American Contract Bridge League District 16

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Daniel Jackson and Bill McCarty Win NAOP Flight B **Jeff Dater and Rich Brandenburg Second in Red Ribbon Pairs**

Well, Judy Garland may have found what she was looking for in St. Louis, but the same cannot be said for District 16's top-flight players. No one from our district came in first, second or even third in an unrestricted national pair or team event. I'm not sure this has happened in all the time I've been writing this column (more than a decade, but I've lost track)!

There was good news, however, in several restricted events. Jackson of Spring and Bill McCarty of San Antonio won the North American Open Pairs Flight B. To make it to the NAOP finals, you must first qualify at the club, unit, and regional levels. Then you get to compete against the top pairs from other 24 districts (74 pairs played in St. Louis). Daniel and Bill won the regional contest in January then averaged 57% over four sessions in St. Louis. Nice going you two--you did us proud!

In the Red Ribbon Pairs, Jeff Dater of Dallas and Rich Brandenburg of Coppell finished second. To say they did it by the skin of their teeth is an understatement. Less than one MP separated second and fifth place, so there wasn't a fraction of a MP to spare! The good news: they finished 35 MPs behind first, so they left nothing on the table. I expect we'll be reading about their accomplishments again in the near future.

If one is "the loneliest number" (according to Three Dog Night), four was a popular number for topflight District 16 players in STL. Ira Hessel of San Antonio was fourth twice, in the IMP Pairs and Silver Ribbon Pairs (less than one MP out of third!). Steve Shirey of Fort Worth was Ira's partner in the IMP Pairs. Houston resident John Zilic and Nagy Kamel of Plano were fourth in the Open Pairs. And in the Women's Swiss, Tobi Sokolow of Austin was-you guessed it-- our fourth (event)

A plethora of other District 16 players had top 10 finishes in NABC events. In the NAOP Flight A, Greg Hinze of San Antonio and Hemant Lall of Dallas finished ninth. Greg also made it to the quarterfinals in the Vanderbilt, a particularly impressive accomplishment playing on a 4-person team. In the Silver Ribbon Pairs, Sally Wheeler. The Woodlands, was tenth. In the Platinum Pairs, Bart Bramley, Dallas, ended up eighth. Georgiana Gates, Houston, and Carolyne Fox, Marvel, were ninth in the Women's Pairs. In the Women's Swiss, Lynn Baker, Austin, was sixth; Nancy Pas-

sell, Plano, and Peggy Sutherlin, Dallas, seventh; and Mildred Breed, Austin, and Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land, eighth. In the Open Swiss, Mike Passell, Plano, was sixth, and Dave Swarthout, San Antonio, was ninth. Finally, Edwin (Ted) Bain III, Houston, and Jeffrey Kroll, Conroe, finished tenth in the NAOP Flight B

The summer NABC will be held in Atlanta, August 1-11, 2013. There's so much to do: go to a Braves game, visit the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum, pay your respects at the Martin Luther King Memorial, take a tour of the state capitol, or wander through the High Museum's superb stash of modern art. Of course, as a last resort, you can always play bridge! The summer nationals have great events for lessthan-expert players, including the mini-Spingold and mini-Life Master Pairs (with 0-1500 and 0-5000 events in both teams and pairs), so you have NO EXCUSE for not showing up. Tobi and I will be taking attendance!

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Silver Ribbon Pairs

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Rockwell Mixed Pairs

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JACKSON – McCARTY TAKE FLIGHT B NAOP IN ST. LOUIS

May/June 2013



District 16's own Daniel Jackson from Houston and Bill McCarty from San Antonio prevailed in the Flight B North American Pairs at the March Spring Nationals, the only National first place achieved in St. Louis from our attendance area. Jackson, a Rice University graduate, is a computer programmer. He won the North American Non Life Master Swiss Teams in 1990 and the Red Ribbon Pairs in 2009 McCarty, a graduate of the University of Texas and North Carolina State is in the

food brokerage business. The partnership was born around 25 years ago at the Bridge and Games Studio in Houston while McCarty was in town on business and looking to pick up a partner. It's been steady progress ever since. As both had work and family obligations, the opportunities to travel and compete have been sparse but quite impressive. Last year, they qualified to go to Memphis finishing 8th in NAOP and 11th in the Red Ribbon Pairs. One thing's for sure - it really pays to go over your scores! At the end of the final session the pair was posted in 3rd place. Jackson was most distraught over a critical error he made during the final set. Noting that there had been some computer glitches, he checked his scores and low and behold, he finds not one but two scoring errors, changing the pair to 1st overall by 1.95! Well done, guys!

Jo Smith

District 16

President





Hello, again. We are the "Lucky Ones!'

I love duplicate bridge. It is so exciting and so much f v un!

I believe we are the "lucky ones" that discovered duplicate bridge. A game where we can challenge our minds while mingling with friends is never far away.

But these games don't just happen. Someone spends many hours making phone calls to get players. What if you need a partner? Someone helps with that. The games and boards don't set up themselves. Someone must do it. Drinks and snacks? Yes, someone takes care of that, too. And do elves come in to clean up afterwards? Not to my knowledge.

Lots of behind-the-scenes workers make these bridge games, both big and small, happen every day across District 16. To those dedicated workers I say, "Thank you," and I hope you often do as well. Perhaps you chip in from time to time, too. The more the merrier! As the saying goes, "Many hands make for light

As our bridge community ages, we must dedicate ourselves to recruiting new players. If each of you would express your enjoyment of this game

to friends and loved ones and encourage them to play, we could increase membership tremendously. Let them know that games exist for every skill level. Set your goal to get at least one new bridge player to join ACBL in 2013.

My hometown of Abilene, Texas, has had a beginner bridge game running for two or three months now. I have never seen bridge players show this much enthusiasm and pleasure as this group. They are mostly retired people - lawyers, doctors, businessmen and women who finally have the time to learn this game. They love it and are learning it more each week. (Some are already counting out the hand something we don't always see in seasoned players!) So, we can all try a little harder to get new players.

District 16 has four more regionals this year. Mark your calendars, make a date with your partner, and attend as many as you can:

San Antonio (4th of July) July 1 – 7 Tyler July 22-28

Richardson (Labor Day) August 27 -September 2 and

Abilene, October 14 - 20.

I would love your feedback/ suggestions about how to attract players; how you choose your tournaments; and any other topic you would like to discuss. My email address is jo@josmithinsurance.com

See you at the bridge table!

Dan Morse

District 16 Representative



St Louis Report

St. Louis was a nice location for a National Tournament. The Playing area and the lighting were excellent; the local committee did a good job with the evening food. The only drawback was the weather (it was cold) particularly the last weekend when a snow storm dumped 8-10 inches of snow. This caused the table numbers to be down a little from the expected number. I was happy to see many District 16 players at the tournament.

PLAYERS UNDER 26 Beginning at the Atlanta NABC in

August there will be both an ACBL Youth NABC and a WBF Youth Open World Championship. This is very special and some units are offering a \$300 to \$500 sponsorship to youth ACBL members in their unit to encourage them to participate. I hope all units in District 16 will consider doing this.

THE LONGEST DAY

On June 21, 2013 the longest day of the year, Bridge clubs will hold games all day to raise funds for the care, support, and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. I encourage everyone to play bridge to Cont on page 14 MORSE

Dewitt Hudson



Coordinating Tournament Chairs, Michael Carmen and Glenn Smith did an outstanding job in making this tournament, a great success! The St. Louis Renaissance Grand Hotel and the Embassy Suites St. Louis were the host hotels, and were more appropriate, since they were just across the street from the Convention Center, where most of the bridge events were held. The hospitality was tremendous, when every night, substantial snacks were served to the bridge players and lots of professional bridge speakers presented: "their bridge tips". The restaurants were abundant and varied, but one restaurant stood out among all of them, and that was Pappy's Smokehouse. The talk of the town was, if

you missed it, you missed a great treat! This restaurant was very unusual and the line of patrons was out the door, daily! Their deal was to make so much barbeque, and when they ran out of meat, they close the door! So, you never knew when they would run out of food!! Their ribs were delicious!

TABLE COUNT: The table count for this tournament was 9661. The last time St. Louis held a National was in 2007 and that table count was 10,253. One of the reasons this National did not do better was the bitter cold weather which the Mid-West was experiencing this year.

USE OF ACBL SCORE AT CLUB GAMES The Clubs and Membership Department made a concerted effort to move all clubs over to electronic reporting through ACBL score. Electronic reporting benefits our Members and streamlines our efforts. Of the 3,200 clubs, we have approximately 160 clubs that continue to report manually.

HURRICANE SANDY FUND-RAISER Bridge clubs across North America came together the week of January 20 and raised approximately \$40,000 to assist the relief efforts for the victims of Hurricane Sandy. While the majority was raised from club games, donations were also made by

ACBL-wide Senior Pairs: Held in March Monday morning /afternoon, Hand Records & Analysis \$4.00 per table ACBL-wide Charity Games 1 and 2: Held twice per year in March and Nov. \$6.35 per table Hand Records & Analysis

Club Charity Game: Held throughout the year, \$4.00 per table

ACBL-wide Instant Matchpoint Game: Held in October Wed./ Thurs., \$11.00 per table, Hand Records and Souvenir Books.

Jane Johnson Club Appreciation Pair Games: Held throughout October, No extra Fee

North American College Team Championship: Held in February and July, No fees

EIGHT IS ENOUGH GAME The Rules for Eight is Enough games are amended as follows: Chapter 4 Section Two, subsection I. of the ACBL Handbook is modified by adding a new paragraph F as follows: Section Two: Types of Club Masterpoint Games

I. OPEN GAMES

F. Eight is Enough A club may hold an '8 in Enough' game as an Open Game. There must be no upper limit on the number of masterpoints allowed for team members

SEE YOU ALL AT THE SUMMER NABC AUGUST 1-11,

True Stories (Really)

At the recent St. Louis nationals Venkatrao Koneru relayed a sad story. After a match in the finals of the National Swiss, a pretty tough event, he compared scores with his teammates and quickly realized that the scores looked suspicious. It soon became apparent that both teams sat in the same direction. The final VP results were 0 for his team and -5 for the opponents. It seems that the other squad had also earned a -5 VPs for a cell phone violation!

Hans Strohmer reported an interesting treatment by the opponents. On opening lead, RHO mentioned that partner had led a singleton. "How did you know," inquired Hans? "Well, he led with his left hand." Hans questioned the legality of this treatment but the earnest player informed him that they clearly had it marked on the convention card!

Someone asked what it would take to have a player awarded an honorary LM. Researched showed that the ACBL has awarded this one time only to Snoopy. Charles Schultz was an avid bridge player.

Proposed By-Law Change

The undersigned, being at least three members of the Executive Committee of District 16 of the American Contract Bridge League, petition the Board, pursuant to Article X of the District 16 By-Laws Adopted 8/30/03 ("By-Laws"), to amend Article V, Section 5 (d)of the By-Laws

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as follows: (Replace current language with the following)

"To provide for a review and verification of accounting records, including receipts, disbursements and related procedures at least annually, with such review conducted by a qualified financial professional. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the

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Board, in its sole discretion, may call for an independent audit to be conducted with such frequency and by such professional as it deems pru-

Dated: March 18, 2013

[signed by] Jo Smith, President; Jim Thurtell, First Vice President, Rebecca Brown, Executive Secretary

Keohane NA swiss teams twice, in

Joe works as a Project Manager for

Fluor Corporation. He has an degree

in Chemical Engineering and an MBA. He has two daughters (one a

former caddy who is now 30 years old

and the other one a future caddy who

is now 3 years old). He has lived all

over the world in connection with his

job including England, Denmark, Po-

land, Switzerland and Saudi Ara-

bia. He is currently a Texas resident

but lived for several years in California where he met and married his wife,

Joe first learned bridge in college

where he still managed to graduate in spite of his addiction to the game..His

favorite partners include numerous

fellow District 16 members but espe-

cially his wife, Shawn as well as Ira

Hessel. He has enjoyed multiple suc-

cesses with both of them.

1993 and 2005.

Shawn.

Joe Quinn became

ACBL grand life

master earlier this

year when he went

over 10,000 mas-

terpoints. To obtain

this ranking a

player has to also

win an unrestricted

national champion-

ship. Joe won the

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9 AM

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Stratified 299's Open Pairs

1 PM & 7 PM

The Down and Dirty KO's Stratified Open Pairs Stratified 299's Open Pairs

Sunday, July 14

10 AM & TBD

Strati-flighted Swiss Teams

(A & AX play together)

Stratified: (A) 2000+ (A) 3000+ Strati-Flighted:

(B) 750-2000

(C) 0-750

(D) 0750

(Ax) 0-3000 (B)1250-2000 (C)750-1250

Pairs and Teams will be stratified by average of pair or team Top KO bracket may be handicapped

Pairs and KO's: \$11 / person / session

Friday and Saturday lunch will be available for purchase Swiss Team: \$100. / team (Sunday Lunch Included) (Non-ACBL or Unpaid Member add \$2.00 each session) Host: Unit 388 District 17

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He believes the future of bridge is to re-emphasize bridge for college age educated young adults as they are in the best position to take up the game and make it grow. They typically have the time and energy to learn the game and become successful.

DEADLINES for July/August Issue

Announcements: June[1 Articles, Columns: June 6th Pictures & Copy must be digital. E-mail to scorecardd16@gmail.com



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Sun	19-Jan	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Mon	20-Jan	Cozumel	8:00 AM	6:00 PM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Tues	21-Jan	Roatan	9:00 AM	6:00 PM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Wed	22-Jan	Belize	7:00 AM	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
Thur	23-Jan	Day at Sea	xxx	xxx	9:00 AM	1:00 PM
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Marjorie Kemp

Victor and Sandra Press

Brian Gelles

Jerrold Albom

Harry Ingham Susan Hernandez

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Tuesday,	Augu	ıst 27
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Stratified Open Pairs 2:00 Stratified Open Pairs 7:30 KO I (1 of 4)

Wednesday, August 28

KO I (2 of 4)

Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) 7:30 Morning Side Game Series

2:00 KO I (3 of 4) KO II (1 of 4) Bracketed Swiss Teams

> (1st Session) Stratified Open Pairs (2nd Session) 10:00

GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Afternoon Side Game Series KO I (4 of 4)

KO II (2 of 4) Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd Session)

Evening Side Game Series* Single Session Swiss Teams

Thursday, August 29

7:30

KO III (1 of 4) 10:00

Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Morning Side Game Series

299er Pairs Schedule

Tuesday: 7:30 Wednesday - Sunday: 10:00, 2:00 & 7:30 Monday 10:00 & TBA

Stratification:

A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100 There will be a separate 0-49 game each session daily (if attendance warrants)

Thursday, August 29 (Cont.)

KO II (3 of 4) KO IV (1 of 4) Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st Session) Stratified Open Pairs (2nd Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Afternoon Side Game Series*

KO II (4 of 4) KO IV (2 of 4) Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd Session) Evening Side Game Series*

Single Session B-A-M Teams Friday, August 30

KO III (2 of 4) Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Morning Side Game Series 2:00 KO IV (3 of 4) KO V (1 of 4)

> **Bracketed Swiss Teams** (1st Session) Stratified Open Pairs (2nd Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Afternoon Side Game Series* KO IV (4 of 4)

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd Session) Evening Side Game Series* Single Session Swiss Teams MIDNIGHT MADNESS ZIP KO

KO V (2 of 4)

11:00

Celebrity Speakers Wed - Sat 1:15 and 6:45 PM

GOLD RUSH Pairs 0-750 Play for Gold 5 2 - Session Events: Wednesday - Sunday

10:00 & 2:00

KOs starting daily!

Tuesday - Sunday

GOLD RUSH Monday Bracketed Swiss

8 teams in each bracket Top 3 teams in each bracket win GOLD

Great Dallas Hospitality! Parking STILL only \$2

Entry fees: \$13+\$2/session for non-members/unpaid members Prizes: Section Tops in pairs games and first place teams in KOs and Swiss

Saturday, August 31

10:00 KO III (3 of 4) Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Morning Side Game Series*

KO V (3 of 4) KO VI (1 of 4) Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st Session)

> Stratified Open Pairs (2nd Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Afternoon Side Game Series '

KO V (4 of 4) KO VI (2 of 4)

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd Session) Evening Side Game Series* Single Session Swiss Teams MIDNIGHT MADNESS ZIP KO

Sunday, September 1

11:00

7:30

KO III (4 of 4) Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Morning Side Game Series KO VI (3 of 4) 2:00 Compact KO (1 of 2) Stratified Open Pairs (2nd Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Afternoon Side Game Series KO VI (4 of 4) Compact KO (2 of 2) Evening Side Game Series*

Single Session Swiss Teams

Monday, September 2

10:00 Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams (2 session play thru) GOLD RUSH Bracketed Swiss Teams (0-2000)

(2 session play thru) Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session) Sandwiches and snacks available for purchase

Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session)

* In the Side Game Series, the best 2 of 5 count in the overalls.

Stratifications and Flighting

Stratified Events:

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

Strati-Flighted Swiss:

A: 4000+, AX: 0-4000 (A and AX play together)

B: 0-2000 Bracketed

(8-team brackets by masterpoints; 3 teams in each bracket win GOLD)

Note: Stratification is based on average MPs for each pair/leam. However, for Strati-Flighted events, qualification to play in a given flight is determined by the maximum MP holding for any player on that pair/;team

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Rebecca Brown



Lucky? Coincidence? I don't think so! Congratulations to Donna Swarthout and Ed Rawlinson for winning the 2012 Horton/Gray awards for the female and male, respectively, which awards are given to those who have won the highest number of masterpoints in Unit Sectionals in the past year. These two are always racking up the points! In fact, Donna has won the award for the past three years; Ed has won it every year since 2005 except for 2011. Could it be that they are just darn good bridge players? Ya think? Also, a big shout out to Marge Miller who won the Paul Lewis 2012 award for top masterpoint winner in Unit Sectionals among the under 300 point set.

Our Unit was well-represented at the NABCs in St. Louis. Congrats to Bill McCarty, San Antonio, who won the NAP Flight B with his partner, Daniel Jackson of Spring, TX. Ira Hessel brought back a hefty 137.74 points, followed by Greg Hinze, who netted 127.98.

