Tom Martinsen, Ann Bullard/Troy Carr, Mike Goldberg/Ronald Kautz, Martin Gastrell/

Richard Crosby
Pairs (B): Phyllis Chaney/Theresa Devereux, Mike Goldberg/Ronald Kautz, Courtney Coffman/David Morris, Ann Bullard/Troy Carr

Pairs (C): Phyllis Chaney/Theresa Devereux, Cynthia Bell/Rebecca Kerlin, Courtney Coffman/David Morris, Barbara Abney/Sandra Dickinson, Otilia Magee/Judith Boyce, Carolyn/Tommy Harris, Courtney Coffman/Anita Rothfuss

Swiss: (A/B) Anita Rothfuss - Courtney Coffman - Joe Moseley - Marc Beardsley, (C) Suzanne Noerager - Laveta Christian - Marilyn Slaughter - Leigh Primerano

Awesome August

Houston
 August 10-12, 2012
 649 players 616 tables.

- 1 37.29 John Erickson
- 2 27.61 Ralda St Pierre
- 3 25.80 Virginia Zilic
- 4 25.80 John Zilic
- 5 25.80 Dan Morse
- 6 24.68 Jack La Vigne
- 7 24.22 Pat McMullin
- 8 23.61 Carolyn Pinto
- 9 23.43 Shawn Quinn
- 10 23.43 Joe Quinn
- 11 20.74 Stephen Boothe
- 12 20.74 Nancy Boothe
- 13 20.64 David Henke
- 14 20.45 Pat Levy
- 15 20.31 Gil Micheletti, MD

Friday Aft Open Pairs-45.0 Tables / Based on 73 Tables A1. John Erickson-Pat Levy A2B1. Daniel

Jackson-Bill Gemas B2C1. Kathryn Larson-Stephen Simmons C2. Karur Krishnan-Lana Guise

Friday Aft 299er Pairs-20.0 Tables DEF1. Leigh Primerano-Suzanne Noerager D2/3 Dolly Simmons-Roxanne King D2/3 Marc Beardsley-Joe Moseley E2. Ann Coates-Mary Jennings F2. Julialee O'Shea-Roslyn Wallace, Houston

Friday Aft 49er Pairs-8.0 Tables G1. Julia Thompson-Linda Wukasch, Houston G2H1. Sara Hundley-Wilda Montgomery H2. Carol Jewett-Sharon Gerson I1. Donald Reid-Joanna Reid I2. Bob Yelli-Harry Trainer

Friday Eve Swiss Teams-18 Tables A1/2BC1. Suzie Wilson-Lynn Luster -Mary Lou Fowler-Mary Ann Polk A1/2 Chuck Germeyer III-Pat McMullin-Rick Burton, -Carolyn Pinto BC2. Betty Lou Suman-George Suman-Jeanne Ingraham-Frank Ingraham

Friday Eve Open Pairs-23.5 Tables / Based on 37 Tables A1. Vic Sowers-George Fox A2. Randall Lake-Marsha Bernstein B1. Brent McDaniel-Larry Morris B2C1. Joyce Wormser-Pat Kubicek C2. Cheri Staples-Barbara Gadea

Friday Eve 299er Pairs-10.0 Tables DEF1. Stephanie Slattery-Charlene Bolten D2. Peggy Ross-Lucy Nelson EF2. Manuel Colaco-Cedric Siqueira

Friday Eve 49er Pairs-3.0 Tables G1. Shirley Kingsley-Kathryn Nettles H1. Ruth Sherman-Pushpa Bharrani

Saturday Morn Side Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1. Lillian Jones-Chris Jones A2. Stephen Boothe-Nancy Boothe B2. Julie Brand-Susan McMahan C1/2 David Greims-Diane Jobin C1/2 Carol Seliger-Sylvia Levin
Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-19.0 Tables DE1. Stephen Banks-Carol Banks D2C1. James Wynalek-Maureen Wynalek C2. Van Valentine-Jim O'Shea

Saturday Morn 49er Pairs-9.0 Tables G1. Lorita Tipton-Helen Oliver G2. Shirley Kingsley-Kathryn Nettles H1. Nancy Guthrie-Bob Yelli H2. Robert Babb-Laurie Hartline-Babb

Friday Handicapped KO #1-9 Tables 1. Robert Hartman- Dan Morse-John Zilic-Virginia Zilic-Kerr Godfrey-Gil Micheletti, MD 2. David Goldfarb-Harry Elliott- Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel

Friday Handicapped KO #2-9 Tables 1. Shyue Yuan Wu- Yin Choo-Amy Wang- Ming Su 2. Daad Rodgers- Debra Bellan-Daksha Adhia- Ann Ankrum

Friday Handicapped KO #3-12 Tables 1. Gordon Yee- John Lai-Kyle Lueders- Scott Hopke 2. Myrna Dorman- Claudia Parr- Marilyn Hughes-Johnell McKee

Friday Handicapped KO #4-12 Tables 1. Martin Gastrell-Richard Crosby-N Switzer-John Switzer Jr 2. Donald Boyd-Bonnie Boyd- Thomas Martinsen-Linda Martinsen

COMPACT KO TMS-BKT 1-14 Tables 1. Paul Nimmons-Donna Sparks-Jolie Hess-Fred Feigley 2. Betsy Dubose-Sandra Stevens-Dolores Aquino-Barbara Montgomery 16 Tables 1. Geri Noel-Dorothea Faubion-Vivian Cyprus-Bette Benton 2. Judy Carter- Glenda Faragher-John Ambrosi-Jeff Weed

Saturday Open Pairs-33.0 Tables / Based on 62 Tables A1. Joe Quinn-Shawn Quinn A2. Richard Wilson-John Lindsey

B1. Gary Hercules-Carol Noble Bill Rose- Howard Kahlenberg C2. Duane Friedrich- Mark Wallet- C2 Juanita Val Grady-Tomi Porterfield

Saturday Aft Side Pairs-7.5 Tables ABC1. Shi-Lin Yeh-Bob Chiang AB2. Terri Orlean-Kathy Watkins C2. Melba Limbach-Jane Rice

Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-16.5 Tables ABC1. Penny Barroso-Darrell Barroso ABC2. Bill Frank-Herbert

Krog Saturday Aft 49er Pairs-3.0 Tables G1. Lorita Tipton-Helen Oliver G2H1. Carol Eichhorn-Linda Lauga

COMPACT KO TEAMS-BKT 2-16 Tables 1. Ankur Rathi- Mahesh Rathi- Anant Rathi-Robert Watkins 2. Carmen Keys-Paul Cuneo-Yvonne Strangmeyer- Joyce Gore

Sat Aft. Swiss Teams-32 Tables AB1. Beverley Cheatham-Margot Leonard-Shirley Hooks- Raj Pruthi AB2. Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer - James Andre- Yixin Pan C1. Marsha Sachs-Marilyn Frazier-Donna Hrachovy-Merilyn Krog C2. James Morgan- Brenda Metz-Judith Glasco- Joseph Ford

Bracketed Swiss #1-7 Tables / Based on 37 Tables

1. William Lindner-Linda Sutton, Conroe ; Wayne Christensen, Jr, Laporte ; Bill Gemas 2. Millicent Wear-Judy Fernald-John Monroe Jr, Houston ; Jo Ann O'Malley

Sunday Bracketed Swiss #2-7 Tables / Based on 21 Tables 1. Steve Vaughn-Michael Novack, Humble ; Rick Stell-William Schindler 2. William Kibikas- Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland ; Birendra BK Singh-Charles Ensor

Sunday Bracketed Swiss #3-7 Tables / Based on 19 Tables 1. Giovanna Spiker-Silvana Smith-Jeanette Nestvold-Nadia Branisa 2. Edwin Zwald-Joseph Wald-Joe Boutros-Ann Ankrum

Sunday Bracketed Swiss #4-7 Tables / Based on 16 Tables 1. Joyce Gore, Missouri City ; Yvonne Strangmeyer, Houston ; Kailash Sachdev-Rani Sachdev Sharon Graber-Robert Graber, League City ; Rodney McCullough, Galveston ; Brent McDaniel

Sunday Bracketed Swiss #5-7 Tables / Based on 14 Tables 1. Genie Hayden-Betsy Wiley-Norma Becker-Betty Jean Reeves 2. Judy Carter-Glenda Faragher-Marsha Sachs-

HOUSTON'S AWESOME AUGUST SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Sat Compact KO Bkt 1
Fred Feigley - Donna Sparks,
Paul Nimmons - Jolie Hess



Sat Compact KO Bkt 2
Mahesh Rathi - Robert Watkins
Anant Rathi - Ankur Rathi



Sat Compact KO Bkt 3
Dorothea Faubion - Bette Benton
Vivian Cyprus - Geri Noel



Fri Aft Pairs C
Stephen Simmons - Kathy Larson



Fri Eve Swiss A,B,C
Suzie Wilson, Lynn Luster
Lou Fowler, Mary Ann Polk



Fri-Sat KO Bkt 1 John & Virginia Zilic,
Kerr Godfrey, Dan Morse,
Robert Hartman, Gil Micheletti



Fri-Sat KO Bkt 2
Shyue Yuan, Wu Ming Soo,
Yin Choo, Amy Wang



Fri Eve Swiss A
Chuck Germeyer - Carolyn Pinto
Pat McMullin - Rick Burton(NP)



Fri-Sat KO Bkt 3
Scott Hopke, Kyle Lueders
John Lai - Gordon Yee



Fri-Sat KO Bkt 4
Dick Crosby, Nellie Switzer
Martin Gastrell - John Switzer



Sat Aft Swiss A,B,C
Margot Leonard, Shirley Hooks
Raj Pruthi - Beverley Cheatham



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 8
Troy Carr, Lynne Andress
Janelle McGinnis - Walter Freitag



Sat Open Pairs Flt A
Joe & Shawn Quinn



Sat Open Pairs Flt B
Bill Rose - Howard Kahlenberg



Sat Open Pairs Flt C
Gary Hercules - Carol Noble



Sun Open Pairs Flt A
Vern Schmidt - Julia Blancet



Sun Open Pairs Flt B & C
Kevin Risley - Evan Marti



Sun Swiss Teams Flt A
Nancy Boothe - Pat McMullin
Carolyn Pinto - Stephen Boothe



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 1
Linda Sutton - Bill Gemas
William Lindner - Wayne Christensen



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 2
Rick Stell, Steve Vaughn
Mike Novack - Bill Schindler



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 3
Giovanna Spiker - Jeannette Nestvold
Nadia Branisa - Silvana Smith



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 5
Genie Hayden - Betsy Wiley
Norma Becker - Betty Jean Reeves



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 7
Dan Leightman - Alick Einav
Jeff Parker - Paul DeMarsh



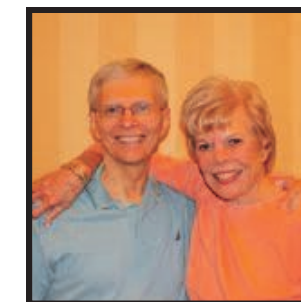
Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 4
Kailash & Rani Sachdev
Joyce Gore - Yvonne Strangmeyer



Fri Eve Open Pairs Flt A
George Fox - Vic Sowers



Fri Eve Open Pairs Flt B
Pat Kubicek - Joyce Wormser



Fri Aft Open Pairs Flt A
John Erickson - Pat Levy



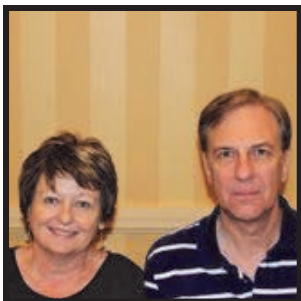
Fri Aft Open Pairs Flt B
Bill Gemas - Daniel Jackson



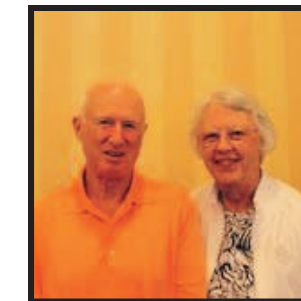
Fri Eve 49ers
Shirley Kingsley - Kathryn Nettels



Fri Eve 299ers
Stephanie Slattery - Charlene Bolten



Sat Morn 299ers
Maureen & James Wynalek



Sat Morn 299ers
Steve & Carol Banks



Sat Aft 299ers
Darrell & Penny Barroso



Fri Aft 49ers
Julia Thompson - Linda Wukasch



Sat Morn 49ers
Nancy Guthrie - Bob Yelli



Sat Morn 49ers
Helen Oliver - Lorita Tipton

Merilyn Krog
Sunday Bracketed Swiss #6-7 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1. Yvonne Pierce-Anne Knott-Patsy Howell-Mary Janak .Alan Holzberg-Chris Whitelonis-Bathsheba Perry- Jim Greaves
Sunday Bracketed Swiss #7-7 Tables / Based on 9 Tables 1. Jeffery Parker-Alick Einav- Paul De Marsh-Daniel Leightman, 2/3 Robert Ziegler-David Russell- Joe Moseley-Marc Beardsley 2/3 Tomi Porterfield -Evelyn Brennan-Juanita Val Grady-Dale Grady
Sunday Bracketed Swiss #8-7 Tables 1. Walter Freitag-Jenelle Rae

McGinnis-Lynne Andress- Troy Carr 2. Martin Gastrell-Richard Crosby, Kingwood ; Donald Snelling-Sandy Snelling
Sunday Open Pairs-7.5 Tables A1. Julia Blancet-Vern Schmidt A2. Dale Crumbaugh-Barbara Phillips BC1. Evan Marti-Kevin Risley B2. Barbara Grantham-Sharon Haley C2. Robert Coffey-David Ticen
Sunday A/X Swiss-24 Tables / Based on 80 Tables A1. Carolyn Pinto-Nancy Boothe-Pat McMullin-Stephen Boothe A2. Jack La Vigne-Barbara La Vigne-John Erickson-Ralda St Pierre X2. Joyce Ryan-Curtis Polk-Jonathan Holmes-

Thomas Jahnke-David Henke

**Unit 183
Fort Worth**



They tell me summer's nearly over...where did July go? Oh, I remember, I was recuperating from knee replacement surgery...let's see if I can remember all the activities of the summer!

Unit 183 honored the Teacher of the Year, Mary Jane Orock at a special Unit Game in Fort Worth on June 9th. The turnout was amazing..19 tables in the Open Section and 7 1/2 tables in the limited game. Open Winners were: Section A: N/S Steve Shirey and Donna Rosz and Jerry Derby and Hugh Hillaker the E/W winners. Section B Open Winners were Barbara Butler and Darlene Shirey N/S (first overall) and Jim and Jane Walker E/W. Flight C was won by Ann Dunlap and Lynda Shropshire (first overall) 2nd Annie and John Mason and 3rd Kay Campbell and Donna Adams.

