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Greg Hinze

Terry Richardson

Richardson Wins Mini-Spingold; Passell, Compton, Wold and Hinze Second in Roth Swiss; Ferm Third in 0-10k Mixed Sokolow, Sachar, Sands and Massey Third/Fourth in Mini

Roth Swiss: Bart Bramley, Dallas,

David Sokolow Senior NABC Correspondent

For District 16 players, the best thing about the summer NABC in Toronto was the weather: mid-70's in the daytime and low-to-mid 60's at night. Bridge was more of an afterthought. Perhaps that's why we did not fare so well. When you see third-place finishes in the headline of my NABC report, you know it was a disappointing tournament for most D16ers in attendance.

Let's hear it for Terry Richardson of Austin. Terry captured his first NABC title by winning the 0-6,000 ("Mini") Spingold. As the #18 seed, Terry's team dispatched ##2, 4, 10, 11 and 15 on route to victory. In the last quarter of the final, Terry's squad turned a 17-IMP deficit into a 17-IMP win. Please congratulate Terry when you see him; he's a nice guy as well as a fine player. David Sokolow and Louis Sachar of Austin, Charlene Sands of Pflugerville, and Virgil Massey of Driftwood finished tied for third.

Mike Passell of Plano, Chris Compton of Dallas, Eddie Wold of Houston, and Greg Hinze of San Antonio were runners-up in the Roth Open Swiss. These guys embody the saying, "Don't mess with Texas!" A field of 157 crackerjack teams was winnowed down to 32 for the third and final day. I kibbitzed Mike and Chris in the last round; they were on fire! Mike and Chris were also tenth in the Life Master Pairs. Congratulations to all of you!

Perennial contender Barbara Ferm of Dallas finished third in the 0-10,000 Mixed Swiss. Keep up the good work!

ninth. 0-10,000 Mixed Swiss: Joan Jackson and Norman Beck, Dallas, and Ellen Hessel, San Antonio, ninth. Women's Pairs: Nancy Passell, Plano, and Ellen Hessel, ninth [do I sense a pattern here?]; Petra Hamman, Dallas, tenth. Spingold: Bob Hamman, Dallas, sixth. Mixed BAM: Shawn and Joe Quinn, Sugar Land, and Petra Hamman, seventh. 0-2,500 ("Micro") Spingold: Howard Huynh, Lubbock, Jeff Dater and Scott Nason, Dallas, and David Johnson, Jr., San Antonio, 5/8.

The fall NABC will be held November 23-December 3 at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego. SD is one of the most popular NABC sites. There's a lot to do, and the weather in November is perfect: 70 and no humidity. The Hyatt sits on SD Bay adjacent to Seaport Village. A short walk away is the Gaslamp District where you can find shops and restaurants to suit every taste and budget (or a less expensive hotel). Want a day off from bridge? Visit the worldrenowned San Diego Zoo or 1200-acre Balboa Park, home to 16 museums, spectacular gardens, and a host of other attractions. Having savored the joys of SD, Tobi and I are eagerly anticipating our visit this fall. You should be, too!

145 players From D16

232.65 Mike Passell, Plano 232.12 Chris Compton, Dallas 202.12 Greg Hinze, San Antonio 171.06 Eddie Wold, Houston 142.21 Bob Hamman, Dallas 107.49 Bart Bramley, Dallas 80.37 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 80.00 Terry Richardson, Austin 76.23 Louis Sachar, Austin 71.25 Sally Wheeler, The Woodlands 71.25 Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands 65.07 Barbara Ferm, Dallas 61.23 Petra Hamman, Dallas 56.67 Joe Ouinn, Sugar Land 53.88 David Sokolow, Austin 52.21 Anton (Tony) Haddad, Houston 51.07 Hemant Lall, Dallas 45.42 Virgil Massey, Driftwood 45.42 Charlene Sands, Pflugerville 43.48 Ira Hessel, San Antonio 40.58 Barry Schaffer, Frisco 40.41 Ellen Hessel, San Antonio 38.27 Simon Stocken, Austin 38.10 Jeff Dater, Dallas

37.56 Howard Huynh, Lubbock 36.67 Shawn Quinn, Sugar Land 34.29 Mark Feldman, Austin

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10 Chris Compton, Dallas

13 Bob Hamman, Dallas

- 17 Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby The Woodlands
- 34 Bart Bramley, Dallas

