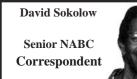
# American Contract Bridge League District 16 **SCOREC** Bridge News Bulletin for The Texas Regional Conference January/February 2013

#### San Antonio, Texas

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### **Bart Bramley Second in Reisinger; Bramley & Bob Hamman** Second in Senior KO; Tobi Sokolow Second in Women's BAM



As always, the San Francisco NABC attracted a huge turnout, but uncharacteristically, no player from District 16 won an NABC event. Still, there were outstanding performances from several District 16 stalwarts in three team events: the Reisinger Board-A-Match, the Senior KO, and the Women's Board-A-Match.

Bart Bramley of Dallas finished second in the Reisinger. Bart played on a four-person team, which means that each player played every single board. This is particularly impressive given the grueling competition. The Reisinger is the premier team event on the NABC calendar: three days, using board-a-match scoring (where any margin of victory on a board, no matter how small, counts as a win), with a brutal cut. Forty two teams were reduced to twenty for Day #2, while only ten teams survived to the final! Bart displayed uncanny card sense on deal after deal, but could not catch the victors, who won their last seven boards to prevail. In third place was Bob Hamman of Dallas, playing with former District 16'er Justin Lall. Babu Koneru of San Antonio was fifth. A terrific showing by all!

Bart and Bob played as partners in the Senior KO, and came oh-so-close to winning the event-- they lost by just three IMPs in the final. John Sutherlin of Dallas and Dan Morse of Houston finished 3/4, while Ira Hessel of San Antonio and Joe Ouinn of Sugar Land ended up 5/8, knocking out the heralded Meltzer team to reach the quarterfinals. Don't mess with Texas!

Austinite Tobi Sokolow finished second in the Women's BAM. Her record in this event of late is formidable: she won last year, and was second in '09 and '10. Tobi loves the excitement of BAM, where every over- or undertrick can swing the result on a board. Too much pressure for me; I'll take IMPs any day! Mildred Breed of Austin and Shawn Quinn of Sugar Land finished third, just nipping Ellen Hessel and Donna Swarthout of San Antonio. Brava, one and all! Tobi is headed to Beijing for the World Mind Sports



Bart Bramley

by District 16 players to report. In the LM Women's Pairs, Petra Hamman, Dallas, and Shawn Quinn came in fourth. In the North American Swiss Teams, Mike Passell, Richardson, finished fourth, Mark Feldman, Austin, was fifth, and Steve Shirey, Fort Worth, and Ira Hessel were ninth. Finally, Nancy and Steve Kornegay, North Richland Hills, captured seventh in the Senior Mixed Pair

As Judy Garland warbled in a classic 50's musical, "See you in St. Louis!" site of the Spring NABC March 14-24, 2013. Let's be honest: St. Louis is not as exciting as San Fran or Philly (site of last summer's NABC), but then again, you don't have to feel guilty about playing bridge instead of visiting historic venues or tourist haunts! Still, I was surprised by the many good shops and restaurants within a stone's throw of the playing area. I even opened a CD at a local bank offering an incredible rate the last time the NABC was held in St. Louis. Judy found her love interest in St. Louis; I just found *higher* interest. Who knows what opportunities await you under The Arch?

255.00 Bart Bramley, Dallas 218.52 Bob Hamman, Dallas 124.37 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 115.38 Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land 113.64 Dan Morse, Houston 103.67 Ira Hessel, San Antonio 99.67 Donna Swarthout, San Antonio 97.91 Eddie Wold, Houston 70.00 John Sutherlin, Dallas 68.57 Mark Feldman, Austin 67.81 Petra Hamman, Dallas 67.74 Mildred Breed, Austin 62.86 Chris Compton, Dallas 62.33 Tom Breed, Kingwood 61.77 Steve Shirey, Fort Worth 58.18 Ellen Hessel, San Antonio 57.81 Thomas Trudeau, San Antonio 52.68 Georgiana Gates, Houston 51.28 Sally Wheeler, The Woodlands 51.28 Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands 48.80 Ira Chorush, Houston 48.62 Hemant Lall, Dallas



Bob Hamman Tobi Sokolow

13 Janise Saul - Donna Swarthout, San Antonio 727.88 15 Georgiana Gates, Houston

#### Life Master Open Pairs

15 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio; 50 Dave Swarthout, San Antonio

#### Mitchell Open BAM Teams

36 Venkatrao Koneru San Antonio

#### Sternberg Womens BAM

- 2 Tobi Sokolow, Austin 3 Mildred Breed, Austin
- Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land
- 4 Ellen Hessel Donna Swarthout San Antonio
- 11 Georgiana Gates, Houston **Senior Mixed Pairs**

### 7 Nancy and Stephen Kornegay

- N Richlnd Hls 17 Louis Sachar - Tobi Sokolow
- Austin

35 Tom Breed, Kingwood

#### 0-5000 Blue Ribbon Pairs

20 Jeff McKee, Dale Greg Resz, Weatherford 48 Eileen Smith James McCommons, Dallas

**Baze Senior KO's** 

2 Bob Hamman-Bart Bramley Dallas 3/4 Dan Morse, Houston John Sutherlin, Dallas 5/8 Joe Quinn, Sugar Land Ira Hessel, San Antonio 9/16 Eddie Wold, Houston

9/16 Sally Wheeler - Buddy Hanby The Woodlands

#### **Reisinger BAM Teams**

2 Bart Bramley, Dallas 3 Bob Hamman, Dallas 5 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio

#### **Keohane NA Swiss Teams**

5 Mark Feldman, Austin 9 Steve Shirey, Fort Worth Ira Hessel, San Antonio 13 Dan Morse, Houston 14 Hemant Lall, Dallas Ira Chorush, Houston 20 Eddie Wold, Houston

### **Dan Morse** District 16 Representative

#### San Francisco Report

The San Francisco Marriott was a great place for a National tournament. The Hotel was expensive but there were at least 200 restaurants within a 2 block radius of the hotel. All prices and types were available. There was plenty of room and the lighting was good which made the players happy. The price of the rooms at the hotel was a little high and I think that kept some people from coming and the parking at the hotel was also way too high.

Anyway there were 13410 tables in play 590 less than the expected 14000.

Don Mamula was elected President for 2013 and I invited him to come to Texas if his schedule allows .

A club may hold a mentor novice game as an open game. Any special game held in a club is eligible to be held as a mentor novice game.

Grass Roots Fund month is moved to January from December starting in 2014.

Anyone who is a club manager or director must be an ACBL member in good standing with all service fees and dues paid.

The ACBL shall remove the Student Membership option. All student members will be upgraded to Junior Membership.

The ACBL and only the ACBL shall be permitted to sponsor regional tournaments at sea.

There are now Masterpoint Removal Sanctions for any member found guilty of a conduct or ethical violation.

The NABC 10K Swiss Teams will be played the first Friday and Saturday of the Spring NABC.

Cell Phones are now allowed in the playing area of NABC+ events, however if they go off or make noise you will be penalized.

The ACBL partnering with the Alzheimer Association will have a fundraiser on June 21, 2013 in the clubs.

Membership stands at 166,491; this represents a 1000+ member increase over 2011. The ACBL has signed up 9,830 new members during the first 10 months of 2012.

Total Regional, Section and STAC table count is up about 1% for the first ten months of 2012. Club games table count remains steady, however online games have gone up 10% to 750,000 tables.

The position of Director of Marketing and Communications remains open. We are looking for someone with the ideal mix of bridge knowledge and marketing experience.

Phase 2 of the ACBL score+ project has been completed. Phase 3 is in progress. We are still looking for a few programmers with bridge and programming experience.

Our new Housing Bureau (TRAVEL PLANERS) has started booking rooms for the Spring NABC.

Starting in 2013 the ACBL will become a client of GolinHarris, one of the world's leading global public relations firms.

Starting in 2013 a direct mail campaign will begin targeting the many bridge players who win masterpoints in clubs that are not members of the ACBL.

An amnesty campaign to lapsed members will be launched in January 2013.

During the first 10 months of 2012 a total of \$106,459 has been distributed to 235 qualified advertising campaigns. This compares to \$124,608 to 278 advertisers thru Oct. 2011.

I hope to see many of you at one of our many Nationals.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

All the best, Dan

### **Thanks To All the Contributors**



Games, where four ente wohlen's teams (the US, China, England and France) will compete in teams, pairs, and an individual. Good luck, honey!46.96 Catherine Miller, Spring 46.2 Joe Quinn, Sugar LandI have just a few other top 10 finishesLife Master Womens Pairs 4 Petra Hamman, Dallas ; Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land	<ul> <li>28 Dave and Donna Swarthout San Antonio</li> <li>40 Robert Morris-Anthony Bianchi Houston</li> <li>48 Tobi Sokolow, Austin</li> </ul>	We would like to give special thanks to all our contributors. The news and information our columnists provide is informative, entertaining and very helpful to the promotion and success of the game. Sometimes readers overlook the columns from units other than their own, but I am sure you will be delighted if you have the opportunity to read them.
AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE DISTRICT 16 SCORECARD Bridge News Bulletin for The Texas Regional Conference 2826 Barrel Oak San Antonio, TX 78231	Eddie Wold Will Teach Bridge at Rice University Carole Ann Wilson tells how Eddie Wold, with the aid of Nobel Prize Win- ner Robert Curl, will teach a course in bridge at Rice University. The course will be offered for credit. Carole reports on this in her <u>Unit 174</u> column on page 3 and gives a reference to the article in the November 28 bulle- tin at the San Francisco Nationals. http://www.acbl.org/nabc/2012/03/ bulletins/db6.pdf	Every year , when some of columnists, who have served us so well, need replacing, the units always find willing and exceptionally capable new ones to carry on. Indeed, our district is endowed with so many members who have exceptional skills and are willing to help. All of the columns have so many endearing stories about the goings on in bridge and all of the wonderful members we have. We would like to express our appreciation for outgoing columnists in 2012, Mary Jane Kinnebrew, Unit 174, and Shirley Shelton, Unit 225, who provided us with many great columns. Please be sure to thank them and all of the columnists and other contributors including the D-Team, David Sokolow, Dewitt Hudson and Dan Morse, the photographers for the tournaments, the Tournament Chairman, our GNT Chair, Jim Thurtell, our NAP coordinator, Melody Euler, and the many others who send us interesting articles.

# Grand National Teams 2012 – 2013: Win A Trip To Atlanta

#### By Jim Thurtell

The District 16 competition for the 2012 – 2013 Grand National Teams (GNT) began on September 1, 2012. The Grand National Teams (GNTs) are one of two ACBL "grass roots" events. The North American Pairs is the other grass roots event in which our players can win Red and Gold points without leaving their unit area. GNT competition moves through two levels: (1) unit qualifying games for 'B' and 'C' teams and (2) the District 16 Finals which will be held in Dallas, on May 25 – 27, 2013.

GNT competition is divided into four flights: **Championship** flight (unlimited masterpoints), **Flight A** for players with fewer than 5,000 masterpoints, **Flight B** for players with fewer than 2,000 masterpoints, and **Flight C** for Non-Life Masters with fewer than 500 masterpoints. Unlike Open events, the GNT district final is a peer-based competition. You get to take the measure of your play vs. players of like ability. <u>The four flights compete separately at the district finals</u>. Winning teams in each flight receive a subsidy to compete in the Summer Nationals in Atlanta in July 2013.

Flight eligibility was established by ACBL's September masterpoint cycle produced on August 6, 2012. Masterpoints won after this cycle do not impact flight eligibility for these events.

Flight 'B' & 'C' players qualify for district finals in unit-qualifying games if their team:

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176 Dallas	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
183 Fort Western	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>
187 Corpus Christi	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>
197 Lubbock	<u>9</u>			
201 Beaumont	<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10-11</u>	<u>11-13</u>
204 Fort Concho	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>		
207 Texas Capital	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>		
209 Permian Basin	<u>13</u>			
224 Abilene	<u>14</u>			
225 East Texas	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>		
233 Central Texas	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>		
237 Magic Valley	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	
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#### DISTRICT 16 TOURNAMENTS

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NAP AUSTIN	5-6
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FEBRUARY	
Grapevine (8)	8-10
San Angelo (13)	8-10
Ajijic	14-17
Rockport (9)	15-17
Austin NLM	16-17
Beaumont (13)	21-24
<u>Temple (15)</u>	22-24
Richardson 0-100	22-23
Longview (14)	28-3/2
<u>Austin (14)</u>	28-3/3
MARCH	

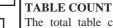
Wins one-half or more of their matches in a Swiss Teams (a tie is one-half of a win)

Finishes average or higher in scoring system used to rank teams (VP or win -loss)

Finishes in the top 50% within a stratum or flight in the scoring system used

Note to directors: ACBLScore does not always qualify every team eligible by the above rules. It might be necessary to add manual qualifications before making the results official.

We encourage all our district players to participate in these events. Not only is it fun, but you have a chance to win a trip to Atlanta for the nationals and you only have to play people within your own flight.



**Board of** 

Governors

**Dewitt Hudson** 

Nov 22 - Dec 2 2012

NABC SAN FRANCISCO FALL

Cool mornings and evenings and

warm balmy afternoons was the

perfect weather to begin this Na-

tional!! Later on in the week, the

rain started. NABC Chairman, Jim

Leuker, did an exceptional job with

his committee, in welcoming the

bridge players to the Marriott Mar-

quis Hotel, which was the perfect

setting for this huge tournament.

Welcome goodies, included tote

bag, restaurant guide, sightseeing

tours, nightly refreshments and

plenty of entertainment. All events

were played at this hotel which was

located at 55 Fourth Street between

Market and Mission Streets.

The total table count was: 13,410 1/2 tables. The last time the ACBL was held in San Francisco was in the Fall of 2007. At that time they had a table count of : 14,858. With these tallies, San Francisco took the second and third place of all time high attendance of Fall Nationals, with Las Vegas retaining first place with a total table count of 16,818.

#### PRESIDENT-ELECT

Donald Mamula of Mill Creek, Washington was elected by the ACBL Board of Directors to be President for 2013. Mamula represents District 19 which covers Alaska, Washington state and British Columbia. In his acceptance speech, Mamula stated the following: "I want the Board of Directors and Management to serve as stewards of the interests of our members." The term of this office is for one year.

#### GOODWILL CHAIRMAN

Sandy Di Martino was elected by the ACBL Board of Directors to Chair this committee for the following three years. She replaced Rose Meltzer .

#### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Richard Anderson was elected by the Board of Governors to be their President for the next three Richard is from Revears. gina, Saskatchewan Canada and is a member of District 18. There was a 'hard-fought battle" between Richard and Chris Compton. The final vote tally was: 54 to 53 votes!! Chris worked extremely hard for this position, by campaigning, making lots of telephone calls, sending letters, and also having outstanding bridge players, sending letters of endorsement to the Board of Governors.

# MASTERPOINT REPORTING IN THE BULLETIN

In a discussion I had with the CEO of the ACBL, Robert Hartman, concerning the reporting of masterpoints to the bridge players in the bulletin, said two reasons were in consideration, when the ACBL started posting the masterpoints on the back of the bulletin. The first reason, was 'cost-effective' by a large amount of money, and the second reason, was that mistakes in reporting scores was minimized, because it was easier to match the name on the front of the bulletin with the info in the back page.

SEE YOU ALL IN ST. LOUIS, MO. March 14-24!!!

### Scorecard Blasts From the Past.....

#### 1973

At the Dallas January 1973 sectional winners of the Saturday Open Pairs were **Jim Deegan** and **Pam Fields** and winning the Sunday Swiss Teams were **Betsy Wolff, Bob Hamman, Mark Lair** and **Jim Tucker**. **1983 January** *Scorecard* **reports....** 

The Flight A Open Pairs winners at the Corpus Regional was a tie between Gil Michelletti - Kay Johnson and John Sullivan - Murray Reid.

#### 1993 January Scorecard reports......

**Bobby Wolff** resigns as District 16 representative to the National Board of Directors to assume WBF Presidency, and **Dan Morse**, of Houston as first alternate moves up to complete the year remaining in the current 3 year term. **John "Spider" Harris** announces his retirement from tournament directing after 30 years.

#### 2003 January Scorecard reports.....

Winners of the Saturday Stratified Pairs Flight A at the Bryan sectional were **Vic** and **Joan Sitton**, and at the Abilene sectional it was **Mary Orock** and **Mary Hoger**.



Jack McCormack died on October 19, 2012, at the age of 95.

Jack served as president on the Dallas Board of directors. He was ,unofficially, the oldest player to win a sectional when he won an event in 2010 at the age of 93. The next year he topped that when he won 2 events at the Wichita Falls sectional in 2011.

Jack served his country proudly in World War two and was stationed at Pearl Harbor when it was bombed and until 1944.

The last time I saw Jack was at the Houston Regional early this year. Although wheelchair bound he made the trip from Dallas to play with his favorite partner, his wife Janet.

I think Jack epitomized the player who truly enjoyed playing bridge and, despite physical limitations, played whenever possible. Jack lamented about the recent trend in bridge reducing the number of boards played from 26-27 to 24 in pair games. He wrote a letter to the Scorecard strongly expressing his views.

McAllen (15) Lubbock <u>Richardson (6)</u> SPRING NATIONALS ST. LOUIS Richardson 0-300 Jalisco NLM	1-3 1-3 7-10 14-24 22-23 22-24
APRIL	
Houston Kerrville Arlington NLM/500 Austin 0-200 Athens Dallas 0-100 San Antonio	5-7 4-7 13-14 18-20 19-21 25-28
MAY	
Austin Fort Worth District 16 STaC Wacp Richardson GNT Richardson	2-5 3-5 6-12 17-18 23-27 26-27



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It must be winter in San Antonio. I spotted three persons who are always sporting shorts actually wearing long pants!(Names withheld to protect the warmblooded) Can holiday parties be far off? We are all busy with family visits, travels and holiday preparations, but not too busy to play bridge! Congratulations to 2012 top Masterpoint winners: Ed Rawlinson, winner of the George Gray award, and Donna Swarthout, winner of the Cisse Horton award.

The Fall Sectional, held at BCSA on Nov.1-4, was enjoyed by 176 tables of players and yielded big masterpoint wins for Donna Swarthout (13.76), Jimmy La Fountain (12.96) and Fran Vanecko (12.84). A lovely tournament, no doubt, but one I missed, unfortunately. We were in Israel and Jordan, lucky enough to be there before the rockets launched again. Until we got home, I thought the greatest danger we faced on the trip was tummy problems from too many dates and figs! What a difference a week makes in that part of the world. Ov!

Once again, this year Jeri Tribo put together a very successful tournament, held at Turtle Creek for the program she has shepherded so well-- the Mentor/ Mentee program. On November 10, good-willed competition, along with wonderful hospitality, greeted the 28 pairs who came to play. Flight winners were: Cathy Supple and Nell Morgan (A); Carol Hall and Roxie Tom (B); and Fran Stoltz and Rebecca

#### Brown (C).

Laurie Levin put a new spin on the I-35 Cup competition. She initiated the Prada IH-10 Bowl, a competition between two members-only clubs: the Dominion and Fair Oaks. On November 19, they came, they bid, they conquered! Judy Hoffman and Susan Hernandez won the cup on behalf of Fair Oaks. Good show, everyone!

Masterpoint milestones: New Life Master: Mary C. Powell; Silver Life Masters: Susan Hernandez; Martha Bowes. Gold Life Masters: Roxie Tom; Kim Carpenter. Diamond Life Master: Bill Walker. Emerald Life Master: Dave Swarthout. Well done, all of you!