A new event took place in early March at BCSA: a tournament for Non-Life Master Pairs. Thirty four tables, and, of those, thirty-five players scratched. Judy Taquino and Janice Fletcher took top master point winner spots, winning almost 5 points each! Way to go!

Lotsa folks showed up for the I-35 qualifier held on March 30 at Turtle Creek to enjoy the fun competition, the lotsa prizes and lotsa good food provided by Jeri Tribo and Ed Rawlinson. There were nineteen teams which participated. Two teams from each flight qualified to play in the finals against Austin. Flight A: (1) Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani, Dave Swarthout, Donna Swarthout; (2) Wayne Rauschuber, Chuck Jefferson, Sheryleen Grothus; Beverly Santos. Flight B: (1) Jeri Tribo, Fran Vanecko, Rich Curtin, George Fillis. (2) Terry Rice, Andy Villastrigo, Arline Rubin, Kenyon Daniel; Flight C: (1) David Herron, Lew Spurlock, Jim Roff, Irene White; (2) Kathy Sinkin-Amor, Beth Gale, Marge Miller, Brenda Johnson. 299'ers:(1) Prema Durairajj, Marilyn Weinstein, David Johnson Jr, Stewart Windeler; (2) Cathy Supple, Doris Salley, Beverly Poth, John Stewart. Congrats to all and thanks for participating! I know there are many among us who were unable to participate but were cheering you on in spirit!

Kerrville folks did themselves proud, with warm welcomes and great hospitality for 271 tables of players. Ed Rawlinson and Dave Swarthout were top masterpoint winners (32.92 each). Tom Marsh did his best once again to keep us all in line and entertained at the same time! The fast pairs are fast becoming a craze, with as many as 15 tables a night and lots of fun for everyone (especially the winners!) Tom reminded us all that we had to play fast—not well—adding that we all have "not playing well down pat!"

We are especially proud to recognize the winners of the Goodwill Members of the Year Award for 2012: Gary Larson and Fran Vanecko, each of whom has added appreciably to our bridge community. Gary has been a steadfast, patient and generous mentor to many newer players. Fran spearheaded the Unit's Support the Troops effort and was instrumental in establishing the I-35 Cup competition.

So, as we were saying: what makes a good partnership? I have continued my casual survey and heard these suggestions:

Overlook your partner's errors

Stay the course, don't give up on your partner when you go through a bad patch

A good partnership is like a dance; one partner leads and the other follows gracefully and makes his/her partner look good

Trust your partner or "hang it up"---rather like a marriage!

Don't put your partner down (ever, but especially at the table)

Learn to take criticism well yourself

Understand each other's style and be "in synch"

Do what you can to clarify the position for your partner

Have discussions/disagreements away from the table.

I, personally, liken a successful partnership to "grokking" (see "Stranger in a Strange Land", Robert A. Heinlein) when you intuit your partner's interior landscape, intimately and completely sharing the same line of thinking. In other words, when you really "get each other." Doesn't happen that often or easily, does it? But when it does, even for one game,

Table Tidbits: You all know them: Judy and Steve Hoffman, partners in life and in bridge. If you read Judy's blog (which you should!), she will be the first to acknowledge that being your spouse's partner is sometimes very difficult. You can't gripe at the table...either at the club or in the kitchen! They both landed (separately) in San Antonio in 1972, she from Denver, he from Philadelphia. Steve came to teach in the Department of Medicine at UTHSCSA, where he worked for four years before beginning his private practice in Neurology. He continued to teach, being known as "Mr. Science" by his students. Judy was head nurse at Methodist Hospital's Neuro Unit where she ran into Mr. Science quite a lot. They got acquainted over stories about their kids (they each had two little ones). They reconnected several years later at another hospital (where Judy was heavily involved in the establishment and management of an outpatient surgi-center and Steve was seeing patients). They found more and exciting things to talk about and haven't stopped since! They will celebrate their 25th anniversary this year. Since their retirements from full-time work in 2005, they discovered their shared interest in duplicate during a transatlantic cruise. Once they returned to San

Antonio, they found Turtle Creek Bridge Club, walked in to the newly opened club to be greeted by Big Al Lochli and David Mitchell. "Come on down and play" they were told (never mind classes or beginner games!) They started out in the open games and got the stuff beat out of them regularly, but they have kept coming back for more! And aren't we glad?!

Upcoming: Fiesta Sectional (April 25 -28) (Fiesta Bridge Club 2112 NW Military Hwy) Awards Day (May 18) (Fiesta Bridge Club); I-35 Cup Finals (June 1)(BCSA); NLM Sectional (June 7-8)(Fiesta Bridge Club); Regional (July 1-7) Omni Hotel

See you at the table!

San Antonio NLM Sectional

03/08 - 03/09/2013 35 players. __34 tables.

- 1 4.90 Judy Caroll Taquino
- 2 4.90 Janice Fletcher3 4.13 Marjorie Miller
- 4 4.13 Marjorie Mille 4 4.13 Leslie Tramer
- 4 4.13 Lesile Trailler
- 5 3.80 Debbie Schweiss

Fri Morn NLM Pairs - 9.0 Tables ABC1. Ann McMullan - Jim McMullan AB2. Rowena Gorman -Jim Gorman C2. Barbara Dreeben -Roxana Hayne

Fri Aft NLM Pairs - 9.0 Tables A1. Leslie Tramer - Marjorie Miller A2. Debbie Schweiss - Dolores Reiley BC1. Jennifer Sammis - Susan Wise B2. James Babich - Phillip Corrigan C2. Marjorie Tucker - Dick Arnold Sat Morn NLM Spairs - 9.0 Tables ABC1. Davelyn Robbins - Betty Lou Woody AB2. Judy Caroll Taquino -Janice Fletcher C2. Marjorie Tucker - Dick Arnold

Sat Aft NLM Pairs - 7.0 Tables AB1. Janice Fletcher - Judy Caroll Taquino A2. Debbie Schweiss -Georgia Baron B2. Jim Gorman -Rowena Gorman

Spring In The Hills

Kerrville April 4-7, 2013 210 players. 271 tables.

1 32.93 Ed Rawlinson

- 2 32.93 Dave Swarthout
- 3 29.33 Donna Swarthout
- 4 27.93 Gary Anziani
- 5 19.06 Virginia Noelke 6 19.06 Venkatrao Koneru
- 7 19.06 Terry Riely
- 8 19.06 Carolyn Riely
- 9 18.70 Diane Olson 10 16.95 Donna McBride
- **Thursday Morning Pairs**-14.0 Tables / Based on 20 Tables A1. Ed

Rawlinson-Dave Swarthout A2. Michael Bossert-Sara Bossert B1. Jeri Tribo-Susan Hernandez B2. Joan Crowell-Norma Murray C1. John Osborne-Linda Reichenau

Thursday Morning 299r-6.0 Tables AB1. Earl Cutler-Betty Cutler AB2C1. Dean Groussman-Maria Groussman C2. Jim McMullan-Ann McMullan

Thursday Stratified Swiss-26 Tables A1. Diane Olson-Sheryleen Grothus-Fran Vanecko-Donna

McBride A2. K Carpenter-Roxie Tom-Roxana Tom-Katherine Gary B1. Dee Baker-Anyemarie Weaver-Anne McCullough; Dorthy Rippstein B2. Judy Lewis-Andy Villastrigo-Robert Barber-Stewart Windeler C1. Carol Zuclich-Joseph Zuclich-Linda Christian-Jeanie Webb C2. Linda Briggs-Carolyn Worsham-James Jay-Ann Jay

Friday Morning Open Pairs-23.0
Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1.
Everette Lewis-Marilyn Arnold A2.
Barbara Caruthers-Doug Cross B1.
Jay Thorne; Stephen Hoffman B2.
Wright Barnebey-Evelyn Weaver
C1. Joy Bradford-Patty Barger C2.
Mary Powell-Barbara Morgan
Friday Morning 299r Pairs-5.0
Tables AB1. Christine Collier-Maria
Groussman AB2. Wyn Coleman-

Richard Greenbauer C1. Jo Ann Manfredi-Sharon Koenig C2. Beth Bearden-Ben Bearden **Friday Afternoon Pairs-**27.5 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. Janise Saul-Everette Lewis A2. Donna McBride-N Caruthers B1. Beth Gale-

bles / Based on 32 Tables A1. Janise Saul-Everette Lewis A2. Donna McBride-N Caruthers B1. Beth Gale-Becky Mosely B2. Norma Murray-Joan Crowell C1. Rowena Gorman-Jim Gorman C2. Jerre McAfee-David McAfee

Friday Afternoon 299r Prs-4.0 Tables AB1. Catherine Supple-Jan Wingate AB2. Jim McMullan-Ann McMullan

Friday KO-Bracket 1-5 Tables 1. Virginia Noelke-Venkatrao Koneru-Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely 2. Ed Rawlinson-Gary Anziani-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout

Friday Evening Fast Pairs-15.0 Tables A1. Jodie McMahon-Diane Olson A2. Kenneth McBride-Donna McBride B1. K Voges-Susan Ohm B2. Eddy Rice-Verle Rice C1. Catherine Supple-Jan Wingate C2. Ginny Littrell-Jacquelyn Fisher

Friday KO-Bracket 2-5 Tables 1. George Fillis-Karen Fillis-Rebecca Brown-David Ticen 2. Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny-Ken MacMorran -Sharon MacMorran Saturday Morning Open Prs-23.5 Tables / Based on 28 Tables AB1. Susan Ohm-K Voges A2. Marilyn German-Penny Snow B2. Fran Vanecko-Jeri Tribo C1. Barbara Morgan-Mary Powell C2. Wyn Coleman-Richard Greenbauer

Saturday Morning 299r Prs-4.0
Tables AB1. Earl Cutler-Betty Cutler AB2. Christine Collier-Maria
Groussman C1. Beth Bearden-Ben
Bearden C2. Linda ScarpelliAmanda Shaw

Saturday Afternoon Pairs-25.0 Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1. Marilyn Arnold-Hank Eng A2B1. Ellen Meyer-Anita Cokins B2C1. Richard Greenbauer-Wyn Coleman C2. Stephen Simmons-Dolly Simmons

Saturday Afternoon 299r-3.0 Table AB1. Earnestine Broyles-Jean Durocher

Margaret Higgins Swiss-24 Tables A1. Roxana Tom-Roxie Tom-Hank Eng-Katherine Gary A2. Terry Riely -Carolyn Riely-Venkatrao Koneru-Virginia Noelke B1. Becky Mosely-Tessa Bodnar-Kathy Sinkin-Amor-Beth Gale B2. David Ticen-Paul Johnston-Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn C1./ Ann Jay-James Jay -Linda Reichenau-John Osborne C1/2 Ken MacMorran-Sharon MacMorran -Sheila Milner-Judith Parken Saturday Eve Fast Pairs-9.0 Tables A1. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel A2B1.

Karen Fillis-George Fillis B2. David Ticen, Victoria -; Eleanor Sherwyn C1. Sheila Milner-Judith Parken C2. Amanda Shaw-Linda Scarpelli Saturday KO-Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Ed Rawlinson-Gary Anziani-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout 2. Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny-Linda Anthony-Mary Anne Laier

Unit 174 Houston



Club & Other Successes

Carol Ann

Wilson

Unit 174 games continue to excel with lots of great classes, mentor games, supervised play, workshops, and 8 Is Enough events. **Bridge Club** of Houston is adding a new event to encourage social bridge players to join the duplicate legions. Called "A Fun Day of Bridge," the first one will be Saturday, May 18, and will feature a free lesson from Norm Gautier, a complimentary lite lunch, and a free sanctioned game for players with no more than 20 MPs! In June they begin a Saturday afternoon \$5 game for newer players that will also feature a complimentary lesson before the game.

We're also excited about the success **Eddie Wold** is having with his forcredit bridge course at Rice University. A good write-up was in the His students knew almost nothing about bridge and very little about cards in general. "Some didn't even know what a 'trick' was," says Eddie. He started them out by doing just what ACBL teaches its teachers: "Get the cards on the table." They first learned how to play notrump, then they learned about the importance of finding a 4-4 fit in the majors. Soon they learned the value of hands with shape -which Eddie called "sexy bids" to get their attention-and now they're learning conventions. Eddie says that every week after class there are more students to stay and ask questions, and now they're up to three or four tables after class! He is really impressed by how "smart they are." We will be getting regular updates on this groundbreaking venture, so stay tuned.

70% Games

On Tuesday, 2/5, Faye Vincent and Pat Updegraff had a 71% game at Bridge Club of Houston. All the other 70% games I found for this issue were at the Houston Bridge Studio: Debi Balter and Max Levit had a 70.5% on Wednesday, 2/6; Jane VanSanten and Phyllis Maddox had a 74.75% on Friday, 2/15; Sandra Clark and Bill Baker had a 71.15% on Tuesday, 2/19; and Stephanie Slattery and Charlene Bolton had a 71% game at the 299er Tournament at the Studio on 3/9. Please send ion news of your 70% game scores, as these are very special happenings!

Spotlight

Daniel Jackson, who plays regularly at Bridge Club of Houston, won the North American Pairs in B in St. Louis in March with partner Bill McCarty of San Antonio. This was not Daniel 's first national championship. In 1990 he won the North

BCSA NLM TOURNAMENT WINNERS



Sat Aft Pairs Judy Taquino - Janice Fletcher



Fri Aft Pairs Leslie Tramer - Marge Miller



Sat Morn Pairs Davelyn Robbins - Betty Lou Woody



Fri Morn Pairs Ann & Jim McMullan



Fri Aft Pairs Jennifer Sammis - Susan Wise

KERRVILLE SECTIONAL WINNERS





Sun Swiss B Kathy Sinkin-Amor, Becky Mosely Tessa Bodnar, Beth Gale



Sun Swiss C Tie Ken MacMorran, Sheila Milner, Sharon MacMorran, Judy Parken



Sun Swiss C Tie Ann Jay, Linda Reichenau, James Jay, John Osborne



Thur Morn Pairs A Ed Rawlinson, Dave Swarthout



Thurs Morn Pairs B Susan Hernandez, Jeri Tribo



Thurs Morn Pairs C John Osborne, Linda Reichenau



Thursday Swiss A Fran Vanecko, Sheryleen Grothus, Diane Olson, Donna McBride



Thurs Swiss B Dorthy Rippstein, Dee Baker, Anyemarie Weaver, Anne McCullough



Thurs Swiss C
Carol Zuclich, Linda Christian,
Joe Zuclich, Jeanie Webb



Fri Morn Pairs A Marilyn Arnold, Everette Lewis



Fri Morn Pairs B Steve Hoffman, Jay Thorne



Fri Morn Pairs C Patty Barger, Joy Bradford



Fri Aft Pairs A Janise Saul. Everette Lewis



Friday Afternoon Pairs (B) Beth Gale, Becky Mosely



Fri Aft Pairs C Jim & Tena Gorman



Fri Eve Fast Pairs A Jodie McMahon, Diane Olson



Fri Eve Fast Pairs B Sat Morn Pairs A/B Sue Ohm



Friday KO Bkt 1 Babu Koneru, Carolyn Riely, Terry Riely, Ginny Noelke



Fri KO Bkt 2 Dave Ticen, George Fillis, Rebecca Brown, Karen Fillis



Sat Morn Pairs C Barbara Morgan, Mary Powell



Sat Aft Pairs A Marilyn Arnold, Hank Eng



Ellen Meyer, Anita Cokins



Sat Aft Pairs C Dick Greenbauer, Wyn Coleman



Sat Eve Fast Pairs A Ira & Ellen Hessel



Sat Eve Fast Pairs B George & Karen Fillis



Sat Eve Fast Pairs C Judy Parken, Sheila Milner



Sun Swiss A Roxie Tom, Hank Eng, Roxana Tom, Ann Gary

American non-LM Swiss nationals, and with his mentee **Bill Gervais** he won the Red Ribbon Pairs in 2009. Daniel says he attributes his success to "exercise and eating right," as well as playing with partners who are better than he so that he can continue learning. He said he's never satisfied and always tries to do better and learn more. He is only a few MPs short of "A" status, and currently he is working with **Carolyn Fox** in his quest up the ladder. Daniel, we are very proud of you!

Away From the Bridge Table

Jill Meyers, who has won six world championships, is an attorney, has a music business in Los Angeles, and runs licensing for *The Voice* on NBC. Nick Nickell, who had been on too many winning championship teams to count, heads up a private-equity firm, Kelso & Co.

The Other Side: Famous People Who Play Bridge

We all know about Warren Buffet and Bill Gates, and their great contributions to bridge for young people (and some of us have even played in the same rooms with them). And for years we've been proud of Omar Sharif and the attention he has brought to our beloved game. But did you know that General Dwight D. Eisenhower, while planning the D-

Day Invasion, played bridge for relaxation and to keep his mind sharp? (Tom Selleck, also an avid bridge player, portrayed the great general in the movie Ike, available on DVD and well worth your time.) United States Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer and his wife play bridge regularly at their vacation home. Designer Isaac Mizrahi hosts a regular Sunday afternoon game in New York. And many of us will say "amen" to Warren Buffet's description of the game: "such a sensational game that I wouldn't mind being in jail if I had three cellmates who were decent players and who were willing to keep the game going 24 hours a day." Wahoo!

Fundamental Tip

"In Tempo" means to bid and play in an even tempo—not hurried, not painfully slowly, and not with any extra body language. Just "feel" a tempo and move in rhythm to it. Ideally, you would take the same amount of time to think for a bit, approach the bidding box, pull your card(s), lay it(them) in front of you, and the next person is up to bat, so to speak. Now, it's not possible to do it all the time like a robot, but it should be a goal.

The same theory should apply to your play, especially when defend-

ing. Use a calm, deliberate, easy manner of playing your card. That means you need to decide what you are probably going to play in *each* suit when the dummy comes down so that you do not play too quickly or take too long to decide.

Last Farewell

Barbara Norwood left us on February 27; John Reagan Switzer Jr. passed away in Kingwood on March 2; Dorothy Froman's graveside service was on March 4; and Lois Logan died the first week of April. We will miss them.