42 Tobi Sokolow-Louis Sachar, Austin BRUCE 0-6000 LIFE MASTER 77 Tables

21 James Breihan, Houston; 35 John Moore-Roxann Swenson, Austin

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MACNAB GRAND NAT. TEAMS -5/8 Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett-Julianne

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15 Ira Hessel, San Antonio ; Joe Quinn,

Sugar Land WERNHER OPEN PAIRS - 78.0

Tables / Based on 160 Tables 39 Lynn Baker, Austin

FREEMAN MIXED BAM - 32 Tables / Based on 65 Tables

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Spingold KO Teams - 104 Tables 5/8 Bob Hamman, Dallas

9/16 Eddie Wold, Houston : Mike Pas-

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Every once in a while, something happens that makes us realize that we are more than just bridge players – we are a tight-knit community. We are family. Right now is such a time for District 16.

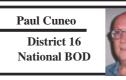
Because our wonderful Scorecard editors know that I often get swamped, I am writing this as the Dallas Labor Day Regional is start-The table count is ing. down, because a lot of our family was unable to be here. The sad reality is that many of them are trapped in their own homes or have lost their homes altogether because of a monster named Harvey. So many good people have called, apologizing for not being able to come. Please know that our Houston and South Texas players are sadly missed and all of us wish that your lives will return to normal very soon.

I ask all of you to take some time to realize how incredibly lucky we are. Look at those images we are seeing on the news constantly and let's try to help our family. If your local club choses a charity for special games, think about having one for those that are trying to get their lives back together. Bridge players are wonderful, generous people. Donate to the Red Cross. Send clothes to those who lost everything. Foster a pet that is separated from his family. Care about what matters, because right now, that is not bridge.

Next Scorecard, I'll be back talking about new rules, tournaments, NAP and GNT and all the things we do to be better bridge players. Right now, let's just be better people.

Blessings to you all,

Tomi



Toronto is a beautiful vibrant city that made a great site for the summer NABC. The playing spaces in the Convention Center were fabulous and attendance at 13,289 tables was above budget. Bahar Gidwani, ACBL CEO, is off to a strong start.

The Board spent more time talking about key issues for ACBL rather than working on the motions presented for the meeting. Key topics were the Tournament Taskforce, Club Taskforce, new Convention and Alert Charts, Volunteers, and NABCs. I'll address these in future articles.

Key Board decisions were:

Adopted a new version of the

Bridge were accepted with the usual ACBL exceptions, so no significant changes to our current laws.

Approved the use of prepared lesson hands in club games of 6 to 12 boards for teaching purposes in conjunction with lessons when the game is limited to players under 20 masterpoints.

International Bridge – In a motion which had been deferred from Kansas City, the Board made significant changes to the payment of dues to the World Bridge Federation. In 2018, the responsibility for payment will shift from ACBL to the national bridge organizations - USBF, CBF and MBF. ACBL's contributions will drop over time from 100% in 2016 (167,000) to 30% by 2021. The motion was approved 12 for, 11 against and 2 abstentions. For 2017 and 2018, the only significant change is a reduction in contributions by ACBL from 100% to 67% and this was agreed by the national bridge organizations who will raise the difference by contributions. While everyone professes support for international bridge, the challenge is to agree how the money will be raised and who selects the representatives to the WBF Executive Council. Historically, ACBL and its Board were responsible.

39.0 Tables / Based on 166 Tables

Mike Passell, Plano

In the GNTs, only our Flight C squad made a splash. Austin's Gary Anderson, Jerry Barrett, Juliane McKenna, and Jarek Langer reached the quarterfinals of this huge grassroots event. Thanks for doing us proud.

A gaggle of D16 players made the Top 10 in NABC events [what would you call them: a flock? a herd? a pack?]. sell, Plano ; Chris Compton, Dallas Greg Hinze, San Antonio 17/32 Bart Bramley, Dallas **BEAN RED RIBBON PAIRS - 26.0** Tables / Based on 58 Tables 22 Pawel Hanus, Carrollton Bob Wilkin, Highland Vlg

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Code of disciplinary Regulations. This was the first major re -write in several years, and it is clearer and hopefully better for the disciplinary committees at all levels of ACBL. A big "Thank You" to Linda Dunn - League Counsel, Sabrina Gooley - Disciplinary Coordinator, and Georgia Heth - District 8 Board Member and Chair of Appeals and Charges.