Table tidbits: I wonder if bidding slam is like pulling teeth for her! I'll try to resist dentist humor as I tell you something about Laura Matuszewski, the newest dentist to find her place at the table... and what a lovely addition to our community she is! Laura is from Cuero, Texas and could not wait to live in fun-filled San Antonio. Laura left her job as a medical technologist in Houston and moved here in 1985 to attend dental school at UTHSC. Upon graduation, she opened a solo practice in the medical center area, serving mostly adult patients. Though still young, she retired in 2005 due to health issues. Since then she has enjoyed traveling, water aerobics, reading, bible study and bridge. She is married with two sons. Her mom (now deceased) first encouraged her to play bridge many years ago, gifting her tapes made by Omar Sharif. Laura took her time getting into the game, and wishes her mom were still around so she could play with her! She

loves people- which is why she loved her practice so much. She doesn't complain when the bridge game ends at the dentist's favorite time of day: Toothhurty! (2:30...sorry!)

Upcoming: Winter Fun Sectional at BCSA (January 18-21); GNT qualifier at BCSA (February 9)

Don't forget: Beginning in January, Board meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m. at BCSA. Come join us!

See you at the table!

#### **BCoSA Fall Sectional**

San Antonio November 1-4, 2012 168 players 182 tables.

- 1 13.76 Donna Swarthout
   2 12.96 James La Fountain
   3 12.84 Fran Vanecko
   4 12.38 Jon Richard Ware
   5 11.98 Roxana Tom
   6 11.98 Pat Prichard
   7 11.96 Shirley Brooks
- 8 11.64 Dave Swarthout
- 9 11.22 Jean Blilie
- 10 11.21 Ira Hessel
- 11 11.21 Ellen Hessel

**Thursday Morning Open Prs-23.5** Tables A1 LaNelle Strickland-Jean Blilie A2. James La Fountain-Jon Richard Ware B1. Dorthy Rippstein-Steven Kassarjian B2. Jo Kuehl-Shirley Brooks C1. Laura Matuszewski-Christine Collier C2. Catherine Supple-Linda Banks Thursday Afternoon Swiss-18 Tables A1. Gary Anziani-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout-Ed Rawlinson A2. Nell Morgan-Janise Saul-Carol Campbell-Barbara Burns B1. Jeri Tribo-Susan Hernandez-Fran Vanecko-Laurie-Ann Levin B2. Roxana Tom-Roxana Tom-Pat Prichard-Kay Laird C1. Marjorie Miller-Leslie Tramer-Tessa Bodnar-Maria Groussman C2. Carol Lahser-Barnet Bursack-Brenda Johnson-Martha Bowes

Friday Afternoon Open Prs-21.0 Tables AB1. Jo Kuehl-Shirley Brooks A2. C David Mitchell-Sandra Weber B2. Pat Prichard-Roxana Tom C1. Stephen Hoffman-Kathy Sinkin-Amor C2. Nancy Dewar-Georgia Baron

Friday Morning Open Pairs-21.0 Tables AB1. Jeri Martin-Jo Gayle Carter A2. Donna McBride-Jean Blilie B2. Orpha Sears-Pollve Campbell C1. Marjorie Miller-Brenda Johnson C2. David Johnson Jr-Louisa Morton Fri/Sat KO-Bracket 1-6 Tables 1. George Fillis-Karen Fillis-Charles Loeffler-Eugene Lux 2. Terry Riely-Jon Richard Ware-James La Fountain, -Josephine Grabow Sat Morning Open Pairs-24.5 Tables AB1. Alonzo Britton-Mary Britton, A2. Greg Hinze-Patty Hinze B2C1. Earl Cutler-John Gibson C2. Carol Zuclich-Joseph Zuclich Saturday Afternoon Pairs-20.0 Tables A1. George Mann-Sharon Mann A2. K Carpenter-Judy Lewis B1. Orpha Sears-Shirley Brooks B2. Kay Laird-Richard Curtin C1. John Hilbig-Judy Caroll Taquino C2. Leslie Tramer-Jonathan Tramer Sunday Stratified Swiss-21 Tables A1. William Scarpero-Sheryleen Grothus-Fran Vanecko-Jerrold Harrington A2. Ed Rawlinson-Bill Walker-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout-Gary Anziani B2. Arline Rubin-Gool Castleberry-Kathy Sinkin-Amor-Georgia Baron C2. Harry Ingham-Elaine Martin-R Patton Jr-Cam Patton

Unit 174 Houston	
Carol Ann Wilson	× 37

*Club successes:* Clubs in our unit have been having extraordinary success, mostly from teaching and creating new players, but also with Life Master Milestone and Anniversary parties. I play mostly at **Houston Bridge Studio**, and one of the biggest parties there recently was the Life Master party for **Mary Watters**, with the theme "Black Tie." With 30 tables in the open section and 10 in the 99ers, the place was packed! Sequins, bling, and tuxedos adorned our beautiful people amid the slams and penalty doubles. Who would have thought bridge players would dress up for a day game? And Mary was even a winner! These milestone parties are one of the best ways to increase attendance and even encourage novices to blast ahead.

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On October 5 Bridge Club of Houston (BCOH) celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anni-

versary under current ownership, and it was standing room only for the reserve-ahead event. There was not one vacant seat! We heard the history of the club, which actually started 30 years ago, and the announcement was made that they have successfully renewed their lease at 1690 Spring-Cypress Road (SH 2920) in Spring, Texas, for another 5 years! Continuity in location is so important for any business. And they are continuing their successful learning series with the following:

**Norm Gautier** will be teaching "Basic 2/1 Game Force" and "Competitive Bidding"

**Barbara Phillips** will be teaching "25 More Conventions You Should Know"

**Julie Halperin** will be teaching "Defense in the 21st Century"

Joan Torrance will be teaching "Bridge Basics Lesson Series" BCOH continues its "Ambassador Program," with help for players without a partner. Learn more at www.bridgeclubofhouston.com.

**Barbara Freilich** reports that at the Brazos Duplicate Bridge Club, **Pam and Doug Hensley** came in first in the District for the ACBL Instant Matchpoint Game for 2012. If you are ever in the Bryan/College Station area, they have several duplicate bridge games that meet during the week. Unfortunately they lost one of their stalwart and beloved players, **Alan Bachman**, who played bridge at every chance he got and will be missed by all.

The Livingston Duplicate Bridge

# **BRIDGE CLUB OF SAN ANTONIO SECTIONAL CHAMPS**



Thursday Morning Pairs (A) LaNelle Strickland - Jean Blilie





Thursday Morning Pairs (B) Dorthy Rippstein, Steve Kassarjian



Thursday Morning Pairs (C) Christine Collier, Laura Matuszewski



Thursday Aft Swiss (A) Donna Swarthout, Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani , Dave Swarthout





Thursday Aft Swiss (C) Tessa Bodnar, Marge Miller, Leslie Tramer, Maria Groussman



Friday Morning Pairs (A/B) Jo Gayle Carter, Jeri Martin



Friday Morning Pairs (C) Marge Miller, Brenda Johnson



Friday Afternoon Pairs (A/B) Jo Kuehl, Shirley Brooks



Saturday Morning Pairs (A/B) Mary & Gene Britton



Thursday Aft Swiss (B)

Jeri Tribo, Fran Vanecko,

Saturday Morning Pairs (C) Earl Cutler, John Gibson

Fri-Sat KO Karen & George Fillis, Charles Loeffler, Gene Lux



Saturday Afternoon Pairs (A) Sharon & George Mann



Saturday Afternoon Pairs (B) Shirley Brooks, Orpha Sears

Saturday Afternoon Pairs (C) Judy Taquino, John Hilbig



Sunday Swiss (A) Fran Vanecko, Jerry Harrington, Bill Scarpero, Sheryleen Grothus



Sunday Swiss (B,C) Marge Miller, Debbie Schweiss, Delores Reiley, John Hilbig

**Club** is growing! They are up from 3 -1/2 tables to 6 and Ginny Mayhew reports that they are getting a really nice group of bridge players who collected toys for kids in December. You may know someone who has retired to the Livingston area and would love to know about this game, so have them contact Ginni at virginia.mayhew09@gmail.com.

More Teaching: Errol LeCesne will be teaching "Bridge for Beginniners" and "Intermediate Bridge" at Lone Star College-Kingwood. Joyce Ryan continues her fine series of lessons and supervised play at St. Martin's Episcopal Bridge School. And the most special news is that Eddie Wold is teaching a FOR CREDIT Bridge Course at Rice University! There was a great article about him on the front page of the Daily Bulletin from the San Francisco Nationals on Wed. Nov. 28, 2012, which you can access from the ACBL Web site (www.acbl.org). This groundbreaking course was facilitated by Dr. Robert Curl, a bridge player who also was the cowinner of the 1996 Nobel Prize in Chemistry. Dr. Curl says, "I know of no other university offering a bridge course for credit." Just think about how special this news is.

*New 70% Milestones*: Please send me the info whenever you have one of these great games. From posted and reported results in October and November, we find the following and congratulate these players for their 70% games in open events:

**Bobbi Kauffman** and **Shawn Quinn** had a 72.32% game at Houston Bridge Studio on Monday, 11/5/12. **James Danner** and **Lous De Bois** had a 70.63% game in the novice game at BCOH on Monday, 11/19/12.

Azam Khan and Dave Russell scored a 71.63% on Wednesday, 11/21/12 at Bridge Club of Houston. Finally, **Paul Nimmons** and **Keri Smith** had a 73.01% winning score at Houston Bridge Studio's Mentor-Mentee game on Thursday night, 11/29/12!

And by the time you read this, we may already be in the middle of it, but we're looking forward to an outstanding event and planning to make it the best ever: Our **Lone Star Regional Tournament** at the Marriott Westchase runs January 28 through February 3, 2013. This hotel always works hard to help us have a great tournament, and the Tournament Committee, chaired by **Paul Cuneo** and **Chuck Ensor**, with **Jolie Hess** coordinating Partnerships, is the best! Plan to "come on down!"

Finally, as promised, here's a Fundamental tip, which is "Look to Your Rebid." This one became crystal-clear to me in a learning session with our very famous Eddie Wold. It's one of the most important considerations especially when deciding what-or whether-to open. If you open a minor and then rebid it, it should be six (some partners insist on penalty of death!). Depending on partnership agreement, if you open with one of a suit and rebid 1NT, you promise 12 to 14 HCP (no less, no more). If you open one of a major and rebid it, you promise six trumps or for sure extra values. If your partner opens one of a suit and you have opening hand, you will probably want to make a jump rebid. So make sure your first bid will let you accurately describe your hand on your rebid. But then, we don't live in a perfect world, so there will be times when you must tell the least lie. But if you make a mental note to just look to your rebid before you approach the bidding box, it might help.

*New Feature for Future Reports*: Among our members we find many fantastic accomplishments apart from the bridge table. I've started gathering info about some of these players and will welcome your input. Sad Farewell: Our Unit has lost several beloved bridge players, and we bid our last farewell to them as they continue their games in Heaven: Sharon McCollum, Billie ("BJ") Nicholas, and Alan Bachman. If I have missed anyone, please let me know.

#### Leads on the Lake

Clear Lake November 9-11, 2012 397 players. 380 tables.

1 29.32 J Gittelman 2 29.32 Gary King 3 29.32 Dianna Gittelman 4 29.32 Anthony Bianchi 5 24.82 Daniel Suty 6 24.63 Sally Wheeler 7 24.63 Buddy Hanby 8 22.31 Thomas Peters 9 22.31 John Zilic 10 22.31 Dan Morse 11 21.34 Tom Clarke 12 21.34 Joe Quinn 13 20.44 Georgiana Gates 14 19.60 Gil Micheletti MD 15 19.60 Carolyn Peters

Friday Aft Open Pairs-20.5 Tables / Based on 33 Tables A1 Edith Reid-Marilyn Leboy A2. Joyce Park-Anna Marlatt B1. Mack Meigs-Mike Floy B2C1.Barbara Phillips-Barbara Savrick C2. William Houck-David Bradt

Friday Aft 49er Pairs-4.0 Table GH1. Carol Tuttle-Kathleen Pflueger GH2. Jane Boozalis-Naomi Hewitt Friday Aft 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables DEF1. Ronald Pare-Ann Pare DE2. Renata Frutiger-Mj Patricia Harley F2. Van Valentine-Ellen Valentine Friday Eve Open Pairs-12.0 Tables A1. Robert Morris-Patti Mullendore, A2. Nancy Riley-Bill Riley B1. Dianne Wammack-Dennis Wammack **B2.** Alfred Fortier III-Steve Tuggle C1. William Houck-David Bradt C2. Barbara Savrick-Barbara Phillips Friday Eve Swiss Teams-18 Tables ABC1. Peggy Naughton-Bob Naughton-Richard Burkhart-Bonnie Burkhart A2. Bert Onstott III-

Katherine Onstott-Donna Sparks-Jonathan Holmes BC2.Dona Hatthorn-Ann Van Volkenburgh-Martha Wallace-Betty Potter

Handicapped KO Brkt 1-11 Tables 1. Virginia Zilic-John Zilic-Gil Micheletti, MD-Dan Morse-Carolyn Peters-Thomas Peters 2 Gary King-Dianna Gittelman-Anthony Bianchi-J Gittelman

Handicapped KO Brkt 2-9 Tables 1.Steve Vaughn-Lucy Hofmann-Pamela Dettmers-Rick Stell 2. Roger Marlatt-Rhonda Bryant-Phyllis Kuchta-Kenneth McAllister Handicapped KO Brkt 3-9 Tables 1.Elizabeth Vondy-Bente Davies-Ronald French-John Ambrosi 2. Patsy Howell-Anne Knott-Wanda Rogers-Helen Burton Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables DEF1, Lisa Zummo-Carol Jewett D2. Robert Foote-Louis Bockman E2 Antoinette Hudson-Millie Perner F2. B Clingo-W Clingo, Saturday Morn 49er Pairs-6.0 Tables GH1. Joan Shack-Paul Shack GH2I1. Christian Liipfert-Roger French I2. Sheila Odell-Annette Ehrhardt

Sat Bracketed Swiss Bkt 1-9 Tables / Based on 36 Tables 1. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Joe Quinn-Tom Clarke 2. Bill Riley-Nancy Riley-Joyce Ryan-David

Sat Bracketed Swiss Bkt 2-9 Tables / Based on 27 Tables 1.David Goldfarb-Harry Elliott-Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn 2. Chuck Gillis -Charles Markowitz-Aleksandr Adelman-Siraj Jiwani

Sat Bracketed Swiss Bkt 3-9 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1. Juinez Moss-Liz Karnicki-Donald Moss-Patricia Bell 2. James Simmons-Frances Simmons-Bonnie Burkhart-Richard Burkhart

Sat Bracketed Swiss Bkt 4-9 Tables 1. Janet Williams-Paula Goodpasture -Anne Gorry-Carol Winograd 2. Gordon Yee-Scott Hopke-Kyle Lueders-Kitty Wong Saturday Open Pairs-15.0 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. W Lease-L Laird A2. Daniel Suty-Georgiana Gates B1. Himanshu Joshi-John

Clipson Jr C1. Greg Johnson-Peggy Naughton C2 Jack Rawitscher-Arlene Rawitscher Saturday Aft Side Pairs-5.0 Tables A1.George Fox- Tony Haddad A2. Robert Armstrong-Phil Bellan B1. Paul Cuneo-Carmen Keys Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-9.0 Tables DE1. Otilia Magee- Judith Bovce D2. John Petersen- Mark Nemitz E2. B Clingo-W Clingo F1. Mark Incerto- Douglas Lilly F2. Patricia Hall-Elizabeth Grubb Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-20 Tables / Based on 60 Tables A1. Anthony Bianchi-Dianna Gittelman-Gary King-J Gittelman A2. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Georgiana Gates-Daniel Suty X2.Herbert Kalman-Robert Reichek-Chuck Gillis-Charles Markowitz

Heath B2. Jane Clipson-James

Sunday Brckted Swiss #1-7 Tables / Based on 31 Tables 1. William Lindner-Linda Sutton- Wayne Christensen, Jr-Joseph Volanski 2. Sanford Lobliner-Carmen Keys-Paul Cuneo-Youssef Youssef

Sunday Brckted Swiss #2-7 Tables / Based on 16 Tables 1. Constance Singleton-Annie Duaine-Bobbie Moutz- Charlotte Coon 2. William Kibikas- Jo Ann Pierce- William Houck- Charles Ensor

Sunday Brckted Swiss #3-7 Tables / Based on 13 Tables 1. Debra Bellan-Phil Bellan-Robert Armstrong-Nancy Reader 2. James Simmons-Frances Simmons-Donna Mann-Martin Gastrell

Sunday Brckted Swiss #4-7 Tables / Based on 11 Tables 1. Shih-Ming Yang-Shou Chao-Carl Hogan- John Hurwitz 2. Dale Grady-Juanita Val Grady-Tomi Porterfield, Pearland ; Errol LeCesne

Sunday Brckted Swiss #5-12 Tables 1. Troy Carr- Katherine McClure-Lynne Andress-Walter Freitag Barbara Sharp 2. Harold Condara Sr-Louis Bockman- Robert Foote

LEAGUE CITY NOVEMBER SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Eve Open Pairs A Bob Morris - Patti Mullendore



Fri Aft 299ers Ann & Ron Pare



Fri Aft 49ers Kathleen Pflueger - Carol Tuttle



Fri Aft Open Pairs B Mack Meigs - Mike Floyd



Fri Aft Open Pairs C Babara Savrick - Barbara Phillips













Fri/Sat KO Bkt 2 Lucy\_Hofmann -Pam Dettmers Rick Stell - Steve Vaughn

Sat Aft 299ers Otilia Magee - Judy Boyce

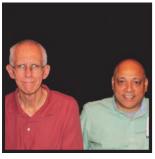
Sat Aft 299ers Mark Incerto -Doug Lilly

Sat Morn 299ers Lisa Zummo - Carol Jewett



Sat Morn 49ers Paul & Joan Shack

Sat Open Pairs A Bill Lease - Larry Laird



Sat Open Pairs B John Heath -Himanshu Joshi



Sat Open Pairs C Peggy Naughton - Greg Johnson

Sat Swiss Bkt 1 Buddy Hanby, Sally Wheeler, Joe Quinn, Tom Clarke



Sat Swiss Bkt 2 Eleanor Sherwyn, David Goldfarb, Don Varvel, Harry Elliott



Sat Swiss Bkt 3 Juinez Moss, Liz Karnicki, Don Moss, Pat Bell



Sat Swiss Bkt 4 Ann Gorry, Paula Goodpasture, Carol Winograd, Jan Williams



Fri Af Open Pairs A Marilyn Leboy - Edith Reid



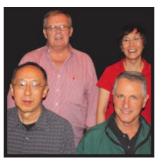
Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 2 Charlotte Coon, Connie Singleton, Annie Duaine, Bobbie Moutz



Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 3 Debbie Bellan, Nancy Reader, Phil Bellan, Bob Armstrong



Sat Eve Side Pairs A George Fox - Tony Haddad



Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 4 Carl Hogan, Shou Chao, Shih Ming Yang, John Hurwitz



Sat Eve Side Pairs B & C Phil Bellan - Bob Armstrong



Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 5 Lynne Andress, Katherine McClure, Walter Freitag, Troy Carr



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Sunday Swiss Teams A Dianna Gittelman, Gary King, Joe Gittelman, and Tony Bianchi



Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 1 Joe Volanski, Linda Sutton, William Lindner, Wayne Christensen

# Houston Unit 174 to Hold Board Election April 5-7, 2013

The members of Unit 174, whose participating clubs include Baytown, Bryan/College Station, Clear Lake, Conroe, Galveston, Houston, Kingwood, Lake Jackson, Livingston, Pasadena, Spring, Stafford, and Sugar Land, will have an opportunity to vote for three members of the Board of Directors April 5-7, 2013, during the Election Sectional at the Marriott Westchase. The three newly elected members will join Paul Cuneo, Joyce Gore, Kathy Hughes, Errol LeCesne, Nancy Strohmer and Tom Martinsen to complete the full nine-member board. Our Nominating Committee, consisting of Sue Williams, Karen Nimmons, Barbara Phillips, Bert Onstott and Bob Dowlen urges all Unit 174 members to vote, either in person, early online, or by absentee ballot. To vote in person, you should plan to be at the tournament site during the hour before each session on Friday and Saturday or one hour before the Sunday morning session. To vote early on-line, go to www.acblunit174.org, place your mouse over 'MyUnit174' on the right side of the menu bar, click on "BOD Election", and follow instructions. To vote absentee, follow the procedure outlined below. Winners will be announced prior to the second session on Sunday, April 7. In order for your vote to be counted, you must vote for exactly three candidates. The candidates have been given an opportunity to introduce themselves and say a few words about their philosophies, goals and backgrounds. They are listed alphabetically and have been restricted to 100 words.