I'd like to close this report by sharing this meaningful quote with you: "Live as if you are going to die to-day; learn as if you are going to live forever." —Ghandi

Houston Election Sectional

March 5-8, 2013 708 players. 687 tables.

- 1 32.57 Shawn Quinn 2 32.57 Mildred Breed 3 29.79 Ralda St Pierre
- 4 29.27 Tom Clarke 5 29.27 Joe Quinn
- 6 28.98 Oren Moore 7 27.62 Eddie Wold
- 7 27.62 Eddie Wold 8 24.90 Harry Elliott

9 24.90 David Goldfarb 10 22.58 Shi-Lin Yeh, Sugar Land 11 22.58 David Dyer 12 22.58 Bob Chiang 13 22.58 Ann McDougal

14 22.21 Stephen Reichek 15 22.18 John Erickson 16 22.18 Gil Micheletti

Friday Aft Side Pairs-16.0 Tables AB1. Robert Sandfield-Kathleen Malcolmson A2. Richard Wilson-Rose Calvin B2C1. Sally Avery-Barbara Webber C2. Cherry Schwarz -Rosalie Schwarz

Friday Aft 49er Pairs-10.0 Tables AB1/2 Shirley Kingsley-Elizabeth Grubb AB1/2 Shehnaz Vadgama-Bobbie Bresky

Friday Aft 299er Pairs-15.0 Tables ABC1. Toni Roesler-Jill Spence ABC2. Helen Hollis-Sara Owen-Gemoets

Friday Open Pairs-22.0 Tables / Based on 47 Tables A1. Edward Groner- Victor Sitton A2. John Zilic-Virginia Zilic BC1/2 Robert Watkins-Charles Lanni BC1/2 Marilyn Frazier-Donna Hrachovy Friday Eve Side Pairs-4.5 Tables A1 Dianna Gittelman-Gary King A2. Richard Wilson-John Lindsey

A1 Dianna Gittelman-Gary King
A2. Richard Wilson-John Lindsey
B1. James Frick-David Glandorf B2.
Hans Strohmer-Nancy Strohmer
Friday Eve 299er Pairs-10.0 Tables
DEF1. Claude Habayeb-Renee Elawar DE2. Larry Cossey-Sybil
Stephens F2. Tekin Kunt-Mehmet

Ungor **Friday Eve 49er Pairs**-5.0 Tables GH1. Karen Jennings-Odis Nolte G2/3H2. Bonnie Halkett-C Draper

Stephens G2/3 Mary Ellen Vail-Nancy Guthrie **Friday Brktd Swiss #1**-9 Tables / Based on 54 Tables 1. Gil Micheletti, Md John Frickson-Ralda St Pierre.

Based on 54 Tables 1. Gil Micheletti Md-John Erickson-Ralda St Pierre-Oren Moore, 2. Carolyn Lanier-Shirley Hooks-Shawn Quinn-Mildred Breed Friday Brktd Swiss #2-9 Tables /

Based on 38 Tables 1. Karen Nimmons-Theron Lindsey-Hugh
Humphries-Kay Humphries 2. Bert
Onstott III-Katherine Onstott-Nancy
Reader-Debra Bellan
Friday Brktd Swiss #3-9 Tables /

Based on 21 Tables 1. David Dyer-Bob Chiang-Ann McDougal- Shi-Lin Yeh 2. Carolyn Campbell-Daad Rodgers-Britt Siem-Susan Belding Friday Brktd Swiss #4-9 Tables / Based on 18 1. Donald & Juinez Moss-Linda Patricia Bell 2. Roger Marlatt-Karen Tabak Nussbaum-Daniel Leightman; Rhonda Bryant Friday Brktd Swiss B5-9 Tables / Based on 15 Tables 1 Robin Elliott-Brett Elliott-Harry Elliott-David Goldfarb 2. Karen Dittert-Judith Stark-Clarissa Dowdy- Erika Magid Friday Brktd Swiss #6-9 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1. Dale Grady-

Val Grady-Suvabrata Biswas-Shyam

Bhatia 2. David Durand-Byron Fack-

enthall-Chloe Ella Fackenthall-Hillel Weinbaum

Friday Brktd Swiss #7-10 Tables 1. Robert Shanley-Suzanne Shanley, Montgomery -Betty Ryan-B J Renshaw 2. Ben Ball-Marvin Livingston-Michael McKown, -John Ambrosi

Saturday Swiss-38 Tables AB1. Kailash Sachdev-Rani Sachdev-Marcella Thomas-Catherine Brown AB2/3C1/2 Jeffery Parker-Robert Armstrong-Alick Einav-Phil Bellan AB2/3C1/2 Suvabrata Biswas-Shyam Bhatia-Val Grady-Dale Grady

Saturday Morn Side Pairs-8.0 Tables A1. Stephen Boothe-Nancy Boothe A2B1. Bob Eisenschmidt-Bill Land B2C1. Carl Hogan; Marilyn Adams C2. Bobbie Newman-Donna Miller 52.98% Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-16.5

Tables DE1. Melba Limbach-Suzanne Howell DE2. Courtney Coffman-David Morris C1. Robert Komorn, M.D-Bernard Feldman C2. Herbert Krog-Bill Frank

Saturday Morn 49er Pairs-9.0 Tables A1. Judith Britton-Linda Wukasch A2. Jane Boozalis-Naomi Hewitt B1. Elizabeth Grubb-Patricia Hall B2. Robert Lee-Yuklin Weatherhead

Saturday Open Pairs-29.0 Tables / Based on 55 Tables AB1. Michael Tannery-Sandra Clark A2. Stephen Reichek-Eddie Wold B2. Mark Leighton-Marsha Shortt C1. Julialee O'Shea-Kathleen Malcolmson C2. Joyce Trimble-Don Trimble

Saturday Aft 49er Pairs-6.0 Tables GH1. Dena Bright-Tonya McNabb G2. W Clingo-B Clingo H2I1. Marcia Lindsey-Pamela Barksdale I2. Patricia Dunnell-Carla Burns Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-14.5 Tables DEF1. Ned Earle-Judith Earle DE2. Vicky Martinez-Margie Patterson F2. Stephanie Slattery-Penny Barroso

Saturday Aft Side Pairs-7.0 Tables A1. William Daniel III-Wally Klugiewicz A2BC1. Carl Hogan-Marilyn Adams C2. Jim Middleton-Lourdes Fletcher

Saturday Compact KO #1-9 Tables 1. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Tom Clarke-Joe Quinn 2. Carolyne Fox-Mark Wallet, -Duane Friedrich; Daniel Jackson

Saturday Compact KO #2-15 Tables 1. Joan Palma-Donna Sparks-Fred Feigley-Keith Ritter 2. Bert Onstott III-Katherine Onstott-Nancy Reader-Debra Bellan

Saturday Compact KO #3-16 Tables 1. Susan Belding-Carolyn Campbell-Britt Siem-Daad Rodgers

2. Mike Goldberg-Bob Dowlen-Ronald Kautz-Carolyn Labouliere **Saturday Compact KO #4-**16 Tables 1. Charles Lanni-Robert Watkins-Terry Brown-Belinda Brown 2. Suzie Wilson-Lynn Luster-Mary Ann Polk-Mary Lou Fowler

Saturday Compact KO #5-14 Tables 1. Miriam Cooper-Bradley Etnyre-Douglas Robertson-Cole Musselman 2. Anne Gorry-Paula Goodpasture-Janet Williams;-Carol Winograd

Sunday B/C/D Swiss Teams-72
Tables B1. David Dyer-Ann
McDougal-Bob Chiang-Shi-Lin Yeh
B2. William Lindner-Linda SuttonWayne Christensen, Jr-Bill Gemas
C1. Mack Meigs-Mike Floyd-Zach
Garrison-Kristy Garrison C2/3 Terry
Sucher-Nancy Gray-Mavis WarrenUlla Skovdal C2/3 Raymond Alexanian-Lois Alexanian-Thomas

Wulfers-Sylvia Thomas D1. Cole Musselman-Bradley Etnyre-Miriam Cooper-Marilyn Adams

Sunday Swiss AX-22 Tables / Based on 94 Tables A1. Shawn Quinn-Joe Quinn-Mildred Breed-Tom Clarke A2X1. Harry Elliott-David Goldfarb-Lily Andre-James Andre X2. Jane Armstrong-Betty Starzec-Mimi Hagedorn-Jolie Hess

Sunday Morning 299er-5.0 Tables DEF1. Toni Roesler-Jill Spence DE2. Ned Earle-Judith Earle F1. Stacy Lodden-Kimberly Sunderland F2. Bobbie Bresky, Sugarland; Shehnaz Vadgama, Sugar Land 49.50%

Sunday Open Pairs-6.5 Tables / Based on 9 Tables AB1. Jeffrey Kroll-Bill Gervais A2. John Du Bose Jr; Linda Rensi B2. Dean Lindsey-Henry Gurley

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Entry Fees

Sunday (lunch included!): \$13

\$2 more for non and unpaid members

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NEARLY SUMMER SECTIONAL

June 14-16, 2013

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Stratification

Stratified Open Events

B:750-2000 C:0-750

Stratified 299r Events

A:200-300 B:100-200 C:0-100 Stratified 49r Events

A:20-50 B:5-20

A:2000+

C:0-5

Bracketed Swiss

Teams bracketed into groups of 7-9 by total masterpoint holding.

Teams will play within their bracket.

Strati-Flighted Swiss

A:4000+ Ax:0-4000

A, Ax play together

B:0-2500 Bracketed

Team or paire average masterpoints used in determining
Strati-Fighted strats.

No one with over 2500 masterpoints may play in the B flight.

Event Schedule

Friday, June 14

1:30 pm

Stratified Open Pairs (Session 1 of 2) Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)

Stratified 299r Pairs

Stratified 49r Pairs Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 of 2)

7-00 pm

Stratified Open Pairs (Session 2 of 2)

Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)

Stratified 299r Pairs

Stratified 49r Pairs

Bracketed Swiss (Session 2 of 2)

Saturday, June 15

10:30 am

Stratified Open Pairs (Session 1 Of 2)

Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)

Stratified 299r Pairs

Stratified 49r Pairs

0-5 Pairs
Compact KO (Session 1 of 2)*

3:30 pm

Stratified Open Pairs (Session 2 of 2)

Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)

Stratified 299r Pairs

Stratified 49r Pairs

Compact KO (Session 2 of 2)*

Single Session Swiss

*Compact KO may be handicapped

Sunday, June 16

10:00 am & TBA

Strati-Flighted Swiss (Double Session) Stratified Open Pairs (Double Session) Stratified Side Pairs (Single Sessions) Stratified 299r Pairs (Single Sessions)

HOUSTON ELECTION SECTIONAL WINNERS



Fri Open Pairs A



Fri Swiss Bkt 1 John Erickson, Ralda St. Pierre, Gil Micheletti, Oren Moore



Fri Swiss Bkt 2 Theron Lindsey, Kay Humphries, Karen Nimmons, Hugh Humphries



Fri Swiss Bkt 3, Sunday Swiss B Bob Chiang, Shi Lin Yeh, David Dyer, Ann McDougal



Fri Swiss Bkt 4 Don Moss, Lynn Adamchik, Juinez Moss, Patricia Bell



Fri Swiss Bkt 5 David Goldfarb, Robin Elliott, Harry Elliott, Brett Elliott



Fri Swiss Bkt 6 Val Grady, Suv Biswas, Dale Grady, Shyam Bhatia



Fri Swiss Bkt 7 BJ Renshaw, Betty Ryan, Suzanne & Bob Shanley



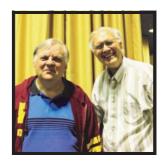
Fri Open Pairs B&C Robert Watkins, Charles Lanni



Fri Aft Side Pairs A & B



Fri Eve Side Pairs A Dianna Gittelman, Gary King



Fri Eve Side Pairs B James Frick, David Glandorf



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



Sat Compact KO Bkt 2 Donna Sparks, Joan Palma Fred Feigley, Keith Ritter



Sat Compact KO Bkt 3 Britt Siem, Daad Rodgers, Susan Belding, Carolyn Campbell



Sat Compact KO Bkt 4 Charles Lanni, Robert Watkins, Terry & Belinda Brown



Sat Compact KO Bkt 5 Miriam Cooper, Doug Robertson, Brad Etnyre, Cole Musselman



Sat Aft Swiss A & B Rani & Kailash Sachdev, Catherine Brown, Marcella Thomas



Sunday Swiss A Shawn Quinn, Mildred Breed, Joe Quinn, Tom Clarke



Sunday Swiss X Lily Andre, David Goldfarb, Jim Andre, Harry Elliott



Sunday Swiss C Zach, Kristy & Sarah Garrison, Mack Meigs, Mike Floyd



Sunday Swiss D Marilyn Adams, Miriam Cooper, Jeff Kroll, Bill Gervais (NP) Brad Etnyre, Cole Musselman



Sun Pairs A & B



Sat Aft Open Pairs A & B Sandra Clark, Michael Tannery



Fri Aft 299ers Jill Spence, Toni Roesle



Fri Aft & Sat Morn 49ers Shirley Kingsley, Elizabeth Grubb



Sat Morn 299ers Suzanne Howell, Melba Limbach



Sat Morn 299ers Robert Komorn, Bernard Feldman



Sat Morn 49ers Judy Britton, Linda Wukasch



Fri Eve 299ers Claude Haybyab, Renee Elawar



It's not often that you can learn about an opportunity to earn a little money in this column, but Lynne Wood's decision to retire at the end of the year as the unit's Business Manager presents such an occasion. It will take a talented person to fill Lynne's shoes, one who can use QuickBooks to deal with the finances of the Unit (bill paying, preparing bank deposits, preparing and filing tax returns, overseeing funds at tournaments and Unit -sponsored games, and providing financial reports at Board meetings), apply for and record tournament sanctions for the unit's tournaments, and serve as the recording secretary at the monthly unit board meetings. If you are interested in this position, please send your resume to Cheryl Clark at cherylsclark@yahoo.com. Of course, Lynne or any member of the board will be happy to answer any questions you may have about

As always, the Big Time in Big D sectional hosted by BAND was wellattended and well-received. The total table count of 675 was up from last year, and over 2600 masterpoints were awarded. The competition was strong because several players were in town to get in a few practice sessions for the Nationals. Top masterpoint winners were David Grainger from Roseville, CA; Curtis Cheek from Las Vegas; and our own Chris Compton. Sure enough, all three of these players placed in the Vanderbilt, arguably the most prestigious event at the Spring Nationals.

the position.

Speaking of the Nationals, there is no question in my mind that the happiest people upon return from the tournament were Jeff Dater and Rich Brandenburg, who finished second in the two-day Red Ribbon Pairs. They were euphoric, but, as with all strong emotions, the intensity is slowly diminishing over time. Last time I checked, they could only float on air if their toes touched the ground.

Barbara Ferm, Nancy Kelly and Anne Sims got their gold cards by

achieving the rank of Life Master. Nancy achieved Bronze Life Master at about the same time, which means she finally met her pigmented point requirements for Life Master as she continued to earn black points. Delores Eldridge, Carmen Fish, David Grimes, Pawel Hanus, Randall Smith, N J Tripode, and Jan Welsh are the unit's other new Bronze Life Masters. Our newest Silver Life Master is Ricardo Azevedo. Last but far from least, Lynne Wood has achieved the rank of Gold Life Mas-

Congratulations to all of you!

Parties, parties! BAND hosted 3 parties in the last couple of months. There was a Life Master party for Alan Pearlman, a birthday party for Kathy Bumgardner, and an all-day party for the winners of 2012 Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs We learned that Dr. Pearlman's hobby is model trains and that many of our friends had done well in ACBL events last year. We did not learn Kathy's age. Friendly Bridge Club hosted a party to honor Sandy and Rita Holzweig, the founders of the club. The playing area was filled to capacity. Tables in the hallway groaned with food brought in by the players for the occasion.

Our district's STaC competition will be the week of May 6-12. For those of you who are not familiar with this acronym, STaC stands for Sectional Tournament at Clubs and is an opportunity for you to compete in a district-wide sectional without ever venturing from the club where you usually play. Triple silver points will be awarded. Check your club's schedule for more details. The Unit Game, normally held on the second Sunday of the month, will not be held in May so that players will have the opportunity to win the better quantity and quality of points available in the STaC. (The Unit Game will resume in June at its regularly scheduled time.)

The Memorial Day sectional is scheduled for May 23 through 27. Normally our biggest sectional of the year, the attendance at the event is augmented by the District GNT competition all flights on May 25, 26, and (if needed) 27. Captains of Flight A and SuperFlight teams should contact Jim Thurtell to reserve a spot at the District Qualifiers. Put the tournament on your schedule for at least one day. The air conditioned Richardson Civic Center will provide a welcome relief from the heat that usually has arrived by then. Finally, I must report the death of one of our old-time players, Gene Ricci. Those of us who have been in the unit for a decade or four will remember his presence. Despite having been struck by polio as a youth, he led a full life. In the bridge world he managed the unit's tournaments for several years. At the table he struck fear into the hearts of his opponents. Lenny Schaen was one of his regular partners back in the day and can surely regale you with tales of their exploits.

Big Time In Big D Richardson Mar 7-10, 2013 603 players. 675 tables.