The Stop Card - A motion was approved to eliminate the use of the Stop Card which will be effective January 1, 2018. The Bridge committee had been considering this action for several months. Their feeling is that the Stop Card is misused too often and that it is better to remove it from the bidding boxes and remind everyone that we must pause for 10 seconds after a skip bid is made.

Bahar Gidwani has agreed to lead discussions with the national bridge organizations to develop a proposal on long-term funding mechanisms and a governance structure. I've volunteered to help in that effort. I voted against the motion as I believe we should have negotiated first rather than doing a pass and correct option.

The new Laws of Duplicate

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Three for the Gold

Relatively few players reach the level of 5,000 masterpoints, but recently three players in Unit 207 (Texas Capital Bridge) achieved that level at almost the same time.

The three were honored at a celebration party on Friday July 14 at the Bridge Center of Austin.

Left to right – Paul Tobias of Austin, Charlene Sands of Pflugerville, and Larry Davis of Austin

| SEPTEMBER | | | | |
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| Houston NLM 299er | 7-10 | | | |
| New Braunfels | 7-10 | | | |
| Houston NLM 499er | 21-24 | | | |
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| Beaumont | 12-14 | | | |
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| STaC 174 | 16-22 | | | |
| San Antonio (5) | 19-22 | | | |
| Dallas 299er | 20-22 | | | |
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| Abilene (13) | 20-22 | | | |
| Humble (Houston) 299er | 27-29 | | | |
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| San Antonio | Bronze LM | 174 | Gail | Carter |
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| Harlingen | Ruby LM |
| Austin | Ruby LM |
| Plano | Ruby LM |
| Houston | Ruby LM |
| Sugar Land | Ruby LM |
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| San Antonio | Gold LM |
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Nancy Kornegay **Platinum Life Master**

Congratulations to Nancy Kornegay who went over 10,000 points in July.

Steve Kornegay, her husband and favorite partner, writes:

'Nancy started playing bridge in 1970 in Lincoln, NE. At first bridge was more social than anything else. The competitiveness came later. She loves using her head in an attempt to figure out the game. Now it is something that we enjoy doing together

Jim Thurtell Platinum Life Master

Congratulations to Jim Thurtell who went over 10,000 master points in July.

Jim was born Born in Annapolis Maryland in 1947. His father was a

of January, March, May, July, Sep

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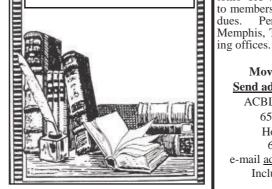
Nancy and Steve, who became a platinum LM last year, were

on the second place team in the under 10K teams in the 2014 Fall Nationals. Looks like that is one event they won't be able to win.

Omaha. He had a career in sales at various companies and retired from Alcoa

Jim has taught bridge for more than 20 years. He served as president of district 16. He was GNT coordinator and is currently Disciplinary Committee Chair.

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ACBL Charity Foundation

By Nancy Strohmer

At the Charity Foundation Trustee meeting held at the 2016 Orlando NABC, Nancy Strohmer was elected as one of the five Charity Foundation trustees. The following information regarding application for a Charity Foundation grant may be helpful.

The ACBL Charity Foundation donates to 501c(3) charities who apply for grants from the Foundation. To do this, a request is sent to ACBL Charity Foundation, 6575 Windchase Blvd., Horn Lake, MS 38637-1523, attn: Kelley Trejo. Requests should contain specific information on the following items, which are of primary importance to the Trustees:

Specific amount requested / Specific project that the funds will be used for and budget for same / To what use would the grant be put? For example, educational or promotional use? Research? Service? / Complete audited financial statement for the two most current years / Copy of 501c(3) determination letter.

This information may be found on the ACBL web site at <u>http://www.acbl.org/about</u> -acbl/charity-foundation/, scroll down to Applying for a Charity Foundation Grant.

If you have an organization that you would like to be considered for a grant, please submit your request before October 31. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy at 713-882-0626/ nastrohmer@yahoo. com.