The 4x4 Handicapped Swiss held in June had a good field. Winners were 1st - Mary Jane Orock, Carolyn Pinto, Billy Leeper and Randy Ausmus; 2nd - Bill Ream, Jim Chaffee, Robert Buchanan and Don Reynolds; 3-rd - Mel Bason, Kay Jones, Ann Sutherland and Jane Rushford; 4th - Mike Childs, Katye Kowierschke, and Don and Susan Dodson. This format is great fun...watch for it again and get your team together!

Many thanks to Tom Moore who coordinated the Unit-Wide Multi-site game on July 28. No one had to

leave home to play in a Unit Game..we had 32 tables in all playing in three locations: Arlington, Denton and Fort Worth.

The Overall Winners:

- 1) Steve Hibbard - Mickey Tryon - Arlington - 68.82%
- 2) Hugh Hillaker - Bill Staats - Arlington - 64.19%
- 3) Jimmy Reynolds - Mary Ann White - Arlington - 63.47%
- 4) Mel Bason - Kay Jones - Fort Worth - 60.72%

The Arlington Winners:

- N/S 1) Hugh Hillaker - Bill Staats
2) Jimmy Reynolds - Mary Ann White
3) Bryan Morgan - Robert Lynn
4) Anne Lydiak - Georgie Jaeger
E/W 1) Steve Hibbard - Mickey Tryon
2) Becky Koenigseder - Nancy Peterson
3) Lauren Brown - Penny Mixon
4) Bill White - Robert Buchanan

The Denton Winners:

- 1) Helen Olechna-Lia Jones; 2) Jo Bryan - Kim Brinkman; 3) Joyce Stone - Jane Hopkins and 4) Jeannette McDonald - Thomas Miyake

The Fort Worth Winners:

- N/S
1) Mel Bason - Kay Jones
2) Bruce Mann - Margot Hirsch
3) Olive Wood - Ann Box
4) Jane Rushford - Ann Sutherland
E/W
1) Mary Jane Orock - Carolyn Pinto
2) Bill Ream - Jim Chaffee
3) Sharon Tucci - Tom Hughes
4) Jeri Quinton - Ken Quinton

This was a super-fun event and we'd never have been able to pull it off without the skills of Tom Moore....thanks!!

Be sure to read the Bulletin! This month found a letter in the Letters to the Editors written by our own Marion Massey...good comments on a much-discussed subject. The same edition carried a lovely story featuring Arlington's Dee Berg. One look at Dee and you see what a devoted bridge volunteer should look like. Congratulations, Dee.

Those hitting milestones are Judy Staser of Fort Worth and Joe Ellis of Maypearl - Gold Life Masters and William Byrnes of Eules Bronze Life Master. Congratulations to all of you. If I've missed anyone, please let me know.

Along with the heat have come sizzling games at the table. In Fort Worth Katy Kowierschke and Jan Gallager posted a 70%er. The 70% winners in Arlington are Betty Boring and Letty Garek; Charlie Raines and Don Farrell and Betty Peterson and G Morey. August kicked off with a 75.42% game for Charlie Raines and Connie...oh, how I wish that were the temperature! Way to go...

The Unit's latest 8 is Enough Tournament was held in the Fort Worth Studio on August 4. Fifteen teams turned out to munch on great fried chicken provided by the Unit and delicious sides provided by the players. Winners were Jim and Lauren Brown; Sharon Tucci and Millie Williams;

Put this date on your calendar: Arlington's next NLM is October 13 at ADBC.

Circle these dates: November 16 - 18 Unit 183's Fall Sectional and Election of Officers. Bios will be out before voting for you to study the list of candidates and choose your favorite three (3) candidates. Remember: change of location: Radisson FW Fossil Creek Hotel - 2540 Meacham Blvd. - great hotel - great room rates. Please come!!!

Thanks to all you players in Unit 183...you make us the best!

On any given day... Friday June 22, 2012 started like any other Friday at the Arlington Club. TGIF dinner was being served, players gathered for a quick dinner and a friendly game of bridge... and in walked Bob Hamman, member of the ACBL Hall of Fame, holder of at least 50 North American Bridge Championships, and repeated winner of the ACBL Player of the Year. Linda Spangler and Randy Ausmus finished ahead of him East/West and won overall. Jimmy Reynolds and Mary Ann White won North-South. Hamman came in second East-West and tied for third overall with Helen Nelson and Marty Schwartz, but his presence was the highlight of the evening, and gave everyone in the room a memory worth savoring. Hamman continues to be a gracious champion who is generous in his contribution to the game of bridge at all levels.

The Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club held an NLM Tournament June 16 and 17. In the Saturday Morning Pairs Event, winners were: 1. Stephen Wuller and Eugene Wuller, 2. Birdie Taylor and Mike Pieffer, 3. John Robbins and Ben Benjamin. Saturday Afternoon, the Wullers took first place again, the Robbins/Benjamin team took second, and Ann Overfield and Letty Garek claimed third place honors, with Marguerite Lavender and Victoria Schmulen winning first in C. The Easy Bridge morning winners were Jeffrey Smith and Maureen McDonald. Sunday Swiss followed. Letty Garek, Sue Kay Reeder, Earl Mast and Ann Overfield won the Morning event and placed third in the Afternoon. Thomas Head, Rebecca Head, Margaret Mason and John Mason won the Afternoon session. Gladys Freeman, Ramona Long, Glenda Franks and Bobby Traylor were first in B in the morning, and second in B in the afternoon. Alan Robson, Bonnie Jan Robson, James Vanantwerp and Charlene Gallaty were first in C in both sessions.

On Saturday, August 4, there were 15 teams at the Fort Worth Bridge Studio in a Unit Sponsored 8 is Enough game. We feasted on buckets of fried chicken provided by the Unit..fabulous sides provided by our good cooks. The A & B overall winners were: Jim Brown, Lauren Brown, Sharon Tucci and Millie Williams. Flight C winners were Ann and Bob Kennemer, Charlie Raines and Mary Ellen Stanton.



**Unit 187
Corpus Christi**

Dee Schade

Summer has been quiet since all our winter Texans have left for the summer. We are looking forward to September when they begin returning!

NAP games have been going on since June and we probably have almost qualified everyone. Lina Crumpler will direct the unit finals on September 15, Saturday, at the Bridge Club. This will be a 2-session event starting at 10:00 a.m. with lunch being catered by Hesters. Good gourmet sandwiches and sweets - probably even a little wine. \$20.00 per player includes lunch & both sessions. You do not have to play with the same person with whom you qualified, but both players must have qualified to be eligible to play.

Please see our ad in this issue for important changes in the October Sectional. There was a mix-up in the dates so arrangements had to be made to go elsewhere for this time. Thanks to all those who worked on getting this done. Port Aransas here we come!

The board of Unit 187 met at the

Bridge Club on July 31. New officers elected were Karen Leber, president; Phyllis Pruet, vice president; Larry Caplan, secretary; and Mabel Byrnes, treasurer. In addition to these, board members include Marilyn Bein, Janet Daniel, Ron Francey, Marilyn Mac Donald and Pauletta Myers. Board committee chair appointments are Bob Gerberich, club manager; Dee Schade, conduct & appeals; Martha DeCou, tournament; and Ron Francey, district 16 board representative. President Leber appointed the following: Mary Ross, awards; Martha DeCou & Mary Ross, education & membership & membership retention; Janet Daniel, publicity; Martha DeCou, NAP/GNT coordinator; Dee Schade, Scorecard correspondent; Lina Crumpler, internet coordinator; Martha DeCou, special unit games; and Janet Daniel, nominating committee.

This month please get to know Penny Snow. To quote Penny, "I was born in Corpus Christi and lived there until moving to Houston in 1970 after Hurricane Celia. I moved back to Corpus in late 1984 and in 1996 I moved to the big city of Beeville. Hemant Lall calls it Bumble Bee!

I started in the business world when I was 16, and hopefully will continue for many more years. I have been at Al Dodds Aviation for 28 years. We manage corporate aircraft. Many famous people have come through the doors over the years. Just to name a few; Troy Aikman, Emmett Smith, Bill O'Reilly, Mike Ditka, Kay Bailey Hutchinson and others.

I started playing duplicate bridge in 1978. I had played most other card games, but this was my first time for bridge. Counting cards in double deck Pinochle made it easier to learn to count a bridge hand. In addition to playing bridge, my favorite activities include going to concerts, plays and football games. GO TEXANS!

I served on the unit board in Houston & in Corpus Christi. I was vice president of the Houston unit. When president Billie Kitchens had to resign for health reasons, I finished out her term a president. I served as district 16 representative to the ACBL board of governors for a number of years.

I have visited about 75% of the U.S. playing bridge. One of the greatest pleasures bridge has given me is the many friends I have made all across Texas and other states. I am an only child so many of my bridge friends are family to me. I also have been to Vancouver, Canada, the Dominican Republic, the Bahamas & many places in Mexico. Probably the greatest thrill of my life was meeting Elvis Presley at a press conference when he was at the Houston Rodeo in 1970.

I have a wonderful son, Jeff, who lives in Kingwood with his wife, Eileen. He has given me most of my gray hair, (hidden under the red), because they travel everywhere to find the highest, wildest, twistiest roller coasters in existence. They also jumped off the Stratosphere in Las Vegas!"

Penny is one of the top players in unit 187 and we are glad she is taking time to play more bridge these days.

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



**Unit 201
Sabine Neches**

Patsy Pierce

The Annual Membership Meeting was held June 4, before the regularly scheduled game. President Sally Blewett conducted the meeting

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Friday, November 9

Compact KnockOut Teams (4 players only)	1:30 & 7 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (SINGLE SESSIONS)	1:30 & 7 pm
0-300 Pairs (SINGLE SESSIONS)	1:30 & 7 pm
One-Session Stratified Swiss Teams	7 pm

Saturday, September 10

Compact KnockOut Teams (4 players only)	10 & 3 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (SINGLE SESSIONS)	10 & 3 pm
0-300 Pairs (SINGLE SESSIONS)	10 & 3 pm
One-Session Stratified Swiss Teams	3 pm

Sunday, September 11

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams	10 AM & TBA
0-300 Swiss Teams (2 SINGLE SESSIONS)	10 AM & TBA

DINNER served between sessions.

Stratifications average of pair

Stratified A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750)
Stratiflighted A(4000+) & AX (0-4000) Play together
B(750-2000) & C(0-750) play together
Stratified 0-300 PAIRS A (200-300), B (100-200), C (0-100)
Top bracket of KOs may be handicapped at director's discretion

Tournament Chair: Carolyn Pinto
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All SINGLE sessions \$11 per PLAYER,
Two session SWISS \$96 PER TEAM.

NOTE: There will be an additional charge of \$1 per SESSION for players who are non or unpaid ACBL members. Student discounts. Players with 0-20 MP play FREE on Saturday afternoon
Bridge lecture FRI at 6:30 pm Section top prizes

The Unit 183 will be held between sessions on Sunday. Polls will be open for the Board of Directors election 1 hour before each session Friday & Saturday and the morning session Sunday. U183 members can vote for Board of Directors until game time Sunday morning.

which served to review the club's progress, elect new board members and honor members receiving awards during the previous year. Newly elected board members are Carolyn Worsham, Dave Becker, Nixie Lynch and Arline Myers. Thanks to all of you for accepting the responsibilities that go with this position. Nancy Smalley was recognized as the Texas Star winner from Unit 201. We appreciate her dedication and work that promotes bridge in Beaumont. Don Moss and Robert Mainord were also recognized for their contributions to our bridge club and received the Unit 201 Goodwill Award.

At the regular Board Meeting, officers were elected for the coming year. Sally Blewett was re-elected as President of the Unit. Liz Karnicki will serve as Vice-President with Chris Cherry continuing to serve as Secretary.

The **Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs winners** were also recognized and presented awards from the Unit. In the 0-5 category, Carolyn Worsham won both the Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs awards. Both awards in the 5-20 category went to Sylvia Street. Susan Mandel won both awards in the 20-50 category while Pat Bell won both awards in the 50-100 group. Earl Johnson won both awards in the 100-200 group. In the 200-300, Robert Mainord won both awards while Juinez Moss took both prizes in the 300-500 category. Jack Evans took both awards in the 500-1000 and Carol McGill won both in the 1000-2500 group. In the 2500-5000 category Nancy Smalley won the Mini-McKenney while Martha Sigler took the Ace of Clubs award. Bob Black was the winner of both in

the 5000-7500 category and Tipton Goliath won both in the 10,000+ category. Pat Bell was presented a special award as she was also the District winner and placed 4th nationally. Congratulations to all these winners.

With Rodin's "The Thinker" as the inspiration, **Earl Johnson's Life Master Party** was enjoyed by all. We especially appreciated getting to know his lovely family and seeing his beautiful grandchildren. Among other gifts, Earl was presented with an individual timer to be used at all times. After a delicious meal of brisket, ribs, and pulled pork with country style trimmings, we retired to the bridge tables. Winners for the game were Cynthia Stueber and Don Holst. Nancy and John Smalley placed 2nd with Mary Jane Garth and Dolores Belton finishing 3rd. Others placing were our honoree, Earl and his partner Ann Montgomery placing 2nd in Flight B with Mary Nix and Loretta Gary in 3rd. In Flight C, Jean and Barney Hammer placed 2nd with Patricia Woods and Beverly Broussard finishing in 3rd position. Congratulations go out to Earl for this accomplishment. Well done! Our club was well represented in the **Saturday afternoon District 16 STaC** game. With 122.5 tables participating throughout the district, Noel Buff and Paul Keedy garnered 7.13 points by placing 1st in Flight C. Nancy Smalley and Cynthia Stueber placed 6th in Flight A, with Pat Bell and Earl Johnson placing 4th in Flight C. Good Job!!

The **June Mentor Pairs Game** was won by Betty Kirwin and Cynthia Stueber. Linda Briggs and Juanita Dean placed 2nd with Paul Aguillard and Robert McGill finishing in 3rd place. The **June Mentor Team**

Game found the team of Pat Bell, Susan Mandel, Martha Sigler, and June Edgington on top. Placing 2nd were Jo Ellen Lavergne, Liz Mackenzie, Paul Keedy, and Jack Evans with Susan Mimmo, Patricia Woods, Sally Blewett and Thelma Stockdale in 3rd place. **July Mentor Pairs Game** was won by Janis Williams and Jack Evans. Susan Mandel and June Edgington were 2nd with Julia Hooper and Carol McGill placing 2nd. The **July Mentor Team Game** was won by the team of Lynda Jones, Marilyn Adams, Ann Montgomery and Jerry Heckman. Placing 2nd were Sylvia Street, Julia Hooper, Carol and Bob McGill with Janis Williams, Don Williams, Juinez Moss and Don Moss finishing in 3rd position.