1 41.95 David Grainger 2 41.95 Curtis Cheek 3 41.95 Chris Compton 4 34.51 Mark Bumgardner 5 30.87 Stephen Kornegay 6 30.87 Nancy Kornegay 7 30.19 Nagy Kamel

8 27.69 Hank Eng 9 25.68 Barry Schaffer 10 25.34 Hanchang Wang

Thu Morn Open Pairs-5.0 Tables / Based on 19 Tables A1. Nagy Kamel -Mark Bumgardner A2. Derrell Childs-Donna Garrard B1. Jeanine Wofford-Barbara Nelson B2. Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger Thu Morn 299er Pairs-5.5 Tables ABC1. Carol Adamek, -Beth Castleberry AB2. Dwight Hill-John

Robbins Thu Morn 49er Pairs-3.0 Tables 1. Jeanne Wyatt-Elizabeth Curry 2. Anne Iler-Mary Singleton Thu Eve Open Pairs-9.0 Tables / Based on 15 Tables A1. Bob Hamman-Norman Beck A2. John Spessard-Ned Nolte B1. Kathleen Bumgardner-Wolf Schroeter B2C1. Charles Brown-David Sauder C2. Susie Summers-Janet Folmar Thu Eve 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables A1. Charles Brion-Pat Brion A2B1. John Mason-Annie Mason B2. Burt

Echtenkamp-Linda Echtenkamp

Thurs Compact KO-Brkt 1-8 Tables 1. Lue Waddle-Nancy Harralson -Adele Hudgins-Ann Lewis 2. T Jean Kidd-Gary Carey, -Mark Zeitlin-Robert Bever

Thurs Compact KO-Brkt 2-9 Tables 1. Randy Earle-Beverly Strauss-Ruthie Shor-Susan Bates 2. Brian Gelles-Janet Gelles-Jim Farmer-Margaret Raymond

Thursday Evening Swiss-18 Tables A1. Jay Gibson-Martha Young-Judith Lotridge-Eric Diamond A2. Nancy Passell, -Mark Bumgardner-Gary Bush-Bryan Storey B1. Katye Kowierschke-Lynda Bradley-James Cothran-Ruby Hill B2C1. Jackie Long-Linda Jimmerson-Jo Anne Crandall-Nancy Kelly C2. Frank Durante-Diana Chen-Nancy Latner-Sheri Wolkenstein

Thu Aft Open Pairs-17.0 Tables / Based on 40 Tables A1. Robert Adams-David Foote A2. Nagy Kamel-Mark Bumgardner B1. Natalie Rollier-Johanna Pietsch B2. Lvnne Wood-David Nurenberg C1. Bob Butterfield-Julie Butterfield C2. Chervl Clark-David Greims Thu Aft 1500'er Pairs-10.0 Tables

AB1. John Jackson-Kenneth Bickelhaupt A2. Jimmy Justice-Paula Justice A2B1. Ann Sims-Timothy Banks B2. Barry Cooper-Lynn Cooper Thu Aft 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables A1. Charles Brion-Pat Brion A2B1. Rebecca Elder-Lynda Cross B2C1. Janet Meyer-Fritzie Roop C2. Jill Hartel-John Hartel, McKinney

Thu Aft 49er Pairs-4.5 Tables A1. Elizabeth Curry-Christine Skibell A2B1. Linda Robertson-Jeanne Wyatt B2. Norma Taquino-Ginny

Thu KO Bkt 1-6 Tables 1. Susan

Key-Chris Compton-Tom Breed-David Grainger-Curtis Cheek 2. Royce McCray-Mark Hatkoff-Kathy Bullock-R Randall Smith Thu KO Bkt 2-7 Tables 1. Jean O'Neal-J Terrence Wolfe-Gay Schleicher-Jo Driscoll 2. Nancy Morse-Donna Rasmussen-Charles Morse-Leah McCarthy

Thu Morn 1500er Pairs-5.5 Tables AB1. John Jackson-Kenneth Bickelhaupt AB2C1. Elizabeth Donner-Lynell Pinion C2. Barbara Aide-Ginger Morgan

Fri Morn Open Pairs-6.0 Tables / Based on 31 Tables A1. James Bauer -Judy Northup A2. Michael Murphy-

Linda Spangler B1. Gerry McKim-Michael Hout B2. Andrew Fenves-Jack Killough

Fri Morn 1500er Pairs-9.0 Tables ABC1. Terry Tankersley-Ramon Nelson II AB2. Brian Gelles-Janet Gelles C2. Louise O'Brien-Marj Frederiksen

Fri Morn 299er Pairs-12.0 Tables ABC.1 Fritzie Roop-Janet Meyer ABC2. Patsy Rainwater-Maddu-Karen Roland Fri Aft Open Pairs-19.0 Tables /

Based on 51 Tables AB1. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard AB2. John McConnell-Charles Gibson Jr C1. June Barnebey-Ruth Wiener C2. Michael Estep-Barbara Estep Fri Aft 1500er Pairs-11.0 Tables ABC1. Christian Remling-Patrick Keating A2. Terry Manz-Carol Manz AB2. Mike Davis-Lyn Davis Fri Aft 299er Pairs-14.0 Tables

ABC1. Karen Roland-Patsy Rainwater-Maddu A2. Charles Brion-Pat Brion B2. Barbara Horowitz-Dee Bridgewater C2. Jacqueline Nadel-Donna Guthrie

Fri Aft 49er Pairs-6.5 Tables AB1. Cassie Stern-Anne Difiore AB2. Carol Lyon-Jenny Haynes Fri Compact KO Bkt 1-8 Tables 1.

Robert Buchanan-Pat Cassidy-Billy Leeper-Mary Orock 2. Jane Hopkins-Joyce Stone-Jean Roberts-David

Fri Comp KO Bkt 2-15 Tables 1. Stephen Birnbaum-Bob Butterfield-Penny Hawkins-Bruce Harbour 2. Jerrold Albom-Kathleen Rumgardn -J Fletcher-Elinor Fries

Fri KO Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Joseph Gill-Tony Pellegrini-Scott Nason-Rich Brandenburg 2. Susan Key-Chris Compton-Tom Breed-David Grainger-Curtis Cheek

Fri KO Bracket 2-8 Tables 1. Melvin Ball-Gay Nell Ball-Betty Peterson-Dee Norris 2. Jane Kirby-Diana Winkelmann-Kate Hopkins-Jennifer Rao

Friday Evening 299r Prs-5.0 Tables A1. Edward Boenker-John Blacklock A2/3 V Carlene Eddlemon-Louise LeRoux A2/3B2C1. Connie Lowry-Barbara Smith C2. Dave Romack-Anne Williams

Fri Eve Open Pairs-15.0 Tables / Based on 23 Tables A1/2BC1. Jason Larrivee-Pamela Keim A1/2 Merri-Jo Hillaker-Nagy Kamel BC2. Martin Hester-Mary Ann Stewart Friday Evening 49r Prs-3.0 Tables

BIG TIME IN BIG D SECTIONAL



♦ CHAMPIONS **▼**







Thurs AM Open Prs A Mark Bumgardner - Nagy Kamel



Thurs AM Open Prs B Jeanine Wofford - Barbara Nelson



Thurs Compact KO Bkt 1 Ann Lewis, Nancy Harralson Adele Hudgins, Lue Waddle



Thurs AM 299er Prs ABC

Beth Castleberry & Carol Adamek

Thurs KO Bkt 2 Jean O'Neal, Gay Schleicher Terry Wolfe, Jo_Driscoll



Thurs AM 1500er Prs AB

Thurs Eve Open Prs B Kathy Bumgardner - Wolf Schroeter



Anne Curry - Jeanne Wyatt



Thurs Eve Swiss A Jay Gibson, Eric Diamond Martha Young, Judy Lotridge



Fri Aft Open Prs Donna - William Garrard



Sat Morn Open Prs C Lee Huber - Mark Hatkoff



Fri Morn Open Prs A Jim Bauer - Judy Northup



Michael Hout - Gerry McKim



Fri Aft Open Prs C

Fri Bkted KO Teams Bkt 2 Melvin Ball, Gay Nell Ball Dee Norris, Betty Peterson



Fri Eve Open Prs A 1/2

Fri Eve Swiss A Barry Schaffer, Nancy Kornegay Hugh Hillaker, Stephen Kornegay



Susan Keyes, Marjorie Deutsch EJ Nowak, Therese Milford



Fri Compact KO Bkt 1 Billy Leeper, Robert Buchanan Pat Cassidy, Mary Orock



Bruce Harbour, Stephen Birnbaum Penny Hawkins, Bob Butterfield



Sat Morn Open Prs B



Curtis Cheek, Susan Key, Tom Breed Chris Compton, David Grainger



Sat Bkted KO Teams Bkt 4 Jean O'Neal, Gay Schleicher, Nancy Jipp, Jo Driscoll



Sat Eve Swiss Teams C Frank Durante, Lynn Cooper Nancy Latner, Barry Cooper

2 2.47 Barbara Ching

4 1.90 Lacy Peterson

6 1.90 Cathy Ranspot

5 1.90 Jon Bauman

2.31 Pat Law



Merri Jo Hillaker - Nagy Kamel



Sat Morn Open Prs A Gail Wells - Marion Gebhardt



Nancy Stanton - Lynn Wood

Thurs Bkted KO Teams Bkt 1

Wang-Hank Eng-Tiger King-Hanchang Wang X2. Jack Rollier-Natalie Rollier-Judy

David Grainger, Roseville CA; Cur-

tis Cheek A2X1. Hua Yang-Edward

Jacoby-Jeanne Kretz

Sunday BCD Swiss Teams-27 Tables BC1. Christian Remling-Donald Davis-Janet Davis-Patrick Keating BC2. Robert Schmidt-George Burcham-Laura Onsgard-Nancy Fellman D1. Billie Dalton-Delilah Perkinson-Billee Brooks-Carol Stollenwerck D2/3 William Higgins-Jean Higgins-Sheri Wolkenstein-Jon Wolkenstein D2/3 Reg Watt-Susan Colby-Randy Field-Bob Dingle

Sunday Morn 299er Swiss-13 Tables ABC1.Rick Margerison-Leah Margerison-Jill Hartel-John Hartel AQB2. Malley Gaulding-V Carlene Eddlemon-Marilyn Bick, -Louise LeRoux C2. John Ellis-Denise Strueber-Josephine Basel-Beth Castleberry

Sun Aft 299er Swiss-15 Tables A1. Diane Segel-Jenny Oswald-Carol Bice-Sandy Brown A2BC1. Rick Margerison-Leah Margerison-Jill Hartel-John Hartel

> 04/19 - 04/21/2013 69 players.43 tables.

Silver Trinket Pairs - 8.5 Tables A1. Karen Roland - Patsy Rainwater-Maddux AB1. Barbara Ching-Susan Kroney B2. Joan Collins-Pat Law C1. Alice Higgins -Kathryn Bush C2. Lacy Peterson-Cathy

Ranspot Silver Rounds Pairs - 9.5 Tables A1. Jane Slater - Denys Slater Jr A2B1. Pat Law-Gay Freeman B2. Julienne Moore-Karen Yarbrough C2. Nina Davis - Robert Lawler Silver Dollar Pairs - 8.5 Tables A1. Martha Jungman - Gayle Lewis A2B1. Loretta Leathers-Ian John Currell B2. Jonathan Wang-Jianbo Chen C1. Judith Latham-Caroline Drews C2. Lacy Peterson - Cathy

Silver Bar Pairs - 10.5 Tables A1. Denys Slater Jr - Jon Bauman A2B1. David Baltimore-Nancy Baltimore B2. Jill Hartel - Jack Hartel C1. Caroline Drews-Judith Latham C2. Lacy Peterson - Cathy Ranspot Silver Buffaloes Swiss - 6 Tables A1. Kay Moran - Judy Noble-Connie Van Patter - Dennis Van Patter A2C1. Randy Patterson -Larica Taylor-Connie Napier-DeAnn Cummings

AB1. Judith Latham-Caroline Drews AB2. Sam Norvell-George Bedell Friday Evening Swiss-20 Tables A1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Barry Schaffer-Hugh Hillaker A2. Nancy Stanton, -Lynne Wood-Jay Gibson-Martha Young B1. Gary Neisler, -Becky Koenigseder-Jimmy Reynolds-Mary Ann White C2. Jack Borenstein-Murray Berger-Jim Clark-Ned Nolte C1. Susan Keyes-Majorie Deutsch-E J Nowak-Therese Milford C2. Janet Davis-Donald Davis-Christian Remling-Patrick Keating Fri Morn 49er Pairs-3.5 Tables 1. Elizabeth Curry-Jeanne Wyatt 2. Steven Russell-Suzanne Russell

Saturday KO3 Bracket 1-6 Tables 1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Barry Schaffer-Hugh Hillaker 2. Michael Diesel-Stephanie Hamilton-Diesel-John Schwartz-Gerry McKim

Saturday KO3-Bracket 3-6 Tables 1. Janet Davis-Donald Davis-Christian Remling-Patrick Keating 2. Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Karen Caton-Michael Cain

Saturday KO-Bracket 4-6 Tables 1. Jean O'Neal-Gay Schleicher-Nancy Jipp-Jo Driscoll 2. Gay Anderson-Marlow Muldoon-Joyce Muldoon-David Taylor

Saturday KO-Bracket 2-6 Tables 1. Jim Harp-Jack Killough-Mary Ann White-Jimmy Reynolds 2. T Jean Kidd-Gary Carey, -Mark Zeitlin, -

Robert Bever, Flower Mound Sat Aft Open Pairs-26 Tables / Based on 63 ABC1. Hanchang Wang -Hank Eng A2. Linda Spangler, -David Horner BC2. Alice Hendry-Elaine Lagerstrom

Sat Aft 1500er Pairs-13.0 Tables A1. Susan Flick-Jackie Hertweck A2BC1. Nget Carter-Abu Qureshi BC2. Mark Hatten-Robert Razon Sat Aft 299er Pairs-18.5 Tables A1. Eugene Wuller-Stephen Wuller A2B1. Judy Dolginoff-N Milanese B2. Malley Gaulding-Marilyn Bick C1. Patsy Rainwater-Karen Roland C2. Melanie Munnell-John Ellis Sat Aft 49er Pairs-5.5 Tables AB1. Jeffrey Smith-Robert Terry AB2. Cathy Ranspot-Evelyn Dashefsky, Saturday Morning 49r-6.0 Tables AB1. Cathy Ranspot-Evelyn Dashefsky AB2. Jeanne Wyatt-Elizabeth

Saturday Morning 299r-13.0 Tables ABC1. Satish Shah-Venkata Vishnubholta A2. Rosalee Hacker-Anne Kyle B2/3 Beth Castleberry-Josephine Basel B2/3C2. Gayle Lewis-Martha Jungman

Saturday Morning 1500 Prs-8.0 Tables ABC1. May Sebel-Nancy Kelly ABC2. Joyce Holland-Leah McCarthy

Saturday Morning Open Prs-9.5 Tables / Based on 37 Tables A1. Marion Gebhardt-Gail Wells A2B1. Nancy Stanton-Lynne Wood B2. Kevin Cline-Michael Hout C1. Lee

Huber-Mark Hatkoff C2. Jo Shah-Sam Shah

Sat Eve Swiss Teams-14 Tables AB1. Hua Yang, -Tiger King-Hanchang Wang-Hank Eng A2. Chris Compton-Marc Levine-David Grainger-Curtis Cheek B2. Katye Kowierschke-Lynda Bradley-Ruby Hill-James Cothran C1. Frank Durante-Barry Cooper-Lynn Cooper-Nancy Latner C2. George & Laura Lowe-Dave Romack- Anne Williams Saturday Evening Pairs-13.0 Tables / Based on 18 Tables A1. Merri-Jo Hillaker-Nagy Kamel A2. Robert Adams-David Foote BC1. Pawel Hanus-Donna Compton B2. Tomi FitzGerald-Jeff Dater C2. Dorothy Moore-Tom Moore, Keller 55.82% Saturday Evening 299'er-5.0 Tables A1. Charles Brion-Pat Brion A2/3B1/2 James Johnson- Daviv Radack, Irving A2/3 BC1/2 George Bedell-Sam Norvell, Dallas 57.50% Sat Compact KO Bkt 1-6 Tables 1. Bryan Storey-Nancy Passell-Norman Beck-Tom Edwards 2. Bill Staats-James Thurtell-James Bauer-Mark Bumgardner

Sat Compact KO Bkt 2-15 Tables 1. Jerrold Albom-J Fletcher-Kathleen Bumgardner, Dallas; Elinor Fries, 2 David Luzzatto, Richardson; Janet Folmar-Jean Hoffman-Betsy Gold-

Sunday AX Swiss-31 Tables / Based on 71 Tables A1. Chris Compton. Dallas; Marc Levine, Lubbock;

BAND Silver 99ers Dallas

1 4.14 Denys Slater Jr,

Unit 183 Fort Worth

Millie Williams



I know it's Spring...the calendar tells me so, but I'm ready to put up the sweaters and break out the flip-flops as I head off to bridge every day! I'm tired of being cold...remind me of this when it's hottern' blue blazes soon...

The Split Unit Championship was held on Saturday, February 15 at locations in Denton and Fort Worth. Denton had 7 tables with NS winners Roma Allison and Greg Sucec; 2nd Philip Metz and Susan Stell and 3rd Lin Jones and Helen Olechna. EW winners were Martin Hester and Anne Kyle; 2nd Joyce Stone and Jean Kidd; 3rd Preston Morrow and Ruby Hill. Fort Worth hosted 16 tables and feasted on the delicious sandwiches of Nora Oliver. NS winners were Judy Staser and Tom Hughes; 2nd Kay Jones and Mel Bason; 3rd Sara Funkhouser and Nancy Booth who were also first in EW was won by Linda Spangler and Hugh Hillaker (also first overall); 2nd Don Reynolds and Buck Buchanan; 3rd Melody Gann and Clay Waldrop. Ken and Jeri Quinton were first in flight "C".

A popular 8 is Enough game was held in Arlington on Feb. 23. There were 25 teams competing, with the winners: Ned Noelte, Dee Berg, Robert Scanland and Jim Atteberry. Second went to Melba Clark, Carole Findlay, Dion Dubois and Catherine Tucker.

As most of you know, our friend, David Pearlman is moving to Austin...our loss is Austin's gain. The Arlington Club hosted a going-away party for him on March 18. David will continue coming back to the area for the Unit 183 Board Meetings and who knows...maybe a game of bridge while in town! Good luck, David!

On March 25, a festive birthday party was held at Diane Washabaugh's Monday Morning Game for one of her players, DeDe Cozart. Fifteen tables of friends sang Happy Birthday to DeDe, as she celebrated her 93rd birthday. DeDe's son Tom was able to attend the party. There were two sections with the winners NS Carolyn Marks and Karen Collins and Jill Carroll and Marilyn Elston. The EW winners were Jery Quinton and Jessica Meyer and Jacqueline Montgomery. DeDe's partner was Ruth Greig.