District 16 Charity Games

For the first time in recent history, District 16 held charity games in March. A total of \$1884 was raised---\$1492 was earmarked for the D16 grants and \$392 for the ACBL grassroots fund. There are 156 active clubs in District 16; only 35 clubs participated. Thank you to those clubs who participated! Let's try for a larger participation next year by encouraging your clubs to participate—these games give more masterpoints as well as enhancing the image of Bridge in the community.

District 16 Grant Recipients

Chosen from a pool of 68 applicants, the recipients of

the D16 grants were: Friends of the Family, Denton

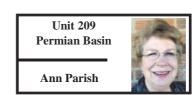
Friends of the Family provides shelter and free outreach services to those who have been affected by relationship violence and/or sexual assault.

Mowat-Wilson Syndrome Foundation, Houston

The mission of the Mowat-Wilson Syndrome Foundation is to enhance the lives of people affected by the syndrome by providing family support, raising awareness, and supporting research and education. The syndrome is a genetic disorder characterized by intellectual disability, distinctive facial features, seizures, and a range of other anomalies.

Sick Children's Clinic, Lubbock

The clinic treats indigent children in the early stages of sickness, thereby lowering the infant mortality rate in Lubbock and surrounding areas. Children up to the age of 16 are seen in the clinic. The clinic is staffed solely by volunteers, including the doctors. Medicine is free from their on-site pharmacy.



The Midland bridge players want to thank everyone who attended our Tall City Sectional in June. It was our biggest tournament yet, with players from Midland, Odessa, Big Spring, San Angelo, Hobbs, Carlsbad, and Lubbock. And of course, we appreciate our tournament director, Belle Harris, and her many helpers, including Marty Massie, Kay Sewell, Marlene Blumentritt, and Bill and Audie Brooks.

Several players from Midland and Odessa attended the Fourth of July Sectional in San Antonio. Marlene Blumentritt played with Lena Nichols and got 8.15 Gold-enough for Marlene to become a Life Master. Congratulations, Marlene!

Audie and Bill Brooks won 5.61 points, with 3.02 of that Gold. Other point-winning pairs were Belle Harris and Kay Sewell from Midland and Shyla McGill and Debra Jones from Hobbs and Odessa. Audie and Bill are heading off next to the Nebraska regional in Council Bluffs, Iowa. They're hoping to see Bill Gates and Warren Buffett, who sometimes play there. We wish them luck and more Gold!

We had five tables (the minimum) for the ACBL-Wide International Fund Game on July 11. First-place winners were Charlie Grimes and Robert Grimes with a great score of 69.91%. Second were Marlene Blumentritt and LaDoyce Lambert. Robert is Charlie's brother, visiting in Midland from Yucca Valley, California for a few months. Robert has been a regular player in the Midland clubs and is often on the winning team.

District 16 President Paul Cuneo came to visit the Permian Basin on Thursday, June 22. He played in the afternoon in Odessa and in the evening in Midland. The Thursday night game in Midland is a novice game, and he played with Lonnie Yee. We had nine tables. Greg Keys and David Hudson were north/ south winners in A, B, and C. East/west winners were Flo Curry and Bill Brooks in A, Marlene Blumentritt and Audie Brooks in B, and Linda McDonald and Linda Farrar in C.

We celebrated the Fourth of July several times. On July 3, Midland had a hot dog party and seven tables of bridge. North/South winners were Charlie Grimes and Robert Grimes in A, and Marilyn Higgins and Paula Baggett in B. East/West winners were Kay Sewell and Greg Keys in A and B, and Linda Farrar and Linda McDonald in C.

On July 4, we had only three tables, since several players had left to play in the San Antonio Sectional. Marilyn Matthews and Deborah Brookins came in first, with Bob Bacon and Jim Hawkins taking second.

The invitational game for novices had a belated Fourth of July party on July 13. Instead of hotdogs, we had chopped barbecue beef sandwiches (Thanks, Belle!) and lots of sides. We had eight tables in play. First in North/ South A, B, and C were John Seymour and Betty Moore. East/West A winners were Ann Servatius and Linda Scarpelli; East/ West B and C winners were Bill and Audie Brooks.

The salad luncheon in June had six tables. As usual, we had all kinds of salads-some of which were fried chicken and desserts. And we all tasted or gobbled up at least a little of every salad. First-place winners in A were Linda Buzan and Ann Parish, with second going to Martha Poss and Tommie Strack.