Congratulations go out to Elizabeth Mackenzie, as she has moved up to the level of Bronze Life Master. Good Job, Liz !!

Honors for 70% games in June go to Paul Keedy and Norma Crane with a 73% game and to Nixie Lynch and Gloria Ayers for a 72% game. July 70% winners are Julia Hooper and Sylvia Street with an impressive 77% game.

The Fourth of July Celebration was a great success, thanks to Betty Poindexter and team. Delicious hot dogs, yummy desserts, and a great game of bridge, what more could you ask for? Winners for the day were Pat Bell and Aiyannar Bharathi. Gertrude Cherry and Liz Mackenzie were 2nd with Tim Stelly and Robert Kacher finishing in 3rd place.

Did you ever hear someone say that they only play bridge for fun? Well, don't believe it. Adolph Rupp, renowned Kentucky basketball coach, said it well in this famous quote. "If winning isn't important, why do we keep score?" See you are the game!!

Unit 204 Fort Concho

Neal Perlman



Looks like I left out some winners from the last 204 column. April Lubbock Regional winners also included Joy Hardy and Jack+Jean Rochford. I also overlooked several folks with good scores during the May STACS game week: Earl Mulley, Charles Crawford, Hope Garza, Leigh Broadway, Anna Thomas, Karl Wehner, Gloria Robertson and Larry Hettick. Apologies to all.

The Monday night Cactus Club recruiters Theresa Knoche and Ramonda Ballard independently brought Lynn Myers and Judy Riley and all had a pleasant surprise when finding Lynn and Judy with the same June birthday. In other Cactus Club news Margaret Porter and Mike Williams have become "regulars".

San Angelo club extends a huge thanks to Lou Morton and Joe Bailey for their service on the Board of Directors. Pat Bitner and Dale Harris have been selected to fill these vacancies and join Virginia Noelke, Vicky Fisher, Betty Horne, and Norma Walker. Thank you to all board members.

San Angelo celebrated USA Independence Day with bridge, great food and patriotic community.

Martha Godbey has returned to the table after recovery from some health problems. Welcome back Martha.

Several players went to Ruidosa and a good time was had by most when combining casino gaming, weather

and bridge. Iris Warren and Maxine Bunyard had a second overall and several others scratched in the sections.

An August celebration for life masters Alberta Birk and Toni Hurlbut is scheduled at the Ft. Mason Duplicate Club in Mason, Texas. These frequent partners will be honored with lunch, stories, a duplicate game and all the goodies. Patty Moss and several of their hometown friends organized a good one!

Unit 207 Austin

Joyce Cooper



Bridge, in general, seems to attract many interesting people to the game. As I get to know our players better, I am struck by how many mathematicians, accountants, lawyers, and teachers are among our ranks! I shouldn't be surprised because counting cards and possibilities, as well as a background in logic, is exactly what is needed to play a truly successful game of bridge. One such player is Louis Sachar. Louis is most often recognized as being the author of several highly successful books written for young people, the most well known being Holes, which he also did the screenplay for and was a highly successful movie. A recent novel was The Card Turner, which was the story of a young man who became hooked on bridge after he was hired to turn the cards for his blind uncle. As in Holes, it is a story of life transformation. Turns out, this is what Louis likes to do: write about things that make a difference in young people's lives.

Louis, though born in New York, moved to California at age 9. He graduated from UC Berkeley, then Hastings Law School. During his last year of college, he helped out in an elementary school and found it to be a "joyful relief to leave the heavy work of the university for a couple of hours each day, and be with bright-eyed enthusiastic kids." After graduation he tried writing a children's book, which became Sideways Stories From Wayside School, and heard from a publisher who offered him a contract for it his first week of law school. He completed law school, and began to practice law, but continued with his writing, which he was eventually able to do full time. In the mid 90s, Louis and his wife chose to move to Austin to raise their daughter. It is then that he met Nancy Joe, who invited him to play in a duplicate game. He was hooked! All other games seemed trivial compared to bridge. He had played bridge with his parents growing up, but this was his first time for duplicate and the game became a part of his routine then and there. Asked about his most memorable game, he says it has to be when he partnered with his mom in a KO in California with Paul and Beth Tobias making up the team. They won the KO and collected 20 plus gold points, making his mother a life master!

Asked about what he would recommend to newer players, this is his advice: "Slow down. Many mistakes are made by playing quickly and routinely. Think about every bid you make and every card you play. Ask yourself: What do I know about the opponent's cards? What information am I conveying to partner? What is partner trying to tell me? What does partner need to know?" Great advice and thanks so much for sharing, Louis.

Meanwhile, we continue with the monthly Unit 207 lessons. Thus far, the series of complimentary lessons by some of Austin's top teachers has

been well received and appreciated. Topics have included signaling, counting, and the very last was by Tom Clark: **Declarer Play: a Field of Vision: Introduction to Squeeze Plays and Rectifying the Count.** We received 10 pages of notes and my head is still spinning. Knowing how effective Tom is in getting the count (points and cards in each suit) has made me try to get to games early so I can arrange to "skip" his table! Tom's lecture was fantastic – and Tom has become a formidable opponent over the years.

Unit 207 sponsored a complimentary 2 game session with lunch at the end of July. It was well attended and apparently everyone had a good time. The membership has expressed appreciation for these events and the Board has determined that it is a good way to give back to the Club.

Milestones: New Life Master: Kathleen Adams; **Silver Life Master:** Jewel Dahl; **Others: 4000 Points:** Jeff McKee; **2000 Points:** Kalpana Sutaria; **1500 Points:** Donna Lantz, Kevin Perkins; **750 Points:** Sandy Potts, Jo Ann Shaffer; **200 Points:** Sonya Armstrong, Susan Mathews, Richard Ryan; **100 Points:** Nell Dale, Marcia Kohm, Kathleen Monahan, Terry Newman, Helene Norris.

Finally, we thank all of you who came to the Austin 4th of July Regional. It was a great tournament and the presence of so many players from across Texas was appreciated and enjoyed. 9000.12 master points were awarded to 830 players, with Barry Schaffer of Frisco being the big winner: 91.13 points; followed by Hugh Hillaker of Grand Prairie with 89.63 points. Wow! Thanks to Larry Davis and Mary Anne Laire for having organized another well run tournament. And thanks to all the other volunteers who gave freely of their time to make this tournament the success that it was.

Future Austin Tournaments: Austin Sectional: September 20-23 at the Bridge Center; **NLM Sectional:** Bridge Center, November 3-4; and the **January Austin Sectional at the Doubletree Hotel: January 3-6.** The District NAP Finals will also be played at this tournament. Put the dates on your calendar.

Austin 4th Of July Regional

July 2-8, 2012

830 players. 1541 tables.

1 91.13 Barry Schaffer, Frisco
2 89.63 Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie
3 83.28 Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas
4 83.28 Nancy Passell, Plano
5 83.28 Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV
6 83.28 John Sutherlin, Dallas
7 82.81 Venkatrao Koneru San Antonio
8 81.31 Jo Smith, Abilene
9 77.07 Merri-Jo Hillaker, Grand Prairie
10 76.89 John Bromberg, Dallas
11 64.55 Robert Morris, Houston
12 64.55 Eddie Wold, Houston
13 62.47 Beth Bromberg, Dallas
14 60.96 Carolyne Fox, Manvel
15 60.36 Larry Davis, Austin
16 60.21 Bill Staats, Southlake
17 59.46 Gary King, Houston
18 54.36 Virgil Massey, Driftwood
19 54.36 Charlene Sands, Pflugerville
20 51.17 Robert Donathan, Austin
21 50.27 Stephen Bruce, Austin
22 46.11 Kerr Godfrey, Houston
23 44.93 Petra Hamman, Dallas
24 44.93 Jeffrey Juster, Dallas
25 44.93 Hemant Lall, Dallas
26 44.93 Bob Hamman, Dallas

KNOCKOUTS

Mon/Tues KO-Bracket 1-9 Tables
1. Barry Schaffer, Frisco ; Merri-Jo

Hillaker-Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie ; Beth Bromberg-John Bromberg, Dallas 2. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio ; Jo Smith, Abilene ; Carolyne Fox, Manvel ; Gary King, Houston 3/4 Dan Morse-Kerr Godfrey, Houston ; Ira Hessel, San Antonio ; Kenneth Schutze, Austin 3/4 Hans Strohmer-Nancy Strohmer-Eddie Wold-Robert Morris, Houston ; Mitch Towner, Austin

Mon/Tues KO-Bracket 3-13 Tables
1. Art Desmond-Anne Gorry-Mary Watters, Houston ; Carol Winograd, Bellaire 2. Robert Ziegler-Bill Chamberlain, Houston ; Michael Kern, The Woodlands ; Bob Matlock, Spring 3/4 Marvin Schrage, Austin ; Nancy Kelly, Addison ; May Sebel, Dallas ; David Luzzatto, Richardson 3/4 Deryl Pais-Pam Pais, Tulsa OK; Margie Patterson-Mary Willis, Spring

Mon/Tues KO-Bracket 2-9 Tables
1. Pat Prichard-Rand Schmidt-Richard Curtin-Kay Laird, San Antonio 2. Darlene Moody-Jacqueline Fetzer-Nan Fulweber-Lynne Andress, Houston 3/4 Harry Ingham, San Marcos ; Verlyn Stahlecker, San Antonio ; Terry Richardson-Stan Kurtzer, Austin 3/4 Jerry Robinson, Colorado Spgs CO; Kathy Baldwin-Peggy Ross, Bryan ; Tony Morinello, Arlington

Wed/Thu KO Bracket 1-12 Tables
1. Peggy Sutherlin-John Sutherlin, Dallas ; Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV; Nancy Passell, Plano 2. Kerr Godfrey-John Zilic-Virginia Zilic, Houston ; Stephen Bruce, Austin 3/4 James Stevens-Sandra Stevens, Katy ; Robert Curl, Houston ; David Curl, Fort Worth ; Betsy Dubose, Bellaire ; Thomas Schmalz, Galveston 3/4 Nancy Strohmer-Hans Strohmer-Eddie Wold-Robert Morris, Houston ; Mitch Towner, Austin

Wed/Thu KO Bracket 2-9 Tables
1. Benjamin Klein-Joyce Klein, Houston ; Gay Roach, Nacogdoches ; Preston Morrow, Dallas 2. Jim Harp-John Pelletti, Dallas ; George Fillis-Karen Fillis, San Antonio 3/4 David Ticen, Victoria ; Paul Johnston, Austin ; Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn, Corpus Christi 3/4 Kenneth McAllister-Phyllis Kuchta, Pearland ; Julia Blancet, League City ; Sherry Greisen, Houston

Tue/Wed KO Bracket 4-16 Tables
1. Eugene Jackson III-Matthew Marino, Austin ; William Connell-Erezza Connell, Eureka CA 2. Andrew Small-Clara Wood-Sanae Zaveloff, Austin ; Terrie Reid, Houston 3/4 Tom Banet-Gail Banet-Robert Burton-Dolline Burton, Georgetown 3/4 Anita Albert-Bill Kalmbach-Julie Valentine-Steven Hollahan, Austin

Wed/Thu KO Bracket 3-10 Tables
1. Claudette Roush-Geri McCallip-Elisabeth Cabiness, Houston ; Cornelia Freeman, Corpus Christi 2. Kelly Moses, Biloxi MS; Kimi Lambert-Joanna Cadden-Barbara Hutchison, Austin ; Theda Cook, Cedar Park 3/4 Jackie Hertweck-Julian Kornfeld, Edmond OK; Jay Barron, Tulsa OK; Joe Veal, Oklahoma City OK 3/4 Rita Wiegenstein-Dale Irish-Jackie Franz-Larry Franz, Georgetown

Fri/Sat KO Bracket 1-11 Tables
1. Peggy Sutherlin-John Sutherlin, Dallas ; Nancy Passell, Plano ; Mike Passell, Las Vegas NV 2. Barry Schaffer, Frisco ; Merri-Jo Hillaker-Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie ; Bill Staats, Southlake ; John Bromberg-Beth Bromberg, Dallas 3/4 Dan Morse, Houston ; Shawn Quinn-Joe Quinn, Sugar Land ; Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel, San Antonio ; Kenneth Schutze, Austin 3/4 Joan Jackson-Norman Beck, Dallas ; Bryan Storey, Frisco ; Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie

Fri/Sat KO Bracket 2-12 Tables
1. Tomi FitzGerald, Frisco ; Melody Euler, Temple ; Kevin Cline-Gary Bush, Dallas 2. Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn, Corpus Christi ; Brett Wunderlich-Eric Goff, Austin 8.10 3/4 Lee Huber, Rockwall ; Joseph Volanski, Spring ; Linda Sutton, Conroe ; Edward Freiter, Humble 8.10 3/4 James Stevens-Sandra Stevens, Katy ; Robert Curl, Houston ;

David Curl, Fort Worth ; Betsy Dubose, Bellaire ; Thomas Schmalz, Galveston

Fri/Sat KO Bracket 3-12 Table
1. Jim Harp-John Pelletti, Dallas ; Benjamin Klein-Joyce Klein, Houston 2. Mark Craig-Sharon Hoger-Clara Wood-Andrew Small, Austin 3/4 Ronald Francey, Corpus Christi ; Bryan Morgan-Jerrold Albom, Dallas ; Don Malone, Wonec WI 3/4 Greg Schepens-Terry Richardson-Stan Kurtzer, Austin ; Vera Aktansel, Norman OK

Fri/Sat KO Bracket 4-12 Tables
1. Eugene Jackson III-Matthew Marino-Danna Redford-Charles Afill, Austin 2. Dolline Burton-Robert Burton-Gail Banet-Tom Banet, Georgetown 3/4 Barbara Morgan-Mary Powell, New Braunfels ; Patricia Carson-Carolyn Wiseman, Ann Arbor MI 3/4 Yvonne Pierce-Anne Knott-Patsy Howell, Houston ; Mary Janak, Friendswood

Fri/Sat KO Bracket 5-16 Tables
1. Janie Wolaver, Jefferson ; Gilda Reynolds, Austin ; Sally McAnulty, Tyler ; Charles Ward, Houston 2. Darlene Gilmore-Carol Katz, La Grange ; Charles Katz-Carol Helms, Schulenburg 3/4 John Osborne, Menard ; Linda Reichenau-Alberta Birk-Toni Hurlbut, Mason 3/4 James Glathar-Kathleen Sato-James Hurst, Austin ; Jean Marsh, San Angelo