Now, having said all that, I must admit I missed a "biggie" in January!!! Our dear and darling friend and bridge player Gene Britton placed another candle on her cake...102 and going strong! She can hardly find time to play as she's still studying and researching the game she loves so much. She keeps trying to bring new things to her game, but Steve can't seem to understand all of them. Gene we love you!! Many more!

Keep checking the bulletin boards in all locations for upcoming opportunities: there will be two more classes on Saturday mornings...one in April will be a panel discussing minors over 1NT and the second will be in May at a date to be announced with Don Reynolds speaking on counting. Mary Jane is continuing her lessons on Sunday evenings in Arlington.

If you have a 70% or more game, please let me know...I'd like to include all names in the column...I am sure I am missing some, but the ones I have are Dorothy Bedford and Joyce Zachry, as well as David Pearlman and Jack Muzzion in February. In March Don Farrell and Sue Kay Reeder had a 70%

er...congratulations, all!

I'd like to thank Melody Gann for her help and support in gathering news from Arlington for the Scorecard article. There is nothing dearer to my heart than to hear about something we all want and need to know...if you have items you'd like to see included, please let me know....

Do you have the May3-5 Fort Western Spring Sectional on your calendars? You don't want to miss this great tournament...location is the Raddison Hotel north of town...who doesn't remember the excellent food during the Swiss on Sunday...See you there!

ADBC held its annual Membership Meeting March 2 and elected new directors. They are Marguerite Lavender, Becky Koenigseder and Helen Nelson. Congratulations! After the meeting an upgraded Club Championship game was held. NS winners were Milt Cunningham and Don Pigg, followed by Jan Kenyon and Richard McGill. First EW and 1st overall were Steve and Nancy Kornegay, followed by Hugh Hillaker and Bil Staats and Pat Cassidy and Bill Gibson 3rd. In the limited section Sue Kay Reeder and Gladys Freeman were 1st EW and first overall followed by Birdie Taylor and Mike Peiffer. 1st NS were Craig and Mary Ann Briney followed by Bill and Katie Cannon.

We offer deepest sympany and condolences to two of our players who have recently lost their husbands: Barbara Baker and Lucky Snyder...you are in our prayers.

Play Well and Have Fun!!

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Arlington NLM Sectional

04/13-04/14/2013 63 players. 42 tables.

- 1 4.45 Gloria Schuford, Fort Worth
- 2 4.45 Charlene Gallaty, Bedford
- 3 4.01 Mary Ann Briney, N Richard Hill
- 4 4.01 Craig Briney, N Richland Hill
- 5 3.29 Jack Lavine, Denton6 3.29 Barbara Reeves, Lewisville

Sat Morn NLM Pairs-9.5 Tables / Based on 14 Tables ABC1. Charlene Gallaty-Gloria Schuford AB2. Rosalee Hacker-Joyce Taylor C2. Caroline Drews-Grace Daley Sat Morn Easybridge-4 Tables D1. Susan Smith-Sandy Beyer D2E1. Kimberly Dorsey-Cheryl Hartfield E2. Robert Lawler-Nina Davis Sat Aft NLM Pairs-8.0 Tables AB1. Craig Briney-Mary Ann Briney AB2. Thomas Head-Rebecca Head C1/2 Shelby Schafer-Ginny Collett C1/2 Joyce Taylor-Kimberly Dorsey Sun Morn NLM Swiss Teams-9 Tables ABC1. Craig Briney-Mary Ann Briney-Ann Parker-Sudhir Shah ABC2. Nina Davis-Robert Lawler-Wilma Hill-J David Hill **Sun Aft NLM Swiss Teams-11** Tables A1. Barbara Reeves-Jack

Lavine-Sue Thompson, Denton Carey Cole AB2C1. Charlene
Gallaty-Gloria Schuford-Sandy
Beyer-Anne Williams C2. Sue Baucom-Charlotte Patrick-Barbara Allen
-Linda Neal

Unit 187 Corpus Christi

Dee Schade

We have had a great table count this winter as all our friends from cold country were in town. We love having them at our games & look forward to their return in the fall.

Mary Ross directed a Chinese New Year championship team game on Sunday, February 10. To commemorate the event, everything was decorated in red with a big dragon on the wall. This is the year of the Snake. Six teams enjoyed fried chicken with Linda Medina's Lo Mein and fortune cookies for dessert. I was told they drank a lot of wine. Overall winners were Libby Boeye, Jay Gueldner, Bill & Marilyn Mac Donald. Second place were Bob Gerberich, Betty Marriett, Marilyn German & Phyllis Pruet. B flight was won by Lynn Parker, Dave Williamson, Patricia Kaddatz & Larry Nagel. Sounds like a great time.

The ACBL wide charity game on March 12 drew 10 pairs. The size of the field does not indicate the fun that was had! It was pot luck with good food & of course some wine. Lina Crumpler directed this raucous group with dexterity & skill. Martha DeCou & Bob Gerberich were overall winners. C flight players, Margaret Ann Kennedy & Barbara Layton, came in second, behind first by only one point! They were second in B. B flight winners were George & Joyce Seitz. Congratulations players.

St. Patrick's Day was a fun event with 9 tables of bridge, lots of food & wine. Naturally, everything was decorated in green. All players got green bead necklaces which matched most outfits!. The fried chicken was accompanied by Martha's wonderful salad, Peggy's asparagus, a tray of veggies & Greek olives (yum) as well as wonderful cakes & cookies. Couldn't ask for a better way to spend a Sunday afternoon. Thanks to Martha DeCou for all her organization & Barbara Estes for directing. Overall winners were Phyllis Pruet & Dee Schade. Second went to Bill & Marilyn MacDonald. Flight B winners were Mic McKinney & Martha Northup. Second were George & Joyce Seitz. Flight C went to Connie Freeman & Becky Landon with Marilyn Bein & Frances Couvillion coming in second.

Stac games are May 6, 7, 8, 10, & 12. Mark your calendar now. NAP qualifying games start in June & run through August 30. See calendar at club for exact dates. Sunday, June 6 will be a NAP picnic at the club. These "picnics" have been a lot of fun so plan on grabbing your favorite partner for an afternoon of good bridge & fellowship! July 16, Tuesday night, will be a NAP Potluck game. Also August 20 is NAP Pizza night.

This month Rockport player Frances Couvillion is our featured personality. Frances learned to play bridge the summer she graduated high school. Her mother was her teacher. The next few years were rather busy so bridge was kind of a back burner thing. Frances graduated SWTSU in San Marcos & taught math in high school for 27 years. She retired from teaching, then worked as an accountant for El Paso Oil & Gas for 6 years. After her second retirement, in Houston, she discovered duplicate. Ten years ago she moved to Rockport. She grew up in Victoria, so the move to Rockport was easy. When she was asked how long it took her to adjust to retirement & Rockport, she replied. "About 15 minutes!" About 6 years ago Frances became a club director & works for Kathe & Russ Powers whenever the Rockport Club needs help. Frances says, "Once a teacher always a teacher", so she became a certified bridge teacher. She teaches a group of party bridge players to become more structured in their game. "I hope", she says. Frances says she was a gay divorcee when she moved to Rockport. With 3 grown children & 6 grandchildren, she married Michael Couvillion, 5 years ago. That increased her family by 3 more grown children & 5 grandchildren. Quite an extended group. Frances plays regularly in the Rockport games & comes to Corpus Christi several times each month for more bridge. She always has a bright smile & greeting for all. She has been involved with the hospitality for our sectionals for quite awhile. We are so glad to have her as part of the duplicate community.

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

I want to apologize to Becky Hamil-

ton. I did not realize that she is teach-

ing Bridge lessons for beginners on

Thursday afternoons at the Bridge

Unit 197 Lubbock

Sandi Krahmer

Center. Becky takes no money for this, but she gives generously of her time. When this series is finished, she will begin a new set of lessons for beginners April 11 at 1:30 at the Bridge Center. Becky is a retired teacher and is most enthusiastic about Bridge and the Silverman materials. The course will cost \$30 and include a Silverman book. I believe that an ad will be run in the AJ to get the word out to the public. Becky Howard is in charge of Mondays evenings beginning April 8.She opens the building around 6:50 to give some of the newer players who wish to practice some playing experience. Becky plans to set some hands, let the players play, and then discuss them when play is finished if the players want to. It costs nothing, and there will be no refreshments. Our Bridge playing population is growing a bit due to the dedication of our 2 "Beckys." Tell them how much you appreciate what they are doing when you see them. Many thanks to Bonta Thompson for directing a couple of games for Betty when she was sick. I am told that Elwanda Cox is home The members of the nominating committee for the Unit 197 Texas Star award proudly nominated Charlotte Blaiss. She has done so many thing to make our unit successful since her arrival here. She and her husband, Gary, have helped us in many ways. Charlotte taught many lessons for students wanting to improve their Bridge. She agreed to chair out last Regional after serving as chair for several sectionals. At the expense of her health, she managed to run one of the most successful Regionals in terms of goodwill that we have ever had. She got many volunteer to help in various capacities and secured many financial donations and prizes. She saw that our hospitality room was well-managed and well- stocked and filled in whenever and where ever someone was needed. She began our 8 is Enough games one Saturday a month a year before the Regional to put money into our treasury to help with Regional expenses. Gary directed for free and Charlotte saw that everyone who wanted to play had a team and saw that there was plenty of food to be served. She not only had volunteers organized to bring food, but prepared a lot of it herself. She can always be counted upon to do whatever is needed for the good of our unit, and we are so pleased to have her vast experience in dealing with the many things that come up in our Unit. Also, congratulations to Carol Schoenhals, our Life Master goodwill ambassador to Bridge winner. We can't say enough about our Carol in terms of her being helpful to both new and experienced players and nice to everyone. She is always willing to answer all our questions related to Bridge. She has attended all the District 16 meetings as our

Unit representative and has served

our District in many capacities.

She has been willing to play with

newer players and offer much help-

ful advice. Despite some serious

health problems, she rarely misses a

club or Unit game unless she is out

ways upbeat and displays a wonderful, sunny disposition at the Bridge table and never demeans anyone for bad play even if the bad play gave Carol and her partner a bad board. We are so lucky to be able to take advantage of her vast experience. Wayne Bahr became a Life Master at our Sectional. What a pleasant man (even though he's a Bengal's fan) and how glad we are to have him. Despite some serious health problems, he is always nice and fun to be around. Congrats, Wayne! Mona Barr and Don Sikes had a 70% game and Sammie Johnson and Audrey Divilbiss had one, also. I was told that Carol Schoenhals and Greg Lorans had way over 70% in our Sectional Tournament Saturday afternoon.Also. Robbie Butts and June Stanton and Bee Ward and Gwen Wright had 70% local games.It is so good to have June back after several physical problems. Her 79% game with Robbie was her first game back after many months, and come back she did! Once again, many thanks to Betsy, Jane, Charlotte, Alice Alene, Betty, Mary, Robbie, Gina, and all the other people who brought food or took out trash or did any of the other 50 jobs to help us have such a successful tournament. See you at the table. Don't forget the Monday team game is on the 12 of May instead of the 4th because of the STaC games.

of town at tournament. She is al-

King Cotton Sectional March 1-3, 2013

120 players. 133 tables.

1 19.00 Greg Loran 2 19.00 Carol Schoenhals

3 16.36 Gary Blaiss

4 16.36 Charlotte Blaiss

5 13.62 Mark Pedersen 6 13.62 J Warner

7 13.58 Dena Goldston

8 11.13 Marc Levine,

9 11.13 Chris Compton 10 9.95 Roxie Tom

Friday Morning Open Prs-16.5 Tables / Based on 21 Tables AB1. Sandra Krahmer-Robbie Butts A2. Roxana Tom-Katherine Gary B2. Kay Davidson-Sammie Johnson C1. Walter Langendorf-Wayne Bahr C2. Jan Hover-J. Neal Marchbanks Friday Morning 199r-4.0 Tables A1. Ann Jay-James Jay A2BC1. Glenda King-Doris Winder C2. Paula Park-Robert Nuffer Friday Afternoon Pairs-18.0 Tables / Based on 22 Tables A1. Billie Mitchell-Dena Goldston A2. Greg Loran-Carol Schoenhals B1. Sandra Krahmer-Robbie Butts B2. Annette Sides-Patsy Miller C1. Marilyn Smith - Shirlene C2. Dean Ricketts-Julie Benson

Fri. Afternoon 199r Prs-4 Tables ABC1. John Abney-John Clarke Saturday Morning Pairs-18Tables / Based on 22 A1. Janise Saul-Roxie Tom A2. Marc Levine-Chris Compton BC1. Howard Huynh-Will Anthony B2. Mark Pedersen-J Warner C2. Frances Staniforth-Oleta Wilson Saturday Morning 199r Prs-5.0 Tables AB1. Virginia Myers-Kaia Hawley AB2C1. Doris Winder-Glenda King C2. Robert Nuffer-Paula Park

Saturday Afternoon Pairs-17.5 Tables / Based on 22 A1. Greg Loran-Carol Schoenhals A2. Marc Levine-Chris Compton B1. Mark Pedersen-J Warner B2. Annette Sides -Patsy Miller C1. Shyla McGill-Nancy Hollyfield C2. Joyce Attebury -Parkerlene Pillans

Saturday Afternoon 199r-4.0 Tables A1. Francis Thornberry-John Clarke B1. Virginia Myers-Kaia Hawley C1. Amanda Shaw-Shirley Davenport

Sunday Stratified Swiss-23 Tables A1. Dena Goldston-Landon Blair-Betsy Franks-Nancy Ramsey A2.Carol Schoenhals-Greg Loran-Charlotte Blaiss-Gary Blaiss X1. Mark Pedersen-Tommy Birch-Geneva Cannon—J Warner X2. Karen Wilson-Sue Willhoit-Sammie Johnson-Gwen Wright C1. Joyce Attebury-Parkerlene Pillans-Frances Austin-Francis Thornberry C2. Belle Harris-Sarana Savage-Marilyn Higgins-Leilani Matthews

Unit 201 Sabine Neches

Patsy Pierce



The 2013 Spindletop Sectional was a great success, thanks to tournament chair, Liz Karnicki and her hard working crew. They made sure that our guests were made welcome, found partners when needed, and never went home hungry. Good Job, Also, congratulations to gang! Nancy Smalley as she won the trophy for high scorer in the tourna-

Congratulations to Liz Karnicki as she has reached the level of Bronze Life Master, and Lynn Adamchik for becoming a Silver Life Master. Kudos are in order for Pat Bell for ranking 13th in the national Ace of Clubs race. Two other local players received national honors for their online play. Bob Black ranked 2nd nationally with 1383 points and Tipton Golias ranks 24 for his 665 on-line points. Keep up the good work!

The latest members of the 70% Club for February are Earl Pittman and James Walker for their 72% game and Mary Jo Nix and Loretta Gary who scored a 70% game. The March additions are John Smalley and Aiyanader Bharathi for posting a 75% game, Aubrey Dixon and Jane Walker for their 76 % game, Nixie Lynch with Gloria Ayres for a 71%, Arline Meyers and Flo Gillespie for 73%, with Martha Sigler and Flo Gillespie for their 73% game. Well

Valentine's Day provided the perfect backdrop for Jan Neiderstadt's Life Master Party. It was great to have Jan's lovely family, friends, and bridge buddies all decked out in red to help her celebrate. After a delicious meal, the following game found John and Nancy Smalley in first place. The honoree, Jan and her partner, Joan Hataway shared 2nd and places with Tipton Golias and Aiyanadar Bharathi. Others placing were Ernestine Fisher and Anna Smith taking 2nd in Flight B with Pat Bell and Linda Adamchik placing 3nd in B. Norma Crane and Betty Kirwin were 1st in Flight C. Mary Jane Garth and Dolores Belton were in C with Liz Mackenzie and Gertrude Cherry taking 3rd place. It was a great day and wonderful party. Congratulations, Jan!

The winners in the February Mentor Pair Game were Betty Kirwin and Cynthia Stueber. Lou Rising and Frankie Hall were 2nd with Kay Hooper and Carol McGill placing 3rd. Others placing were Norma Crane and Patsy Pierce sharing 2nd and 3rd

places with Paul Aquillard and Bob The February Mentor Team Game was won by Sylvia Street, Kay Hooper, Carol and Bob McGill. The team of Betty Kirwin, Gretchen Glass, Cynthia Stueber and Patsy Pierce took 2nd place. **March** Mentor Pairs was won by Kay Hooper and Carol McGill. Second through fourth places were shared by Carolyn Worsham and Juanell Jones, with Jerry Watts and Don Moss, and with Sarah Smith and Earl Johnson. Keeley Townley-Smith and Pat Bell placed 3rd in Flight B. The March Mentor Team Game was won by Paul Keedy, Jo Ellen Lavergne, Liz Mackenzie and Jack Evans. Placing 2nd were Marilyn Adams, Linda Briggs, Martha Sigler, and June Eddingston with Martha Oliver, Beverly Broussard, Beverly Hulsey and Lorena Strange finishing in 3rd place.

Winners in the Unit Grand National **Team** two session game for Flight B were Marian Jones, Beverly Leger, Joan Hataway and Arline Meyers. Flight C winners were Sarah Smith, Norma Crane, Rudy and Helen Wil-

Spotlight! We are always happy to see new players in the club, but it is even better when these newbys are young. I know many of you have not had the opportunity to meet our youngest players as their college classes seem to interfere in their bridge playing. However, we are glad to have Keeley and Zach Townley-Smith when the y can join us. Nineteen year old Keeley and her twin brother, Zach were born in Canada but are definitely Texans now. Living in Lumberton, they attend Lamar University and are both majoring in engineering, Zach in Chemical and Keeley in Electrical. Bridge seems to be a family affair for them. Bob, the twin's father, who learned to play from his mother has passed it down to his own family. Bob plays frequently and their mother, Valerie, has been known to join us.