#### Absentee Voting Procedure

Any member may vote by Absentee Ballot. To vote absentee, a member must contact the Election Judges by U.S. mail, e-mail, or telephone requesting an Official Ballot. If the Voter is a member in good standing an Official Ballot will be sent to the Voter at the voter's address of record, in a small unsealed envelope. Upon receiving the Official Ballot, the Voter should complete the ballot, seal it inside the small envelope provided, and place the small sealed envelope inside another envelope addressed to the Election Judges. The back flap of the outside envelope must be signed by the Voter. If no signature is provided, the ballot will not be counted. The Absentee Ballot must be postmarked no later than March 22, 2013, and must be received by the Election Judges no later than April 3, 2013, in order to be counted. The Election Judges are Owen and Pat Bunn: 15238 Springhill Bend Lane, Cypress, TX; 77429-1575; 281-357-0591, owenbunn@comcast.net or pathbunn@comcast.net.

## Two Proposed Amendments to Unit 174's By-Laws at the Annual Meeting on April 7, 2013

The first will amend Article VI Section 3 to change the minimum number of candidates for the Board that the nominating committee must generate. Currently it is 6.

The change is as follows: Said Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the mailing of notices of the annual meeting, and shall prepare a slate of Nominees with between 4 and six candidates. With no incumbent elected directors running for re-election, the minimum would be 6 candidates. The minimum would be reduced by 1 for each incumbent elected directors relected directors relection.

The second change is to Article VI Section 9 d concerning annual audit of the Unit's finances. The change would allow either an audit or a financial review with timing at the discretion of the Board. Proposed wording is:

To provide for an audit by a Certified Public Accountant or a review of Unit financial procedures, books and records by a competent independent reviewer. The frequency of the audit or review will be determined by the Board of Directors.



Poinsettias, bottles of wine, free plays, bottle carriers, playing cards, water bottles, and more free plays. Oh, have I mentioned the food? The bounty at the Unit Holiday party was evident to all. Forty-one tables of happy, sated players kicked off what we hope will be an annual event. Next time you see a board member, please thank them for putting in the hard work necessary to pull this party off. Cheryl Clark did a wonderful job of finding the venue and organizing everybody's efforts, and David Grimes accomplished the Herculean task of setting up and breaking down 50 tables in a two-day time frame.

In the open game, Beth and John Bromberg ran away from the competition to win with a 68% game, while Sally and Jim Thurtell came in second. Joseph and Elaine Bindo won the 299'er game. They also had a 68% game.

Did you notice that each of these three pairs has the same last name? I don't think I have had the pleasure of meeting the Bindo pair, but I know the Open Game winning partnerships are also partners in life. Perhaps the old adage that husbands and wives shouldn't play together needs to be rethought!

In addition to the other festivities, the winners of the Unit MiniMac competition, based on performance in the Unit Games only, were announced and awarded beautiful cut glass votive holders. There are seven levels. John Ellis won the Level One competition, for players with fewer than 100 points. The Level Two (100 to 200 points) winner was Lynn Cooper. Bruce Harbour was the Level Three (200-300 points) winner. Paul

Taylor and Robert Scrimale tied for the win of the Level Four (300-1000 points) competition. Another married couple, Hazel and Jules Schoenberg, won the Level Five (1000-2500) competition. Michael Hout topped the field among Level Six (2500-4000) players, and Hugh Hillaker won the Level Seven (4000 up) award. Congratulations to all these players!

The competition runs from October to September, but if you didn't play in the fourth quarter of 2012, you can still compete for next year's prizes starting with the January Unit Game on January 13, at the venue of your choice (BAND, Dorsey's, or Sherman). Identical hands will be played at the three locations, and overall winners will be determined across the fields. You can find the entire Unit Game schedule on our website.

Also don't forget our Election sectional January 17-20 at the Richardson Civic Center. We are electing three board members during this sectional. Candidates are Leslie Conant (incumbent), Jeff Dater, Joe Fletcher, Susan Keyes, Eileen Smith and Edward Yetter. Their pictures and bios can be found in the Nov-Dec issue of the Scorecard, as well as on our website. Take a look at the candidates and then please vote for your choices.

The District Finals of the NAP will be held in Austin on the first weekend in January. Best of luck to all the members of the unit participating in this event.

Our most recent sectional was in November. We had a total of 545 tables in play over the 4 days of the tournament. The top masterpoint winner was Stan Kohan, followed by Emily Harrell of Shoal Creek, Alabama. Emily's mother is Petra Hamman, and I understand they have been practicing online for quite a while. The practice seems to be paying off!

Several unit members now have new ranks in the ACBL. New Life Masters include Frank Durante, Scott Nason, Ray Olds, and Gay Schleicher. New Bronze Life Masters are Beach Aten, Houston Holmes, and John Pelletti. Bob McNeill and Ed Yetter are new Silver Life Masters. Last but not least, Jim Thurtell has achieved the rank of Emerald Life Mastery Platinum Life Master.

Achieving these ranks is a testament to your perseverance and skill. Congratulations to all of you!

Finally, I would like to note the passing of John McCormack and Vicky Davis, two of the stalwarts of Unit 176. John was a past president of the unit who could be seen at club games and tournaments even though it was obvious that he was in quite a bit of discomfort. Condolences to his wife and steady bridge partner, Janet. Vicky, a refined and amiable woman, had many friends in the bridge world who are saddened by her passing.

#### Richardson Fall Sectional Nov 01-04, 2012

505 players. 545 tables.

- 1 30.04 S Kohan 2 26.47 Emily Harrell 3 26.09 Petra Hamman 4 24.41 Nagy Kamel 5 24.41 Dan Morse 6 23.63 Merri-Jo Hillaker 7 21.47 Tiger King 8 21.47 Hua Yang
- 9 21.47 Hank Eng
- 10 21.47 Hanchang Wang

**THURSDAY KO BKT 1-9 Tables 1.** Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger-James Lilly-John Spessard 2. S Kohan-Marcus Poe Jr -Tom Edwards-Charles Price THURSDAY KO BKT 2-8 Tables 1.Jackie Hertweck-Julian Kornfeld. Edmond OK; Betsy Braver-Ernest Diamond 2 Jerr Boschee-William Olds-Penny Hawkins-Bruce Harbour Thursday Aft 299er Pairs-12.0 Tables A1. J Fletcher-Susan Bates A2. Stan Hsu-Sue Thompson B1/2C1. Jill Hartel-John Hartel B1/2 Sudhir Shah-Ann Parker C2. Judy Yarbrough-Bobbie McKeeThursday Aft Open Pairs-28.5 Tables / Based on 41 Table ABC1. Brian Gelles-Janet Gelles AB2. Mark Hatkoff-R Randall Smith C2 Jo Driscoll-Gay Schleicher

Thu Eve Open Pairs-18.0 Tables / Based on 21 Tables A1. Robert Adams-David Foote A2. Petra Hamman -Emily Harrell B1. Bob McNeill-Rich Brandenburg B2C1. Leah McCarthy-Donna Rasmussen C2. Vernon Earl Hodge-George Burcham Thu Eve 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1. Connie Lowry-Barbara Smith AB2. Louise LeRoux-Harold Kless Friday Morning 299er-7.5 Tables ABC1. Leanna Robl-Frank Robl AB2. Edwin Ducayet Jr-Patricia Ducayet C2. Pat O'Brien-Jane Slater Friday Morn Open Pairs-17.0 Tables / Based on 25 Tables A1. Bob Friz-Charles Price A2. Marion Gebhardt-Gail Wells B1. Lynne Wood-Peter Grenier BC1.Leslie Conant-Eloise Meachum C2. Bert Dempsey-John Davis THURS AM 299ER PR-7.0 Tables A1. Frank Durante-Diana Chen A2. William Peiffer-Birdie Taylor B1. Sudhir Shah-Ann Parker B2C1.Deborah Armstrong-Sharon Ward C2. Carol Adamek-John Ellis THURSDAY AM OPEN PR-12.0 Tables / Based on 19 Tables A1. James Bauer-Judy Northup A2. Gerry McKim-James Thurtell B1. Pat Measley-Ira Nemazie B2. Jean O'Neal-J Terrence Wolfe C1. Robert Schmidt-Corinne Roberts C2.Gay Schleicher-Jo Driscoll Friday KO2 Bkt 1-6 Tables 1. Jim Harp-Scott Nason-Kate Hopkins-Jane Kirby 2. Mark Hatkoff-Kathy

Bullock-R Randall Smith-Royce McCray

Friday KO2 Bkt 2-6 Tables 1. John Pelletti-James Richman-Nancy Fellman-Margaret Raymond 2. Wendy Plant-Gay Schleicher-Jan Welsh-Mimi Lempert

Friday KO Bracket 3-8 Tables 1. Theodore Bender-Mary Lynn Trentham-Jackie Long-Lynn Gray 2. Frank Durante-Susan Bates-J Fletcher-Diana Chen Friday Aft 299er Pairs-12.5 Tables A1. Jean Higgins-William Higgins A2B1. Sudhir Shah-Ann Parker

B2C1. Patsy Rainwater-Maddu-Karen Roland C2. Pat Graham-Jo Anne Crandall

Friday Aft Open Pairs-48.0 Tables / Based on 61 Tables A1. Michael Bossert-Sara Bossert A2B1. Lynne Wood-Peter Grenier B2 Vi Ganeles-Mary McGinnis C1. Thomas Miyake-Robert Bever C2. Diana Winkelmann-Jennifer Rao

**Fri Eve Open Pairs**-16.5 Tables A1. J Bagwell-Neal Perlman A2. Bob Hamman-Allen Pearlman BC1 David Adams-Martin Schwartz B2. Donna Garrard-William Garrard Jr C2. Mike Davis-Lyn Davis

Friday Eve BAM Teams-10 Table A1. Nagy Kamel-Merri-Jo Hillaker-Hugh Hillaker-Dan Morse A2BC1. Bonnie Kay Yetter-Edward Yetter-Lee Gilliam-Judy Corey Edmiston C2. Charles Brown-Mark Zeitlin-David Pearlman-David Sauder Saturday Morning 299er-8.0 Tables AB1. Judie Smith-Kim Jordan AB2 Sudhir Shah-Ann Parker C1. Karen Silberman-Bernadette Solomon C2. Jane Koch-Janet Medlin Saturday Morning Open-16.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables A1. Kevin Cline-Melody Euler A2. Gerry McKim-Michael Hout B2C1. Norma Edsel-Joan Daniel C2. Barbara O'Dell-Peggy King Conant-Eloise Meachum Saturday Eve Open Pairs-5.0 Ta-

bles ABC1. Wayne Evans-Milton Neher A2. Nagy Kamel, Plano ; Dan Morse BC2. Frank Vlach-Karen

Food,	m Events Every Session! <b>Bl</b> Drink & Fun for Everyone provided for 2-Session players	g Time in Big "D" Sect "City of World Champions" March 7-March 10, 201		World Class Speaker Program 12:45pm & 6:00pm Thursday-Saturday Pictures/Section Top Pins & Trophies for 299ers
Thursday 9:30am	Bracketed KO (session 1 of 3) 49er Silver Pairs (0-5 Play Free) 299er Silver Pairs *NEW 1500er Silver Pairs Open Silver Pairs		Saturday 9:30am	Bracketed KO (session 1 of 3) 49er Silver Pairs 299er Silver Pairs <b>*NEW</b> 1500er Silver Pairs
Thursday 1:30pm	Bracketed KO (session 2 of 3) Compact Bracketed KO (session 1 of 2) 49er Silver Pairs (0-5 Play Free) 299er Silver Pairs * <b>NEW</b> 1500er Silver Pairs Open Silver Pairs		Saturday 1:30pm	Open Silver Pairs Bracketed KO (session 2 of 3) Compact Bracketed KO (session 1 of 2) 49er Silver Pairs 299er Silver Pairs *NEW 1500er Silver Pairs
Thursday 6:30pm	Bracketed KO (finals) Compact Bracketed KO (session 2 of 2) 49er Silver Pairs (0-5 Play Free) 299er Silver Pairs Open Silver Pairs Silver Swiss Teams (single session)	Warren Buffett Trophy Save the Date – BTinBD #2! Oct. 31-Nov. 3, 2013	Saturday 6:30pm	Open Silver Pairs Bracketed KO (finals) Compact Bracketed KO (session 2 of 2) 49er Silver Pairs 299er Silver Pairs Open Silver Pairs

			Silver Swiss Teams (single session)
Friday 9:30am	Bracketed KO (session 1 of 3) 49er Silver Pairs 299er Silver Pairs *NEW 1500er Silver Pairs	Tournament Site: Richardson Civic Center 411 West Arapaho Rd., Richardson, TX 75080 Southwest corner of Arapaho & Central (75) Many great restaurants nearby!	Sunday         Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams (play through)           10:30am & TBA         A: 3000+; X: 0-3000 (Play together)           B: 1000-1500; C: 500-1000; D: 0-500
Friday 1:30pm	Open Silver Pairs Bracketed KO (session 2 of 3) Compact Bracketed KO (session 1 of 2) 49er Silver Pairs 299er Silver Pairs	Nearby Hotel: Courtyard By Marriott 1000 S. Sherman Street, Richardson, TX 800.321.2211 Rates TBA Entry Fee: \$13 (\$15 for Non ACBL Members)	<ul> <li>10:30am 299er Silver Swiss Teams I (single session) 49er Silver Pairs Open Silver Pairs</li> <li>2:30pm 299er Silver Swiss Teams II (single session) 49er Silver Pairs</li> </ul>
Friday 6:30pm	* <b>NEW</b> 1500er Silver Pairs Open Silver Pairs Bracketed KO (finals) Compact Bracketed KO (session 2 of 2)	Got Questions? Chris Compton Tel. 972.333.9214 chris@bridgeacademyofnorthdallas.com	Open Silver Pairs ALL PAIR EVENTS ARE SINGLE SESSION SILVER POINTS Open - A: 2500+; B: 1000-2500; C: 0-1000 1500 - A: 750, 1500, D, 500, 750, C: 0-500
	49er Silver Pairs 299er Silver Pairs Open Silver Pairs Silver Swiss Teams (single session)	Join us for the 2012 Unit 176 Ace of Clubs & Mini McKinney Awards Ceremony Saturday at 6:30pm	1500er - A: 750-1500; B: 500-750; C: 0-500 299er - A: 200-300; B: 100-200; C: 0-100 49er - A: 20-50; B: 5-20; C: 0-5 Average Masterpoints
	Р	ctures and Results posted daily at www.BridgeInDa	llas.com

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Saturday Eve Swiss Teams-12 Tables ABC1. John Pelletti-Nancy Latner-Frank Durante-Diana Chen AB2. Brian Gelles-Janet Gelles-Corinne Roberts-Robert Schmidt

Saturday KO3 Bkt 1-6 Tables 1. Hua Yang-Tiger King-Hanchang Wang-Hank Eng 2. Randall Smith-Kathy Bullock-Mark Hatkoff-Royce McCray

Saturday **KO3 Bkt 2**-6 Tables 1. Joseph Gill-Adele Hudgins-Lue Waddle-Ann Lewis 2. Jim Harp-Scott Nason-Mary McGinnis-Margaret Raymond

Saturday KO3 Bkt 3-6 Tables 1. Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Karen Caton-Michael Cain 2. Jerrold Albom-James Richman-Nancy Fellman -George Burcham

Saturday KO3 Bkt 4-6 Tables 1. Jerr Boschee-William Olds-Penny Hawkins-Bruce Harbour 2. Julian Kornfeld-Jackie Hertweck-Betsy Braver-Ernest Diamond

Saturday Aft Open Pairs-37.0 Tables A1. Linda Spangler-David Horner A2. Michael Murphy-S Kohan

B1. Marian Maley- Elise Scott B2C1. Barbara Franklin-Arlene Navias C2. Roslyn Miller-Marsha Young Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-15.0 Tables A1. Jane Reed-Melvin Sharp A2. Barbara Horowitz-Dee Bridgewater BC1. Mel Feil-Merrily Feil B2. Judy Osborn-Sue Scala C2. Jack Lavine-Barbara Reeves

Sun Stratiflighted A/X-26 Tables / Based on 71 Tables A1. Petra Hamman-Hemant Lall-Emily Harrell-Merri-Jo Hillaker A2. Dan Morse-Bill Staats-Mark Bumgardner-Nagy Kamel X1. Bill Osborn-Bob McNeill -Melena Van Arsdall-Jerry Hess X2. Hua Yang-Tiger King-Hank Eng-Hanchang Wang

Sun Stratiflighted B/C-33 Tables B1. Rich Brandenburg-Scott Nason-Tony Pellegrini-Joseph Gill B2. Stephen Birnbaum-Bob Butterfield-Eileen Smith-James McCommons C1. Nget Carter-Marie-Anne Johnson-Patricia Johnson-Abu Qureshi C2. Katye Kowierschke-Nora Oliver-Jacqueline Montgomery-Jane Larimore

Sun 499er Swiss Teams-14 Tables DE1. Barbara Sifuentes-Ginger Morgan-Rick Margerison-Leah Margerison DE2/3F1/ Merrily Feil-Mel Feil-Ina Kay Schlough-Richard Schlough DE2/3F1/Diane Segel-Carol Bice-Jenny Oswald-Sandy Brown



Happy New Year! Our decade has now entered its teenage years...2013...welcome and behave!

On Sunday, October 21, Steve Shirey hosted a Club Appreciation Swiss Team Event. Flight A was won by Randy Ausmus, Tom Hughes, Billy Leeper and Carolyn Pinto. Second was Steve Shirey, Millie Williams, Lucky Snyder and Bill Ream. Taking lst overall in Flight B and C were Barbara Baker, Ann Dunlap, Jacque Montgomery and Jane Larimore.

Carolyn Pinto's Thursday evening game, October 25, was a Club Appreciation Team Game. Ten teams tourned out for a great evening of bridge. When all the dust settled, the winners were Janet Jordan, Carolyn Marks, Jim and Lauren Brown. Second place went to Billie McMahan, Bill Sandars, Jean Helmers and Kathy Coleman. Third place went to Don Reynolds, Buck Buchanan, Bill Ream and Millie Williams. Fourth place was Don Greer, Jerrell Cosby, Polly Moss and Ann Sutherland.