The July salad luncheon had five tables, with first place going to Jim Hawkins and Bob Bacon and second place going to Jean Pistole and Tommie Strack.

We had a number of games at 70%+ in June and July. On June 19, Belle Harris and Don Troy got 74%. On June 24, Lena Nichols and Marlene Blumentritt got 70.14%On June 28, Charlie and his brother Robert Grimes got 72.62%. They continued their winning ways in July, with 70% on July 26 and 73% on July 31.

The children's beginning bridge lessons at Centennial Library have been extended until right before school starts. We have had mixed attendance from 0 to 3 full tables. Most students are still in the very early stages, but some have progressed to bidding boxes and basic bidding. Bill Brooks organized the game, and a number of our adult players are helping. Adult lessons will resume at Allison Bridge Center on September 9.

We've gotten past the "dog days" of summer and are looking forward to autumn, filled with good friends, good food, and good cards!

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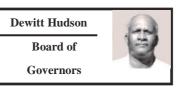
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DISTRICT TEACHER of the YEAR NOMINATIONS by Laura Delfeld

District 16 is proud to honor its outstanding teachers at the annual Lone Star Regional. The Teacher of the Year committee is accepting nominations for the 2018 award from all members of the district. This includes students, unit board members and anyone who recognizes the achievements of an individual teacher.

The recognized teacher will have a proven track record of producing players who love the game of bridge as well as acquiring the fundamentals of the game.

Ed Note. Laura was the 2014 North American Bridge Teacher of the Year



Canada was thrilled to be hosting the Summer NABC especially since 2017 is Canada's 150th birthday. Toronto is a very safe city and is fortunate to have a variety of restaurants. Bridge was played at the Metro Convention Centre. For convenience, you can enter the center from above ground or underground. Ina Demme, Tournament Chair, did an outstanding job of making our stay in the city a memorable one.

year partnership is one of the greatest in the history of the game.

Recruiting

One of the main goals of ACBL is increased membership with emphasis on recruiting young people. The city of Toronto and the city of Atlanta, Georgia have been innovative in creating programs and tournaments to attract young people to develop an interest in

The district keenly understands that these students are essential to our growth and wellbeing. If you have a teacher you would like to nominate, please contact Laura Delfeld at lauradelfeld7@gmail.com. Please provide an overview of your nominee's teaching credentials as well as why you think they deserve to be Teacher of the Year no later than December 31. The nominee will then be contacted and asked to complete a brief application.

Last year's recipient was Nancy Smalley from Unit 201. Nancy, along with Betty Starzec and Laura Delfeld, form the committee that will decide the 2018 winner. This annual award will be presented on Friday, February 2, after the 2:30 p.m. session. The award's ceremony will be complete with hot dogs and cake. All players are requested to join in the celebration.

who discover the game of bridge and never let it go. It's a tale about why we're obsessed with points, partners, and proving our mettle, told by world champions and mere mortals alike. It's about bruised egos and, yes, cheating in this high-stakes battle of brain vs. brain. And interviews with neurologists will convince even those who have never picked up a hand why bridge is head and shoulders above every other mind sport.

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Or google "Aces and Knaves"

Membership

ACBL currently has 170,648 paid up members. There were 6012 members in attendance which exceeded the attendance in 2009 by 400 which was the last year that the tournament was held.

Hall of Fame

Jeff Meckstroth was introduced as the top addition to this prestigious institution. He has earned 84,000 master points, of which 52,000 are gold. Fortunately, for the Bridge world, Meckstroth developed a partnership with an equally talented young player named Eric Rodwell. Their 43-

Bridge.

Book of the Year

Eric Rodwell is the 2017 winner of ABTA advanced book of the year. This book is available at the Baron Barclay Bridge Supply.

New CEO

Bahar Gidwani was born in Columbus, Ohio and graduated from Harvard University. He is a great speaker who mesmerized the audience as his words flowed charged with power. He left the audience motivated and speechless. He had many ideas on how to increase membership and build funds, as well.

We will see you in San Diego on the 23rd of November 2017.