Evening KO-15 Tables
1. Larry Davis, Austin ; William Charowhas, Marble Falls ; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville ; Virgil Massey, Driftwood 2. Jo Smith, Abilene ; James Thurtell-James Bauer, Dallas ; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio ; Gary King, Houston ; Carolyne Fox, Manvel 3/4 Barry Schaffer, Frisco ; Bill Staats, Southlake ; Merri-Jo Hillaker-Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie ; John Bromberg, Dallas 3/4 John Manderscheid-Dale White-Wilma Booth-Kathleen Malcolmson, Houston

COMPACT KO

Tues Compact KO Bracket 1-11 Tables
1. Mark Craig-Sharon Hoger-Kathy McCabe-Ralph Simon, Austin 2. Janelle Frusha, Conroe ; Mavis Warren-Vicky Martinez-Sarah Hardin, Montgomery 3. Virgil Massey, Driftwood ; Mildred Breed, Austin ; Karen Snyder, Spicewood ; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville 4. John Taylor, Lago Vista ; Sue Gerard, Mexico Mexico; Theda Cook, Cedar Park ; Raymond Borrego, Austin

Tues Compact KO Bracket 2-16 Tables
1. George Fillis-Karen Fillis, San Antonio ; John Pelletti-Jim Harp, Dallas 2. Susan McLaurin-Janet Williams-Carolyn Robertson-Terry Harrison, Houston 3. James Glathar-Matthew Marino-James Hurst-Eugene Jackson III, Austin 4. Liz Hinkle, Horseshoe Bay ; Helen Kirby, Granite Shoals ; William Hiers Jr, Bertram ; Lue Harden, Burnett

Thursday Compact KO Bkt 1-9 Tables
1. Merri-Jo Hillaker-Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie ; Bill Staats, Southlake ; Barry Schaffer, Frisco 2. Jo Smith, Abilene ; Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely-Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 3. Dan Morse, Houston ; Joe Quinn-Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land ; Mildred Breed, Austin 4. Larry Davis, Austin ; William Charowhas, Marble Falls ; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville ; Virgil Massey, Driftwood

Thursday Compact KO Bkt 2-16 Tables
1. Becky Mosely-Fran Vanecko-Linda Lawrence, San Antonio ; Jeri Tribo, Fair Oaks Ranch 2. Harry Ingham-Grant Coon II-Elaine Martin, San Marcos ; R Patton Jr, Lockhart 3. Delois Nell, Austin ; Edward Cagle-Opal Thurman-Raymond Duncan, Lawton OK 4. Gordon Yee, Stafford ; Kitty Wong, Pearland ; Amy Wang, Sugar Land ; Ronald French, Richmond

Thursday Compact KO Bkt 3-15 Tables
1. Barbara Morgan-Mary Powell, New Braunfels ; Patricia Carson-Carolyn Wiseman, Ann Ar-

bor MI 2. Karen Logan, Georgetown ; Nola Ray-Steven Andersen, Austin ; Arthur Widen, Round Rock 3. Anne Gorry-Art Desmond-Mary Watters, Houston ; Carol Winograd, Bellaire 4. Joe Moseley-Marc Beardsley-Mike Dowling-Gail Dowling, The Woodlands

Fri-Sat Eve Compact KO-13 Tables 1. Eddie Wold-Betty Freedman-Robert Morris-Patti Mullendore, Houston 2. Daniel Baker-B J Sanders-Mark Sanders, Austin ; Theda Cook, Cedar Park 3. Carol Winograd, Bellaire ; Art Desmond-Mary Watters-Anne Gorry, Houston 4. Yvonne Pierce-Anne Knott-Patsy Howell, Houston ; Mary Janak, Friendswood

Saturday Compact KO Brt 1-10 Tables 1. Petra Hamman-Bob Hamman-Jeffrey Juster-Hemant Lall, Dallas 2. James Bauer-James Thurtell, Dallas ; Linda Spangler, Ft Worth ; Greg Loran, Lubbock 3. Louis Sachar-Mitch Towner-Robert Whitcher-Tobi Sokolow, Austin 4. Ralph Simon-Kathy McCabe-Janis Rush, Austin ; Harold Lilie, Las Vegas NV

Saturday Compact KO Brt 2-10 Tables 1. David Pearlman, Trophy Club ; Kim Cox, Crp Christi ; David Farris, Austin ; Jonathan Ernest, Lindale 2. Edwin Zwald-Joseph Wald-Sherry Greisen, Houston ; Julia Blancet, League City 3. Alexander Labry-Stephen Wood, Austin ; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville ; Virgil Massey, Driftwood 4. Joe Black-Lawton Hutchison-Dean Truair, Austin ; Wiley McMinn III, Cedar Park

Saturday Compact KO Brt 3-16 Tables 1. Eric Sandberg-Janice Sandberg-Nancy Reader-Robert Arnett, Houston 2. Gordon Yee, Stafford ; Kitty Wong, Pearland ; Amy Wang, Sugar Land ; Ronald French, Richmond 3. Thomas Trudeau-Becky Mosely-George Fillis-Karen Fillis, San Antonio 4. Thomas Martinsen-Linda Martinsen, Bellaire ; Carmen Keys-Paul Cuneo, Houston

Saturday Compact KO Brt 4-15 Tables 1. Steven Kassarjian, Pleasanton ; Patrick Wang-Dennis Kriventsov, Austin ; Anant Rathi, Houston 2.

Bob Matlock, Spring ; Robert Ziegler-Art Desmond, Houston ; Carol Winograd, Bellaire 3. Robert Clarke-Alma Farley, Richardson ; J Scott Etchison-Judy Etchison, Dallas 4. John Hilbig, Bulverde ; Dolores Reiley-Rand Schmidt-Tessa Bodnar, San Antonio

2-Session Swiss Teams

Sunday A/X Swiss-28 Tables / Based on 86 Tables A1. Bob Hamman-Jeffrey Juster-Petra Hamman-Hemant Lall, Dallas A2. Jo Smith, Abilene ; Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely-Venktrao Koneru, San Antonio A3. Louis Sachar-Tobi Sokolow-David Sokolow-Stephen Wood, Austin A4X1. Kalpana Sutaria-Swadesh Mahajan, Austin ; Sue Gerard, Mexico Mexico; John Taylor, Lago Vista A5. Gary King-Georgiana Gates-Anthony Bianchi, Houston ; Carolyn Fox, Manvel X2. David Pearlman, Trophy Club ; Kim Cox, Crp Christi ; Jonathan Ernest, Lindale ; David Farris, Austin X3. Mark Craig-Sharon Hoger-Phillip Jaeger, Austin ; Thomas Hackenberg, Round Rock X4. David Goldfarb-Harry Elliott, Houston ; James Andre-Lily Andre, Sugar Land X5/6 La Quitta Talbot-Herbert Fallin Jr, Keller ; Dewitt Hudson Jr-Elizabeth Hudson, Arlington X5/6 Stephen Bruce-C Bell, Austin ; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville ; Virgil Massey, Driftwood **Sunday B/C/D Swiss Teams-58 Tables** B1. Dean Truair-Joe Black-Lawton Hutchison, Austin ; Wiley McMinn III, Cedar Park B2. David Ticen, Victoria ; Paul Johnston, Austin ; Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel, Corpus Christi B3C1. Jesse Gordon-Terry Richardson-Greg Schepens, Austin ; Vera Aktansel, Norman OK B4C2. Tod Pontius-Kathleen Adams-David Warner, Austin ; Larry Smith, Delmar NY B5/6 Lee Huber, Rockwall ; Linda Sutton, Conroe ; Edward Freiter, Humble ; Joseph Volanski, Spring B5/6 Joyce Klein-Benjamin Klein, Houston ; Bryan Morgan, Dallas ;

Robert Lynn, Salem VA C3. Tom Banet-Gail Banet-Robert Burton-Dolline Burton, Georgetown C4. Gene Thompson, Belton ; Juanita Butler-Roy Butler-Ann Wallace, Temple C5. Alma Farley-Robert Clarke, Richardson ; Judy Etchison-J Scott Etchison, Dallas D1. Gilda Reynolds-Genie Nyer-Loren Nyer, Austin ; Catherine Supple, Seguin D2. Frank Durante-William Olds-Jerr Boschee-Nancy Latner, Dallas D3. Robin Tucker-Michele Abriol-Steven Andersen, Austin ; Arthur Widen, Round Rock D4. Jack Rawitscher-Arlene Rawitscher-Debbie Goldgar-Eugene Goldgar, Houston D5. Blair Lapwing-Sandra Reynolds, Austin ; Jeff Skillin-Sean McGrath, Round Rock

2-Session Pairs

Tuesday A/X Pairs-13.0 Tables / Based on 24 Tables A1. Thomas Clark-Jerry Bigler, Austin A2. Rosemary Kelley, Austin ; Wiley McMinn III, Cedar Park A3. Betty Starzec-Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land A4/5 Mark Lair, Canyon ; Jack Wolf, Houston A4/5 Jack Lacy, Lago Vista ; Jeff McKee, Dale X1. Janet Clark-Claudette Hartman, Austin B2. Elizabeth Tobias-Geoff Blandy, Austin X3. Nancy Joe, Austin ; Christoph Eick, Houston X4. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan, Austin X5. Dean Truair-G Kania, Austin 50.95% **Tuesday Gold Rush Pairs-23.0 Tables** B1. Leora Nowitz, Bellaire ; Goldie Rose, Sugar Land B2. Helene Hennelly-Richard Ryan, Austin B3. George Lowe-Laura Lowe, Arlington B4C1. Robert Auvenshine-Kay Dierks, Wimberley B5C2. Elizabeth Ling-Gayle Moyers, Austin C3. Mary Ehrichs-Nadine Morgan, Austin C4. Rich Ellmer-Patricia Berry, Austin C5. Jo Pennington, Pflugerville ; Priscilla Baker, Austin **Wednesday Choice Pair-34.0 Tables** A1. Leonard McCormick, Lago Vista ; Robert Donathan, Austin A2. Nancy Stanton, Frisco ; Beth Coker, Bryan A3. Louallen Thomassen, Hot Springs Vlg AR ; Ed Davis, Austin A4/5 Mark Lair, Canyon ; Jack Wolf,

Houston A4/5 James La Fountain, Temple ; Tomi FitzGerald, Frisco B1. Ralph Simon-Kathy McCabe, Austin B2. Neal Perlman-Marcie Perlman, San Angelo B3. Brian Bankler-Hank Eng, San Antonio B4. Kalpana Sutaria-Swadesh Mahajan, Austin B5C1. Daniel Baker-Theda Cook, Austin C2. Dolores Reiley, San Antonio ; John Hilbig, Bulverde C3. B J Sanders-Mark Sanders, Austin C4. Annette Ruth-Suzann Patterson, Georgetown C5. Connie Matz, Boerne ; Clifford Jensen, San Antonio

Thursday A/X Pairs-18.5 Tables A1. Rosemary Kelley-Claudette Hartman, Austin A2. Paul Tobias-Louis Sachar, Austin A3X1. Kerry Goldsmith-Dan Goldsmith, Jr, Weatherford A4. Gary Powell, Austin ; Marilou Powell, Round Rock A5X2.

Sunday Stratified Pairs-4.0 Tables A1. Jeff McKee, Dale ; Pam LaShelle, Round Rock A2B1. Tiger King, Houston ; Hank Eng, San Antonio B2. Judith Hoffman-Stephen Hoffman, Fair Oaks Ranch William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard, Irving X3. Theron Lindsey-John Lindsey, Houston X4 Swadesh Mahajan-Rahul Mahajan, Austin X5 Leonard McCormick, Lago Vista ; Lois Goodman, Austin

Thursday Gold Rush Pairs-23.0 Tables ST1. Mary Ehrichs-Nadine Morgan, Austin S2. Dionne Green-Sandra Helton, Austin S3. Kathy Sinkin-Amor, San Antonio ; Donna Hrachovy, Sugar Land S4. Wanda Kuehler-Mary Kurio, Austin S5T2. Catherine Supple, Seguin ; Dennie Saul, Manor T3. Carol Thibodeaux-Robert Penksa, Austin T4. Deryl Pais-Pam Pais, Tulsa OK T5. Robert Auvenshine-Wayne Mattice, Wimberley

Friday Choice Pairs-38.5 Tables A1. Leonard McCormick, Lago Vista ; Robert Donathan, Austin A2. Jeff McKee, Dale ; Greg Resz, Weatherford A3B1. Dee Schade-Phyllis Pruet, Corpus Christi A4. Terry Currie-Joan Pleason, Houston A5. Stephen Bruce, Austin ; Kerr Godfrey, Houston B2. Bob Butterfield-James McCommons,

Dallas B3. Swadesh Mahajan-Kalpana Sutaria, Austin B4. Neal Perlman-Marcie Perlman, San Angelo B5. Nancy Joe-Hal DeShong, Austin C1. Genie Nyer-Loren Nyer, Austin C2. Carolyn Lux-Eugene Lux, Fredericksburg C3. Paul Johnston, Austin ; David Ticen, Victoria C4. Troy Carr, Cypress ; Katherine McClure, Houston C5. Dennis Kriventsov-Patrick Wang, Austin **Friday Choice Pairs-38.5 Tables** A1. Leonard McCormick, Lago Vista ; Robert Donathan, Austin A2. Jeff McKee, Dale ; Greg Resz, Weatherford A3B1. Dee Schade-Phyllis Pruet, Corpus Christi A4. Terry Currie-Joan Pleason, Houston A5. Stephen Bruce, Austin ; Kerr Godfrey, Houston B2. Bob Butterfield-James McCommons, Dallas B3. Swadesh Mahajan-Kalpana Sutaria, Austin B4. Neal Perlman-Marcie Perlman, San Angelo B5. Nancy Joe-Hal DeShong, Austin C1. Genie Nyer-Loren Nyer, Austin C2. Carolyn Lux-Eugene Lux, Fredericksburg C3. Paul Johnston, Austin ; David Ticen, Victoria C4. Troy Carr, Cypress ; Katherine McClure, Houston C5. Dennis Kriventsov-Patrick Wang, Austin

Saturday A/X Pairs-18.0 Tables / Based on 41 Tables AX1. Elizabeth Tobias-Lois Goodman, Austin AX2. George Watkins, Austin ; R Harry Akin, Paige AX3. Bert Onstott III-Katherine Onstott, Stafford A4. Jeff McKee, Dale ; Pam LaShelle, Round Rock A5X4. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan, Austin X5. Mercedes Barker, Odessa ; Deborah Brookins, Midland