Yee Haw!! Everyone joined the Western Theme of Pat Schiwart's Life Mater Party for a great time. The food was great and Pat's family was delightful. The high point of the festivities was Pat's daughter and husband performing an original song written just for Pat by her daughter. Bridge winners for the game were Verna and Wilbur Dahlquist. Cynthia Stueber and Don Holst were 2nd with Nancy and John Smalley placing 3rd. Taking 1st in Flight B were Dolores Belton and Mary Jane Garth. Ernestine Fisher and Anna Smith were 2nd with Blanche Sibley and Juanell Jones finishing 3rd. Flight C found Glenda Bass and Gretchen Glass on top. Taking 2nd were Lynette and Ray Trahan with Janis and Don Williams placing 3rd. It was a great party, Pat. Congratulations!!

In Memoriam: Those of us who knew Ben Johnson were saddened to learn of his death. Ben has played frequently in the intermediate games for a number of years. Our sympathy goes out to all his family and friends.

The pessimist sees difficulty in every bridge hand. The optimist sees op-portunity in every hand.. Which are you? See you at the game!

Spindletop Sectional

Beaumont, Feb 21-24, 2013 133 players. 148 tables.

- 1 16.15 Nancy Smalley
- 2 14.48 Cynthia Stueber
- 3 13.04 Tom Clarke 4 13.04 Joe Quinn
- 5 12.28 Aiyanadar Bharathi
- 6 10.74 Don Holst
- 7 10.40 Loretta Gary 8 9.34 Lois Boagni
- 9 9.34 K Boagni Jr 10 9.21 Edwina Landrum

Thur. AM Open Pairs-9.0 Tables / Based on 15 Tables ABC.1 Jimmy Landrum-Edwina Landrum 2. Don Holst-Flora Gillispie B2. Betty Poindexter-Marian Jones C2. Jerry Heckman-Dave Becker

Thur. AM 299er Pairs-5.5 Tables D1. John Mindock-Anne Mindock D2E1. Sylvia Street-Julia Hooper E2. Susan Nimmo, -Paul Aguillard F1. Mabel Matthews-Helen Scurlock F2. Sandra Allison-Lynda Jones

Thur. Aft Open Pairs-14.0 Tables / Based on 22 Tables A1. Cynthia Stueber-Nancy Smalley A2B1. Mary Nix-Loretta Gary B2. June Eddingston-Juanita Dean C1. Carolyn Worsham-Linda Briggs C2. Patricia Bell-Elizabeth Mackenzie

Thur. Aft 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables DEF1. Darlyn Dusek-Bebe Walker DE2. Robert Shanley-Suzanne Shanley F2. Lucille Armintor-Patricia Woods

Fri. AM Open Pairs-10.0 Tables / Based on 15 Table AB1. William Brending-Linda Brending AB2. Patricia Bell, -Linda Adamchik C1. Carolyn Worsham-Linda Briggs C2. Patricia Schiwart-Lou Rising Fri. AM 299er Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1. Sylvia Street-Julia Hooper AB2C1. Sandra Allison-Susan

Nimmo Fri. Aft Open Pairs-15.5 Tables / Based on 22 Tables A1. K Boagni Jr-Lois Boagni A2B1. Arline Meyers-Joan Hataway, B2. Kazue Bell-June Eddingston C1. Robert Kacher, Jr-Tim Stelly C2. Elizabeth Mackenzie-Gertrude Cherry

Fri Aft 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables DE1. Glenda Bass-William Delboy DE2.

Suzanne Shanley-Robert Shanley F1. Susan Nimmo-Sandra Allison Sweeney-Paul Aguillard F2. Darlyn Dusek-Bebe Walker

Sat. AM Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 17 Tables A1. Tom Clarke-Joe Quinn A2. Martha Sigler-Flora Gillispie B1. Loretta Gary-Martha Bookman B2. Dee Payne-Ruby Collins C1. Carolyn Worsham-Linda Briggs C2. Annette Harlow-Fred

Sat. AM 299er Pairs-5.0 Tables DE1. Glenda Bass-William Delboy DE2. Kris Cherry-Joe Payne Sat. Aft Open Pairs-14.5 Tables / Based on 18 Tables A1. Nancy Smalley-Aiyanadar Bharathi A2. Bill Riley-Nancy Riley B1. Don Holst-Dave Becker B2C1. Earl Johnson-Jerry Heckman C2. Marilyn Adams-Elizabeth Mackenzie

Sat. Aft 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables DE1. Julia Hooper-Sylvia Street DE2. Joe Pavne-Kris Cherry Sun Stratified Swiss Team-20 Tables A1. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Joe Quinn-Tom Clarke B2. George Fox-Stephen Schwall-Ann Brinker Schwall-Vic Sowers C1. Julia Blancet, -Judith Ensor-Charles Ensor-Naomi Spicer B2C1. Gerry Earnest-Nancy Carlson-Mary Felton-Evelyn James C2. Everett Sweeney-Paul Aguillard-Janis Williams-Donald Williams

Unit 204 Fort Concho





The Cactus Club game on 2/4/13 held a "send off" for Dave Holbrook who is moving to Florida. Dave is an all-round super guy and his enthusiasm for our game is obvious.

Capturing the "MJ effect" of Mary Jane McCord who recently stepped back from teaching and directing are given by a student: "MJ, Ever since I took your course at ASU and you encouraged me to play at the bridge center and join the ACBL, I have had such an incredible time. It has been such a pleasure to be a part of the bridge family and you have been the driving force. You have been so kind and generous in the way you have interacted and encouraged all of us in the Monday night group. It will take some getting used to not having our Bridge Mama taking care of us. You will truly be missed. Leigh'

Congratulations are in order: 1. Candy Pfluger for reaching bronze life master 2. Mike and Jerre McAfee put some nuggets in their bag at the Gold Rush pairs of the

Albuquerque Regional. 3. At the same regional Ginny Noelke accumulated 73 points! 4. The McAfees hit Life Master during the March Charity game.

Texas Star Award for 204 was announced at the Houston regional. Our local celebration for George Finley was held in March. Over five decades George has made many contributions to duplicate bridge. In addition to teaching he has served as district 16 President and Ethics Committee member, Unit 204 President and currently as 204 financial officer and legal advisor. His bright star repertoire ranges from the analytical to the humorous with many stops in between. Thank you George for being a great model for us and please continue to share the how, wow and why. The honor definitely goes to an honorable man. Thank you.

San Angelo's annual sectional in February was a good one (my annual apology for photos being old news).

March Charity game winners in San Angelo: B-Dave Watson +Debbie Farr and A-George Finley+Neal Perlman.

Congratulations to all leaders in the 2012 Ace Of Clubs and Mini-McKinney standings:

Ace of Clubs (All points won during a calendar year at the club level with the exception of those won in STaCs, progressive sectionals, NABC fundraiser events, the North American Open Pairs and the Grand National Teams.)

0-5 Margaret Brubaker 5-20 Hope Garza 20-50 Wiley Bunton 50-100 Dale Harris 100-200 Mike McAfee 200-300 Alberta Birk 300-500 Dave Watson 500-1000 Linda Cole 1000-2500 Judy Wilde 2500-5000 Virginia Noelke

Mini McKinney (All points won during a calendar year excluding points won online.) same as above unless noted below

500-1000 Gene Lux 2500-5000 Neal Perlman

Honorable mention across both lists went to Anna Thomas, Helen Green, Madge Mikelson, Karl Wehner, Marge Bradley, Larry Hettick, Carolyn Reed-Jones, Debbie Farr, Bob Morton, Marifrances Watson, Jerre McAfee, Bob Bennett, Debbie Hartgrove, Marifrances Watson, Peggy Jackson, Charles Loeffler, Joy Hardy, Iris Warren, Sue Henry and Gene Gammill.

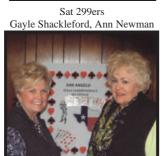
Marifrances Watson started some lessons prior to the Monday Cactus Club game and attendance has been encouraging.



Sun Swiss B Fran Grogan, Marifrances Watson,



Jean Billie - Donna McBride



Fri Aft & Eve B Nancy Harris - Barbara Wright



Sat Eve 299ers Mike Robinson, Debra Jones



Fri Aft C Fran Grogan - Candy Pfluger



George Finley - Carl McGill



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INDEPENDENCE

SECTIONAL WINNERS

Fri Eve C Barbara Bridges - Norma Labarthe



Sat Morn A Eddy & Verle Rice



Sat Eve 1/2 A Wright Barneby, Richard Ham Suzanne Dorris, Sue Henry



Sat Eve C Anna Thomas - Fran Grogan



Sat Aft A Norma Walker, Sharon Haney



Sat Aft B Jo Ella Bolt, Joan Burch



Sat Aft C David Johnson, Bob Morton



Sat KO & Sun Swiss A Ginny Noelke, Donna Swarthout, Venkatrao Koneru, Dave Swarthout

Unit 207 Austin

Joyce Cooper



It's spring time in the Hill Country and this finds our bridge days to be subject to the weather! On a gorgeous day, we haven't had the turn out expected at our games, but throw in the possibility of rain, or rain, and the Bridge Center, as well as our other venues, has a magnificent turnout! I think we all get a bit excited to enter a roomful of bridge players just ready to compete and have a few challenging and fun hands.

Due to personal travel, I wasn't able to list our milestone moments in the last Scorecard, so we have lots of notables to mention now. First and Foremost because its such a memorable time, what with the ACBL sending out that special Blue Life Master Metal card, is our list of NEW LIFE MASTERS: AND THE DRUMS ROLL: Sunny Laird, Immie Pamplin, Ester Ellis, Janet Revennaugh, and Annette Rush. Congratulations and wishing you many more levels of successful bridge ahead.

Other Milestones: Bronze Life Master: Ken MacMorran, Marvin Schrager; Silver life Master: Edna Whitworth; Gold Life Master: Robert Donathan; Diamond Life Master: Lynn Baker; Others: 8,000: Rosemary Kelley; 3500: Charlene Sands; 3,000: George Watkins; 2,000: Swadesh Mahajan, Joe Black, Bill Charowas, Beverly Geurin, Dean Truair; 750: Mark Sanders, Mark McAllister; 200: Vivian Collins, Beulah Kelso, David Myers, Posy Stielow, Billie Ward, Gordon Hardin, Betty Ling; 100: Joe Giordano, Jean

Marsh, Rose Hernandez, Nancy Bell, Brett Bidwell, E. Brendefur, Amanda Gruen, Michael Luckenbach, and Gary Marquart.

A special note of appreciation goes to our outgoing board members: Terry O'Brien, Mark Craig, and Harry Ingram. They were hard workers and great contributors, and will be missed. On the other hand, we have welcomed Pat Rutledge, Brad Lapwing, and Patty Webb. It's wonderful to have you with us! George Watkins continues as our President and leader, Pam LaShelle is our new Vice President, Robert Donathan continues as treasurer and I as Secretary. We are open to membership input and questions at any time.

The Longest Day, a national sunriseto-sunset relay event to raise funds for support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association, is on June 21, the longest day of the year! The Austin Bridge Center, in association with the ACBL, has put together a bridge event for this cause, beginning at 5:30 AM, and ending appropriately, at sunset. Teams are being set up and bridge lessons and games, both team and pairs, are being offered continuously throughout the day. Show your support for the cause by donating to a bridge club team, or participating in The Longest

For serious competitors, now is the time to get your skills in order to challenge the San Antonio bridge gurus. The I-35 Cup, using a Swiss team game format, has been reinstated and the Austin preliminary game, run by Unit 207, will be at 10:00 on May 18 at the Austin Bridge Center. The Championship game will be hosted by San Antonio. This is the third year for this event and I'm understanding it is time for

revenge! Put the dates on your calendar. There will be 4 flights of play: Open, 0-2500, 0-750, and 0-299. Two teams from each flight will compete against San Antonio June 8.

In Memoriam: Barbara Williams: Bronze Life Master

Austin March

Feb. 28-Jan 3,2013 322 players. 365 tables.

- 1 24.29 Donna Swarthout
- 2 24.29 Dave Swarthout 3 22.91 Virgil Massey
- 4 22.91 Charlene Sands
- 5 22.46 Robert Donathan
- 6 22.06 Peggy Craig
- 7 21.46 Elizabeth Tobias
- 8 19.15 Geoff Blandy 9 17.83 Harry Ingham

10 16.38 Louis Sachar Thursday Morn Open Pairs-23.0 Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1.

Karen Snyder-Mildred Breed A2BC1 .Elaine Martin-Harry Ingham AB2. Anita Cokins-Ellen Meyer C2. Judy Bagley-Sanae Zaveloff **Thursday Morn 199er Pairs**-6.5

Tables DE1. Barbara Rodriguez-Sally Disanza DE2F1. George Frondorf-Susan Frondorf F2. Martha Thurlow-L Jeanne Brown **Thursday KO Bracket 1**-6 Tables

1. Gary Anziani-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout-Ed Rawlinson 2. Robert Caldwell III-Bill Kalmbach-Julie Valentine-Steven Hollahan **Thursday Aft Open Pairs**-26.0 Tables / Based on 34 Tables A1. Louis Sachar-Robert Donathan A2BC1. Harry Ingham-Elaine Martin B2. Robert Pruiett-Alan Laverty C2. David McCarron-Mary McCarron **Thursday Aft 199er Pairs**-8.0 Tables D1. Mabel Byrnes-Darlene

Kinstley D2E1. Barbara Rodriguez-

Sally Disanza E2. Jay Leiserson-

Joyce Leiserson F1/2 Jimmy

Rutledge-Leilani Rose F1/2 George Frondorf-Susan Frondorf

Thursday Eve Open Pairs-12.5
Tables A1. Virgil Massey-Charlene
Sands A2. Larry Davis-Mary Anne
Laier BC1. Esther Ellis-Terri O'Brien
BC2. Andrew Small-David Ticen
Friday KO Bracket 1-6 Tables 1.
Margaret Bennett-Jean Marsh-Joseph
Ferguson-Fiona Schuurman 2. David
Ticen -Harry Ingham-Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel

Friday Morn Open Pairs-25.0 Tables / Based on 33 A1. Peggy Craig -Herbert Marks A2. Nell Morgan-Carol Campbell B1. Mark Craig-Frank Floca B2. Donna Lantz-Chris Hull C1. Terri O'Brien-Lucerne Bunch C2. Richard Ryan-Harvey Browning,

Friday Morn 199er Pairs-8 Tables DE1. Sheila Milner-Anu Chhabra D2. Mabel Byrnes-Darlene Kinstley, E2. Brett Bidwell-Lisa Holzgrafe F2. John Connolly-George Steele Friday Aft Open Pairs-28.0 Tables / Based on 35 Tables A1. Elizabeth Tobias-Geoff Blandy A2B1. Pam Phillips-Beverly Geurin B2. Joanie Gates-Jonathan Ferguson C1. Richard Ryan-Harvey Browning C2. Robert Caldwell III-Bill Kalmbach Friday Aft 199er Pairs-7.0 Tables DEF1. Beth Peterson-Judith Klenz D2/3 EF2. Dyanne Kerr-Leilani Rose Friday Eve Open Pairs-14.5 Tables ABC1. Patty Moncus-Dorothy Prater AB2. Eric Goff-Neil Cohen C2. Kyong Shuey-J Roger Williams J **Saturday Morn Open Pairs-23.0** Tables / Based on 34 AB1. William

Saturday Morn Open Pairs-23.0 Tables / Based on 34 AB1. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard A2. Louis Sachar-Marilou Powell B2C1. Doris Sandra Ingram-Gayle McCarron C2. Paul Johnston-David Ticen Saturday Morn 199er Pairs-11.0 Tables A1. Alan Wakefield-Harold Tweeden AB2. Frank Anderson-Julie Johnson C1. Luise Heidi Weber-June

Beck C2. Dyanne Kerr, -Leilani Rose

Saturday Aft Open Pairs-25.5 Tables / Based on 35 Tables A1. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel A2B1. Joyce Cooper-Betty Daniel B2. William Garrard Jr-Donna Garrard C1. Carol Kiehl-Anita Albert, Austin C2. Steven Andersen-Arthur Widen Saturday Aft 199er Pairs-9.0 Tables DE1. Marilyn Vallario-Sarah Loffredo DE2F1. Martha Thurlow-L Jeanne Brown F2/3 Mark Anderson-Meg Putman F2/3 Jay Leiserson-Joyce Leiserson

Saturday KO Bracket 1-7 Tables 1. Stephen Bruce-C G Bell-Charlene Sands, -Virgil Massey 2. Harry Elliott-David Goldfarb-Eleanor Sherwyn -Donald Varvel

Saturday KO Bracket 2-6 Tables 1. Anant Rathi-Brian Baresch-Glen Perry-Yaoguang Zhu, 2. Terri O'Brien-Esther Ellis-Linda Griffith-Elizabeth Ling

Saturday Eve Open Pairs-8.5 Tables A1. Jack Lacy-Jeff McKee A2. Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout B1. Robert Pruiett-Sandy Potts B2C1. Terrence Rice,-Mark Miller C2. Mark Anderson-Meg Putman Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-15 Tables / Based on 40 Tables A1. Robert Craig-Peggy Craig-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout A2. Mitch Towner-Robert Whitcher-Gary King-Carolyne Fox X1. Larry Davis-Claudette Hartman-Robert Donathan -William Charowhas X2. Elizabeth Tobias-Geoff Blandy-Paul Tobias-George Watkins.