Saturday, October 27 was a Unit Wide Club Appreciation Game hosted at the Fort Worth Studio. There were eleven teams. First place was Melody Gann, Gary Neisler, Clay Waldrop and Becky Koenigseder. Second Place was Barbard Baker, Jacque Montgomery, Julie O'Neill and Jane Larimore. Third place was Carolyn Pinto, Billy Leeper, Randy Ausmus and Mary Jane Orock. Fourth place was won by J'Neane Huey, Joan Williams, Judy Staser and Billie Gaddy.

The ADBC hosted a party honoring Melody Gann's Diamond Life Master Achievement in October. Those winners were Becky Koenigseder and Becky Finley first N/S and overall. Other N/S winners were Steve Shirey and MillieWilliams 2nd, Jack Muzzio and Jim Thirtell 3rd. East/ West Winners were first, Mickey Tryon and Sam Long, 2nd Bill Staats and Hugh Hillaker, 3rd William Morris, Jr and Gary Neisler. Congratulations and best wishes, Melody!

November 10 found three games being played Unit Wide in honor of our Veterans.

The FortWorth Studio fielded 9 1/2 tables. Winners were N/S - First Bruce Mann and Margot Hirsch, second Katye Kowierschke and Nora Oliver and Ann Sutherland and Jane Rushford coming in third.

E/W was won by Mary Jane Orock and Greg Resz, second Mary Hoger and Tom Hughes and third Randy Ausmus and Billy Leeper.

Arlington fielded 12 1/2 tables. Winners were N/S William Chan and Molan Chan, second Letty Garek and Betty Boring, third Melody Gann and Clay Waldrop.

E/W Winners were Jack Muzzio and Bill White, second Jeff Newman and Martha Jacobson and third Jim Harp and Cary Jennings.

Denton was the host to five ta-

# **DALLAS NOVEMBER SECTIONAL WINNERS**





bles...winners were First: Jane Hopkins and Gary Carey, second James Cothran and Ruby Hill, third Linda McDaniel and Greg Sucee

Once again, thanks to hardworking Tom Moore for making this event happen...and thanks again to our Vets!

The Unit 183 Fall Sectional and Election of Directors was held the weekend of Nov. 16-18 at the Raddison Hotel on I 35 N. I must first thank all the people who worked so hard to make this tournament so successful...Carolyn Pinto and her team did an outstanding job! We love this new location! The hot lunch between Sunday Swiss sessions was delicious and such a nice break...linen table cloths even! The results of the election were announced during lunch. Those elected to serve Unit 183 for the coming three years are: Jacque Montgomery, David Pearlman and Mickey Tryon. Let's all join together to support these newcomers as they join the current board...let's make Unit 183 the Star of Texas Units!

Congratulations to Caron Peck and Karen Caton who won the Unit 183 NAP Final for Flight B with a 70% "comeback" game in the second sessions. Lots of you had those 70% elusive games this month: Darlene Shirey and Gail Wells, Joy and Joe Harbor - 73.96% in Burleson and Randy Ausmus and Billy Leeper 75.10% on Saturday in Fort Worth. Lots of folks in Arlington had big games this month: Don Farrell and Sue Kay Reeder, Craig and Mary Ann Briney; Harriet Motter, Donna Gooch, Dwight Hill, John Robbins, Beverly Shipka and Judy Latham. Swiss winners were Ramona Long, Jennie Button, Lee Smith, Webster Tenney, Harriet Motter, Donna Gooch, Polly Moss, Dana Picket, Annie Mason, Stan Hsu, Becky and Thomas Head. Way to go!

Congratulations and best wishes to Virginia Chilton as she celebrated her 90th birthday in Arlington with a big birthday bash!

On a sad note, we lost one of the kinder/gentler bridge players in Unit 183, when Henry Weltman passed away. Henry and his wife, Bettye, have long been instrumental in the growth and development of duplicate bridge in our area. He was "Mr. Lockheed" and so well loved by the many who played in his games over the year. Peace be to you, dear Henry, friend.

Play well and Have Fun!!

#### **Fort Western Election**

Fort Worth, Tx 11/16-11/18/2012 319 players 283 tables.

- 1 28.25 Nagy Kamel
- 2 21.91 Linda Spangler
- 3 19.27 Tom Edwards
- 4 15.01 Charles Price
- 5 14.66 Steve Shirey
- 6 14.50 Petra Hamman
- 7 14.50 Merri-Jo Hillaker 8 14.50 Hemant Lall
- 9 14.06 Bill Staats
- 10 13.46 Rich Brandenburg

Fri Aft Open Pairs-13.5 Tables / Based on 19 Tables A1. Donna Rosz-Steve Shirey A2B1. Lauren Brown- Jerrell Cosby B2. Nancy Anderson-Mary Alice Giordano C1. Kay Dierks-Robert Auvenshine C2. Sue Kay Reeder- Tom Moore Fri Aft 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables ABC1. Harley Puff, -Sue Ragsdale ABC2. Dave Romack-Robert Beyer Fri Compact KO Brkt 1-10 Tables 1. Bill Ream-Robert Buchanan-Jim Chaffee- Don Reynolds 2. Mickey Tryon-Stephen Hibbard- Jan-Richard McGill

Fri Compact KO Brkt 2-16 Tables 1. Patsy Walters-Olive Wood,-Betsy Goldsmith- David Luzzatto 2. Melvin Ball-Gay Nell Ball- Betty Peterson- Marguerite Lavender Fri Eve Open Pairs-8.0 Tables / Based on 10 Tables A1. Becky Koenigseder- Nancy Peterson A2. Steve Shirey-Millie Williams BC1. Rebecca Page-Richard Page B2. Jean Helmers- Billie McMahan C2. Emanuel McKinney

Fri Eve 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1/2 Robert Shanley-Suzanne Shanley AB1/2 Harley Puff- Sue Ragsdale

Fri Eve Swiss Teams-16 Tables / Based on 18 Tables A1. Carolyn Pinto-Billy Leeper- James Thurtell-James Bauer A2B1. Jacqueline Montgomery-Francis Chang-Jane Larimore-Diane Washabaugh B2C1. Robert Burton-Dolline Burton-Christine Williamson-Fred Williamson C2/3 Melba Clark-Carole Findlay-Ann Curry- Linda Downey C2/3 Patricia Sears-Barbara Baker-Susan Pratt- Sue Rowe Sat Morn Open Pairs-17.5 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. Hugh Hillaker- Nagy Kamel A2. Linda Spangler- Randy Ausmus B1. Susan O'Neil-Jim Chaffee B2. Bob Butterfield-Julie Butterfield C1. Kav Dierks-Robert Auvenshine C2. Max Jackson-Jerrell Cosby

Sat Morn 299er Pairs-11.0 Tables A1. Eugene Wuller-Stephen Wuller A2BC1. Barbara Reeves, -Jack Lavine B2. Mike Peiffer-Birdie Taylor C2. Judith Latham-Beverly Shipka

Sat CKO Bracket 1-11 Tables 1. Bryan Storey-Tom Edwards, -Beth Bromberg-John Bromberg 2. Bill Osborn-Bob McNeill-Jerry Hess, -**Rich Brandenburg** 

Sat CKO Bracket 2-15 Tables 1. Katye Kowierschke-Nora Oliver-James Richman-Kathleen Bumgardner 2. Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Karen Caton-Michael Cain Sat Aft Open Pairs-17.5 Tables / Based on 23 Tables A1. Steve Shirey-Donna Rosz, A2. Linda Spangler-Charles Price B1. Eric Diamond-Judith Lotridge B2C1. Kay Dierks-Robert Auvenshine C2. Pawel Hanus-Bogumil Knypinski Sat Aft 299er Pairs-11.0 Tables A1. Eugene Wuller-Stephen Wuller A2. Frank Vlach-Karen Vlach BC1. Craig Briney-Mary Ann Briney

BC2. Kenneth McDowell-Patricia McDowell Sat Eve Swiss Teams-14 Tables / Based on 20 Tables AB1. Jacqueline Montgomery-Jane Larimore-Francis Chang-Diane Washabaugh A2. David Pearlman-Stephen Sinclair-

Jack Smith-Henry Muzzio Jr B2. Hua Yang-Hank Eng-Tiger King-James Zhan C1. Roy Booth, -Bill Strange-Don Cosby-Douglas Berke C2/3 Jerr Boschee-William Olds-Barbara Ferm-Ginger Morgan C2/3 Jeff Newman-Mary Ann White-Betty Boring-Letty Garek Sun A/AX Swiss-16 Tables / Based on 48 Tables A1. Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman, -Merri-Jo Hillaker-Nagy Kamel X2. Linda Spangler-Michael Murphy-Charles Price-Tom Edwards X1. Hua Yang-James Zhan-Tiger King-Hank Eng X2. Michael Hout-John Schwartz-Stephen Sinclair-Gerry McKim

Sun B/C Teams-26 Tables B1. Jeff Dater-Kathleen Bumgardner-Judith Lotridge-Rich Brandenburg B2. Virginia Reinier-James Walker III-Jane Walker-Mitzi Foster Wesely C1/2 John Robbins-Dwight Hill-Earl Mast-Bansi Shah C1/2 Jerr Boschee-William Olds-Barbara Ferm, -Ginger Morgan

Sun Morn 299er Swiss-6 Tables A1. Diane Segel-Carol Bice-Jenny Oswald, -Sandy Brown A2B1. George Shupee-Carlene Shupee-Lillian Ethridge-Sharon Maaske Sun Aft 299er Pairs-6 Tables A1. Diane Segel-Carol Bice-Jenny Oswald-Sandy Brown A2B1. Mike Peiffer-Birdie Taylor-Rhea Roe-Virginia Farley

# Heart of the Metroplex **Arlington Sectional**

February 8-10, 2013 **Grapevine Convention Center** 1209 South Main Grapevine, TX (Free Parking at Bridge Site) 817-410-3459 or 817-410-3424 All Events Will Be Stratified by Average

#### Friday, February 8

Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 & 7:00 pm Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 & 7:00 pm 0-50 Newcomer Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 & 7:00 pm Compact KOs (sessions I & II) 1:30 & 7:00 pm Swiss Teams (one session) 7:00 pm

#### Saturday, February 9

EASYBRIDGE! (under 50 MP) (single session - \$8 entry) 9:00 am Bracketed KOs (sessions I, II & III) 9:00 am, 1:30 & 7:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 & 7:00 pm Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 & 7:00 pm 0-50 Newcomer Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 & 7:00 pm Compact KOs (sessions I & II) 1:30 & 7:00 pm Swiss Teams (one session) 7:00 pm

#### Sunday, February 10

Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA Stratified 299er Swiss Teams (single sessions) 10:00 am & TBA Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 10:00 am & TBA Meal Between Sessions (4 tickets per team; extra tickets \$8 each)

#### **Stratifications**

Pairs A: 2000+ B: 750-2000 C: 0-750 299er Pairs/Teams A: 200-300 B: 100-200 C: 0-100 Strati-Flighted Teams A: 3000+, AX: 0-3000 (play together) B: 750-2000 C: 500-750 D: 0-500

#### **Entry Fees**

All Pair & KO Events: \$12 per player/session; Sunday Swiss \$104// Team Non/Unpaid ACBL members: \$1 additional per session

#### **Host Hotel**

Super 8 Hotel 817-329-7222 250 East Hwy 114, Grapevine, TX 76051 Rate: \$75 Double or King – Free Airport & Convention Center Shuttle, Free local calls, Complimentary Breakfast, Free Internet Reservations by January 21 to get preferred rate; ask for bridge rate.

#### **Tournament Chair**

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#### Dorothy Moore 214-334-3926 drmoore@flash.net Speaker Program: Friday & Saturday at 6:15 pm Map and results: http://d16acbl.org/U176/ABC/adbc.htm



Sunday Swiss Teams B Judu Lotridge - Kathy Bumgardner Jeff Dater - Rich Brandenburg



Sunday Swiss C Barbara Ferm, Ginger Morgan, Jerry Boschee, William Olds

# **FT. WORTH FALL SECTIONAL CHAMPS**











Sat Compact KO Bkt 1

John & Beth Bromberg



Fri Eve Open Pairs A Nancy Peterson - Koenigseder

Fri Eve Swiss A Billy Leeper, Carolyn Pinto, Jim Thurtell, James Bauer

Fri Compact KO Bkt 2 Patsy Walters, Olive Wood, Betsy Goldsmith, David Luzzato

Sat Compact KO Bkt 2 Nora Oliver, Katye Kowierschke, James Richman, Kathy Bumgardner Tom Edwards, Bryan Storey

Sat Eve Swiss Francis Chang, Jane Larimore, Diane Washabaugh, Jacque Montgomery



Sat Morn Open Pairs A Susan O'Neil - Jim Chaffee

Sat Morn & Aft 299ers

Eugene Wuller - Stephen Wuller



Sat Morn Open Pairs B & C

Robert Auvenshine - Kay Dierks

Sat Aft Open Pairs A Steve Shirey - Donna Rosz



Sunday Swiss 299ers Rhea Roe, Virginia Farley Birdie Taylor, Mike Pfeiffer



Sunday Swiss C Dwight Hill, John Robbins, Bansi Shah, Earl Mast



Lots of parties went on around the unit in December. The unit party was December 2 at the Corpus Christi Yacht Club. It was a Chamber of Commerce day! Brilliant sunshine, clear blue skies and nothing to make one think of Christmas except the beautiful tree. We had 14 1/2 tables in play with Dee Schade directing. First overall were Marilyn German & Penny Snow followed by Fran Galbraith & Martha Northup. Flight B was won by Fran & Martha with Lina Crumpler & Mahesh Maruvada in second. Flight C was won by Mabel Byrnes & Connie Freeman with Barry & Pat Krause in second. A delicious buffet dinner followed the game. Don't forget this event is the second Sunday of December every year so mark your calendar for 2013.

Rockport held their potluck Christmas party with a terrific food layout. They claim the best cooks in the state! Kathe Powers says it is impossible to try everything.

Rockport has had a great recruiting year. They have earned an upgraded club championship game by gaining 10 new members. Frances Couvillion has been conducting a duplicate fundamentals class this fall which resulted in several new members. It is good to have a certified instructor with many years of teaching experience. They continue to recruit new members from local party bridge groups. With a little bit of encouragement these players are a great addition to the club. Rockport now has a bunch of C flight players that make things a lot more fun. It is a pleasure to mentor these new players & the social connections they bring are invaluable. When their friends find the duplicate games is fun & professionally conducted, many of them come to play. Welcome aboard new members.

George West had their Christmas party December 3 with a catered rib eye steak lunch. I know it was wonderful!

With membership numbers down,

our unit continues to stay ahead. The Corpus Christi group also earned an upgraded championship game. Classes taught by Martha DeCou & Mary Ross have been averaging 4 tables with 7 sessions in the course. These folks are enthusiastic & fun with a majority of them playing at the club.

Thinking ahead to 2013, our sectional will be back at the Saltwater Pavilion, February 15-17. Holiday Inn will have special bridge rates.

Be sure to checkout the Unit Face book page. Like us!

Happy New Year to all, wishing you good cards, lots of slams & of course, high boards.

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

> **Port Aransas** October 26-28, 2012 135 players 159 tables.

- 1 15.79 Suzanne La Brecque 2 15.79 Larry La Brecque 3 14.72 Gary Anziani,
- 4 14.72 Ed Rawlinson 5 14.36 Julia Hirsch
- 6 14.36 B Paul Hirsch
- 7 13.09 Ronald France
- 8 13.09 H Robert Gerberich Jr,
- 9 12.56 Marilyn German
- 10 11.57 Donna Swarthout 11 11.57 Dave Swarthout

Friday Afternoon Open Pr-22.0 Tables / Based on 26 Tables A1. Larry La Brecque-Suzanne La Brecque A2, Julia Hirsch-B Paul Hirsch B1. Anyemarie Weaver-Dee Baker B2. Virginia Wynne-Beula Mae Pearce C1. Marie Lucci-Eugene Haddock C2. Carolyn Schafer-Cynthia Schwarz

Friday Aft 199er Pairs-4.0 Tables A1. Karen Leber-Sarah Parsons A2. Margaret Kennedy-Susan Brown

Fri Eve Open Charity Pair-22.0 Tables A1. Suzanne La Brecque-Larry La Brecque A2B1. Anyemarie Weaver-Dee Baker B2. Patricia Jackson-Donald Jackson C1. Marilyn Bein-Betty Mengle C2. Jan Wingate-June Reimer

Sat Morn Open Pairs-27.5 Tables / Based on 31 Tables A1. Ronald Francey-H Robert Gerberich Jr B2C1. Linda Elmore-David Ticen C2. 1John Hilbig-Stephen Simpson C2. Marilyn Bein-Frances Smith Sat Morn Beach Ball 199er-3.0

Tables 1. Susan Brown-Nina Shannon 2/3 Mabel Byrnes-Betty Voss 2/3 Jan Wingate-June Reimer Sat Aft Open Pairs-26.0 Tables A1. Gary Anziani-Ed Rawlinson A2. Roxana Tom-Katherine Gary B1. Jason Kiker-Clemens Struve B2. Penny Smith-Judy Caroll Taquino A1. Janet Daniel-Susan Smegal C2. Kathleen Adams-Tod Pontius Sat Aft Beach Ball Pairs-4.0 Tables A1. Mabel Byrnes-Betty Voss B1/2 Frank Shaughnessy-Dotty Shaughnessy B1/2 Darlene Kinstley-Sheralyn Humble

Van Shelberg Swiss Teams-25 Tables A1. Janise Saul-Tom Marsh-Marilyn German-Kim Cox A2. Gary Anziani-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout-Ed Rawlinson B1. Jason Kiker-Martha De Cou-Joyce Seitz-Pauletta Myers B2/3 Jay Thorne-Paula Wissman-Stephen Hoffman-Judith Hoffman B2/3 Margaret Crumpler-Mahesh U R Maruvada-Richard Hahn-Linda Hahn C1. Tod Pontius-Kathleen Adams-Patty Moncus-Mary Jean O'Connor C2. Carolyn Schafer-Cynthia Schwarz Dolores Reiley-Carolyn Landis

> Unit 197 Lubbock

#### Sandi Krahmer

Hi Everybody!

Hope you had a wonderful holiday season. Happy New Year!

Remember our Sectional march 1, 2, and 3. Betsy Bloechl has some great things planned for us. Alice Alene Floyd will do her usual fine job managing our kitchen. We have some of the best food in the District as we have many wonderful and generous cooks!

Betsy Bloechl and Walt Langendorf will do our yard work till the spring. Joe Anthony, Mary Ann's husband had been doing it for us free of charge. He even won an award from the city for the yard's cleanliness and attractiveness. He said he will still continue to spray for weeds. Joe and Mary Ann, our treasurer, have saved us a tremendous amount of money over the years. We are so grateful to them for all they have done and continue to do.