Saturday Gold Rush Pairs-24.0 Tables S1. Tod Pontius-Kathleen Adams, Austin S2T1. Troy Carr, Cypress ; Katherine McClure, Houston S3T2. Arthur Widen, Round Rock ; Patricia Webb, Austin S4T3. Robert Auvenshine-Kay Dierks, Wimberley S5. Jack Rawitscher-Arlene Rawitscher, Houston T4. Robin Tucker-Michele Abriol, Austin T5. Betty Ellingson, Naples FL ; Janet Lavoncher, Georgetown

4TH OF JULY AUSTIN REGIONAL WINNERS



Mon-Tues KO Bkt 1
Beth Bromberg, Barry Schaffer,
John Bromberg, MerriJo Hillaker,
and Hugh Hillaker



Tues Compact KO Bkt 1
Kathy McCabe - Sharon Hoger
Ralph Simon - Mark Craig



Tues Compact KO Bkt 2
George Fillis - Jim Harp
Karen Fillis- John Pelletti



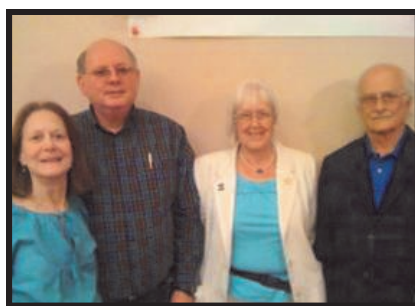
Wed-Thurs KO Bkt 1
Fri-Sat KO Bkt 1
John & Peggy Sutherlin
Mike & Nancy Passell



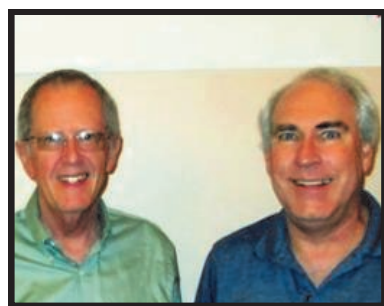
Wed-Thurs KO Bkt 3
Elisabeth Cabiness, Claudette Roush,
Geri McKalliip, Cornelia Freeman



Sat Compact KO Bkt 3
Nancy Reader, Robert Arnett,
Eric and Janice Sandberg



Wed-Thurs KO Bkt 2
Joyce Klein, Ben Klein,
Gay Roach, Preston Morrow



Wed Choice Pairs A
Leonard McCormick - Robert Donathan



Tues Compact KO Bkt 4
Eugene Jackson - Matt Marino
Bill Connell - Erezia Connell



Thurs AX Pairs A
Rosemary Kelley - Claudette Hartmann



Fri-Sat KO Bkt 5
Gilda Reynolds, Charles Ward,
Janie Wolaver, Sally McAnulty



Thurs Compact KO Bkt 3
Carolyn Wiseman, Mary Powell,
Pat Carson, Barbara Morgan



Fri-Sat KO Bkt 2
Tomi Fitzgerald, Melody Euler
Gary Bush, Kevin Klein



Sun Swiss Teams B
Joe Black, Hutch Hutchison,
Wiley McMinn, Dean Truair



Sun Swiss Teams D
Gilda Reynolds, Genie Nyer,
Cathy Supple, Loren Nyer



Sun Swiss Teams X
Swadesh Mahajan, Kalpana Sutaria,
Sue Gerard, John Taylor



Fri/Sat KO Bracket 3
Jim Harp-John Pelletti
Benjamin Klein-Joyce Klein



Tues Eve Swiss A
Eddie Wold - Robert Morris
Nancy & Hans Strohm



Thurs Aft Swiss B
Mercedes Barker, Dewitt Hudson,
Elizabeth Hudson, Deborah Brookins



Thurs Eve BAM B
Mercedes Barker, Terri O'Brien
Laura Delfeld, Deborah Brookins



Tues Aft Swiss A
Robert Craig, Gerald Georges,
Phillip Kielpinski - Peggy Craig



Thurs Aft Swiss C
Julie Valentine, Steve Hollahan
Bill Kalmbach, Anita Albert



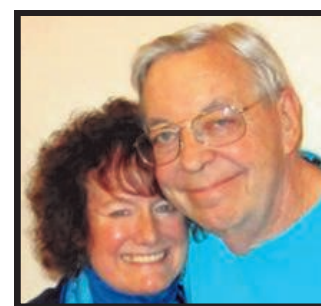
Tues Gold Rush Pairs
Goldie Rose - Leora Nowitz



Tues Aft Swiss C
Anita Albert - Martha Norman
Art Widen (np) - Steve Andersen(np)



Thurs Eve BAM C
Darlene Gilmore, Martha Norman,
Carol Helms, Sandy Potts



Sat Gold Rush Pairs
Kate Adams - Tod Pontius



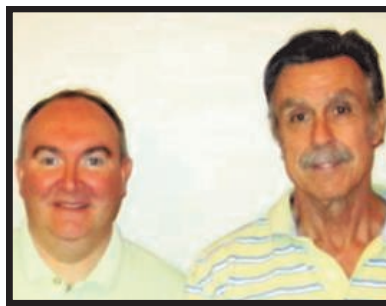
Sat Aft Swiss B & C
Sharon MacMorran, Priscilla Bunn,
Ken MacMorran, Owen Bun



Thurs Gold Rush Pairs
Nadine Morgan - Mary Ehrlich



Tues Aft Side Game Pairs
Lucerne Bunch - Terri OBrien



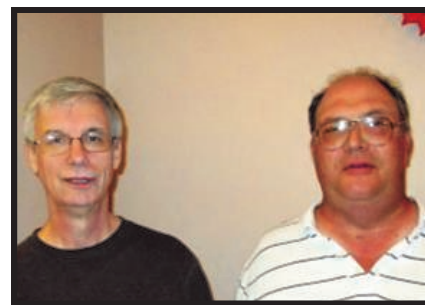
Wed Eve Side Game Pairs
Paul Johnston - David Ticen



Tues Morn 299ers
Sybil Lowey - Mike Lowey



Tues Eve 299ers
Diane Chen - Pat Rutledge



Wed Morn 299ers
Neil Lorenz - Scott Defoyd



Wed Morn 299ers
Leeann Barbour - Margaret Shilling



Thurs Eve Side Game Pairs
Julie Butterfield - Pat Rose



Fri Morn 299ers
Dick Greenbauer - Wyn Coleman



Sat Morn 299ers
Mike Luckenbach - Lucy Morley

**Unit 176
Dallas**
Judith Lotridge



I hope you have qualified at the club level for the NAP's. The next step will be the Unit qualifiers. As is the unit's custom, the Flight C, Flight B, and Flight A qualifiers will be held on separate days so that players who have qualified at the club for more than one flight will be able to try to qualify again if they have an off day in the first unit qualifying event. (Please note that if you fail to qualify at the unit level for, say, the Flight C event, you may not try to qualify for Flight C in another unit, but you MAY try to qualify for Flight B or even Flight A.) The Flight C qualifier will be September 30 at BAND, followed by the Flight B qualifier on October 7 at Dorsey's and the Flight A qualifier on October 28 at BAND. The finishers in the top 60% of each flight - and any pair with a higher than 50% game - will be eligible to play at the District qualifiers on January 5th and 6th in Austin, 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.

Moving up the ranks during this period were new Silver Life Master Rich Brandenburg and the unit's newest Gold Life Master, Joe Ellis. In addition, late in the cycle, Bettie Ingram became a Diamond Life Master. I know of at least one party celebrating this accomplishment, at BAND. It was on a Friday night, with lots of goodies and beverages.

About a year ago, Bettie told me that when she became a Diamond Life Master, she was going to move to another town (nearer a relative as I recall) and cut way back on her bridge playing. Hmmm. Can it be true? Fortunately, she is still showing up at local games and we are all glad she has not yet followed through on her plans.

Speaking of parties, Dorsey had a nice celebration for her 6th anniversary in August. She held it on a Thursday morning and it was replete with prizes, surprises and lots of good food. Unfortunately this working girl was unable to attend, but I understand I missed quite a shindig.

The Fourth of July Regional in Austin winners from Dallas included Barry Schaffer, Beth Bromberg, and John Bromberg, who won Bracket 1 of the Mon/Tues KO; Peggy Sutherland, John Sutherland and Nancy Passell, who won both Bracket 1 of the Wed/Thurs KO and Bracket 1 of the Fri/Sat KO; Petra Hamman, Bob Hamman, Jeffrey Juster, and Hemant Lall, who won Bracket 1 of the Saturday Compact KO and the A flight of the Sunday Swiss; Tomi Fitzgerald, Gary Bush, and Kevin Cline, who won Bracket 2 of the Fri/Sat KO; Jim Harp and John Pelletti, who won Bracket 3 of the Fri/Sat KO and Bracket 2 of the Tues Compact KO; and Preston Morrow, who won Bracket 2 of the Wed/Thurs KO. Playing with team members outside the unit, Barry Schaffer also won Bracket 1 of the Thursday Compact KO. When the dust had settled, Barry was the tournament's top masterpoint winner with 91 masterpoints to his credit.

It is with sadness that I report the passing of Carolyn Hansen. I had seen her at the bridge table quite recently, and now she is gone. As with many bridge players, the list of her accomplishments in her obituary was quite impressive. She held a BS in Mathematics and worked in the aerospace industry before taking time off to raise her children. One of her positions after she returned to work involved overseeing the cleanup efforts at the Superfund Site in Ellis County. To those of us who knew her at the bridge table, she was a loyal friend who said what she thought and thought what she said.

**Unit 197
Lubbock**
Sandi Krahmer

Hi Everybody!

I hope you had a chance to enjoy our wonderful Lubbock Sectional. Charlotte and Gary Blaiss did a wonderful job making things nice for us. Alice Alene Floyd did her usually fine job in the kitchen, and Mary Ann Anthony did a great job finding partners for all who needed them. Of course, Betty Lowmiller helped a lot as usual. We are especially grateful to all our wonderful members who brought food, made donations, or helped in the kitchen or with clean-up. John Abney and Walt Langendorf were especially helpful after a plumbing miss-hap.

Many thanks to Becky Howard for the wonderful TV console. Also, thanks to Pat Rivers and Mary McCrary for donating the money for another bookcase. Bonta Thompson

arranged the construction of the second one after she had donated the first one. We have quite a collection of books free to be borrowed as long as they are returned. We are on the honor system.

Apologies to Beth and Don Sikes. I neglected to include their 70% game in our August monthly calendar. They are one of the few married couples who can play together without fussing. They are always polite to each other and never make the opponents feel uncomfortable when they play against them.

Also, congratulations to Betsy Bloechl on making Life Master. Betsy is one of our hardest workers (even cleaned the restrooms when our cleaning people didn't show up) and one of the more pleasant people in our unit to be around. I think she has more fun playing than almost anyone else in our Unit. I never tire of hearing her infectious laugh across the room!

I don't know who ended up with the most points won during our Sectional. I do know that Sue Willhoit was leading at one point.

That's all for now. Sandi Krahmer

Lubbock Summer Showers

August 10-12, 2012
87 players 96 tables.

- 1 16.26 Marc Levine
- 2 16.26 Chris Compton
- 3 16.24 Carol Schoenhals
- 4 15.37 Billie Mitchell
- 5 13.92 Gary Blaiss

- 6 13.91 Dena Goldston
- 7 10.60 Betty Dickerson
- 8 10.38 Landon Blair
- 9 9.90 Greg Loran
- 10 9.34 Kay Davidson

Friday Afternoon Pairs-15.5 Tables
A1/2 Gary Blaiss-Betty Dickerson
A1/2 Marc Levine-Chris Compton
B1. Ava Huddleston-Gwen Wright
B2/3 Sammie Johnson-Karen Wilson
B2/3C1 Cheryl Thompson-Kay Davidson
C2. W Wagnon Jr-John Abney

Friday Morning Pairs-16.0 Tables
A1. Carol Schoenhals-Billie Mitchell
A2. Marc Levine-Chris Compton
BC1. Kay Davidson-Cheryl Thompson
B2. Sammie Johnson-Peggy Martin
C2. Rebecca Howard-Lynda McBride

Saturday Morning Pairs-13.0 Tables
A1. Carol Schoenhals-Billie Mitchell
A2. Betty Dickerson-Greg Loran
B1. Dorene Dulaney-Kay Davidson
B2. Sue Willhoit-Mary Hildebrand
C1. Robert Nuffer-Becky Hamilton
C2. Jane Giddens-Virginia Myers

Saturday Afternoon Pairs-15.0 Tables
AB1. Sue Willhoit-Mary Hildebrand
A2. Chris Compton-Marc Levine
B2. Anita Woodard-Kenneth Woodard
C1. Ann Jay-James Jay
C2. Jane Doviak-Betsy Bloechl

Sunday Stratified Swiss-18 Tables
A1. Landon Blair-Dena Goldston-Betsy Franks-Nancy Ramsey
A2. Greg Loran-Carol Schoenhals-Billie Mitchell-Charlotte Blaiss-Gary Blaiss
B1. Wayne Bahr-Johnnie Dayton-Francis Thornberry-Helen Lauderdale
B2C1. J. Neal Marchbanks-Christy Byers-Lynda McBride-Rebecca Howard
C2. James Jay-Ann Jay-Carolyn Cawthron-Bruce Hook

LUBBOCK SUMMER SHOWERS SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Morn Open Pairs A
Sat Morn Open Pairs A
Carol Schoenhals - Billie Mitchell



Fri Aft Open Pairs B
Gwen Wright - Ava Huddleston



Fri Morn Open Pairs B & C
Fri Aft Open Pairs C
Cheryl Thompson - Kay Davidson



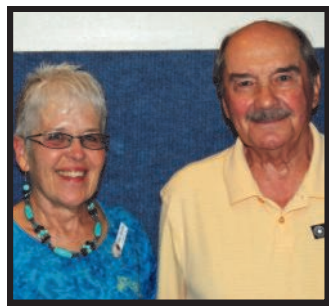
Sat Aft Open Pairs A
Sue Whillhoit - Mary Hildebrand



Sat Aft Open Pairs B
Dorene Dulaney - Kay Davidson



Sat Aft Open Pairs C
James & Ann Jay



Sat Morn Open Pairs C
Becky Hamilton - Robert Nuffer



Sun Swiss Team A
Betsy Franks, Dena Goldston,
Nancy Ramsey, Landon Blair

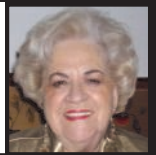


Sun Swiss Team B
Wayne Bahr, Johnnie Sue Dayton,
Francis Thornberry, Helen Lauderdale



Sun Swiss Team C
Becky Howard, Christy Byers,
Neal Marchbanks, Lynda McBride

**Unit 209
Greater
Permian Basin**



Jean Pistole

June began with a flurry of NAP games that will continue through August. June 2nd Odessa held the Worldwide Bridge Contest with A 1st N/S winners being Gloria Crites and Becky Kimsey, 2nd Jean Pistole and Shyla McGill. 1st in B, Bob Baker and Don Malone, 1st in C Joan Headlee and Mary Truex. E/W winners - 1st A Barbara Miles and Phyllis White, 2nd - Ann Servatius and Charlie Grimes. E/W 1st B & C - Linda Aaron and Jerry Burchell. Gloria Crites and Becky Kimsey received an award as an overall winner from ACBL.