Sunday B/C/D Swiss Teams-25
Tables B1. Jason Larrivee-Pamela
Keim-; Gilda Reynolds-Thomas
Byrne BC 1. Carol Kiehl-Anita Albert-Steven Andersen-Arthur Widen
C2. Barbara Vervenne-Gayle Moyers
-Bobbie Gruhlkey-Mark Miller D1.
Patricia Webb-Laurene Jacob-Michele Abriol-Robin Tucker D2.
Catherine Supple-Linda Banks-Judy
Bagley-Sanae Zaveloff

AUSTIN SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Thurs KO Gary Anziani, Ed Rawlinson, Donna & Dave Swarthout



Thurs Morn Pairs A Karen Snyder - Mildred Breed



Thurs Morn Pairs B & C Harry Ingham - Elaine Martin



Thurs Aft Pairs A Louis Sachar - Robert Donathan



Fri Morn Pairs A Peggy Craig - Herbert Marks



Fri Morn Pairs C Terri O'Brien - Lucerne Bunch



Fri Aft Pairs A Geoff Blandy - Beth Tobias



Sat Eve Open Pairs A Jack Lacy - Jeff McKee



Sat KO Bkt 1 Charlene Sands, Virgil Massey, C G Bell, Steve Bruce



Sat KO Bkt 2 Glen Perry, Brian Baresch, Anant Rathi, Yaoquang Zhu



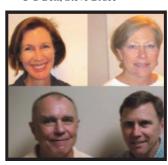
Sunday Swiss Flt D Michelle Abriol, Robin Tucker, Laurene Jacob, Patty Webb



Sat Morn Pairs C Sandra Ingram - Gayle McCarron



Sat Eve Open Pairs B Sandy Potts, Robert Pruiett



Sunday Swiss Flt C Anita Albert, Carol Kiehl, Steve Andersen, Art Widen



Sat Morn Pairs A & B Donna & William Garrard



Sat Aft Open Pairs A Ellen & Ira Hessel



Sunday Swiss Flt A Peggy Craig, Donna Swarthout, Bob Craig, Dave Swarthout



Sunday Swiss Flt X Claudette Hartman, Robert Donathan Larry Davis, Bill Charowhas



Fri Aft Pairs C Harvey Browning - Richard Ryan



Fri Morn Pairs B Mark Craig - Frank Floca



Sunday Swiss Flt B Pamela Keim, Gilda Reynolds, Jason Larrivee, Tom Byrne

Unit 209 Greater Permian Basin Jean Pistole



February was a marathon of Junior Fund games. Every game during the month was a Junior Fund raiser. Not only do we welcome upgraded points but we help fund the Junior group to encourage young players which are certainly much needed in our area especially.

San Angelo held their Sectional Tournament February 8th through 10th. They are always a great, friendly group and there is always a big bunch who attend from our Unit 209. Deborah Brookins and her group attended in mass with several bringing home points. Odessa, Midland and Big Spring members were there as usual.

The clubs hosted several Valentine parties beginning on the 14th with the Thursday night Midland Club. An "Eight is Enough" Swiss team game was held along with celebrating Valentines. Belle and her group put in lots of "free time" to make the Thursday night games a lot of fun.

Bridge of the Permian Basin celebrated by voting Dr. Amanda Shaw, DVM, as their sweetheart. She is a very enthusiastic member of their group, has obtained her Club Director Certificate and is certainly an asset to the club.

March did not come in as a lamb, that's for sure; still blowing! Bob Bacon began by celebrating his birthday with three days of different cakes! The Country Club group capped it off with treats at their Friday game. Bob is the director for the country Club and Sunday Unit games and when or wherever he is needed. March 10 was a big "Red Letter Day" for Ann Servatius as she has reached her Gold Life Master designation with 2,500 points. Ann and her sons, Steve and David provided wonderful barbecue with the group adding all the delicious side dishes; too many and too much to elaborate. Ann even brought her famous cakes! There were 13 ½ tables in play. Ann's husband was unable to attend due to his illness but son David came from Oregon and Steve, who lives in Midland attended to show how proud they are for their mother. Ann is always at the games and always ready with a cake or two! We congratulate Ann!

March 17th the Unit hosted a luncheon and awards dinner in Midland. Following the lunch, Sarana Savage, president of the Unit presented the Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs winners with their awards. Some members of the "Easy Bridge" club attended an several were presented with awards. Sarana has done a great job as our leader and we appreciate her. I also received a "thanks" for my Scorecard writings.

Several of our members attended the Lubbock tournament. I do not know details of the winners but did hear that Flo Curry and her partner did "well"!

As I said before, it is still blowing and we are blowing into April with a month of charity games. Every game this month will be a charity game (so what's a dollar more if we are winning and helping our charities!)

The "Easy Bridge" Club will be moving in and sharing the club studio with the Odessa Bridge Club at the end of April. Deborah is working hard with her group and has a very supportive group of students and members. We are looking forward to joining forces.

We still have some who are "under the weather" and we wish them a quick recovery. Sandy Thomas has made a nice come back from her broken ankle.

Later.

Jean



Masterpoint races. The results are in, and here are the 2012 winners of the Mini-McKenney Masterpoint Race in Unit 224.

- 0 5 points James Alvis
- 5 –20 points Mary Len Swinney 20 – 50 points Willie Mae Tenison
- 50 100 points Ann Jav
- 100 200 points Carol Whitten
- 200 300 points Cleta Dix
- 300 500 points Glynda Groves 500 – 1,000 points Don Dwyer
- 1,000 2,500 points Robert Patton
- 2,500 5,000 points Pat Ramsey 5,000 7,500 points Jo Smith

Helen Cartee, Bette Byrd, Pat Wilson and Betsy Duncan joined the winners list in the 2012 Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs Masterpoint Race. Certificates were awarded. Congratulations to all!

The Mini-McKenney, which tabulates the masterpoints that each player has earned from all sources during the year, is named after William McKenney, who in 1936 cocreated the masterpoint system that we use today.

The Ace of Clubs contest uses only masterpoints earned at the unit level. Its namesake, Helen Shanbrom of Tamarac, Florida, is a Grand Life Master who has won the top category in this race more often than any other member.

Special kudos to Jo Smith, who won 566 points in 2012 and earned place 333 in the Barry Crane Top 500, the list of the 500 top scorers for the year in the American Contract Bridge League.

Abilene Harvest Regional Tournament. Each year Abilene organizes one of the best-regarded tournaments in Texas. This year from October 14 through October 20 Unit 224 will host a regional, the first such event in Abilene since 2005. This means that the attendance will be much higher than it is for the sectionals. Chairman Robert Patton reports that other activities that week in Abilene will also attract visitors. He advises tournament-goers to arrange lodging now in order to avoid a last-minute scramble for a room. Three hotels that are holding space for bridge players are:

- Comfort Suites (325-795-8500), 10 - 15 minutes away, \$74.00 plus tax
- Best Western Abilene Inn and Suites (325-672-5501), 10 minutes away, \$75.00 plus tax
- Sleep Inn & Suites (325-437-9601), 10 minutes away, \$75.99 plus tax

Tournament winners. A number of local players attended the Texas Independence tournament in San Angelo in February. Eddy and Verle Rice of Brownwood and Norma Labarthe and Barbara Bridges topped their stratas in various events. Jo Smith and former Abilenian Tony Haddad had the third-best score overall. At the Spring in the Hills tournament in April in Kerrville Ann and James Jay and their teammates from Mason shared with another team the first-place honors in the C stratum in the Margaret Higgins Swiss game. In memoriam. Dr. Herman Schaffer,

hi memoriam. Dr. Herman Schafter, beloved Abilene pediatrician and civic leader, died in March 2013. He and Norma played bridge at the Mabel Lilius Bridge Center. The bridge community remembers him fondly



The Longview Pinev Woods Sectional was held February 28-March 2 at the Holiday Inn Express in Longview. Even with tremendous hospitality, a nice playing facility, and beautiful weather, the tournament was down 20% in attendance. We give a big thank you to Mike Graham and Shirley Shelton for all their hard work and dedication! Special thanks to the Longview DBC members who brought food, chaired committees, and helped with set up and tear down. The highlight of the tournament came on Friday afternoon when local club member Jerrell Wolaver became Life Master, while playing with his wife and partner, Janie. Congrats to Jerrell!!

A Bridge Benefit for the Library at Cedar Creek Lake, hosted by the Literary Club and the Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek, was held March 21st. Overall winners of the Unit Championship game were: 1st in A & B - Betty Wilkinson/Jan Boyd, 2nd in A-

Jimmy Wright/Sandy Campbell, 3rd in A-Nell Velvin/J.Lynn Allen, tied for 2nd-3rd in B- Bonnie Magee/Sandy Molander and Yvonne Houston/Chris Kelly, 1st in C-Vicky Bell/Therese Dempsey, 2nd in C- Kathy Morse/Claire Crabe, 3rd in C- Ed Creel/John Dees.

The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek celebrated 100 years with games and lessons, pot-lucks and fun with a special PRO-AM Swiss Team Club Championship on April 12th. A random drawing matched PRO pairs with AM pairs for teammates. A delicious catered lunch with champagne, door-prizes, recognitions and gifts for the "Oldies" made a FUN DAY for everyone. Game winners are posted on the club website.

70% GAMES

I would like to apologize for not getting in a 71.30% score for K Wright and Vermell Boucher on January 19th at the Unit Game in Tyler. Mike Graham and Richard Bryant had a 74.31% game at the Longview DBC on February 14.

There was another novice couple, Bill and Hellen Revelle with a 73.96% game on March 25th in Nacogdoches. We want to know what's in the water in Nacogdoches and please, send it our way!

On Monday, March 25, 2013, at the Twin City Duplicate Bridge League in Texarkana, Curtis Bourland and Pam Lott had a 73% game playing N/S on a Mitchell Movement. On the same day, Tom & Marcia Collins had a 70% game playing E/W. Emily Leake reported that Brenda Baker and Reaves Murphey scored a 72% game on March 27th.

On April 2nd at the Canton Duplicate bridge game, Theresa Brantley and Brenda Baker had a 71.09% game.

Winners at the Unit game in March for the open pairs NS were 1st and 2nd OA Emily Leake/John Bugay, 2nd Yvonne Houston/Sue Ritschel, and 3rd Brenda Baker/G Reaves Murphey. Winners EW 1st and 1st OA were Don/ Mary Bartley, 2nd Charlie and Margie Kemp, and 3rd Shirley Matthews/ Shirley Shelton.

PINEY WOODS

Longview Feb 28- Mar 2, 2013 127 players 144 tables.

- 1 17.74 Theresa Ann Brantley
- 2 17.74 Brenda Baker
- 3 16.93 Stewart Angel
- 4 16.93 Jonathan Ernest 5 10.75 Jeff Brown
- 6 10.61 Jerrell Wolaver
- 7 10.61 Janie Wolaver
- 8 10.53 Nancy Green
- 9 10.53 Jimmy Wright
- 10 10.53 Ennis Dyess 11 10.53 Charles Ford

Thurs Morn Open Prs-5.5 Tables / Based on 10 Tables A1. Richard Hinkle-Mary Hinkle A2/3 Brenda Baker-Theresa Ann Brantley A2/3B1. Laura Murphey-Sandra Campbell B2. Patsy Williams-Sandy Hilliard C1. Jeff Brown-Sheila Bell C2. Janie Wolaver-Jerrell Wolaver **Thurs Morn 299er-**4.0 Tables AB1. Marjorie Kemp-Lottie Guttry AB2/3 Curtis Bourland-Heidi Bradsher AB2/3 Sally McAnulty-Colleen

Friday Morning Open Pairs-5.5 Tables / Based on 16 Tables A1. Brenda Baker, -Theresa Ann Brantley A2B1. J Lynn Allen-Bari Hart B2C1. Sheila Bell-Heidi Bradsher C2. Diane Duncan-Sherry Roberts

Friday Morning 299er Pair-10.0 Tables A1. Barbara Diedrick-Beryl Cobb A2B1. Kenneth McDowell-Patricia McDowell B2. Pamela Lott-Carol Sanderson

Thu Eve Open Pairs-5.5 Tables / Based on 10 Tables AB1. Ginger Rhamey-Joyce Austin AB2C1. Curtis Bourland-Jeff Brown C2. Stanley Hartwig-W A Beavers

Thu Eve 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Lisa Looney-Rosemary Hardy AB2.. Sue Latham-Joan Cobb

Thurs Aft Open Prs-9.0 Tables A1. Brenda Baker, -Theresa Ann Brantley A2BC1. Fred Borum-Sammie Borum BC2. Jennifer Rao Thurs Aft 299er-9.0 Tables A1. Richard Stolle-Bernice Stolle A2BC1. Tom Collins-Marcia Collins BC2. Lisa Looney-Rosemary Hardy Thursday KO-6 Tables 1. Charles Ford-Jimmy Wright-Nancy Green-Ennis Dyess 2. Patricia Hargrave-Mary Peden-Bonnie Burch-Jo Ann

Fri Aft Open Pairs-9.0 Tables / Based on 21 Tables ABC1. Curtis Bourland-Jeff Brown AB2. Rosalyn Tullos-Tillie Reed C2. Patricia Hargrave-Mary Peden

Fri Aft 299er Pairs-12.0 Tables AB1. Terry Slater-Lottie Guttry AB2. Sue Latham-Joan Cobb C1. Lisa Looney-Rosemary Hardy C2. Kenneth McDowell-Patricia McDowell

Fri Eve Open Pr-4.0 Tables ABC1. Janie Wolaver-Jerrell Wolaver AB2. Sandy Hilliard-Patsy Williams 2. Bonnie Burch-Jo Ann Parten Flight A Swiss Teams-3 Tables / Based on 20 Tables 1. Jonathan Ernest-Brenda Baker-Stewart Angel-Theresa Ann Brantley

Flight B Swiss Teams-8 Tables 1. Charles Ford- Jimmy Wright- Ennis Dyess- Nancy Green 2. Jerrell Wolaver-Janie Wolaver, Jefferson; Bernice Stolle-Richard Stolle,

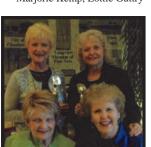
Flight C Swiss Teams – 9 Tables 1. Joan Cobb-Sue Latham-Helene Hall-Linda Baker 2. Sharon Whatley-Linda Harrison- Sandy Lansing- Jean Huskey

Friday Handicapped KO-8 Tables 1. Betty Ann Kennedy-Roy Jambor-Jonathan Ernest- Stewart Angel 2 Jimmy Hubbard- Shirley Shelton-Mike Graham- Shirley Matthews

MARCH LONGVIEW SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Thurs Morn 299ers Marjorie Kemp, Lottie Guttry



Sun Swiss C Helen Hall, Joan Cobb, Linda Baker, Sue Latham



Thur Morn Open A Mary & Richard Hinkle

Thurs Aft 299ers

Richard & Bernice Stolle



Thur Aft Open A Brenda Baker, Theresa Brantley



Thurs KO Sun Swiss B Charles Ford, Nancy Green Jimmy Wright, Ennis Dyess



Fri Eve Open A Janie & Jerrell Wolaver



Thurs Eve 299ers Lisa Looney, Rosemary Hardy



Fri Aft Open A Curtis Boruland, Jeff Brown



Sun Swiss A Theresa Brantley, Brenda Baker, Jonathan Earnst



Fri Morn 299ers Barbara Diedrick, Beryl Cobb



Fri Aft 299ers Terry Slater, Lottie Guttry

Central Texas

Helen Levy



Thanks to chair Pam Yandell for her hard work in making the Temple sectional in Feb. a success and thanks to those who assissted: Janice Walker, Juanita Butler, Lennie Wilkins, Belva Barrington, Wanda Carter, Melody Euler, Gene Thompson, Dick Cunningham and the CAC guys. The great food that was brought in all three days was very much appreciated. Thanks to all who participated and to the directors Kevin and Melody. Mike Bukala was the Unit masterpoint winner and will receive the Maxine Tessmer memorial tournament award. Chair Ila Bates has made great plans for our next sectional in Waco Aug. 9-11, 2013, at the Clarion Inn near Baylor University, a new location. Don't miss it. Congratulations to Belva Barrington and Judy Mathews, Unit winners of the ACBL-wide Senior Game Mar. 4 (66%); and to Unit GNT Qualifying game winners Mar. 17: Flt. B, Philip Jaeger, Tom Hackenberg, Sandy Potts, and Robert Pruiett; Flt. C, Mary Levy, Bob Maske, Ron Ives, and Marci Ives.

70% games 2/7/13-4/6/13: Monday Slammers 2/18, Sharon Clark & Cathy Valentine 70.75%; 2/25, Doris Dudley and Mary Walker 72.08%; 3/4, Retha Tiner & Lula Pattillo 73.95%. Rolling Hills 3/6,Tom Corlett & Ethel Corlett 70.61%; 3/13, Tom Corlett & Mike Bukala 71.30%. Well done!

Congratulations to new Silver Life Master Dick Cunningham (1,000 MP's). Welcome new members Judith Lusk, McGregor; Derrieh Raborn, China Spring; Jane Scruggs, Waco; and reinstated member Sue Davis, Waco.

We are saddened by the death of Helen Reardon who died peacefully in her home Mar. 19 after a long illness. Helen has been with us since the early 80's when she moved to Temple and was a regular beloved player in our Unit before her illness.

Upcoming events: May 17-18, Unit 233 299'er at Sul Ross; Waco sectional Aug. 9-11, Clarion Inn; Unitfinal NAP Sept. 15, CAC, one session; Unit Christmas party & election Dec. 8, two Unit games, Temple CAC.

Heart of Texas Temple

February 22-24, 2013 131 players. 137 tables.