North American Pairs Announcement

District 16 A/B/C finals will be January 20th (2 qualifying sessions) and January 21th (2 final sessions), 2018 at the Omni Hotel in San Antonio. **Unit Coordinators should send list of unit final qualifiers within 3 days** of unit final to Roxie Tom, District Coordinator. Email at rtom85@yahoo.com. Club-qualified players may play in any ONE Unit Final per stratification within District 16. Special permission is NOT required.

| Unit # | Name | Flight | Date | Time | Location Fie |
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| 172 | San Antonio | ABC | Sat 10/7 | 10:00 TBA | Fiesta Bridge Club |
| 173 | San Miguel | No Info | rmation available | at press time | Club de bridge amigos |
| 174 | Houston | В | Sat 10/14 | 10:00/TBA | Bridge Club of Houston |
| | | AC | Sat 10/15 | 10:00/TBA | Bridge Club of Houston |
| 176 | Dallas | С | Sun 9/17 | 1:30/TBA | BAND |
| | | В | Sun 9/24 | 1:30/TBA | Dorsey's Bridge Studio |
| | | А | Sun 10/1 | 1:30/TBA | Dorsey's Bridge Studio |
| 183 | Fort Western | AC | Sun 9/10 | 12:30/TBA | Ft Worth Bridge Studio |
| | | В | Sun 10/15 | 12:30/TBA | Ft Worth Bridge Studio |
| 187 | Corpus Christi | ABC | Sat 9/30 | 10:30/TBA | Bridge Club of South Texas |
| 197 | Llano Estacado | ABC | Sun 10/15 | 1:30/TBA | The Bridge Center |
| 201 | Sabine Neches | ABC | Sat 11/4 | 9:30/TBA | Beaumont Bridge Studio |
| 204 | Fort Concho | ABC | Sat 10/14 | 10:00/2:00 | Sue Barber Bridge Center |
| 205 | Amistad | No Info | rmation available | at press time | Lake Chapala DBC |
| 207 | Texas Capitol | ABC | Sat 10/14 | 10:00/2:30 | The Bridge Center of Austir |
| 209 | Greater Permian Basin | ABC | Sat 9/9 | 10:00 /TBA | Allison Bridge Center |
| 224 | Fort Phantom | No Info | rmation available | at press time | Mabel Lillius Bridge Studio |
| 225 | East Texas | ABC | Sat 10/7 | 10:00/2:00 | Senior Citizen Center |
| 233 | Central Texas | ABC | Sun 9/10 | 1:00 | Bridge Studio in Temple |
| 237 | Magic Valley | No even | t Scheduled | | |
| 353 | Wichita Falls | ABC | Sun 10/8 | 1:30 | Wichita Falls Bridge Club |

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

Mexican Resort Regional November 13 thru November 19, 2017 Westin Resort & Spa, Puerto Vallarta







Rebecca Brown

We hope you had fun, met some new friends, and earned lots of points at the July 4th Regional! There were 1405 tables in play (170 more than 2015) with 8902 masterpoints earned by 728 players. Kudos to Tournament Chair, Jerry Harrington, and his excellent team, including Debbie Schweiss (I/N), Paula Warren (partnership), Lynn Pierson (Name an Event), Steve Simpson (photos and bulletins), Rebecca McCutcheon (registration), Mary Harrington (prizes), Bob Otis (drayage), Ann McMullan (publicity), Beth Gale (hospitality), Stephanie and Steve Stevens (labels). Thanks, too, to the smooth directorial staff, ably led by Kevin Perkins.

We also hope you are enjoying 2017's free Unit games, including our recent two-session Swiss team game on June 22 and our Pro-AM game on July 17. Each was very well attended, with lots of goodies and good competition. We had 21 teams for the Swiss, with Marilyn Arnold, Dave Johnson, Tom Trudeau and Rebecca Brown winning flights A and B, and Ann and Bob Evers and Pam and Terry Bickerton winning flight C. Our Pro-Am game included 23 tables, with Tom Trudeau and Bob Christophel winning A and B, with a tie for C won by Ken King/ Sue Ohm and Janelle McArthur/Barbara Dreeben.