June 8 through 10 was the Midland Tournament which was well reported in last month's Scorecard but it did not say what was so wonderful about that tournament: Belle Harris and Linda Aaron were co-chairman and enough cannot be said about the great groundwork they did. With the volunteers and donations they received the group was bombarded with hospitality. Midland and some Odessa players provided "out-of-this-world" snacks that, along with their friendliness, made for a great tournament. Thanks girls!

On June 16, Odessa hosted a fabulous Life Master party for Barbara Miles and Phyllis Laird along with contributions from the Midland club. Phyllis White chaired the hostesses but a last-minute illness kept her from attending. Joyce Ball "took the ball" and carried it to a grand party. Tables were centered with fireworks décor and the center table held two bouquets of gorgeous fresh red, white and blue flowers from Helen Davis. Winners were: N/S 1st A - Lena Nichols and Les Neal, 2nd A - Don Malone & Gloria Crites. 1st in B & C - Brenda Leonard & Patti Witt. E/W 1st A - Bob Baker & K C Evans, 2nd A - Aggie Anguish & Ann Servatius, 1st C - Joyce Ball & Martha Poss.

July 4 the Midland Wednesday night club had hot dogs and trimmings for a 4th of July bash. The club house was beautifully decorated in red, white and blue.

The Midland Country Club group had a "more fireworks" game on the 6th.

Flo Curry and Marlene Blumentritt

went to Ruidoso for the Christmas in July tournament; Marilyn Higgins and Brenda Brauner also attended the Ruidoso tournament.

An Easy Bridge group were in Austin at the Regional Tournament. Winning a 1st Flight C 299'er game were Gayle Shackelford and Ann Newman. Deborah Brookins and Mercedes Barker were 1st in a team game on Thursday evening and were 1st in B, 2nd in A in Swiss game Thursday afternoon. They are going to electronic scoring at their club.

The summer months had some members who were "world travelers." Lena Nichols and Mary Ann Ochs visited England, Scotland and Ireland. Marilyn Matthews took grandson Alex to Uganda and Linda Aaron went to Peru. I am not aware of others but am sure there are some. We still have members who have health problems. May you soon recover from them!

Pat Ritchey is at Health South recovering from a fall and we hope to see her soon.

Joan LaFond tells me that the Duplicate Club in Big Spring has been busy redecorating the Country Club and doing some landscaping. We always welcome news from them. We continue into August "hot and dry" but we can cool off at the bridge centers so let's see you there!

Jean

**Unit 224
Fort Phantom**



Vance McCracken

Jeane McFarland. As one of the most respected and beloved members of Unit 224, Jeane McFarland has lived a life full of colorful adventures and rich experiences, many of them in the world of bridge.

Jeane has played bridge for most of her 88 years, beginning in the era when the game was called "auction". She learned it at the knee of her grandfather in Bonham, Texas. A regular player and valued partner at local clubs, Jeane is often in the winner's circle. As a long-time resident of Abilene, she has been part of the history of bridge in the city.

One of Jeane's most vivid memories is of the city's first tournament. Paul Hodge, an Abilenian whose skill at

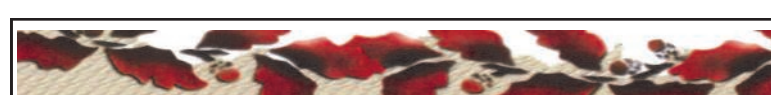
the game allowed him to hobnob with the bridge greats of the day, organized it in 1957. Attendees included Charles Goren, Oswald and Jim Jacoby, Helen Sobel and Margaret Wager. The venue was the Windsor Hotel, and the place was packed. Jeane and her husband Cheatham were there of course.

As a favor Hodge asked Jeane to play with Jim Jacoby's new wife, Judy, in the Friday afternoon Women's Pairs. They won! One of the mementos of the tournament that Jeane treasures is a book by Goren, *New Contract Bridge Complete*. It bears the inscription, "To Jeane and Cheatham: My Texas visit would not be complete without seeing you. Good luck. Charles H. Goren"

Jeane notes that social customs at bridge tournaments have changed over the years. In the 1950's men always wore suits and ties, and women wore furs, long dresses and jewelry. This custom extended to club play on Saturday nights, when 15 tables were not uncommon. Unlike today's competition there were men-and women-only events, with mixed pairs being the nod to women's equality. Helen Sobel, even today considered by some to be the most brilliant player of all time, was formidable to opponents of either sex. Jeane remembers that at the Abilene tournament Sobel imbibed now and then from a flask in her purse.

In its early days the unit played its games at the Windsor Hotel. After using a variety of other venues, the unit built its own building in Rose Park in 1978. Jeane recalls all the regular players over the years. She speaks particularly fondly of Mabel Lilius, the tireless director after whom the building is named. Mabel flawlessly scored every session with pencil and paper while the players eagerly awaited the results.

Jeane married Hood Hart in Abilene in 1943 when she was 19. They agreed that if their first child were a boy, they would become members of the Episcopal Church, where Hood worshipped. If a girl they would join Jeane's family in attending the Presbyterian Church. Richard's eventual arrival settled the issue. Hood was posted to Florence Air Force Base in South Carolina, where Jean was employed to issue all the rations, among other duties. Because there were German prisoners of war who needed to be fed, Jeane was provided with a jeep and a sergeant who carried a machine gun.



Abilene's Harvest Sectional

October 12, 13 and 14, 2012

Abilene Civic Center North 6th & Pine, Abilene, Texas

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm
Compact KO* (four players only) 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm
Stratified 0-300 Open Pairs (single sessions) 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

KO Teams* (3 sessions) 9:00 am, 1:00 pm, 7:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 9:00 am, 1:00 pm, 7:00 pm
Stratified 0-300 Open Pairs (single sessions) 9:00 am, 1:00 pm, 7:00 pm
* KO Teams may be handicapped at Director's discretion

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

Stratified Swiss Teams
10:00 am and TBA (free lunch served)

Stratifications: A 2000+ B 750-2000 C 0-750
0-300 games will be stratified based on attendance
All events will be stratified by average master points

ENTRY FEES: Friday, Saturday \$10 per session; Sunday \$88 per team \$1.00 additional per session for non and unpaid ACBL members

ZERO TOLERANCE FREE PARKING
NON-SMOKING W/BREAKS FREE COFFEE AND LOTS
OF GREAT SNACKS AND HOSPITALITY

Tournament Co-Chairman: Glynda Groves
gmgroves@sbcglobal.net (325) 692-2860

Tournamnet Co-Chairman: Beverly Walker
(325) 695-6808

Partnership Co-Chairman: Martha Murphy
murphym43@aol.com (325) 695-7865

Partnership Co-Chairman: Coyita Bowker
(325) 348-3361 (home) / (325) 513-7982 (cell)

BEST WESTERN ABILENE INN & SUITES, 350 I-20 West
(325) 672-5501 \$85.49 + tax (ask for bridge rate)

COMFORT SUITES, 3165 S. Danville
(325) 795-8500 - \$74 + tax (ask for bridge rate)

Back in Abilene after the war, Jeane was tragically widowed. She worked as secretary for the Episcopal Church, participated in the establishment of Thrift House and St. John's School, and assisted "Parson" Gerhart during the period that the new Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest was built. Jeane met Frank Cheatham McFarland at a bridge game on New Year's Eve 1951, and with a little push from "Parson" they married. Amy was born a year later.

Cheatham was a pharmacist, and he and Jeane decided in 1967 to accept an opportunity to move to Laredo to acquire and run one of the first discount pharmacies in Texas, which would be located in a large retail store by the name of Mundens. Jeane worked with Cheatham in the pharmacy, doing everything but bottling pills. They alternated shifts in order to keep the pharmacy open 12 hours a day.

Somehow they found time to play bridge in Laredo and to attend tournaments in Mexico. After winning a sectional in Monterrey, it appeared that they had the choice of leaving for the bus station in time for the trip home or having their pictures taken in order to satisfy the tournament organizers. Jeane was determined to have it both ways, and after a hurried photograph, she ándale-ed the Mexican cabbie right through red lights and stop signs, stepping onto the charter bus just as it was about to pull out of the station. One of the McFarlands' bridge acquaintances in Laredo was Seymon Deutsch, a national bridge champion.

Cheatham and Jean sold the pharmacy and retired to Abilene in 1987. They began to play bridge regularly and became Life Masters in 1994. Cheatham died in 1996. Of all that she has experienced so far in her busy life, Jeane is proudest of Amy and Richard, who both reared families, earned doctorates and had successful careers. The two children, four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, her sister Doris Grosvenor and her family, and church attendance – as well as the occasional bridge session – provide Jeane with plenty of TLC, company and entertainment. Her great-grandchildren refer to Jeane simply as "Great". Everyone who knows Jeane thinks they got it right in ways more profound than they realize.

Tournament. Abilene's Harvest Sectional will be held at the Abilene Civic Center October 12th through 14th. Team games will be played on all three days, pairs events on Friday and Saturday only. The facility is first-class, and co-chairs Glynda Groves and Beverly Walker will ensure that the event is as smooth as ever. Darla Mawson will orchestrate a constant flow of homemade snacks and drinks, and a lunch on the last day. Martha Murphy (325-695-7865) and Coyita Bowker (325-513-7982) will work to provide partners as needed. For visitors, lodging in Abilene is one of the best values in Texas. This is one of those tournaments that is so pleasant and well-run, it is definitely a do-not-miss.

Honors. Coleen Grisham and Bette Byrd scored a 76.56% game on May 10 2012, when 1,454 tables across North America played in an International Fund Game. Theirs was the top score! A picture of Bette and Coleen wearing their trademark bridge hats appeared in the August edition of the *ACBL Bridge Bulletin*. It was a spectacular accomplishment, and the entire unit is proud of them. They will autograph their picture for you if you ask nicely.

Monte West of Snyder earned his 1000th point to become a Silver Life Master.

Jo Smith played in the Austin 4th of July Regional with Venkatrao Koneru and placed 8th.

Carol Whitten and Glynda Groves had a 72.0% game at Bridge Etc on July 5. At the Mabel Lilius Bridge Center Martha Murphy and Bobby Grier posted 75.06% on June 15, Betsy Duncan and Robert Patton 72.0% on June 20, and Beverly Walker and Betsy Duncan 72.5% on July 6.

Congratulations to all these players on their skill at the table.



This will be my last column as Unit 225's Scorecard reporter, and I want to thank all of the club Directors and Managers for your help during these past 2 years. I am happy to "pass the torch" to a fellow Longviewite, Diane Squyres, who I know will do a great job!

70% CLUB

Mike Graham & Nelda Avent 7/18-Longview DBC 72.92%
Kirk & Helen O' Keefe 7/3-Nacogdoches DBC 72%
Gloria Rowland & Evelyn Schmidt 7/8-Mid-Cities DBC 70.93%
Vona Nason & Wanda Prokop 7/10-Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek 70%

NEW LIFE MASTERS

Longview has two new Life Masters, Diane Duncan and Diane Squyres. Texarkana has a new Life Master in Club Manager Sheila Bell.

AUGUST UNIT GAME

1st Shirley Matthews & Ennis Dyess
2nd Alta Peck & Richard Bryant
3rd Ginger Rhamey & Karol Rank

TYLER TOURNAMENT OF ROSES

The annual Tyler Tournament of Roses was held July 12-15 at the Holiday Inn in Tyler. Attendance was down this year, but a good time was had by all. Kudos to Tournament Chairman, Jimmy Wright and his Committee Chairmen!

SPECIAL AWARDS

Congratulations to the Ben Friend Award winner, Vermell Boucher and to the Emily Leake Award winner, Diane Squyres. Also, congrats to the Unit 225 top masterpoint winner at the Tyler Tournament of Roses, Kay Wright!

LIFE MASTER PARTY

A Life Master Party honoring Long-

view's Beth Hankins was held on Wednesday, August 1 at the LDBC studio. A luncheon was held in Beth's honor and she was presented with an engraved plaque, poem, and was honored with a Bridge Mate II electronic score pad being purchased in her honor for the LDBC. Twelve tables of bridge followed, with overall winners being Pat Cawley & Marlene Phillips!

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY PARTY
Jimmy Wright, Unit 225 President,



proclaimed July 20th to be Steve Lawrence day, Mr. Lawrence, a Grand Life Master, celebrated his 89th birthday at the Dottie Pirkle Bridge Studio in Athens, where he continues adding to his 1,000+ masterpoints. Earlier this year, the Board of Directors, presented him with a special Lifetime Achievement Award.

NON LM TOURNNEY IN ATHENS

The annual 0-500 Non LM Black-eyed Pea Sectional will be held on September 13-15 at The Dottie Pirkle DBC in Athens. Co-chairs are Ginger Rhamey & Karol Rank and Director-in-Charge is Mike Graham. Make plans to attend at contact Ginger or Karol if you need a partner!

SAD NOTE

The Dottie Pirkle DBC tragically lost one of its longtime members and supporters, Jack Brown of LaRue, who was killed in an automobile accident in early July. He will be greatly missed and among his survivors is his wife, Elaine, also a member of the Dottie Pirkle DBC. Our sympathies to Elaine and their entire family.