We will have an 8 Is Enough team

# **ROCKPORT BEACH TOURNAMENT**

FLIP-FLOP OVER TO THE

February 15-17, 2013 BIRDERS<sup>1</sup> HEAVEN, GOLFER<sup>1</sup>S DREAM, FISHERMEN<sup>1</sup>S DELIGHT & SHOPPER<sup>1</sup>S PARADISE

Friday, February 15 SPECIAL GOODIES DAY Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions)....1:15 & 7:15 P.M. (Food Bank Charity game \$1 extra)

Saturday, February 16 Stratified Open Pairs.....10:00 A.M. & 3:00 P.M. (2 separate games)

BEACH BALL NEWCOMER 0-299er GAMES (all sessions when possible) Friday & Saturday Strats A 1500+, B-500-1500, C-0-500

Sunday, February 17 DELICIOUS BAR-B-Q DAY 10:00 A.M. & TBA Swiss Teams (stratified by average masterpoints) Strat A 1500+ Strat B- 500-1500 Strat C- 0-500

This is a non-smoking tournament with smoking breaks scheduled

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

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Sunday Swiss Team B Jason Kiker, Joyce Seitz Pauletta Myers , Martha DeCou





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Sunday Swiss Team C Kathleen Adams , Mary Jean O'Conner Patty Moncus, Tod Pontius



Fri Aft & Eve Pairs A Suzanne & Larry La Brecque



Fri Aft & Eve Pairs B Anyemarie Weaver - Dee Baker



Friday Evening Charity Pairs C Marilyn Bein - Betty Mengle

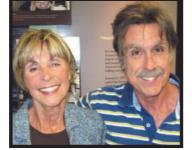


Fri Aft 199er Pairs Karen Leber - Sarah Parsons

Saturday Morning Open Pairs A Ronald Francey and Bob Gerberich



Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs A Ed Rawlinson - Gary Anziani



Saturday Morning Open Pairs B Linda Elmore and David Ticen



Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs B Jason Kiker and Clem Struve



Saturday Afternoon Open Pairs C Janet Daniel and Susan Smegal



Sunday Swiss Team A Janise Saul, Tom Marsh. Marilyn German, Kim Cox (NP)

game on Jan. 19. Jane Doviak and Mary Ann have volunteered to get you a team if you need one. Julie Benson will help set up the food. We will just have finger foods. I believe we had around 16 teams or there about, in November. Norma and Charlotte were in charge and did a fine job. Many people made monetary donations, and we appreciate their generosity. Gary Blaiss was kind enough to direct for free, but he wants everyone to know that the computer assigns opponents. Please don't blame Gary if you don't like the way the assignments came out. He doesn't go over there to be yelled at, and we are so appreciative of his time.

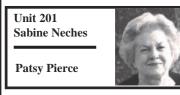
Many thanks to our president, Jane Doviak and her husband for all the time and planning they have put in to get us a budget. It is very hard to predict what we will have to spend as we don't know what our attendance will be at each game or tournament, but she has done the best she could to help us get a handle on where we spend our money. Mary Ann and Gina Schultz have been very helpful in this matter.

Carol Schoenhals and Howie Hunyh had a 70% game a did Greg Lorans and Billie Mitchell.

Many thanks to Wanda Wilson for the donation of her lovely Christmas tree. I don't know who was in charge of the decorations, but they were lovely.

Winners of the Friday Team game were Doreen Dulaney, Glenna Esmond, Suzy Stiles and Sibly O'Banion.

That's all for now. Hope to see you in March at our Sectional. Sandi Krahmer



Thanks to everyone who worked and participated in the Gusher Regional, we had a great tournament. High point scorer from Beaumont was Tipton Golias, Jerry Heckman came in second and Marilyn Adams was high point scorer in the I/N division . Tournament attendance was record high and Beaumont Bridge Studio had over 100 players who earned points. Way to go !!

Congratulations to Ann Montgomery for reaching the rank of Bronze Life Master. Also, Jack Evans and Jerry Heckman have both achieved the rank of Silver Life Master. We are always proud of the achievements of our bridge family.

Many of you are aware that Martha Bookman is an avid Aggie fan. With three generations of Aggies in her family, she never misses an Aggie home game. After a recent hospital stay, she was forced to miss some games. Imagine her surprise when she received an official letter personally signed by the A&M Team, wish-

Paul Keedy and Edgar Sarrafian were 2<sup>nd</sup> with Pat Scheiwart and Sarah Smith finishing third. Wednesday morning found Paul Keedy and Phyllis Mann in 1<sup>st</sup> place. Melva Jane Kalkbrenner and Jo Woody were 2<sup>nd</sup> with Sarah Smith and Helen Williams came in third. The afternoon game was won by Edwina Landrum and Tim Stelly. Mary Nix and Loretta Gary were 2<sup>nd</sup> with Martha Sigler and Flo Gillispie finishing third. On Friday, Mary Johnson and Mary Nix came in 1<sup>st</sup> place. Cynthia Stueber and June Eddingston finished 2<sup>nd</sup> with Edwina and Jim Landrum taking 3<sup>rd</sup> place. This is a typical summary of one week with nine games being played. You never have to wish for something to do, there is always a game waiting for you.

The Spotlight is on Linda Briggs! Linda formed a bridge group on Pleasure Island and taught the basics of party bridge a few years ago. After learning of the Beaumont Bridge Studio, the bridge group migrated to Beaumont. Linda is hooked, some have said obsessed, on duplicate bridge and has recruited 10-15 new players over the past two years. She arranges partnerships and coordinates rides for the 26 mile trek to boost participation. She studies bridge tactics daily and unselfishly shares the knowledge she gains. This petite grandmother is gracious, patient and courteous in all situations. Linda is a real asset to the Beaumont Bridge Studio.

In the news! If you had an opportunity to read the November Cardinal Cadence, you probably noticed our members who were featured. Mary Jane Garth established the Mary Jane Garth Regency Scholarship designed to benefit students majoring in music or art at Lamar University. This legacy will cultivate students' talents for generations. Another article presented an interesting history of Helena Laboratories and its founder, Tipton Golias. The research headed by Tipton and Ann Golias has led to many breakthrough discoveries and product developments that has shaped modern medicine.

The mentor games continue to have good participation. The October Mentor Pairs Game was won by Lynda Jones and Paul Keedy. Lou Rising and Frankie Hall placed 2nd with Sarah Smith and Connor Smith finishing third. The October Mentor Team Game was won by Paul Keedy, Jack Evans, Jo Ellen Lavergne, and Liz Mackenzie. Placing 2<sup>nd</sup> were Lou Rising, Frankie Hall, Beverly Broussard and Lorena Strange. The November Mentor Pairs Game was won by Marilyn Adams and Martha Sigler. Norma Crane and Patsy Pierce were 2<sup>nd</sup> with Jerry Watts and Earl Johnson placing third. Others placing were Gene Dixon and Paul Keedy who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in Flight B. November Mentor Team Game was won by Paul Keedy, Martha Oliver, Jack Evans and Liz Mackenzie with Janis Williams, Don Williams, Juinez Moss and Don Moss placing 2<sup>nd.</sup>

In October, the 70% club added Joan

2009. Players came from all over the United States. A great job from tournament chairwomen Sally Blewett and Patsy Pierce.

1 105.00 Margaret Hart, LA 2 105.00 Bruce Ferguson, CA 3 103.76 Garey Hayden, Tucson 4 103.76 David Grainger, Bend OR 5 94.83 Thomas Peters, Grapeland 6 94.83 Loretta Rivers, Monroe 7 92.66 David Siebert, Little Rock 8 90.48 John Zilic, Houston 9 88.31 Carolyn Peters, Grapeland 10 76.15 Tipton Golias, Beaumont 11 76.15 Greg Hinze, San Antonio 12 76.15 Geoff Hampson, NV 13 76.15 Chris Compton, Dallas 14 63.34 Robert Morris, Houston 15 63.34 Eddie Wold, Houston 16 63.34 Betty Starzec, Sugar Land 17 61.58 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 18 61.58 Ed Rawlinson, Helotes 19 61.58 Donna Swarthout San Antonio 20 61.58 Dave Swarthout, San Antonio 21 58.77 Gary King, Houston 22 58.77 Carolyne Fox, Manvel 23 49.19 David Henke, Houston 24 37.59 Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock 25 36.64 Georgiana Gates, Houston 26 36.64 Daniel Suty, Houston

## **KNOCKOUTS**

Mon/Tues KO - Bracket 1 - 9 Tables 1. Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA; David Grainger, Bend OR; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA 2. Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA; David Siebert, Little Rock AR; John Zilic, Houston ; Thomas Peters - Carolyn Peters, Grapeland 3/4 Don Holst - Nancy Smalley - John Smalley - Cynthia Stueber, Beaumont 3/4 Eddie Wold -Mary Pat Gentry - Robert Morris, Houston ; Betty Starzec, Sugar Land Mon/Tues KO - Bracket 2 - 9 Tables 1. Julia Blancet, League City; Sherry Greisen, Houston ; Marilyn Hughes, La Porte ; Johnell McKee, Friendswood 2.-Don Malone, Midland ; Don Morgan - Gabriel Perry, Houston : Jerrold Albom, Dallas <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Ronald Kautz, Friendswood ; Brent McDaniel - Birendra BK Singh, Seabrook ; Mike Goldberg, Houston 3/4-Yvonne Pierce - Anne Knott -Patsy Howell, Houston ; Mary Janak, Friendswood

Mon/Tues KO - Bracket 3 - 9 Tables 1. Donald Moss - Juinez Moss, Beaumont ; La Verne Harris, San Augustine ; Hilda Hahn, Center 2. James Ochsner - Gloria Gartner -Allison Ochsner, Houston ; Myrna Dorman, League City 3/4-Dee Payne - Kris Cherry - Ruby Collins, Orange ; Donna Mcferrin, Port Authur 3/4 Raymond Prizler, Houston ; Bill Beaushaw, Pearl River LA; Bruno Dellamea, Beckley WV; Sunny Laird, Horseshow Bay Mon/Tues KO - Bracket 4 - 16 Tables 1. Anne Gorry - Mary Watters - Suzie Wilson, Houston ; Carol Winograd, Bellaire 2. Dolline Burton -Robert Burton, Georgetown ; Catherine Supple, Seguin ; Sanae Zaveloff, Austin 3/4 Patricia Hargrave - Mary Peden, Van ; Bonnie Burch - Jo Ann Parten, Emory 3/4-Susan Theiss - Barbara Nystrom -Ann Marie Ross - Yoli Herrmann, Houston

Tues/Wed KO - Bracket 1 - 9 Tables 1. Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Greg Hinze, San Antonio; Chi Compton, Dallas ; Tipton Golias, Beaumont 2. Barry Schaffer, Frisco; Carolyne Fox, Manvel; Gary King, Houston ; John Bromberg, Dallas 3/4 Venkatrao Koneru -Donna Swarthout - Dave Swarthout, San Antonio : Ed Rawlinson, Helotes 3/4-Sally Toups, Kenner LA; Leah Miciotto - Pamela Price - Judy Robertson, Lake Charles LA Tues/Wed KO - Bracket 2 - 13 Tables 1.-Mary Jane Garth - Dolores Belton - Jerry Heckman, Beaumont; Patricia Bell, Silsbee 2. Paula Goodpasture - Darlene Moody -Lynnda Paukune - Gay Rod, Houston 3.-Carolyn Labouliere, Seabrook ; Bob Dowlen, Houston ; Thomas Martinsen - Linda Martinsen, Bellaire Tues/Wed KO - Bracket 3 - 10 Tables 1.-Patsy Gordon - Pansy Blakely - Ann Thomas, Mabank ; Sue Wright, Kemp 2.-Keith Everett - Ben Landers - Lenna Landers.

Spring ; David Russell, Houston 3/4 -Sandra Pollard - Joyce Wormser -Jean Foltz - Barbara Sharp, Pearland 3/4-Willie Jo Schaefer - Nan Fulweber - Gail Gillespie - Alice Heckeroth, Houston ---

Tues/Wed KO - Bracket 4 - 14 Tables 1. John Petersen, Friendswood ; Mark Nemitz, Alvin ; Larry Peterson, Houston ; John Knox, Kemah 2. Nelson Daigle - Sharon Henry - Debbie Rothschild, Metairie LA; Astrid Roy Clements, Baton Rouge LA 3/4-Michael Kudla -Marilvn Fontenot - Brenda Peavy. Lake Charles LA; Toni Latimer, Westlake LA 3/4-John Biel - Earl Mast, Arlington ; Jean Marsh, Austin : Melba Lee, San Augustine Wed/Thurs KO - Bracket 1 - 12 Tables 1. Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ; David Grainger, Bend OR B2. Eddie Wold - Robert Morris, Houston ; Betty Starzec - Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land 3/4-Bud Sutton - Linda Sutton, Conroe ; Patrick Horsley, Montgomery ; Joseph Volanski, Spring 3/4-Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA; David Siebert, Little Rock AR; John Zilic, Houston ; Carolyn Peters - Thomas Peters, Grapeland Wed/Thurs KO - Bracket 2 - 11 Tables 1. Donna Miller - Bobbie Newman - Maureen Wittels - Alan Zane, Houston 2. James Ochsner -Allison Ochsner - Gloria Gartner, Houston ; Myrna Dorman, League City 3/4-Karen Mumm - Douglas Mumm - Ruth Singletary, Lake Charles LA; Melinda Mikell, Alexandria LA 3/4-August Birke - Sarah Hardin, Montgomery ; Frances Sanders, Mabank ; Laura Murphey, Athens

Wed/Thurs KO - Bracket 3 12 Tables 1. Jerrilyn Jones, Ponchatoula LA; Susan Sommer, Covington LA; Gussie Dunn - James Dunn, Mandeville LA 2. Marc Beardsley - Joe Moseley, The Woodlands : Robert Ziegler - Bill Chamberlain, Houston 3/4 Bob Matlock, Spring ; W Courtney Coffman, The Woodlands ; Mary McDonald - Anita Rothfuss, Willis 3/4-Connie Montgomery, Katy ; Melinda Simmen - Dianne Foussac -Connie Burnett, Houston Thu/Fri Compact KO Bkt 2 - 11 Tables 1. Clarissa Dowdy - Judith Stark - Lynn Luster - Paula Goodpasture, Houston 2. H Patricia Leavitt, Friendswood ; Vicki Dailey, Houston ; Anik Waters, League City ; Fran McGaha, Seabrook 3. Gussie Dunn - James Dunn, Mandeville LA; Jerrilyn Jones, Ponchatoula LA; Susan Sommer, Covington LA 4. Frankie Hall, Groves ; Patricia Schiwart, Port Arthur ; Raymond Trahan, Port Neches ; Lyne Trahan, Boucherville OC

Thu/Fri AM Compact Bkt 1 - 10 Tables 1. Mike Graham, Ore City ; Shirley Matthews, Lindale ; K Wright, Bullard ; Shirley Shelton, Longview 2. Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Tipton Golias, Beaumont ; Chris Compton, Dallas ; Greg Hinze, San Antonio 3. Yvonne Pierce - Anne Knott - Patsy Howell. Houston; Mary Janak, Friendswood Morning KO Bracket 1 6 Tables 1. Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA: David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Thomas Peters - Carolyn Peters, Grapeland ; John Zilic, Houston 2. Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio : John Bromberg, Dallas ; Barry Schaffer, Frisco ; Ed Rawlinson, Helotes ; Dave Swarthout - Donna Swarthout, Newberry MI Thu/Fri KO Bracket 1 - 9 Tables 1.Greg Hinze, San Antonio ; Tipton Golias, Beaumont ; Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Chris Compton, Dallas 2. Bill Riley - Nancy Riley, Kingwood ; David Henke - Joyce Ryan, Houston 3/4-Roy Jambor, Bossier City LA; Joe Quinn, Sugar Land ; Ellen Hessel - Ira Hessel, San Antonio : Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA 3/4-Venkatrao Koneru - Donna Swarthout - Dave Swarthout, San Antonio : Ed Rawlinson, Helotes Thu/Fri KO Bracket 2 - 9 Tables 1. Bob Dowlen, Houston ; Carolyn Labouliere, Seabrook ; William Brending - Linda Brending, Baytown 2. Gordon Yee, Stafford ; John Lai -Kyle Lueders, Houston ; Kitty Wong, Pearland 3/4-Janelle Frusha, Conroe ; Mavis Warren - Vicky Martinez, Montgomery ; Margie Patterson, Spring 3/4-Sally Toups, Kenner LA; Leah Miciotto - Pamela Price - Judy Robertson, Lake Charles LA ----Thu/Fri KO Bracket 3 - 14 Tables 1.Suzie Wilson - Mary Watters -Anne Gorry - Margot Cater, Houston; Carol Winograd, Bellaire 2. Raymond Prizler, Houston; Bill Beaushaw, Pearl River LA: Sunny Laird, Horseshow Bay ; Bruno Dellamea, Beckley WV 3/4-Kathleen Hurst, Katy ; Jabeen Farooki, Sugar Land : Kathleen Stuart - Vivian Cvprus, Houston 3/4-Toni Latimer, Westlake LA; Brenda Peavy - Richard White - Robert Cooper, Lake Charles LA

Morning KO Bracket 2 - 11 Tables 1. Naomi Spicer - Jerry Bowen, Dickinson ; Bobbie Moutz, Houston ; Joyce Garner, Pearland ; Marc Beardsley, The Woodlands ; Gay Roach, Nacogdoches 2. Bob Matlock, Spring ; W Courtney Coffman, The Woodlands ; Mary McDonald - Anita Rothfuss, Willis 3/4-Bruno Dellamea, Beckley WV; Raymond Prizler, Houston ; Sunny Laird, Horseshow Bay ; Bill Beaushaw, Pearl River 3/4-Don Malone, Midland ; Jerrold Albom, Dallas ; Laura Murphey, Athens ; Frances Sanders, Mabank Fri/Sat AM CK Bracket 1 - 12 Tables 1. Carol Schoenhals - Greg Loran, Lubbock ; Gary King, Houston; Carolyne Fox, Manvel 2. Thomas Miyake, Corinth ; Kim Brinkman, Highland Villge ; Sue Thompson, Denton ; David Ticen, Victoria 3. Marcia Young, Forest Hill LA; Susan Menache, Alexandria LA: Buddy Perkins - Shirley Perkins, Lake Charles LA 4. Martha Sigler -Arline Meyers, Beaumont ; Beverly Leger, Sour Lake ; Juanita Dean. Grove

Fri/Sat Compact KO Bkt 2 - 12 Tables 1. Nelson Daigle - Sharon Henry - Debbie Rothschild, Metairie LA; Astrid Roy Clements, Baton Rouge LA 2. Jack Manderscheid -Jan Guthrie - Beverley Linskey -Gina Russell, Houston 3. Carol Bagalman - Judy Serou, Metairie LA; Bonnie Belanger - Maureen Richoux, New Orleans LA 4. Carole Williamson - Michael Kudla -Marilyn Fontenot, Lake Charles LA; Jo Portie, Sulphur LA Saturday CKO - Bracket 1 - 9 Tables 1. Venkatrao Koneru - Dave

bles 1. Venkatrao Koneru - Dave Swarthout - Donna Swarthout, San Antonio ; Ed Rawlinson, Helotes 2. Geoff Hampson, Las Vegas NV; Chris Compton, Dallas ; Greg Hinze, San Antonio ; Tipton Golias, Beaumont 3. Joyce Ryan - David Henke, Houston ; Bill Riley - Nancy Riley, Kingwood 4. Carolyne Fox, Manvel ; Ralda St Pierre - Gary King, Houston ; Phillip Grothus, San Antonio

Fri/Sat KO - Bracket 1 - 10 Tables 1. Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; David Grainger, Bend OR; Garey Hayden, Tucson AZ 2. Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA; John Zilic, Houston ; Thomas Peters - Carolyn Peters, Grapeland ; David Siebert, Little Rock AR <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Eddie Wold - Robert Morris - Stephen Reichek, Houston; Betty Starzec - Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land 3/4-Carol Schoenhals -Greg Loran, Lubbock ; Dianna Gittelman - J Gittelman - Anthony Bianchi, Houston Fri/Sat KO - Bracket 2 - 16 Tables 1. David Goldfarb - Harry Elliott, Houston ; Lily Andre - James Andre, Sugar Land 2. Jerry Heckman -Sally Blewett, Beaumont ; Patsy Pierce, Hardin ; Raj Pruthi, Bellaire 3/4 Edwin Zwald - Joseph Wald -Sam Dodson - Robert Arnett, Houston 3/4-Yvonne Pierce - Patsy Howell - Anne Knott, Houston; Mary Janak, Friendswood ---Saturday CKO - Bracket 2 - 9 Tables 1. Gordon Yee, Stafford ; John Lai - Kyle Lueders, Houston ; Kitty Wong, Pearland 2-Don Malone, Midland ; Jerrold Albom, Dallas ; Vicki Dailey, Houston ; H Patricia Leavitt, Friendswood 3. Frankie Hall, Groves ; Sarah Smith - Connor Smith, Beaumont ; Patricia Schiwart, Port Arthur 4. William Kibikas, Friendswood ; Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland ; Owen Bunn - Patricia Bunn,

ing her well and noting her absence from the games. What a great group of guys!!