1 20.20 Linda Spangler

2 20.20 Billy Leeper

3 18.23 Mike Bukala

4 18.23 Hugh Hillaker

5 16.53 Virgil Massey 6 16.53 Charlene Sands

7 15.61 Terry Riely

8 15.61 Jon Richard Ware

9 15.61 James La Fountain 10 15.61 Carolyn Riely

Friday KO Bracket 1-7 Tables 1. Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely-James La Fountain-Jon Richard Ware 2. Asa Waterman-Juanita Butler-Bill Parrish-Lenora Parrish

Friday Eve Open Pairs-10.0 Tables A1. Beth Coker- Nancy Stanton A2. Virgil Massey-Charlene Sands B1. Jan Hart-Mary Adams B2C1. Judy Bagley-Sanae Zaveloff C2. Joel Wagher-Glen Easterwood Friday Aft Open Pairs-12.5 Tables / Based on 18 Tables A1. Beth Coker-Nancy Stanton A2. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay BC1. Norma Swaim-Roger Swaim B2. Gene Thompson-Joe Nance C2.

rington Friday Aft 299er Pairs-5.0 Tables DE1. Pat Kelly-Ronnie Ives DE2F1. Lvnn Reeves-Karen Vick C2. Mary Levy-James Maske

Judy Taylor Mathews-Belva Bar-

Saturday KO Bracket 1-5 Tables 1. Linda Spangler-Mike Bukala-Billy Leeper-Hugh Hillaker 2. Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely-James La Fountain-Jon Richard Ware

Saturday KO Bracket 2-6 Tables 1. Asa Waterman-Juanita Butler-Bill Parrish-Lenora Parrish 2. Mary Adams-Malissa Baugh-Wanda Carter-Ian Hart

Saturday Aft Open Pairs-10.0 Tables / Based on 14 Tables A1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay A2. David Farris-Jonathan Ernest BC1. William McIndoo-Rita Wiegenstein BC2. Belva Barrington -Judy Taylor Mathews

Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables DE1. Joan Cation-Carole Hardeman DE2. James Maske-Mary

Saturday Eve Open Pairs-6.5 Tables A1. James Thurtell-James Bauer A2/3 Peggy Phelps-Lyndon Phelps A2/3 Virgil Massey-Charlene Sands C1. David Pennington-Richard Cunningham C2. Lennie Wilkins-Rowland Bartoo Sunday B/C/D Swiss Teams-19 Tables BC1. Larry Franz-Jackie

Franz-Jane Collins-Roxann Klugman B2. Mary Adams-Jan Hart-Richard Cunningham-David Pennington B2C1. Charles Brown-Mike Peiffer-Virginia Farley-Steve Pierret C2. G Nell Carpenter-Sharon Clark-Barbara Ann Kirstein-Pat Kelly Sunday A/X Swiss-8 Tables / Based on 27 Tables AX1. Jonathan Ernest-David Farris-Charlene Sands -Virgil Massey A2. Linda Spangler-

Mike Bukala-Billy Leeper-Hugh

Unit 353 Wichita Falls

Hillaker

Rosemary Barrington



Our area has been so dry, more like the dust bowl days of the thirties and as a result signs have popped up in many yards saying "Pray for Rain". The blessing of rain have poured down on us for the past three days but we are still praying for more because the lakes are still low. We will soon be going to stage 4. May more people go on the prayer chain.

Our sympathy goes out to Joan Paradeis who lost her Uncle in March and JoAnn Stokes in the loss of her Grandson and Great Granddaughter. JoAnn lives in Canada now but she visited us one day while she was here and it was sad but precious to be with her again and we welcomed her with open arms of love to a precious lady. How good it was to welcome her back briefly.

This month our hats go off to Margaret Kirkland and Kathleen Brown who were unit game winners. Lois Roberson and Wanda Gaynor were runners up.

Nancy Purcell is our newest Life Master and Lois Roberson is our newest Silver Life Master.

Master Point Leaders for February are Dave Hertzog, Tomie Johnson and Ray Renk

Master Point Leaders Vernon, Texas are Susan Couch. Ann Halsell, and Barbara Quinby. Also Judith Heatley has earned 5-20 and Carole Tucker has earned 5-10 and Ruth Strait has earned 300-500.

Our hats go off to Kathleen Brown and the other faithful teachers who have been so gracious with their time in teaching the new students on Wednesday afternoon. How encouraging they are to all of the new fledglings. Some of our students are coming out of the gate with flying colors.

Kalifa Ahmed and Patty Hoffer are in the 500 to 1000 Master Points. Ann Halsell and David Hertzog are high in 1000 to 2500 Masterpoints. Dr Susan Couch and Tomie Johnson are high in 2500 to 5000 Master-

May all of us keep and diligent love of one another, encouraging each other and blessing each other in this great and challenging game of Duplicate Bridge.

Edinburg

March 1-3, 2013 94 players 102 tables.

1 17.17 Chuey Lum

2 13.87 Jane Ann Gormong 3 13.87 James Gormong

4 12.84 Massoud Banan

5 12.35 Michael St James

6 12.35 Dominique Guay

7 8.47 Tom Berger

8 8.47 Carole Schmidt

9 7.96 Noreen Braun 10 7.96 David Walker

Fri Morn Open Pairs - 15.5 Tables A1. Chuey Lum-Robert Neeley A2. James Gormong - Jane Ann Gormong B1. Mardi Deml-Andrea Klein B2C1. Michael Lane-Charis Linklater B2. Herman Westbrook - Matt Kennedy

Fri Aft Open Pairs - 16.0 Tables A1. James Gormong - Jane Ann Gormong A2BC1. Dominique Guay -Michael St James BC2. Darlene Palmas - Jose Palmas

Sat Morn Open Pairs - 16.5 Tables AB1. Massoud Banan - Chuey Lum A2. Judi Roy - Camile Hamel B1. Jean Hall-Jackie Burroughs B2. Bonnie Fellerman - Harold Fellerman C1. Tom Berger-Carole Schmidt C2. Dominique Guay-Michael St James

Sat Aft Open Pairs - 15.5 Tables A1. David Walker - Noreen Braun A2B1. Jean Burgoine-Nancy Almond B2C1. Dominique Guay-Michael St James C2. Joyce Stukenholtz-Carol Moore

Sunday Swiss Teams - 19 Tables A1. Massoud Banan - Chuey Lum-Richard Zillman - Alex Bertrand A2BC1. Dominique Guay-Michael St James-Tom Berger-Carole Schmidt C2. David Ochs-Rene Wallace-Fran Bazemore - Bill Bazemore C2. James Nikstad -Emalyn Nikstad-Joyce Caton- Barbara McCormack

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show the world there is a fun game that may help slow the onset of this terrible disease.

Congratulations to Eddie Wold on being appointed to the Hall of Fame Committee, to Bob Hamman for being appointed to the Competitions and Conventions Committee, to Chris Compton for being appointed to the ACBL's Laws Committee, and to Janise Saul for being appointed Co -Chair of the ACBL's Goodwill Commit-

MEMBERSHIP

As of March 1st ACBL Membership stands at 166,881 the highest total in

GRASS ROOT FUN MONTH

This month will be moved to January and the next one will be Jan 2014.

STAC

Playing directors are not allowed to get overall master points in Stac's. However upon application, the Districts have the option to now allow this.

PUBLICITY

Many Clubs have found the best way to get publicity for their club is through Charitable giving. In 2012 District 16 used the cooperative Advertising Program 15 times and received \$5,962.97. I am sure this helped in recruiting our new members.

CLUBS

There are still about 150 Clubs that do not use electronic reporting. Doing this benefits our members and streamlines our efforts. If your club does not use ACBL SCORE please ask for assistance in converting.

SENIOR AGE

The minimum age for ACBL Senior events shall be 60 years of age. Those eligible under present rules on December 31, 2013 will remain eligible.

10K SWISS

The 10K Swiss held the first Friday and Saturday had 81 teams and will be held in Dallas next spring. This event was successful and we will be discussing adding more of these 10K events in Atlanta.

Anybody having any questions can e-mail me at: danmorse@sbcglobal.net or call me at 713-599-0047.

See you at the tables,



Billy Leeper

Mary Pat Gentry

MORE 2012 DISTRICT ACE OF CLUBS LEADERS

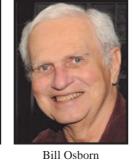


Jack Balter

Roxie Tom

















Rosemary Kelley

	1000 to 2500			2500 to 5000			5000 to 7500			7500 to 10,000	
1	Jack Balter, Houston	257	1	Bill Osborn, Frisco	290	1	Gail Wells, Dallas	490	1	Rosemary Kelley, Austin	214
2	Roxie Tom, San Antonio	231	2	Mary Pat Gentry, Houston	274	2	Billy Leeper, Fort Worth	343	2	Pat Levy, Houston	206
3	Ann Servatius, Midland	215	3	Melody Gann, Arlington	270	3	Marion Gebhardt, Richardson	327	3	Paul Kelley Jr., Austin	193
4	Pat Prichard, San Antonio	201	4	Edith Reid, Houston	240	4	Thomas Clark, Venice FL	298	4	Diane Olson, San Antonio	176
5	Hugh Miller, Spring	189	5	Jerry Hess, The Colony	232	5	Shirley McKee, Houston	261	5	Donna Swarthout, San Antonio	161
6	Stephen Reichek, Houston	187	6	Anna Marlatt, Houston	232	6	William White, Arlington	257	6	Jack Lacy, Lago Vista	151
7	Joe Choate, League City	181	7	Randall Lake, Houston	219	7	Randy Ausmus, Fort Worth	251		10000	
8	Richard Duble, College Station	178	8	Mike Graham, Ore City	216	8	Jeanne Linzel, Stafford	215	1	John Zilic, Houston	235
9	Joe Ellis, Maypearl	177	9	John Lindsey, Houston	211	9	Marilou Powell, Round Rock	203	2	Edward Groner, Houston	192
10	Charles Grimes, Midland	177	10	Brenda Baker, Tyler	208	10	Paul Nimmons, Houston	191	3	Linda Spangler, Ft Worth	174
11	Tony Pellegrini, Plano	175	11	Victor Sitton, Sugar Land	207	11	Gloria Crites, Midland	175	4	Derrell Childs, Garland	162
12	Jim Harp, Dallas	174	12	Suresh Agrawal, Rowlett	203	12	Larue Stott, Dallas	170	5	Steve Shirey, Fort Worth	154
13	David Pearlman, Trophy Club	172	13	Allen Wolf, Woodlands	199	13	Mary Orock, Fort Worth	167	6	Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie	139
14	Jimmy Reynolds, Arlington	169	14	Thomas Corlett, Waco	195	14	Nell Morgan, New Braunfels	159	7	Dan Morse, Houston	130
15	Bill Ream, Burleson	169	15	Oren Moore, Missouri City	194	15	Pat Cassidy, Arlington	151	8	Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land	124
16									9	Eddie Wold, Houston	112
									10	Miguel Reygadas,	108



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TUESDAY - 23 July 2013

Hosted by: Longview & Ore City DBC

GOLD RUSH PAIRS (0-750) 2 of 2 sessions	9:30		
Bracketed KO -1 (2, 3 &4)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Stratified Choice Pairs (pick 2 of 3)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Horizontal AM, AFT & EVE side game series	9:30	1:30	7:00
299er Single Session Pairs	9:30	1:30	7:00
49er Single Session Pairs (3 table minimum)	9:30	1:30	7:00
BRACKETED GOLD RUSH SWISS (0-750)		1:30	7:00
Bracketed KO - 2 (1 & 2)		1:30	7:00
One Session Swiss		-	7:00

WEDNESDAY - 24 July 2013

Hosted by: Van Zandt County DBS of Canton, TX

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Stratified Choice Pairs (pick 2 of 3)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Horizontal AM, AFT & EVE side game series	9:30	1:30	7:00
299er Single Session Pairs	9:30	1:30	7:00
49er Single Session Pairs (3 table minimum)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Bracketed KO - 3 (1 & 2)	9:30	1:30	
BRACKETED GOLD RUSH SWISS (0- 750)	1.70	1:30	7:00
Bracketed KO -2 (3 & 4)		1:30	7:00
One Session Swiss		Berry Barry Co.	7:00

THURSDAY - 25 July 2013

Hosted by: Tyler DBC & Rose City DBC * Tyler, TX

Stratified Choice Pairs (pick 2 of 3)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Horizontal AM, AFT & EVE side game series	9:30	1:30	7:00
299er Single Session Pairs	9:30	1:30	7:00
49er Single Session Pairs (3 table minimum)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Bracketed KO - 4 (1, 2,3 of 4)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Bracketed KO - 3 (3 & 4)	9:30	1:30	******
BRACKETED GOLD RUSH SWISS (0- 750)	No. of the last of	1:30	7:00
One Session Swiss		4,12,4,10,4,20,12	7:00

FRIDAY - 26 July 2013 - Hosted by: The Bridge Studio

@ Cedar Creek & Mid-Cities DBS - Gun Barrel City, TX

Bracketed KO - 4 (4)	9:30	250 (200)	
Bracketed KO - 5 (1 & 2)	9:30	1:30	
Stratified Choice Pairs (pick 2 of 3)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Horizontal AM, AFT & EVE side game series	9:30	1:30	7:00
299er Single Session Pairs	9:30	1:30	7:00
49er Single Session Pairs (3 table minimum).	9:30	1:30	7:00
BRACKETED GOLD RUSH SWISS (0-750)		1:30	7:00
One Session Swiss			7:00
Bracketed KO - 6 (1 of 4)			7:00

HOST HOTELS

Baymont Suites \$89.99	Fairfield Inn
3913 Frankston Hwy	1945 W/SW Loop 323
Tyler, TX 75701	Tyler, TX 75701
903-939-0100	903-561-2535
La Quinta Inn \$69.00	Quality Inn \$69.00
1601 W/SW Loop 323	2843 W NW Loop 323
Tyler, TX 75701	Tyler, TX 75701
903-561-2223	903-561-3232

SATURDAY - 27 July 2013

Hosted by Dottie Pirkle's DBS - Athens, TX

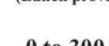
Bracketed KO -5 (3 & 4)	9:30	1:30	
Stratified Choice Pairs (pick 2 of 3)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Horizontal AM, AFT & EVE side game series	9:30	1:30	7:00
299er Single Session Pairs	9:30	1:30	7:00
49er Single Session Pairs (3 table minimum)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Bracketed KO - 6 (2, 3 & 4)	9:30	1:30	7:00
Compact KO		1:30	7:00
Stratified Open Pairs (0-2000) (2000+)		1:30	7:00
GOLD RUSH PAIRS (0-750)		1:30	7:00

Stratified events: Open - A (2000+) B (750-2000) C (0-750) 299er - A (200-300) B (100-200) C (0-100)

SUNDAY - 28 July 2013 - Hosted by Unit 225

Dottie Pirkle Swiss Teams	10:00	TBA
A (3000+) & AX (0-3000) play together		
GOLD RUSH SUNDAY - BRACKETED SWISS		
B 0-2000 Bracketed (8 team brackets by masterpoints)		

(Lunch provided for participants)



0 to 300 Event Schedule

Separate (0-50) daily (3 table minimum)
Free entry on Friday for players with 5 or less master points.
Daily bridge lectures 6:45 pm Tuesday thru Friday.

Horizontal AM, AFT & EVE Side Game Series - Play as many sessions as you wish with the same or different partners. Overall awards based on individual's best two (2) sessions in respective event.

Tournament Co-Chairs:

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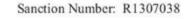
Dee Gemmel * dmgemmel@embarqmail.com * 903-469-4498 Sue Ritschel * dritschel@sbcglobal.net * 903-561-2239

Entry fees: \$12.00 per player/per session for ACBL members. \$100.00 per team entry for Sunday Swiss \$2.00 additional per session for non or unpaid ACBL members

Awards: Section top for pairs, 1st place in KO's and Swiss, and Side Game Series (best of 5) for overall.

Stratifications based on average masterpoints of pairs / teams.

Teams may be handicapped.







SAN ANTONIO REGIONAL JULY 1-JULY 7

The Omni San Antonio, 9821 Colonnade Blvd, San Antonio, TX 782301, 800-843-6664 *Bridge Rates \$119 *Book by May 31 *Tell the clerk you're attending the tournament.

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Partnership desk open 1 hour before games. (email preferred)

PAIR GAMES Hedy Barnes Stratified Charity Pairs (1 session)......Mon 7 pm Stratified Pairs (2 sessions) Al Lochli......Tues 10 & 2:30 Bill Scarpero Pairs.......Wed 10 & 2:30 Evening Pairs......Wed & Thurs .7:30 Pairs.....Fri 10 & 2:30 **Gold Rush Pairs** (Gold Rush Pairs = B: 300-750; C: 0-300) **Strati-Flighted Pairs** Al Lochli Pairs...... Tues 10 & 2:30 Pairs......Sat 10 & 2:30 (A=unlimited, AX=0-2000) **Side Game Series** Diane Olson Morning.....TWTFS 10 Darlene Riely Afternoon...... TWTFS 2:30 Evening.....TWTFS 7:30

MARIE BAILEY INTERMEDIATE NEWCOMER PROGRAM

Hedy Barnes Charity Pairs	Mon 7pm
Bridge Club of San Antonio Pairs	Sat 2:30
Laurie Levin (teacher) Pairs	TWTF 2:30
Pairs	TWTF 10 & 7:30
Swiss Team Game	Sat 10

All 299er events are 1 session & stratified. (A: 100-300, B: 50-100, C: 0-50, or Director's Discretion)

Daily Speakers......Visit SAregional.com for topics Contact Susan Hernandez, Chair, for I-N partnerships. rshernandez1@msn.com or 210-710-8240

BRACKETED KO GAMES

KO#1Mon 7, Tues 10, 2:30, 7:30
Roxana Tom KO#2Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 7:30
KO#3Wed 10 & 2:30; Thurs 10 & 2:30
Ed Rawlinson KO#4Thurs 10 & 2:30; Fri 10 & 2:30
KO#5Fri 10 & 2:30; Sat 10 & 2:30
Wayne Rauschuber Compact KOSat 10 & 2:30

All KO events are handicapped except teams with 5000+ average.

SWISS TEAM GAMES
Stratified Swiss Teams (1 Session)
Maureen Lightfoot Wed2:30
Thurs2:30
Ribnick & ScrubarFri 2:30
Koy BassSat 2:30
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions)
Tues
Thurs
Fiesta Bridge ClubSun 10 & 2:30
Strati-Flighted A/X Swiss: A: 5000+; X: 0-5000 (A & X play together in normal Swiss
movement.) B: 0-2000 will be bracketed; top 3 in each bracket will win gold.

QUICK LUNCHES AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE DAILY ON SITE, PLUS DAILY HOSPITALITY!

Entry Fee

\$12 per session Mon-Fri

\$5 for full-time students (26 and under) Mon-Sat

\$13 Sat (includes surcharge to Texas NABC's)

\$96 for all 2-session Swiss Teams (purchase own lunch)

\$2 additional per session for non/unpaid ACBL members

Gold Rush pair games (B: 300-750; C: 0-300) pay gold for 0-750 for section tops & overall awards, and pay red for 0-300 section tops & overall awards.

All Strati-Flighted events will be based on the highest individual player's MPs. All Stratified Pair/Team Games will be stratified based on the pair/team average MPs: A=2000+, B=750-2000, C=0-750