NEW OFFICERS, BOARD, & APPOINTMENTS FOR 2012-2013
President, Nelda Avent
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Tournament Of Roses

Tyler

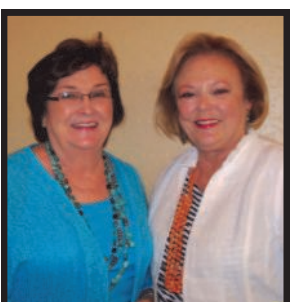
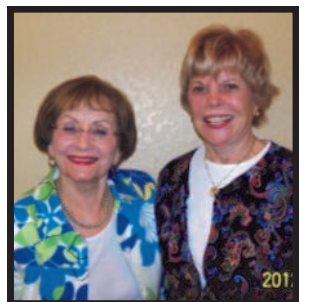
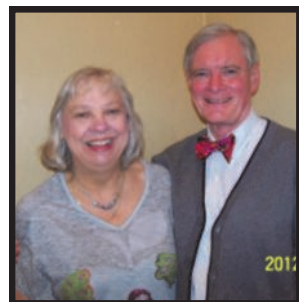
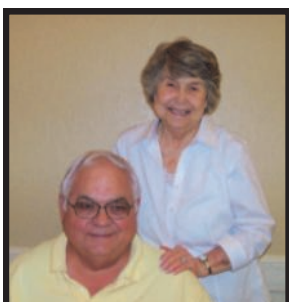
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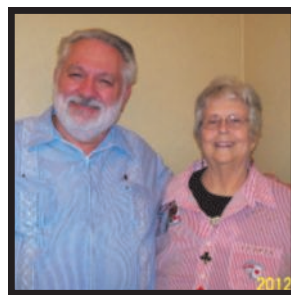
257 players. 370 tables.

- 1 21.40 Eleanor Sherwyn
 - 2 21.40 Donald Varvel
 - 3 20.21 Harry Elliott
 - 4 20.21 David Goldfarb
 - 5 19.36 Stephen Kornegay
 - 6 19.36 Nancy Kornegay
 - 7 18.72 Jerry Derby
 - 8 18.72 Hugh Hillaker
 - 9 18.59 K Wright
 - 10 17.84 Larue Stott
 - 11 17.84 Gail Wells
- Thursday Aft Open Pairs** - 16.5 Tables / Based on 22 Tables AB1. Carol Walliser-Martha Taft A2. G Reaves Murphey - Brenda Baker B2. Randy Ekman - Margaret Ann Purse C1. Wesley Crawford-Kenneth Jeffery C2. Rebecca Elder- Rachel Arnold
- Thursday Aft 299er Pairs** - 5.0 Tables AB1. Cecil Davidson - Gary Galloway AB2. James Williams - Melba Lee A1. Jack Berg - Anita Berg B2/3 Paula Edwards-Lottie Guttry B2/3 Pat Colmer-Sherry Kroboth
- Thursday Eve Open Pairs** - 19.0 Tables A1. Pat Levy - Betty Freedman A2/3B1/2 Wesley Crawford-Kenneth Jeffery A2/3B1/2 Ennis Dyess - Vermell Boucher B1/2 Beryl Cobb - Colleen O'Neal B1/2 Nancy Harralson - Carolyn Schendle
- Dottie Pirkle KO Brkt 1** - 8 Tables
1. Shirley Shelton-Jimmy Hubbard
Nancy Green-Jimmy Wright
2. Mike Graham-Shirley Matthews-Pat Jeffery-K Wright
- Dottie Pirkle KO Brkt 2** - 8 Tables
1. Patricia Hargrave - Mary Peden-Jo Ann Parten - Bonnie Burch
2. Shreedhara Ramarathnam - Joyce Hahn - Sally McAnulty-Charles Ward
- Friday Morn Open Pairs** - 11.0 Tables / Based on 14 Tables AB1. Jackie McGinty - Dot Hodge A2/3B2/3C1/2 Rosemary Mize - Rosalyn Tullos A2/3B2/3C1/2 Rebecca Elder-Rachel Arnold
- Friday Morn 299er Pairs** - 3.0 Tables
1. Barbara Diedrick - Sarah Hillyer
2. Paula Edwards- Lottie Guttry
- Friday Aft Open Pairs** - 36.0 Tables / Based on 45 Tables A1. Thomas Corlett - Ethel Corlett A2. Nancy Stanton-Beth Coker B1/2 Kerry Goldsmith - Dan Goldsmith, Jr, B1/2 Nancy Hargis-Carolyn Chapman C1. Frances Sanders-Shirley Rampy C2/3 Jo Booth-Twyla Whitesell C2/3 Laura Murphey-David Mitchell
- Friday Aft 299er Pairs** - 9.0 Tables A1. Gretchen Lawrence-Barbara Bradford A2B1. Jack Berg - Anita Berg B2. Charlie Kemp - Marjorie Kemp C1. Barbara Diedrick - Sarah Hillyer
- Friday Eve Open Pairs** - 26.0 Tables AB1. W Turner - Jane Turner


- A2. Larue Stott - Gail Wells B2. Keith Estep - Diane Estep C1. Beryl Cobb - Colleen O'Neal C2. Chris Kelly-Patsy Gordon
- Friday KO Bracket 1** - 6 Tables
1. Betty Freedman - Mimi Hagedorn - Pat Levy - Audley Karrasch
2. Donald Varvel - Eleanor Sherwyn-David Goldfarb - Harry Elliott
- Friday KO Bracket 2** - 6 Tables
1. Nancy Harralson - Carolyn Schendle - Lue Waddle - Adele Hudgins
2. H Ray Atchley - Jerry Bigner-Patricia Marchman-Betty Wilkinson
- Friday KO Bracket 3** - 6 Tables
1. Sheila Bell-Lisa Looney-Sammie Borum - Fred Borum
2. Mary Squyres - Ginny Jones-James Williams - Melba Lee
- Saturday Morn Open Pairs** - 12.0 Tables / Based on 16 Tables ABC1. Rebecca Elder-Rachel Arnold A2. Larue Stott - Gail Wells BC2. Arthur Faulkner - Paula Edwards
- Saturday Morn 299er Pairs** - 4.0 Tables ABC1. Sandy Lansing- Jean Huskey ABC2. Esther Spring - Sylvia McCreary
- Saturday Aft 299er Pairs** - 7.5 Tables DE1. Chris Kelly- Patsy Gordon D2. Ronald Pare - Ann Pare
- Saturday Aft Open Pairs** - 26.0 Tables / Based on 34 Tables A1. Barbara La Vigne - Kay Johnson A2. John Bugay - Emily Leake B1. W Turner - Jane Turner B2. William Garrard Jr - Donna Garrard C1. Alfred Fischer, Sr - Louise King C2. Beryl Cobb - Colleen O'Neal
- Saturday KO Bracket 1** - 6 Tables
1. Stephen Kornegay - Nancy Kornegay- Jerry Derby- Hugh Hillaker
2. Mike Graham- Shirley Matthews- K Wright-Pat Jeffery
- Saturday KO Bracket 2** - 8 Tables
1. Harry Elliott - David Goldfarb-Eleanor Sherwyn - Donald Varvel
2. Gloria Rowland- Lynda Frazier-Irene Faletto- Doloris Eldredge
- Saturday KO Bracket 3** - 7 Tables
1. Joyce Hahn - Shreedhara Ramarathnam - Margaret Porter-Charlene Goodman
2. Patricia Hargrave - Mary Peden- Jo Ann Parten - Bonnie Burch
- Saturday Eve Open Pairs** - 18.0 Tables A1/2B1. William Garrard Jr - Donna Garrard A1/2 Marian Maley - Martha Young B2. Kerry Goldsmith - Dan Goldsmith, Jr, C1. Tina Calligas - Deborah Grand C2. Noelene Hardy- Jeff Brown
- Judge Steger A/X Swiss** - 9 Tables / Based on 37 Tables AX1. Sandra Campbell- Hudson- Mary Hinkle - Richard Hinkle A2. James Bauer - James Thurtell - Michael Murphy-Linda Spangler
- Judge Steger B/C Swiss** - 28 Tables B1 David Goldfarb - Harry Elliott-Donald Varvel - Eleanor Sherwyn B2. Jimmy Wright- Chester Neel Jr-Ruth Bracken- Lorraine Little C1. Jo Booth-Twyla Whitesell- Beverly Battle- Carol Bates C2 Ned Weaver - Kathryn Weaver - Barbara Bradford -Gretchen Lawrence

TYLER TOURNAMENT OF ROSES SECTIONAL CHAMPS





**Unit 237
Magic Valley**



Johnny Johnson

Summer is coming to a close and all games in the Valley will be glad to see our winter friends return. The Tuesday game on the Island was closed as well as the Friday game in Harlingen. Andrea Klein, the owner of both games tells me she will begin the Friday game the first Friday in September and the South Padre Island game is to be announced later in the year. By the way, Andrea and Clyde Tarbutton played at the nationals in Philadelphia and wond over 10 points in the side games. Nice going.

Sad news—we lost our dear friend Fran Buckingham. Her passing will leave a void in our hearts as well as our games. She was a good friend, worker for the unit and delight to play bridge with or against.

The Unit Sectional is having difficulty securing the site for the event. It seems that the city of McAllen wants to charge us more than we can afford. We will keep you posted via local games as to the status of the site for the sectional. We probably will have the same issue for the McAllen Sectional in March of 2013.

The unit game, Andrea Klein's games, the Harlingen bridge Club and Delores Jensen games are posted as always to the unit web site which is maintained by Herman Westbrook. The unit also has a new website located at www.bridgewebs.com/magicvalley/. This site is maintained by bridgewebs.com and has some additional features. One feature which players can get if games are posted is an individual analysis of all your games played. It gives you who, what, when, where, partner, place in the even as well as master points. A nice snapshot of how your game is going. George VanAmburg maintains this site and we play to keep both sites up and running. We are still learning about the additional site and Donna and Cris Compton, owners of the North Dallas Bridge Studio say their clients love the site.

Looking forward to seeing you are the tables soon.

**Unit 353
Wichita Falls**



Pat Robinson

Our area is currently experiencing a long hot summer drought and our biggest news has been a couple rain showers and cooler weather this past week for which we are very grateful. There is even a possibility of more

rain this weekend and we are hopeful that by the end of September we will have beautiful fall weather for our regional tournament.


Joan Paradeis has recently received her life masters award. We want to congratulate her on this achievement.

Congratulations to the following unit game winners: May unit game winners were Tomie Johnson, Dave Hertzog, Dee McKinley and Helen Cash. June unit game winners were Gene Probst, Stefan Davis, Lois Roberson and Wanda Gaynor.

High percentage games in May were Mike Terry and Elaine Ireland at Bridge Club; Susan Couch and Anne Halsell at Vernon Duplicate; Bill and Babs Kleinecke at Bridge-A-Gap. High percentage games in June were Rose Van Meter and Nancy Purcell at Bridge Club; Barbara Quinby and Ed French at Vernon Duplicate; Patty Hofer and Carolyn Kay at Bridge-A-Gap.

We are looking forward to the Sectional Tournament in Wichita Falls on September 28 - 30th. Our new location this year is the Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, 401 Broad Street, Wichita Falls. (phone 940-766-6000) Hope to see you ther

**Unit 233
Central Texas**



Helen Levy

Another successful mentor/mentee game was enjoyed at the 600 Duplicate Club July 30 with 11 1/2 tables. N/S winners were Catherine Valentine and Peggi Kenny, 63.78%; E/W winners, Pam Yandell and Melody Euler, 64.05%.

Congratulations 70+% game achievers 6/6-8/6/12: **Stillwell BC 6/6**, Asa Waterman and Thomas Corlett, 73.75%.

Sul Ross BC 6/6, Thomas Corlett and Bill Parrish, 70%. **Monday Slammers 7/9**, Ellie Morrison and Ide Smith, 71.25%.

Congratulations to Norma and Roger Swaim, participants in the World Wide Bridge Contest June 2, who were 10th overall in ACBL and 18th world wide. Norma is also to be congratulated for achieving Gold Life Master (500 MPs).

Welcome new members Annie Aynesworth and Barbara Bayer of Waco and Lucile Kibbe of Temple who transferred from Houston

We reluctantly bid farewell to Susan Lambert at her last game in the Unit July 25. Cake and coffee were served at the Rolling Hills BC to celebrate her friendship as she and

husband move to the Dallas area to be near family. During her tenure, she served a three-year term on the board and was elected president for one year. We will miss her and wish her the best.

Melody Euler received her first assignment as a tournament director for the Houston sectional Aug. 10-12, 2012. Congratulations Melody.

Special thanks to the Unit clubs for hosting NAP qualifying games as allowed in June, July, and August. We look forward to having a large turnout for the Unit qualifying game in the CAC's Strasburger Hall on Sunday, Sept. 16, beginning at 1 p.m.

Don't miss the Unit Christmas Party and Election Sunday, Dec. 2, and the Temple sectional tournament Feb. 22-24, 2013. (Waco tournament report will be in the Oct. 6 submission.)

Bridge On The Brazos

Waco
Aug 10-12, 2012
130 players. 144 tables.
1 25.48 Robert Patton
2 25.48 Mark Lair
3 25.48 Jo Smith
4 25.48 Tony Haddad
5 14.17 Ira Hessel
6 14.17 Ellen Hessel
7 13.74 Mike Bukala
8 13.74 Hugh Hillaker
9 11.77 Pat Cassidy
10 11.77 Jerry Derby

Fri Aft Open Pairs-11.0 Tables / Based on 15 Tables AB1/2C1. Malissa Baugh-Wanda Carter AB1/2 Jan Hart-Mary Adams, C2. Bobbie Perley-Joyce Lynn

Fri Aft 299er Pairs-3.5 Tables A1. Sue Patton-Margie Dawley A2. Sally McAnulty-Colleen O'Neal

Fri Eve Open Pairs-7.0 Tables / Based on 11 Tables A1. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel A2. Marion Gebhardt-Roy Baughman B1. Ila Bates-Belva Barrington B2. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard

Fri Eve 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1. Sally McAnulty-Colleen O'Neal AB2. G Nell Carpenter-Sharon Clark

Friday KO Bracket 1-4 Tables 1. Robert Patton-Jo Smith- Tony Haddad-Mark Lair 2. James La Fountain-Jon Richard Ware-J Bagwell-Neal Perlman

Friday KO Bracket 2-6 Tables 1. Bill Parrish-Lenora Parrish-Harry & Peggi Kenny 2. Barbara Ann Kirstein -Pat Kelly-Marcia Ives-Ronnie Ives

Sat Aft Open Pairs-8.0 Tables / Based on 13 Tables A1. Thomas Corlett-Ethel Corlett A2. Jonathan Ernest-Peter Hudson B1. Charles Hampton-Asa Waterman B2. Mary Adams-Jan Hart C1. Joyce Lynn-Jan McLaughlin C2. Lennie Wilkins-Celeste Godfrey

Sat Aft 299er Pairs-5.0 Tables A1. Geneva Berg-Gwyn Petersen A2BC1. Alicia Smith-Robert Smith

WICHITA FALLS SECTIONAL September 28 - 30, 2012 Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel 401 Broad Street, Wichita Falls, Texas

“Great Food, Great Fun, Great Hospitality”

Friday, September 28
Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 & 7:00 pm
Compact Knock-Outs (4 players only) 1:30 & 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 29
Bracketed KO's (sessions I, II & III) 9:30 am, 1:30 & 7:00 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 9:30 am, 1:30 & 7:00 pm
Compact KOs (4 players only) 1:30 & 7:00 pm

Sunday, September 30
Strati-Flighted Swiss Team 10:00 am & TBA
Meal Between Sessions (4 tickets per team; extra ticket \$8 each).