A series of special games during November was well attended and produced the following winners. On Sunday the winners were Mary Johnson and Loretta Gary. John Smalley and Aiyanadar Bharathi were 2 with Robert Kacher and Tim Stelly finishing third. Monday's game was won by Arline Myers and Flo Gillispie. Finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> were Martha Sigler and Nancy Smalley with Earnestine Fisher and Lorena Strange in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Monday night's game was won by Norma Crane and Paul Keedy. Bill Delboy and Glenda Bass were 2<sup>nd</sup> with Betty Kirwin and Sarah Smith in third. Tuesday morning found Francis Price and Natalie Hallmark in 1st with Lilliana Greenwald and Ernie Schulter finishing second. Tuesday afternoon game was won by Gertrude Cherry and Liz Mackenzie.

Hataway and Arline Myers who turned in a nice 73% score. Also, Bill Delboy and Glenda Bass had a 73% game. Well done.

We have enjoyed our holiday club parties and games. We especially enjoyed the opportunity to visit Mary Jane Garth's beautiful home and party with her. We have said "good bye" to 2012 and as we welcome 2013 let's resolve to play more bridge, improve our game, and introduce a friend to the wonderful game of bridge. See you at the game !

# Beaumont

Gusher Regional October 15-21, 2012 616 players 1213 tables.

The 1213 tables were a huge increase from the 972 in 2009 and the 892 in

#### Cypress

Saturday CKO - Bracket 3 - 15 Tables 1. Dolline Burton - Robert Burton - Tom Banet - Gail Banet. Georgetown 2.Ann Montgomery -Rajendra Dhamankar - Earl Johnson, Beaumont : David Luzzatto, Richardson 3. Ben Landers - Lenna Landers - Mary Willis, Spring ; B J Renshaw, Tomball 4. Karen Mumm - Douglas Mumm - Ruth Singletary, Lake Charles LA; Melinda Mikell, Alexandria LA

### **2-SESSION EVENTS**

Tuesday Choice Pairs - 11.5 Tables - 11.5 Tables A1. Toby Bassett, Lafayette LA; K Boagni Jr, Opelousas LA A2. David Henke, Houston; Victor Sitton, Sugar Land A3.---Joyce Clarke - Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA A4BC1. Lynne Andress, Houston; Troy Carr, Cypress B2. Mack Meigs - Mike Floyd, Baytown B3. Jerry Bowen, Dickinson ; Joyce Garner, Pearland C2.-Patricia Dixon - Bennye Randall, Lafayette LA Wednesday Choice Pairs - 24.5 Tables A1---Phillip Grothus, San Antonio ; Ralda St Pierre, Houston A2. Victor Sitton, Sugar Land; David Henke, Houston A3B1. Youssef Youssef, Katy ; Sanford Lobliner, Houston A4, Flora Gillispie - Martha Sigler, Beaumont A5B2C1 William Kibikas, Friendswood ; Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland B3C2. Bonnie Burch - Jo Ann Parten, Emory B4. Mavis Warren, Montgomery ; Janelle Frusha, Conroe C3. Troy Carr, Cypress ; Katherine McClure, Houston C4. Gerry Earnest

Thursday Gold Rush Pairs - 21.0 Tables S1T1.Cynthia Blanchard -Ginger Hebert, Lafavette LA ST2.-Nelson Daigle - Sharon Henry, Metairie LA ST3-Mike Goldberg, Houston ; Ronald Kautz, Friendswood ST4. Jim Goza - Kay Bickham, Edmond OK ST5.-Gilda Reynolds, Austin ; Arthur Widen, Round Rock Thursday A/X Pairs - 6.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables A1. Ernest Gordon Jr, Pineville LA; Edmund Cappel, Thibodaux LA A2. A3. Carol Schoenhals - Greg Loran, Lubbock T1. Raj Pruthi, Bellaire; Atsuko Nakamura, Pearland T2. Nancy Tiner - Ann Van Volkenburgh, Lake Jackson

Friday Gold Rush Pairs 22.5 Tables S1. Michael Novack, Humble ; Martin Gastrell, Kingwood S2T1. Laurene Jacob - Patricia Webb, Austin S3T2. Nelson Daigle - Sharon Henry, Metairie LA S4T3 Lola Crochet, Broussard LA; Wanda Bergeron, Lafayette LA S5T4. Troy Carr, Cypress ; Katherine McClure, Houston

Friday A/X Pairs - 6.0 Tables / Based on 29 Table A1. Chuck Germeyer III - Pat McMullin, Houston A2. Vic Sowers, Houston : George Fox, Manvel A3. Ernest Gordon Jr, Pineville LA; Edmund Cappel, Thibodaux LA

Saturday Choice Pairs - 19.0 Tables A1. Georgiana Gates - Daniel Suty, Houston A2. Randall Lake - Jack Balter, Houston 3---Jonathan Holmes, Houston : Steve Tuggle. Sugar Land A4. Sally Wheeler -Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands A5 Gerald Angers - Bonnie Lou Angers, Lafayette LA B1. Nandlal Khatri, Sugar Land ; Birendra BK Singh, Seabrook B2. Raymond Alexanian -Lois Alexanian, Houston 3. Guss Ginsburg, New Orleans LA; Roy Jambor, Bossier City LA B4C1. Tim Stelly - Robert Kacher, Jr, Beaumont

B5. Tamah Goad - Nancy Draughn, Lake Charles LA C2. Lynne Andress - Jenelle Rae McGinnis, Houston C3. Robert Watkins - Charles Lanni, Houston C4. Jack Rawitscher - Arlene Rawitscher, Houston Sunday A/X Swiss Teams - 30 Tables / Based on 73 Tables A1. Sally Wheeler - Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands ; Georgiana Gates - Daniel Suty, Houston A2X1. James Breihan - Mike Doyle - Gary King, Houston ; Carolyne Fox, Manvel A3/4--Loretta Rivers, Monroe LA; David Siebert, Little Rock AR; Thomas Peters -Carolyn Peters, Grapeland ; John Zilic, Houston A3/4X2. K Boagni Jr - Lois Boagni, Opelousas LA; Edmund Cappel, Thibodaux LA; Ernest Gordon Jr, Pineville LA A5. Eddie Wold - Stephen Reichek - Robert Morris, Houston; Betty Starzec, Sugar Land X3. Don Holst - Cynthia Stueber - Nancy Smalley, Beaumont ; Beverly Leger, Sour Lake X4. Janice Henderson - Bobby Maynard - Jonathan Holmes, Houston; Steve Tuggle, Sugar Land X5. Joyce Ryan - David Henke, Houston ; Bill Riley - Nancy Riley, Kingwood Sunday Bracketed 1 Swiss - 7 Tables / Based on 32 Tables 1. Edwin Zwald - Joseph Wald - Katherine McClure - Robert Arnett, Houston 2. Marsha Shortt, Houston ; Mark Leighton, Pasadena : Birendra BK Singh, Seabrook : Nandlal Khatri, Sugar Land 3. Sally Blewett - Elizabeth Mackenzie - Marilyn Adams, Beaumont : Patsv Pierce, Hardin Sunday Bracketed 2 Swiss - 7 Tables / Based on 17 Tables 1. Ellen Greenfield - Marvin Greenfield, Sugar Land : Arlene Rawitscher -Jack Rawitscher, Houston 2. Owen Bunn - Patricia Bunn, Cypress ; Jo Ann Pierce, Pearland ; William Kibikas, Friendswood 3. Gordon Yee, Stafford ; John Lai - Kyle Lueders, Houston; Kitty Wong, Pearland Sunday Bracketed 3 Swiss - 7 Tables / Based on 14 Tables 1. Dolline Burton - Robert Burton - Gail Banet -Tom Banet, Georgetown 2. Don Malone, Midland ; Jerrold Albom, Dallas ; Leora Nowitz, Bellaire ; Beverly Fanarof, Houston 3.Patsy Howell - Yvonne Pierce - Anne Knott, Houston ; Mary Janak,

#### Friendswood

Sunday Bracketed 4 Swiss - 7 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1. Rajendra Dhamankar - Jerry Heckman, Beaumont ; Bob Townley-Smith - Zach Townley-Smith, Lumberton 2. Toni Latimer, Westlake LA; Brenda Peavy - Robert Cooper - Richard White, Lake Charles LA 3. Martin Gastrell -Richard Crosby, Kingwood ; Kim O'Hara - Michael Novack, Humble Sunday Bracketed 5 Swiss - 7 Tables / Based on 10 Tables 1. Jeffrey Perigoni, Slidell LA: Connie Hester, Baton Rouge LA; Ed McMullen -Rhonda McMullen, Houston 2. Suzie Wilson - Margot Cater - Anne Gorry, Houston : Carol Winograd, Bellaire 3. Diane Kern - Michael Kern, The Woodlands ; Vicky Martinez, Montgomery ; Margie Patterson, Spring

Sunday Bracketed 6 Swiss - 8 Tables 1. Gilda Reynolds - Michele Abriol - Robin Tucker, Austin ; Arthur Widen, Round Rock 2. Jenelle Rae McGinnis - Lvnne Andress -Walter Freitag, Houston ; Troy Carr, Cypress 3. Sarah Smith, Beaumont; Patricia Schiwart, Port Arthur ; Ray mond Trahan - Lynette Trahan, Port Neches

Pflugerville A2. Janise Saul, San Antonio ; Aiyanadar Bharathi, Beaumont A 3. Martha Sigler - Flora Gillispie, Beaumont BC1. Carol Bates, Athens ; Kathleen Holmes, LaRue B2. Edwina Landrum -Marian Jones, Beaumont B3, Arline Mevers - Joan Hataway C2. Gerry Earnest - Marguerite Crowl, Montgomery C3. Joyce Hahn, Tyler; Marlene Phillips, Chandler Tue Aft Side Series - 4.0 Tables AB1 Loretta Gary - Mary Nix, Beaumont C2.---Martha Sigler - Flora Gillispie, Beaumont Morning Side Series - 9.0 Tables AB1. Marian Jones - Edwina Landrum, Beaumont AB2 .-- Edward Rasmussen, Lumberton ; Patricia

Bell, Silsbee C1. Keith Everett,

Spring ; David Russell, Houston C2.

-Joyce Hahn, Tyler ; Marlene Phillips, Chandler Afternoon Side Series - 5.5 Tables AB1. Marian Jones - Edwina Landrum, Beaumont ABC2. Irby Jones - Martha Jo Jones, LA-**Evening Side Series** - 9.0 Tables AB1. Norman Gautier - Joyce Gautier, The Woodlands A2. Edward Rasmussen, Lumberton ; Madhusudan Patel, Houston A3B2, Betty Poindexter, Sour Lake ; Marilyn Adams, Beaumont B3C1. Linda Banks, San Marcos ; Dennie Saul, C2/3-Raymond Prizler, Houston; Bill Beaushaw, Pearl River LA C2/3 Carol Bagalman, Metairie LA; Bonnie Belanger, New Orleans LA Morning Side Series - 13.0 Tables A1. John Smalley, Beaumont ; Toby Bassett, Lafayette LA A2B1 Don Morgan - Gabriel Perry, Houston A3 Verna Dahlquist - Wilbur Dahlquist, Lake Charles LA B2C1. Robert Watkins - Charles Lanni, Houston B3C2. Ben Ball, Sugar Land ; William Wadsack, Lake Charles LA C3. Arlene Rawitscher - Jack Rawitscher, Houston

Afternoon Side Series - 15.0 Tables AB1 Sanford Lobliner, Houston; Youssef Youssef, Katy AB2. Jeffrey Kroll, Conroe ; Joe Everette, Montgomery A3. Martha Sigler, Beaumont ; Beverly Leger, Sour Lake B3.--Irby Jones - Martha Jo Jones, Gonzales LA C1.-Eloise Young -Mattie Grant, Beaumont C2. Robert Burton - Dolline Burton, Georgetown C3. Milton Bryant, Spring ; Mack Guderian, Houston Morning Side Series - 9.0 Tables AB1. Mack Meigs - Mike Floyd, Baytown AB2. Irby Jones - Martha Jo Jones, Gonzales LA A3. Beverly Hulsey, Orange ; Vivian Breedlove, Beaumont C1. Nixie Lynch - Gloria Avres, Beaumont 2, Nancy Caldwell, The Woodlands ; Joseph Cunningham, Conroe

Afternoon Side Series - 12.0 Tables AB1. Jane Clipson - James Clipson Jr, Eagle Lake A2. Don Holst, Beaumont ; Beverly Leger, Sour Lake A3. June Eddingston, Beaumont; Janise Saul, San Antonio B2. Irby Jones - Martha Jo Jones, Gonzales LA B3. Tim Stelly - Marian Jones, Beaumont C1. Eloise Young - Margaret Jackson, Beaumont C2. Kathleen Schiff, Lafayette LA; Jessie Williamson, Opelousas LA Morning Side Series - 30.75 Tables / Based on 11 Tables 1. Toby Bassett, Lafayette LA 2/3-Edwina Landrum, Beaumont 2/3-Marian Jones, Beaumont 4/5 Patricia Bell,

AB1. Suvabrata Biswas, Katy ; Mack Guderian, Houston A2. Keith Dotson, Orange : Beverly Leger, Sour Lake C1. Ronald Montague -Nancy Montague, la Porte Evening Side Series - 25.25 Tables / Based on 8 Tables <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Robert Kacher. Jr, Beaumont 1/2 Tim Stelly, Beaumont 3/4-Madhusudan Patel, Houston 3/4 Edward Rasmussen, Lumberton 5. Janise Saul, San Antonio

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Monday Aft Open Pairs - 24.0 Tables A1. Flora Gillispie - Martha Sigler, Beaumont A2B1. Don Morgan - Gabriel Perry, Houston A3B2. Sherry Greisen, Houston ; Julia Blancet, League City A4. Atsuko Nakamura, Pearland ; Madhusudan Patel, Houston A5B3C1. Patsy Howell -Anne Knott, Houston B4/5C2/3 Marilyn Hughes, La Porte ; Johnell McKee, Friendswood B4/5C2/3 Janis & Donald Williams, Sour Lake Monday Evening Open Pairs - 10.0 Tables A1. Joyce & Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA A2. Edward Rasmussen, Lumberton ; Aiyanadar Bharathi, Beaumont B1.--Madeline Tonti, Mandeville LA; Robert Woodyard, Picayune MS B2C1. Patricia Bunn - Owen Bunn, Cypress B3C2 .-Janis Williams - Donald Williams. Sour Lake C3 Earl Johnson, Beaumont ; David Luzzatto, Richardson Tuesday Morning 299r Prs - 7.0 Tables AB1, Joann Beyt, St Martinvlle LA; Frances Smietana, New Iberia LA AB2C1.Marianna Carpenter, Jasper ; Jane Wood, Brookeland C2.-Linda Windham - Michael Windham, Cypress Tue Aft 299er Pairs - 5. Table

ABC1.-Lou Rising, Pt Authur ; Everett Sweeney, Port Neches ABC2. -Pat Colmer-Helen Roberts, Lufkin Evening Side Pairs - 7.0 Tables ABC1. Carole Williamson, Lake Charles LA; Jo Portie, Sulphur LA A2. Edward Rasmussen, Lumberton ; Madhusudan Patel, Houston BC2 Zach Townley-Smith - Bob Townley -Smith, Lumberton

Tuesday Side Swiss - 20 Tables A1. Mary Pat Gentry - Eddie Wold -Robert Morris, Houston ; Betty Starzec, Sugar Land A2BC1.-Ronald Kautz, Friendswood ; Brent McDaniel - Birendra BK Singh, Seabrook ; Mike Goldberg, Houston A3B2. Martha Harvey - Joan Paradeis, Wichita Falls ; Opal Thurman, Lawton OK; Delois Nell, Austin A4B3 Gerry Earnest - Marguerite Crowl, Montgomery ; Joan Torrance, Conroe ; Holly Gaunt, The Woodlands B4C2.-Joyce Hahn - Margaret Porter, Tyler ; Marlene Phillips, Chandler ; Charlene Goodman, Flint C3.-Robert Ziegler - Bill Chamberlain, Houston ; Marc Beardsley - Joe Moseley, The Woodlands Wednesday Morning 299r - 7.0 Tables AB1. Joann Beyt, LA; Frances Smietana, New Iberia LA AB 2C1.-Joseph Nichols, Seabrook ;

Kenneth Hudson, Houston Wednesday Afternoon 299r - 5.5 Tables AB1. CPaul Aguillard, Beaumont ; Susan Nimmo, Bridge City AB2. Lynne Andress - Lynn Gamblin, Houston, C1.-Kenneth Hudson, Houston ; Joseph Nichols, Seabrook C2.-Lynda Jones, Port Arthur ; Sandra Allison, Silsbee Wednesday Side Swiss - 22 Tables A1. Donna Swarthout - Dave Swarthout - Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio ; Ed Rawlinson, Helotes A2BC1. Suzann Patterson - Annette Ruth - Geneva Berg, Georgetown; Nell Dale, Austin A3BC2.-Martin

Gastrell - Richard Crosby - John Switzer Jr - N Switzer, Kingwood B3. Jack Manderscheid - Beverley Linskey, Houston ; Mary Willis, Spring ; Ben Ball, Sugar Land C3/4--Charles Grimes, Midland ; Irene Oppenheim, Cherry Hill NJ; Patsv Pierce, Hardin ; Sally Blewett, Beaumont

Thursday Morning 299r - 6.5 Tables ABC1. Linda Briggs - Carolyn Worsham, Port Arthur A2/3 Barbara Sharp - Jean Foltz, Pearland A2/3B2. Vivian Cyprus - Kathleen Stuart, Houston C2. Glenda Bass, Vidor ; William Delboy, Beaumont Thursday Afternoon 299r - 5.0 Tables ABC1. William Delboy, Beaumont ; Susan Nimmo, Bridge City ABC2. Glenda Bass, Vidor; Marilyn Adams, Beaumont Friday Morning 299r Pairs - 7.0 Tables A1. Barbara Sharp - Jean Foltz, Pearland A2B1. Mack Guderian, Houston ; John Biel, Arlington B2/3C1/2 Linda & Michael Windham, Cypress B2/3C1/2-Harry Trainer, Webster ; Bob Yelli, Nassau Bay

Thursday Side Swiss - 15 Tables A1. Barbara La Vigne - Betty Freedman - Anna Marlatt - Kay Johnson, Houston A2. Carolyne Fox, Manvel ; Gary King, Houston ; John Bromberg, Dallas ; Barry Schaffer, Frisco BC1. Ben Landers - Lenna Landers - Mary Willis, Spring ; B J Renshaw, Tomball B2/4 Martha Harvey - Joan Paradeis, Wichita Falls : Opal Thurman, Lawton OK: Delois Nell, C2. Juinez Moss - Donald Moss - Jerry Heckman, Beaumont ; Patricia Bell, Silsbee B Afternoon Side Series - 12.0 Tables AB1. Jane Clipson - James Clipson Jr, Eagle Lake A2. Don Holst, Beaumont ; Beverly Leger, Sour Lake A3. June Eddingston, Beaumont : Janise Saul, San Antonio B2. Irby Jones - Martha Jo Jones, Gonzales LA B3. Tim Stelly - Marian Jones, Beaumont C1. Eloise Young - Margaret Jackson, Beaumont C2. Kathleen Schiff, Lafayette LA; Jessie Williamson, Opelousas LA Friday Afternoon 299r Prs - 8.0 Tables A1. Judy Serou, Metairie LA; Maureen Richoux, New Orleans LA A2BC1. Bebe Walker, Leggett ; Darlyn Dusek, Livingston BC2. Lucille Armintor, Port Arthur ; Patricia Woods, Port Neches Saturday Morning 299er Pr - 13.0 Tables A1. Nell Dale, Austin ; Geneva Berg, Georgetown A2. Jean Clark, Baton Rouge LA; Myrna Matherne, Livonia LA A3. Ronald Montague - Nancy Montague, la Porte BC1/2 Everett Sweeney, Port Neches ; Paul Aguillard, Beaumont BC1/2 Jenelle Rae McGinnis -Lynne Andress, Houston Saturday Aft 299r Prs - 6.5 Tables ABC1. Barbara Abney - Saundra Dickinson, Kingwood ABC2. Linda & Michael Windham, Cypress Saturday Side Swiss - 16 Tables A1 Joe Quinn, Sugar Land ; Tom Clarke, Lake Charles LA; Ellen Hessel - Ira Hessel, San Antonio A2. Stephen Reichek - Eddie Wold - Robert Morris, Houston ; Betty Starzec, Sugar Land A3.K Boagni Jr - Lois Boagni, Opelousas LA; Toby Bassett, Lafayette LA; Janise Saul, San Antonio BC1. Marc Beardsley - Joe Moseley, The Woodlands ; Bill Chamberlain -Robert Ziegler, Houston BC2.