Stratifications
Pairs A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750
Strati-Flighted Teams A: 3000+, AX: 0-3000 (play together); B: 750-2000, C: 0-750
MP's for pairs and teams are averaged.

Entry Fees: \$10.00 per person/session, Sunday Swiss \$88.00 /Team
(Non-ACBL & Unpaid members \$1 extra)

Non-smoking tournament with smoke breaks,
Zero Tolerance Tournament

“Great Food, Great Fun, Great Hospitality”

Host Hotel: Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel, 401 Broad Street, Wichita Falls, TX, 940 766-6000,
Fax: 940 766-5942, Ask for Bridge Rate (\$70.00 for King or double), Reserve by Sept. 14, 2012.

Tournament Chair: Joan Paradeis, 940 642-3788, jparadeis@yahoo.com

Partnership: Patty Hofer, 940 583-4530 or 940 867-7894, dphofer@srcaccess.net

C2. Colleen O'Neal-Sally McAnulty C2/3 Darlene Reynolds-Mary Levy C2/3 George & Pamela Holmes
Sat Eve Open Pairs-7.0 Tables / Based on 11 Tables A1. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel A2. Marion Gebhardt-Roy Baughman B1. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard B2C1. Charles Hampton-Asa Waterman
Sat Eve 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables ABC1. Sharon Clark-Catherine Valentine AB2. Sue Patton-Margie Dawley A2. Alicia Smith-Norma Lea McAdams
Saturday KO Bracket 2-7 Tables 1. Christine Williamson- Nancy Clements-Sue Morgan- Jacque Ek-hoff 2. Harry Kenny-Peggi Kenny-Malissa Baugh-Wanda Carter
Saturday KO Bracket 1-5 Tables 1. Robert Patton-Jo Smith- Mark Lair-

Tony Haddad 2. Pat Cassidy- Hugh Hillaker- Jerry Derby- Mike Bukala
Sunday Flight A Swiss Tm-9 Tables / Based on 25 Tables A1. Bill Staats- Barry Schaffer- John Bromberg, Dallas ; Nagy Kamel A2. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel- Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay X1. David Pearlman- Henry Muzzio Jr-Jonathan Ernest-David Farris
Sunday Flight B Swiss Tm-16 Tables B1 Jeff Dater-Stephen Birnbaum-Vernon Earl Hodge- Eric Ho B2 Joe Nance- Stephen Olson- Belva Barrington- Ila Bates 1. Gene Thompson- Lavoncher-Suzann Patterson- Barbara Freilich C2. Gail Banet-Tom Banet-Jack Goldhammer -Harvey Browning D1. Catherine Valentine-Barbara Ann Kirstein-Russel Kliebert-Ronald Elliott

BRIDGE ON THE BRAZOS SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri KO Bkt 1 Sat KO Bkt 1
Jo Smith - Mark Lair
Robert Patton - Tony Hadad



Fri KO Bkt 2
Peggi Kenny - Lenora Parrish
Harry Kenny - Bill Parrish



Fri Aft Open Pairs Tie A & B
Malissa Baugh, Wanda Carter,
Jan Hart, Mary Adams



Fri Eve Open Pairs A
Sat Eve Open Pairs A
Ellen & Ira Hessel



Fri Eve Open Pairs B
B William Garrard Jr - Donna Garrard



Sun Swiss Team A
Barry Schaffer - John Bromberg
Nagy Kamel - Bill Staats



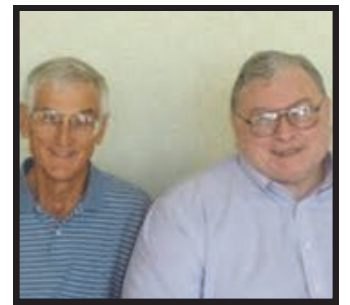
Sun Swiss Team B
Jeff Dater - Stephen Birbaum
Vernon Earl Hodge - Eric Ho



Sun Swiss Team C
Gene Thompson, Janet Lavoncher,
Suzann Patterson, Barbara Freilich



Sat KO Bkt 2
Christine Williamson - Nancy Clements
Sue Morgan - Jacque Ekhooff



Sat Aft Open Pairs B
Sat Eve Open Pairs C
Asa Waterman - Charles Hampton



Sat Aft Open Pairs A
Ethel & Tom Corlett



Fri Aft 299ers
Sue Patton - Margie Dawley



Sat Aft Open Pairs C
Joyce Lynn - Jan McLaughlin



SatAft 299ers
Robert & Alicia Smith



Sat Eve 299ers
Sharon Clark - Catherine Valentine



Life's a Beach---Play in Puerto Vallarta
Mexican 32nd Annual Resort Regional
November 5 thru November 11, 2012
The Westin Resort & Spa, Puerto Vallarta



Monday, November 5

Welcome Charity Open Pairs 7:30pm
Vallarta KO Teams-1 7:30pm

Tuesday, November 6

Vallarta KO Teams—2, 3, 4, 9:30am 2:00pm 8:00pm
Morning Side Game Series (1st of 5 sessions) 9:30am
Afternoon Side Game Series (1st of 5 sessions) 2:00pm
Tuesday Open Pairs (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Tuesday Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Tuesday Novice Pairs 2:00pm 8:00pm
Evening Side Game Series (1st of 5 sessions) 8:00pm

Wednesday, November 7

Los Cabos KO Team-1 9:30am
Morning Side Game Series (2nd of 5 sessions) 9:30am
Acapulco KO Team-1 & 2 2:00pm 8:00pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (2nd of 5 sessions) 2:00pm
Wednesday Open Pairs (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Wednesday Novice Pairs 2:00pm 8:00pm
Evening Side Game Series (2nd of 5 sessions) 8:00pm
Wednesday Single Session Swiss 8:00pm

Thursday, November 8

Los Cabos KO Team-2 9:30am
Morning Side Game Series (3rd of 5 sessions) 9:30am
Afternoon Side Game Series (3rd of 5 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Acapulco KO Team-3 & 4 2:00pm 8:00pm
Thursday Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Thursday Open Pairs (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Thursday Novice Pairs 2:00pm 8:00pm
Evening Side Game Series (3rd of 5 sessions) 8:00pm

Friday, November 9

Los Cabos KO Team-3 9:30am
Morning Side Game Series (4th of 5 sessions) 9:30am
Morning Swiss Team (1st of 2 sessions) 9:30am
Cancun KO Team- 1 & 2 2:00pm 8:00pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (4th of 5 Sessions) 2:00pm
Friday Open Pairs (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Friday Novice Pairs 2:00pm 8:00pm
Evening Side Game Series (4th of 5 sessions) 8:00pm
Friday Single Session Swiss 8:00pm

Saturday, November 10

Los Cabos KO Team-4 9:30am
Morning Side Game Series (5th of 5 sessions) 9:30am
Morning Swiss Team (2nd of 2 sessions) 9:30am
Cancun KO Team- 3 & 4 2:00pm 8:00pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (5th of 5 Sessions) 2:00pm
Saturday Open Pairs (2 sessions) 2:00pm 8:00pm
Guayabitas Compact KO- 1 & 2 2:00pm 8:00pm
Saturday Novice Pairs 2:00pm 8:00pm
Evening Side Game Series (5th of 5 sessions) 8:00pm
Saturday Single Session Swiss 8:00pm

Sunday, November 11

Swiss Teams (short break for Mexican Buffet) 10:00am
Sunday Open Pairs (2 sessions) 10:00am

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Reservation Code: BRIDGE 12

Group Name: TORNEO BRIDGE 2012

Rates in Mexican Pesos per night:

\$1573.00 Single, \$1918.00 Double

Includes: breakfast buffet, taxes and tips

Stratifications:

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

Average Master Points

Novice Events

0-200 as attendance warrants

Entries: USD \$12.00 ACBL Members

USD \$14.00 Non & Unpaid ACBL Members

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Hospitality

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Bracketed KO's & Compact KO's

Stratified Swiss, Open Pairs & Novice Games

Side Game Best 2 of 5 each

US Citizens: Do Not Forget to Vote



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Friday, October 26

SPECIAL GOODIES DAY

Stratified Open Pairs (single session) 1:15 P.M.
Stratified Open Pairs (single session) 7:15 P.M.

Timmons Ministry Charity Game
BEACH BALL NEWCOMER 0-199er GAMES BOTH SESSIONS

Saturday, October 27

LUNCH BETWEEN SESSIONS

Stratified Open Pairs. 10:30 A. M. & 2:45 P.M.
(2 separate games)

BEACH BALL NEWCOMER 0-199er GAMES BOTH SESSIONS
Friday & Saturday Strats A 1500+, B-500-1500, C-0-500

Sunday, October 28

DELICIOUS LUNCH

Swiss Teams 10:00 A.M. & TBA
(stratified by average masterpoints) Strat A 1500+ Strat B- 500-1500 Strat C- 0-500

This is a non-smoking tournament with smoking breaks
LOTS OF FREE GOODIES! LUNCH ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY!

\$11 per session Fri. aft & Sat. \$12 Fri.eve \$100 per team Sunday Swiss (\$2 more per session for un-paid or non ACBL members)

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Oct. 15-21 2012
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Entry: \$12/person-session M. - F. \$13 Sat. (Includes fee for TX NACB) \$13 Sun meal provided
Players 0-5 mp's \$6/person-session. (\$2 /person-session for non & unpaid ACBL Members)
Section Top Awards for Pairs and for first place Teams in KO and Swiss.
In the side series the best 2 of 5 - count for the overall
Choice Pairs - Must play in 2 of 3 sessions. Only the first two sessions you play count.

Stratification is based on average master points for each pair or team. However, for strati-flighted events, qualification to play in a given flight is determined by the highest master point holding of any player on that pair or team.
Stratified events:
A:(2000+), B:(750-2000), C:(0-750)
299er A:(200-300), B(100-200), C)
Strati-Flighted Pairs:
Flight A: 2500+, AX: 0-2500:
A & AX play together
B: 300-750, C: 0-300
B & C play together
Strati-Flighted Teams:
Flight A: 4000+, AX: 0-4000: A & AX play together
B: 0-2000 Bracketed (7 or 8 team brackets by master points)

Your Hosts
Beaumont Bridge Studio
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, October 15, 2012

Stratified Open Pairs (1 session).....1:15 pm
Bracketed KO #1 teams (1 of 4.....).....7:00 pm,
continues Tuesday..(9:00Am,1:15 and 7:00 pm)
Stratified Open Pairs (1Session).....7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

Morning Side Game Series (1 of 5).....9:00 am
Bracketed KO Teams #1 (2,3, & 4 of 4)...
9:00 am 1:15, & 7:00 pm
Bracketed KO #2 (1 & 2 of 4)... 1:15 & 7:00pm
(Concludes Wednesday, same times)
Choice Open Pairs (play 2 of 3 sessions).....
.....9:00 am, 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm
299er Pairs (1 session)..9:00 am ,1:15 & 7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (1 of 5).....1:15 pm
Evening Side Game Series (1 of 5).....7:00 pm
Evening Swiss (1 session)..7:00 pm

Wednesday, October 17, 2012

Morning Bracketed KO #3 (1 of 4)..... 9:00 am
Morning Side Game Series (2 of 5).....9:00 am
Bracketed KO #4 (1 & 2 of 4)... 1:15 & 7:00pm
(Concludes Thursday same times)
Bracketed KO #2 teams (3 & 4) ,1:15 & 7:00 pm
Choice Open Pairs (play 2 of 3 sessions).....
..... 9:00 am, 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm
299er Pairs (1 session) 9:00 am, 1:15 & 7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (2 of 5).....1:15 pm
Evening Side Game Series (2 of 5).....7:00 pm
Evening Swiss (1 session)...7:00 pm

Thursday, October 18, 2012

Morning Compact KO #1 (1 of 2).....9:00 am
Concludes Friday 9:00am.....
Morning Bracketed KO #3 (2 of 4)..... 9:00 am
Morning Side Game Series (3 of 5).....9:00 am
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299er Pairs (1 session). 9:00 am,1:15 & 7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (3 of 5).....1:15 pm
Evening Side Game Series (3 of 5).....7:00 pm
Evening Swiss (single session)..7:00 pm

Friday, October 19, 2012

Morning Compact KO #2 (1 of 2).....9:00 am
Concludes Saturday 9:00 am.
Morning Compact KO #1 (2 of 2)9:00 am
Morning Bracketed KO #3 (3 of 4)... 9:00 am
Morning Side Game Series (4 of 5).....9:00 am
Bracketed KO #6 (1 & 2 of 4).....1:15 & 7:00 pm
(Concludes Saturday..same times)
Bracketed KO #5 teams (3 & 4)... 1:15 & 7:00 pm
Strati-Flighted Open Pairs 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm
0-750 Gold Rush Pairs.....1:15 pm & 7:00 pm
299er Pairs (1 session). 9:00 am, 1:15 & 7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (4 of 5)1:15 pm
Evening Side Game Series (4 of 5)7:00 pm
Evening Swiss (single session)..7:00 pm

Saturday, October 20, 2012

Morning Bracketed KO #3 (4 of 4) 9:00 am
Morning Compact KO #2 (2 of 2).....9:00 am
Morning Side Game Series (5 of 5).9:00 am
Bracketed KO #6 teams (3 & 4)...1:15 & 7:00 pm
Compact KO #3 teams 1:15 & 7:00 pm
Choice Open Pairs (play 2 of 3 sessions)...
.....9:00 am, 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm
299er Pairs (1 session)..9:00 am, 1:15 & 7:00 pm
Afternoon Side Game Series (5 of 5).....1:15 pm
Evening Side Game Series (5 of 5).....7:00 pm
Evening Swiss (single session).....7:00 pm
Bracketed KO #5 (1 & 2 of 4).....1:15 & 7:00 pm
(Concludes Friday. Same times)
Bracketed KO #4 (3 & 4)..... 1:15 & 7:00 pm
Strati-Flighted Open Pairs 1:15 pm & 7:00 pm
0-750 Gold Rush Pairs.....1:15 pm & 7:00 pm

Sunday, October 21, 2012

(Lunch provided for Participants)
Strati-flighted Swiss Teams .10:00 am & TBA
0-2000 Gold Rush Bracketed Swiss
10:00 am & TBA
Stratified Open Pairs(2-sessions).
10:00. am & TBA
Midnight Zip KO's 10:30 pm