Morning Side Series - 8.5 Tables A1. Michael Bossert - Sara Bossert,

Silsbee 4/5 Edward Rasmussen, Lumberton

Afternoon Side Series - 27.25 Tables / Based on 14 Tables 1. Martha Sigler, Beaumont 2. Beverly Leger, Sour Lake 3/4 Martha Jo Jones, Gonzales LA 3/4-Irby Jones, Gonzales LA 5. Eloise Young, Beaumont Evening Side Series - 6.0 Tables

Juinez Moss - Donald Moss, Beaumont; Miriam Cooper, Houston; Dave Becker, Port Arthur 3/4-Thomas Miyake, Corinth ; Kim Brinkman, Highland Villge ; Sue Thompson, Denton ; David Ticen, Victoria BC3/4-Jack Evans - Liz Karnicki, Beaumont ; Carolyn Worsham - Linda Briggs, Port Arthur

# **BEAUMONT REGIONAL CHAMPIONS**



Tuesday Choice Pairs A Ken Boagni - Toby Bassett



Tuesday Choice Pairs B & C Troy Carr - Lynne Andress

KO1 Bkt 2

Julie Blancet, Sherry Greisen, Johnell McKee, Marilyn Hughes



Juinez Moss, Laverne Harris Don Moss, Hilda Hahn



KO1 Bkt 4 Carol Winograd, Suzie Wilson, Anne Gorry, Mary Watters



Wednesday Choice Pairs A Ralda St. Pierre - Phillip Grothus



KO2, KO5, Bkt 1 Greg Hinze, Tipton Golias, Geoff Hampson, Chris Compton





KO2 Bkt 4 Mark Nemitz, Larry Peterson, John Knox, John Petersen



Wednesday Choice Pairs C Bill Kibikas - Jo Ann Pierce



Thursday Gold Rush Pairs Cynthia Blanchard - Ginger Hebert



Compact KO1 Bkt 1 Shirley Matthews, Kay Wright, Shirley Shelton, Mike Graham



KO2 Bkt 2

Pat Bell, Mary Jane Garth,

Jerry Heckman, Dolores Belton

Compact KO2 Bkt 1 Carolyne Fox, Carol Schoenhals, Gary King, Greg Loran



KO4 Bkt 2 Mareen Wittels, Bobbie Newman, Donna Miller, Alan Zane

KO6 Bkt 2

Lily Andre, David Goldfarb,

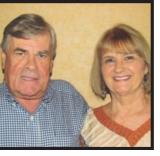
Jim Andre, Harry Elliott



Friday Gold Rush Pairs Patty Webb - Laurene Jacob



Gussie Dunn, Roy Dunn, Susan Sommer, Jerrilyn Jones



Friday Pairs A Chuck Germeyer - Pat McMullin

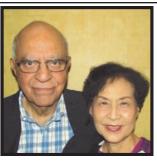


KO5 Bkt 3 Suzie Wilson, Carol Winograd, Anne Gorry, Margot Cater, Mary Watters (NP)





Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 6 Gilda Reynolds, Michele Abriol, Art Widen, Robin Tucker



Thursday Pairs X Raj Pruthi - Atsuko Nakamura



Friday Gold Rush Pairs Martin Gastrell - Michael Novack



KO 3 Bkt 1 Bobbie Moutz, Naomi Spicer, Marc Beardsley,



KO2 Bkt 3 Patsy Gordon, Ann Thomas, Pansy Blakely, Sue Wright



Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 2 Arlene Rawitscher, Ellen Greenfield, Jack Rawitscher, Marvin Greenfield

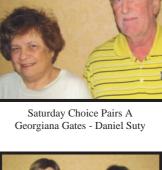


Debbie Rothschild, Nelson Daigle, Astrid Clements, Sharon Henry

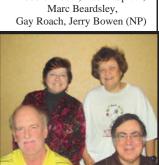


Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 3 Gail Banet, Dolline Burton, Tom Banet, Bob Burton









Sunday Swiss Teams A Sally Wheeler, Georgiana Gates, Dan Suty, Buddy Hanby



Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 1 Katherine McClure, Bob Arnett, Joe Wald, Ed Zwald

# **BEAUMONT REGIONAL ONE SESSION WINNERS**

Saturday Choice Pairs C

John Kachar - Tim Stelly

Sunday Swiss Teams BCD Bkt 4

Jerry Heckman, Raj Dhamankar,















Monday Aft Open Pairs A Flo Gillispie - Martha Sigler

Monday Aft Open Pairs B Don Morgan - Gabriel Perry



Monday Aft Open Pairs C Anne Knott - Patsy Howell



Monday Eve Open Pairs A Tom & Joyce Clarke



Monday Eve Open Pairs B Robert Woodyard - Madeline Tonti

Monday Eve Open Pairs C Owen & Pat Bunn



Tuesday Afternoon 299r Pairs Lou Ida Rising - E. W. Sweeney



Tuesday Morn 299r Pairs Jo Ann Beyt - Frances Smietana



Thur Aft 299r Pairs Susan Nimmo - Bill Delboy



Tuesday Evening Swiss A Eddie Wold, Betty Starzec, Bob Morris, Mary Pat Gentry (NP)



Wed Morn & Aft 299r Pairs Ken Hudson - Joe Nichols



Thursday Evening Swiss A Betty Freedman, Barbara LaVigne, Anna Marlett, Kay Johnson

Saturday Morn 299r Pairs

Geneva Berg - Nell Dale



Sat Morn +299ers Paul Aguillard - E.W. Sweeney

Friday Morn 299r Pairs

Barbara Sharp - Jean Feltz



Thursday Morn 299r Pairs Linda Briggs - Carolyn Worsham



Thursday Evening Swiss B & C Lenna Landers, Mary Willis, Ben Landers, B. J. Renshaw



Tuesday Evening Swiss B & C

Two of our San Angelo friends are moving to be closer to family: Joyce Eaton to Georgetown and Helen Barker back to Oklahoma. People started missing them when the news got out. There was a superb "send off" bridge party for Helen Barker on Friday, 11/9/12. There's lot to say about her unique personality and presence. Many of you state wide will remember her scorecard reporting in previous years. Our loss is Oklahoma's gain.

204 folks in the winners circle at the Abilene sectional in October were: Fri aft pairs A Gene Gammil-Flo Curry; B Patsy Rogers and Barbara Wright; Fri eve pairs A Suzanne Doris and Norma Walker; Sat aft 299er Debbie Farr and Carolyn Reed -Jones, and Sat Eve Linda Cole and Carolyn Reed-Jones and Sunday Swiss: C-Linda Cole, Carolyn Reed-Jones, Carolyn Sunderman, Norm Sunderman; B-Joy Hardy, Mercedes Barker, Tommy Splittgerber, Deborah Brookins; and A-George Finley, Carl McGill, Louetta Green, Neal Perlman.

Unit 204 November 3rd North American Pairs game results::A-Norma Walker and Suzanne Dorris; B-Joan Crowell and Norma Murray and C- Mike and Jerre McAfee.

### 58th Beaumont Spindletop Sectional

February 21-24, 2013

#### **Tournament Location**

Beaumont Bridge Studio 950 North Street Beaumont, TX 77701 409-838-2447

#### Host Hotel

Sleep Inn and Suites 2030 N. 11th Street Beaumont, TX 77701 409-892-6700 Rate: \$70 per night (Reserve by February 14, 2013)

#### **Entry Fees**

Sessions: \$10 per person per session Swiss Team: \$88 per team (all day event) NOTE: \$2 additional per session for ACBL non-members and unpaid members

#### Stratification

Open: A (2000+), B (750-1999), C (0-749) 299er: A (200-300), B (50-199), C (0-49) wiss Teams: Based on team average

#### Schedule of Events

#### Thursday, February 21, 2013 Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) ..... ...9:30 Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) .....1:30 299er Pairs (single sessions)...... 9:30, 1:30 Friday, February 22, 2013 Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) ......9:30 Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) ......1:30 299er Pairs (single sessions)...... 9:30, 1:30 Saturday, February 23, 2013 Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) ..... ....9:30 Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) ......1:30 299er Pairs (single sessions)...... 9:30, 1:30 Sunday, February 24, 2013 Stratified Swiss Teams...... 10:00 and TBA

Tournament Chairs

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#### Partnership Chair

E. W. Sweeney (409-728-0821) dispatcherone@yahoo.com

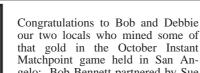
Come join us for some Southeast Texas bridge-playing fun! As always, entry fees include coffee and snacks, sandwiches between sessions, and lunch between Swiss team sessions!

**Unit 204 Fort Concho Neal Perlman** 

Saturday Evening Swiss A

Ed Rawlinson, Babu Koneru.

Dave and Donna Swarthout



Friday Evening Swiss A

Ira Hessel, Roy Jambor, Guss Ginsburg,

Ellen Hessel, Joe Quinn, Tom Clarke

our two locals who mined some of that gold in the October Instant Matchpoint game held in San Angelo: Bob Bennett partnered by Sue



### SAN ANGELO **TEXAS INDEPENDENCE** SECTIONAL February 08-10, 2013

SUEZ SHRINE CENTER 2915 LOOP 306 San Angelo, Texas SANCTION # S1302074

Friday, February 08, 2013

Stratified Pairs Single Session 0-300 Pairs (3 tables minimum)

1:00 pm & 7:00 pm 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm

#### Saturday, February 09, 2013

Bracketed KO Teams\* ......I,II,III 9:00 am & 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm Stratified Pairs Single Session 9:00 am & 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm 0-300 Pairs (3 tables minimum) \* KO may be handicapped per director's discretion

Sunday, February 10, 2013



do not settle for probabilities if you can discover the location of key cards with certainty - make the opponents reveal what they have.

> If there is only one lie of the cards which will allow your contract to succeed, assume the cards lie that way

> Happy New Year to all in District 16 and hope most of your adventures in card play are fun.



At the Austin Bridge Center, a comprehensive educational program of bridge lessons is offered on a rotating basis. Laura Delfeld directs the program using the acclaimed ACBL Bridge Series, consisting of a series of five courses, typically offered on a rotating schedule. Classes typically start in the fall, spring, and winter, and we are trying to get the word out to anyone interested in starting bridge, improving their game, or refreshing their systems. In conjunction with that, the Unit Board has started a policy to offer half price bridge to any student wanting to play at any of our Unit games!

One of our premier players in Austin started playing bridge at a remarkaher father intro duced her to the game and she started playing at the Austin Bridge Studio in the summer of 1961. By the summer of 1964, Mildred Breed was playing a fine game of bridge and played with her father at a two session Open Pairs at an Austin Sectional and they won. It was her first two session event win and Mildred was apparently hooked! Lots of people don't know it, but Mildred was born and raised in Austin, attending Eanes Elementary, O'Henry Jr. High, Austin High and the University of Texas.

Mind Sports Games Bronze Medal in Beijing, China. She has 16 National wins and 9 seconds. Not bad for a Texas girl! Mildred's father, James (Bud) Boyce had the most influence on developing her game and she says that the biggest gift he gave her was to teach her to think! I've heard it told that Bud said he taught Mildred everything he knew about bridge and by the time he had finished, he had forgotten it all! According to long time family friends, the Davis family, in Waco, Bud was mighty proud of his girl! Asked about what advice she would give to aspiring bridge players who want to reach a new level of play, Mildred says: "If you have the opportunity to play with a better bridge player than yourself, play. Read bridge books. Learn from your errors. Don't make the same mistake twice.

I thank Mildred for sharing with me and applaud her for the assistance she has provided for the Austin bridge group. She has participated in our one day lesson series, has been on our Board in the past, and is always willing to give advice if asked. She is a great asset to our Unit.

Milestones: New Life Master: Arlen Daigle, Laney Hennelly; Bronze Life Master: Sharon MacMorran; Silver Life Master: Laura Delfeld; Gold Life Master: Pat Long; Others: 3500: Larry David; 2,000: Claudette Hartman; **750**: Jackie Franz, Tom Hackenberg, Jan McLaurin: **200**: Matthew Marino; 100: Elaine Bindo, Reid Delfeld, Bill Hammack, Genie Nyer, Art Roberts, Robert Williams; 50: Sybil Lowey, and Polly Sowell. Congratulations to all of you.



Geneva Berg, and Annette Ruth

Henry and Debbie Farr with Neal Perlman. Extra congrats to Debbie for being fifth in District 16.

Angelo has Marifrances Watson - and right away she was directing some of Mary Jane's games while MJ and Barbara Wright were on a cruise returning from Spain. Congratulations, Marifrances!

STRATS:	A (2000+)	B (	750 – 2000) C (0-750)
All Strats	determined	by	average master points

#### Non-smoking with breaks

Director: Tom Marsh Entry Fee \$10.00/ SWISS \$88.00 per Team \$1.00 additional per session for non and unpaid ACBL members

> Lunch between sessions on Sunday Free coffee, iced tea & refreshments

#### TOURNAMENT CHAIR

Stratified Swiss

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#### HOTEL INFORMATION

Best Western 3017 W. Loop 306 325.223.1273 (Free Breakfast) \$76.49- ask for bridge rate

Rodeway Inn 2502 W. Loop 306 325.944.2578 (Free Breakfast) \$76.46 - ask for AARP rate, membership not requir

It is recommended that you book early to ensure a room, due to anticipated heavy occupancy.

I want to invite everyone to the San Angelo sectional the February 8, 9,  $10^{t}$ weekend. Appreciate all the past support and look forward to seeing y'all again, so come on over and add to the fun.

Melva Penner will be a young 90 and this fun and feisty lady will be celebrated December 15<sup>th</sup> in San Angelo.

Here are a few excerpts from Ron Klinger's 100 Winning Bridge Tips:

Abandon the normal technique in handling a suit if you can tell it will not work.

72. Do not follow any tip blindly -

Before becoming a professional player, Mildred ran the Bridge Studio for several years, then directed tournaments full time for a couple of years. Mildred has won World Championships, ranging from the 1994 Albuquerque Bronze Medal, to the 1997 Venice Cup Gold Medal, the 2000 Maastrict, Neatherlands Gold Medal and the 2009 World

Upcoming Events: January 3-6: Austin Winter Sectional: Doubletree Hotel; February 16-17: Non Life Master Sectional, Austin Bridge Center; February 28-March 3: Austin Sectional at the Bridge Center.

Deaths: Millie Sherrod: Silver Life Master; Tom Cox: Life Master; and James "Roundman" Hurst.



We started another month of "Special Games" as each club had their Club Appreciation game. We appreciate you for another year of support and you get extra points for your help.

October 4 an ACBL-Wide Instant Match Point Game was held. On October 11, the Thursday night club held another "8 is Enough" Swiss Team game and pizza was served to eight tables.

There is always the salad luncheon on the third Tuesday of each month with great salads and attendance.

The Thursday night group held a Halloween Party on October 25. The bridge house was exquisitely festive with beautiful decor for the occasion. I only saw one witch but no brooms and other notable costumes. Linda Aaron and her cohorts do a superb job of keeping the room in appropriate decor for the occasion of the month.

The Wednesday night club also held another Halloween party and a Junior Fund Game. I also noted that Big Spring had a Halloween party on the 31<sup>st</sup>. You can be assured that if Big Spring has a party, you know it is a PARTY!

November 8 the Odessa Thursday club hosted a pot-luck luncheon with Patty Witt and Brenda Leonard as the primary hostesses.

November 11 was a "red letter day" as the Sunday Unit hosted a life master party for Carol Hastings Stein and Richard Stein. They are a great husband and wife that don't give each other the "evil eye" or "the lesson!" so to speak. Being a red, white and blue day, the decorations matched the occasion. Carol is a dedicated vegetarian and requested that the pot luck dishes be just vegetables. I did not know there were so many wonderful and tasty dishes that could be prepared without meat. A beautiful cake and congratulations were enjoyed by 11 tables for a Club Championship game. A short Unit business meeting was held prior to the luncheon.

Thanksgiving interrupted several games but we are thankful to be able

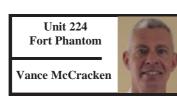
to spend time with family and friends for the "Turkey Day." We are thankful for being as blessed as we are and happy we live where we can celebrate as we like. November 26 was an ACBL Charity game with Paulette Turner directing.

Recently I noticed in the Odessa paper the obituary notice of our long time friend and bridge player Marge Triplett. She had passed away in Wichita Falls on May 6, 2011. Many of us had wondered about Marge as no one had heard from her Marge had lost her husband, daughter and 2 grandsons so had moved to be with a friend. Marge had been a great player and wonderful supporter of our club.

We have several with "ailments" and some more serious than others. Ann Servatius' husband is now at home and being cared for by family. Wyoma Whitlow has not been well but we are looking forward to seeing her "out & about" soon. We extend our "get well" wishes to all of those with health problems.

Christmas!! Where did the year go? Well, don't answer that as we each added a year to many of our frightful ages, but also give thanks that we are here to enjoy the next one. We understand that we are being swamped with "Grass Root" games which are sectionally rated games to be held at each session during December. Points, points and more points; so if you need or want them, now is your chance!

This being the last newsletter for the year, I wish you a Merry Christmas, a Great New Year and all the good things in store for you and yours!



Now that the holidays are over, it is



Bridge Center of Austin 6700 Middle Fiskville Rd

Austin March Sectional

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#### February 28 – March 3, 2013



Stratified Open Pairs, single sessions 10 a Stratified 199er Pairs, single sessions 10 a

10 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm 10 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm 10 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm

10 am & TBA

#### Sunday, March 3

Stratiflighted Swiss Teams

Lunch Served Between Sessions Thursday thru Saturday for Two Session Players. Meal Served Between Morning and Afternoon Session on Sunday



time to find that calendar that your crazy Uncle Jim gave you for Christmas. You remember. The one with pictures of the largest collection of beer bottles in Texas, the five-legged squirrel, and Mona Lisa rendered in various colors of corn kernels. Instead of trying to sell it on Ebay, sit down right now and schedule your bridge tournaments for 2013.

The crucial entry would be Abilene's Harvest Regional, which will extend from October 14 to October 20, 2013. (October's picture is of the world's oldest fire extinguisher manufactured after 1800). The tournament will be held at the Abilene Civic Center. Robert Patton will chair it, and if the past is any indication of things to come, you can expect a satisfying slate of events, with team games scheduled as frequently as possible. Much of the food will be home-cooked by Fort Phantom players and, because this is an autumn Harvest event, it will be available in abundance.

Abilene is permitted a regional tournament only infrequently, and thanks to the efforts of Jo Smith at the District level, 2013 is our year. Every Unit player is urged to participate in order to contribute to its success, and players from other cities are enthusiastically invited. Early reservation of hotel rooms will help to avoid a lastminute scramble due to other events scheduled in Abilene that weekend.

Whether you are a rank beginner, or whether you are Mark Lair, or whether you are somewhere in between, this event is for you. Lots of points, lots of fun, and best of all, lots of wonderful people to enjoy.

Speaking of Jo Smith, congratulations to her on her nomination as the 2013 President of the American Contract Bridge League's District 16, which includes most of Texas and all of Mexico. Jo is dedicated to promoting the game of bridge and will be an effective and hard-working leader.

The Unit elected board members in November: Robert Patton, Pat Wilson, Glynda Groves and Bill Armor. They join Jo Smith, Warren Haney, Barbara Bridges, and Dee Stearns. Many thanks to these eight people and to those whose terms expired, Bette Byrd and Pat Ramsey, for their willingness to provide the leadership that allows the Unit to perform so efficiently. The Board will elect its officers in January.

Congratulations to Unit players who posted 70% games recently: Tiffany Wagstaff and Jackie Batjer, Betsy Duncan and Glynda Groves, Carol Whitten and Glynda Groves, Bonnie Cartledge and Robert Patton, Dee Stearns and Robert Patton, Dee Stearns and Glynda Groves, and Mark Garoutte and Robin Julien. You make the rest of us envious.

Now, go hang up the calendar. Yes, you may cover up January's picture of the potato chip shaped like the Taj Mahal if you really don't want to look at it.



#### PINEY WOODS SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT February 28 -March 2, 2013

#### HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS -NORTH LONGVIEW 300 Tuttle Circle (just off Loop 281 near Longview Mall) Longview, Texas 75605 - 903-663-6464

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9:30	2:00	7:00
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#### Friday-March 1, 2013

Bracketed Knockouts Teams II, 3 Sessions	9:30	2:00	7:00
Stratified 299er Pairs (single sessions)	9:30	2:00	7:00
Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions)	9:30	2:00	7:00

Stratifications (Based on average masterpoints of pair or team) KO" s may be handicapped Open Pairs: A:2000+, B:750-2000, C: 0-750 299er Pairs: A:200-300, B:100-200, C:0-100

#### Səturdəy-Mərch 2, 2013

 Swiss Teams - 2 Sessions
 10:00
 TBA

 Stratifications (Based on average masterpoints of pair or team)
 KO" s may be handicapped

 ams: A:3000+, X:0-3000 (play together)
 B:500-1500 (play together)
 C:0-500 (play together)

#### Hospitality Chairpersons

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Diane Squyres 903-291-0268 Ginny Jones 903-758-3176

#### Partnership Chairpersons

 Sharon Whatley
 903-806-7753

 Linda Harrison
 903-855-9227

#### Refreshments Compliments of Longview Duplicate Bridge Club Members Saturday Lunch Provided for Swiss Teams-Jason's Deli

Entry Fees: \$12.00/ACBL - Saturday Swiss Teams \$108.00 -Sanction #1303080 \$2.00 additional per session for non & unpaid ACBL members Director in Charge ♦ Su Doe

#### HOTELS

Host Hotel -Bridge Rate \$85.00 Holiday Inn Express-North Longview 300 Tuttle Circle Longview, TX 75605 903-663-6464 (complimentary breakfast) Additional Hotel-Bridge Rate \$85.00 Candlewood Suites 2904Tuttle Circle Longview, TX 75605 903-663-9751 (pet friendly)

two Christmas parties. Do we have the holiday spirit? You betcha!

The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek had a "Toys for Tots" entry at their Dec. 14th game. If anyone forgot a toy, the entry fee was \$10. All toys and cash went to the local "Toys for Tots" Gun Barrel City. They also collected cash for the Van Zant Co. foster children. Dec. 28th was a Club Championship Pizza Party PRO-Am Swiss Team game. Pairs drew for teammates - great FUN and free pizza!

Sandy Hilliard, one of our directors, a truly lovely person inside and out, wrote the following and her husband requested it be put in the Scorecard. I'm delighted to be able to do that.

"My name is Sandy Hilliard and I am the Director for the Van Zandt County DBC; but my most important thing I do is work with the foster children of Van Zandt County.

Three of our Club members are on the Van Zandt County Child Welfare Board and each year our Club holds Charity games to make sure the foster children of our County have a Christmas and that "Santa" comes. Their names cannot go on a "Angel Tree" for obvious reasons. We call our children "Santa's Kids", they will not be spending the holidays with family or friends, in fact, they are with strangers, or in a behavioral facility due to the abuse they suffer. I especially want to thank "The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek" and the "Dottie Pirkle Bridge Studio" for also having a special game and giving to "Santa's Kids". There are so many wonderful bridge friends that also send personal checks and give at their Christmas Party to these unfor-tunate children. We cannot take away the pain of not being with family but we can make sure "Santa" comes on Christmas morning. Without you we could not give these 92 children a Christmas.

My wish for each of you is: Merry Christmas Happy and Healthy New Year and May All Your Slam's in Life-----be in NT"

Sandy Hilliard, Director Van Zandt County DBC, Canton, TX.

On a sad note, our long-time bridge player here in Tyler, Ola Fay Anderson, died on December 1. Her sister is Liz Smith, also one of our Tyler players.

70% Games

Kudos go to Max Walton and Ralph Hollingshead for scoring 71% at the Nacogdoches DBC on Sept. 24th Folks, they are novices so this was a huge win. Way to go, guys! All of the following results came from Dottie Pirkle's DBC: Jackie Kimberly & Alta Peck 71.57 J. L. Adams & Bari Hart 71.50 Wes Archer & Jorn Jamieson 70.83 Wanda Allen & Miriam Rubin 70.19 Judy Adams & Brenda Baker 75.22 Emily Leake and Brenda Baker had a 71.38% game at Rose City DBC

The Unit 225 Christmas Party was held on December 8<sup>th</sup> and everyone had a great time. Unit President Nelda Avent presented plaques to all who had achieved Life Master, Bronze Life Master and Silver Life Master status throughout the year. Overall winners in the open pairs were Keith and Diane Estep. Sharon Whatley and Linda Harrison won first overall in the 299ers.

The Longview DBC had not one, but



Christmas Party Dec. 14th

It was the 1st ever Unit Championship @ Club game held in Nacogdoches. They intend for it to be an annual event. They had 11.5 tables of bridge attracting players from several surrounding counties. The event was held at the Pineywoods Country Club with bridge in the afternoon and a lovely sit-down dinner in the evening. North South 1st was Jimmie Lou Conner and Peggy Wright (1st OA) 2nd was J. Jack Yarbrough & Bob Chambers (2nd OA) 3rd was Hilda Hahn and Melba Lee 4th was Sandra Smith & Ellen Hollis East West 1st was Abe Conner and Kirk O'Keefe (3rd OA) 2nd was Gloria Oliver & Delores

2nd was Gloria Oliver & Delores Jones (4th OA) 3rd was Bobbi Robinson & Paulette

Huegele (5th OA) 4th was Gay Roach & Ralph Holl-

Scott Defoyd-Weinberg 2Michael Lane, Clio MI: Charis Linklater

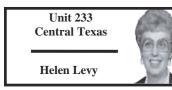
Sunday Stratified Swiss-18 Tables

A1. Chuey Lum-Massoud Banan-

Richard Zillman-Alex Bertrand

ingshead (6th OA)

It's been a busy and fulfilling two months. May the rest of the year also be the same and I hope everyone has a joyous Christmas!



Special thanks to Juanita Butler and Lennie Wilkins for arranging the meal and decorations for our annual Christmas party and election Dec. 2, and to those who brought desserts and snacks which were enjoyed throughout the day. Dick Cunningham, Stephen Olson, and Alicia Smith were elected to the board of directors for three-year terms. Edna Tuerck was elected president, Harry Kenny vice-president, Helen Levy secretary-treasurer, and Juanita Butler will remain on the board as past president without vote. A big thank you to Ila Bates, Eiko Kimg, and Juanita for three years of service on the board.

Awards went to Mike Bukala-Maxine Tessmer memorial tournament award-- and Ronnie Ives-Gordon Dennis Ace of Clubs rookie of the year award. Asa Waterman will receive the Judy Bales memorial award for non-life masters at Sul Ross BC.

Achievers recognized for the year were Juanita Butler, Stephen Olson, and Mary Sturtevant Silver Life Master; Trudi Lamendola and Norma Swaim, Bronze Life Master; and Harry Kenny Life Master.

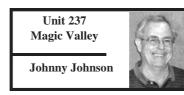
Congratulations to 70+% achievers 10/11-12/6: Sul Ross 10/11, Peggy & Lyndon Phelps 70.83%; 10/30, Tom & Ethel Corlett 75.58%.. Bridge Studio 10/19, Carol Wadley & Ven-

nie Lee 70.94%; 10/26, James La-Founain & Becky Mosely 72.92%. Stilwell BC 10/24, Ila Bates & Mary Ann Sturtevant. Monday Slammers 11/5, Margaret & W. D. Hunter. Rolling Hills 11/7, Tom & Ethel Corlett 70.41%.

Congratulations to Ethel Corlett & Tom Corlett and Alicia & Bob Smith, winners of the Rolling Hills "8 is Enough" and club appreciation mentor game Oct. 31. The next game will

be at Rolling Hills on Jan 30, the 5th Wed. Great fun!

Mark your calenders and get ready for these upcoming events in 2013: Temple sectional tournament Feb. 22 -24; Unit 233 299'er tournament May. 17-18-silver points; GNT Unit qualifying for Flts. B & C Mar. 17, two sessions, Temple CAC; Unitfinal NAP Sept.15, one session, Temple CAC.



We are blessed to have our winter Texan's back in our games and as always we have missed you. Welcome back. Our unit section in McAllen was a big success this year and we owe a big round of applause to Jim Hollifield and Gretchen Chapa for securing the new site for the tournament - South Texas College STC Cooper Center. The playing area was beautiful and the chairs especially nice. Everyone mush have gained a pound or two from all the wonderful snacks and drinks. The meals provided each day were nice and especially the Sunday lunch provided by our contractor Phyllis Hutchinson. We all owe a special thank you to Jackie Burroughs, Tournament Chair

and her special team of helpers who make this tournament such a fun event.

Left to right : Bonnie Fellerman, Marie Woods, Jim Hollifield, Tournament Chairman-Jackie Burroughs, Bobbie Hogenson, Rene Wallace, Joyce Stukenholtz. Back row left to right Gilbert Hogenson and Harold Fellerman



I'm still getting questions about an additional web site sponsored by the The web address is unit. www.bridgewebs.com/magicvalley . Take a look and see what you think. Currently all games from Andre Klein's Friday and Tuesday South Padre Island, Harlingen Monday and Wednesday games, and the Saturday Unit game are posted. All directors are welcome to post their games to this site as well as the site which Herman Westbrook runs for the unit.

Hard to believe but one of our members Betty Hollon has been playing bridge for over 50 years just bid her first 7NT grand slam at the Unit Mark your calendars: HARLINGEN SECTIONAL JANUARY 25-27 at the Elk's Lodge in Harlingen. Games start at 9:00am Friday and Saturday and team game 10:00am on Sunday. See you there.

> Magic Valley McAllen

> > Dec 7 - 9, 2012

91 players 110 tables.

1 11.06 Donna Swarthout

2 11.06 Dave Swarthout

5 10.80 Richard Zillman

8 9.43 Jane Ann Gormong

9 9.43 James Gormong

10 8.37 Harold Fellerman

11 8.37 Bonnie Fellerman

Friday Open Pairs-19.5 Tables /

mong-Jane Ann Gormong A2B1.

Valerie & Peter Rhead B2. Bonnie

Based on 18 Tables A1. James Gor-

6 10.80 Alex Bertrand

7 9.88 Chuey Lum

3 11.01 Peter Jacquest

4 11.01 John Gitzen

A2B1. Nancy Almond, -Jean Burgoine-Peter Jacquest-John Gitzen B2. Richard Lowry-Dianne Thise-Helen Van Amburg-George Van Amburg C1. Gary Sage-Carol Moore, -Richard Burgess Jr-Marie Woods C2. Albert Krall-Bettijane Krall-Gregory Hancock-George Kirby Unit 353 Wichita Falls

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Pat Robinson

Our November Unit Game was dedicated to our long time bridge player and friend, Jo Ann Stokes who has now moved to Canada to be with her daughter and family. Wanda Gaynor and Dee McKinley hosted a nice dinner and party in JoAnn's honor. We will all miss her infectious laugh and good cheer.

We are also missing our fellow bridge player, Marilyn Reynolds who has moved to Mineral Wells to assist her elderly mother. However, she is close enough to visit our Christmas Party and other special events so we hope to see her often.

Congratulations to Khalifa Ahmed . our newest Silver Life Master. Also congratulations to Joan Paradeis who is our newest director having recently passed the Director Test.

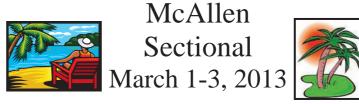
We are pleased that Gene Walden made good progress from his hip surgery and was back at the bridge tables. However, we were saddened and want to extend our condolences to him and his family on the death of his granddaughter in a recent car accident.

Four of our unit members recently took a trip to San Antonio and visited two of the clubs there. Joan Paradeis, Tuck Harvey, Kathleen Brown and Nancy Purcell had a fun time and enjoyed visiting the clubs. We are missing Babs and Bill Kleinecke who have been missing from the bridge tables the past few weeks due to health problems. We hope they can return soon.

Kathleen Brown reports that the Wednesday beginning bridge players are having fun and a great time playing bridge. Several of our experienced players often attend their lessons to help and support the new players.

The Unit Christmas party was held December 7th at the Bridge Center which was very festive and we had a large attendance including our unit members from areas out of Wichita Falls. We appreciated their driving in for this occasion. The catered meal and bridge play afterwards was enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to the following unit



### STC- COOPER CENTER for Communications Arts 3201 West Pecan McAllen, TX 78501 CORNER OF 31ST ST. AND PECAN (NORTH SIDE) PARKING IN REAR OF BUILDING

#### Friday March 1st

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS 9:30 am and 1:30 pm \$10 per person each session (*Lunch included* if signup for both sessions)

#### Saturday March 2nd

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS 9:30 am and 1:30 pm \$10 per person each session (*Lunch included* if signup for both sessions)

Can't play both sessions LUNCH ONLY \$5.00 per person

#### Sunday March 3rd

STRATIFIED SWISS TEAMS (2 SESSIONS) 9:30 AM AND TBA \$88.00 PER TEAM (lunch Included) STRATIFICATION (Combined average) A 1500+ B 500-





Swiss Teams 10 a.m & TBA Fajita lunch provided between sessions \*Swiss format may be changed by agreement of Tournament Chair and Director In Charge \*MPS for pairs and teams are averaged)

**Tournament Hotel** Quality Inn Temple 254.770.1100 1610 West Nugent Dr. 2 queens \$69.99 1 king \$64.99

**Tournament Chair** Pam Yandell Yandell\_1999@yahoo.com 254.780.3324/ (C) 817.473.3656

Entry Fees ACBL Members \$ 11.00/Session Non-Members \$12.00/Session Students-\$6.00 entry Swiss Team \$96.00/Team

#### Stratifications

A/AX To be Determined by DIC (Play together) Swiss: B: 750-2000 C: 100-750 D: 0-100 (Play together) Pairs: 2000+ B: 750-2000 C: 0-750 A:

SMOKING BREAKS FREE COFFEE & SNACKS

### 1500 C 0-500

**Tournament Chair** 

Walt Lauckner (956) 581-7488 **Partnership Chair** Gretchen Chapa (956)- 682-0460

956) 566-5265 cell

### **Complimentary snacks and** beverages provided daily

game on Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup>. Her partner Bud Inhofe made the contract for a cold top.

A sad note : Ian Vignale passed in November. He will be missed by all

Fellerman-Harold Fellerman C1. Linda Ingraham-Joyce Zimmer C2. James Hollifield-Sandra Hollifield Saturday Open Pairs- A1. Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout A2B1. Peter Jacquest-John Gitzen B2. Ernest Olson-Donna McLaren C1.

game winners in November: Wanda Gaynor, Leon Vaccarella, Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog.

High percentage games in October were Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson at Bridge Club; Ruth Streit and Barbara Quinby at Vernon Duplicate; Margaret Kirkland and Khalifa Ahmed at Bridge-A-Gap. High percentage games in November were Dee McKinley and Helen Cash at Bridge Club; Anne Halsell and Susan Couch at Vernon Duplicate; Gladys Barley and Carolyn Kay at Bridge-A-Gap. Master point leaders in October were Dave Hertzog at Bridge Club; Ruth Streit at Vernon Duplicate and Joan Paradeis at Bridge-A-Gap. Master point leaders in November were Tomie Johnson at Bridge Club; Susan Couch at Vernon Duplicate and Carolyn Kay at Bridge-A-Gap.





Eddie Wold is #3 on the all-time ACBL list with over 60,000 masterpoints. Α World Champion, he has won the Barry Crane Top 500 three times. He has won 15 National Championships and over 1000 Regionals.

Bob Morris has earned over 16,000 masterpoints in his career and is a perennial top 50 finisher in the Barry Crane Race. He is a 2-time National Champion and has captured over 200 Regionals. Formally trained as a high school teacher, he is comfortable teaching students of all levels.



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# **Bridge Highlights**

Daily morning lectures and question & answer sessions with Eddie & Bob Daily afternoon & evening stratified games with masterpoints awarded

Swiss Team and other special events scheduled Card playing area reserved exclusively for our group



DAY	9:30A-11:30A	1:30P-4:30P	7:30P-10:30P
Monday	Lecture	Game	Game
Tuesday	Lecture	Game	Game
Wednesday	Lecture	Game	Game
Thursday	Lecture	Game	Game
Friday	Lecture	Game	Game
Saturday	Lecture	Game	xxx

DAY	DATE	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART
Sunday	March 2	Galveston	xxx	4:30 PM
Monday	March 3	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx
Tuesday	March 4	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx
Wednesday	March 5	Falmouth	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Thursday	March 6	Grand Cayman	7:00 AM	4:00 PM
Friday	March 7	Cozumel	9:00 AM	6:00 PM
Saturday	March 8	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx
Sunday	March 9	Galveston	7:30 AM	xxx

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GS	Grand Suite	401 sq ft	104 sq ft	10	\$2,325	\$3,600
JS	Junior Suite	297 sq ft	75 sq ft	10, 9	\$1,975	\$3,000
D2	Superior Outside	199 sq ft	65 sq ft	9, 8	\$1,575	\$2,350
E2	Deluxe Outside	184 sq ft	50 sq ft	7,6	\$1,500	\$2,200
н	Outside	160 sq ft	none	2	\$1,350	\$1,950
М	Inside	151 sq ft	none	9	\$1,200	\$1,700

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