Table tidbits: Few people can claim that their first game of bridge was played with Charles Goren; Tony Quiles can! Tony grew up in New York and studied accounting at CCNY. He spent most of his career in accounting, sales and advertising for companies including Columbia Broadcasting and General Features Corp., a newspaper that featured a syndicated column by Charles Goren. In 1965, Goren came to the office to

sign a contract and he and Tony began to chat. Goren said to Tony: "You look like a smart fella...you should be playing bridge!" Goren took Tony to a bridge club in Manhattan and played with him. It wasn't until Goren gave him a copy of his book that Tony realized in was in such famous company! What a start to a bridge life, though unfortunately, there was no more bridge with Goren. He continued his playing on the NY/ Long Island commuter train. Years later, Tony moved to Texas after vacationing here during the month of April. Then the heat came! But Tony stayed, doing business and accounting consultancy. He retired 13 years ago, returning to San Antonio four years ago. He has been playing pretty steadily since, sharing his good humor generously with lots of appreciative partners.

Milestones: Congrats to new Diamond Life Master, C. David Mitchell; new Gold Life Master, Laurie Levin: and new Bronze Life Master, Debbie Schweiss.

Upcoming: New Braunfels Sectional (September 7-10); Unit NAP finals (Oct. 7); Willson Davis Election Sectional (Oct. 19-22); Unit Game/ Mentor/Mentee & Open Pairs (Nov.11); Unit Holiday Party (December 9).

SEE YOU AT THE TABLE!

San Antonio Regional Jul 03-09, 2017

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Monday Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 36 Tables

A1. James Thurtell, Dallas ; John Schwartz, Plano A2. Jerrold Harrington, San Antonio ; Bill Walker, Bulverde A3XY1 John Moore-Roxann Swenson, Austin A4. Rosemary Kelley-Forrest Gray, San Antonio A5X2. Jeffrey Kroll, Conroe ; G Thomas Rush, Houston X3Y2. Eric Goff-Neil Cohen, Austin X4Y3. Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson, Austin Monday Gold Rush Pairs-16.0 Tables B1. Janina Kuzma, San Antonio; Steven Kassarjian, Pleasanton B2. Larry Cossey, Houston ; Louis Bockman, League City B3C1. Charles Mogged Jr-Jan Mogged, Colleyville B4. Pravina Jani, Austin ; Laura Craft, Leander B5. Karen Jennings, Lufkin : Hellen Revelle, Dallas C2. Peter Naimoli, Austin ; Xinpeng Huang, Foster City CA C3. Joyce Anderson, Fort Worth ; Mary Ellen Little, Trophy Club C4. Mary Williams, Rockwall ; Betty Mastick, Lavon

Linda Brodie, Bellaire

Ellen Little, Trophy Club

Anziani, San Antonio ; Ed

Ann Manfredi, San Antonio : James

Thursday Open Pairs-20.0 Tables /

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Thursday Gold Rush Pairs-24.0

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Tuesday Open Pairs-16.0 Tables / Based on 47 Tables A1. William Garrard-Donna Garrard, Irving A2. Susan Stubinski-Bruce Wick, Houston A3. Pat McMullin, Houston; Tom Breed, Kingwood A4XY1. Bob Otis-Rebecca Brown, San Antonio A5X2. John Moore-Roxann Swenson, Austin X3. Lena Nichols. Odessa ; Marlene Blumentritt, Midland X4Y3. Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson, Austin X5Y4. Cyrus Sabharwal-Kapil Sabharwal, Austin Tuesday Gold Rush Pairs-16.0 Tables BC1. P.D. Sharma-Ricky Therneau, San Antonio B2. Mike Vivian-Charlotte Schuepbach, San Antonio B3C2. Coleman Driver-Robert Craig, San Antonio B4. David Davis-W Kenneth Davis, Austin B5. Leigh Primerano, Helotes ; Stewart Windeler, Fair Oaks Ranch C3. George Holmes-Pamela Holmes, Woodway

C4. Peter Naimoli, Austin ; Xinpeng Huang, Foster City CA C5. AJ James, Spring ; Deborah Reed, Sugar Land Tueday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Nancy Abrams, Longboat Key FL; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL; Jack LaVigne, Houston ; Mark Lair, Canyon 2. Mark Bumgardner, Dallas ; Dan Morse, Houston ; Barry Schaffer, Frisco ; Nagy Kamel, Plano Tuesday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny, Cedar Park ; Anita Albert-Yaoguang Zhu, Austin 2. Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn, Corpus Christi ; Brett Leach-Mark Craig, Austin Tuesday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Steven Bell, Cypress ; Courtney Coffman, The Woodlands ; Jim Goza -Kay Bickham, Edmond OK 2. Barbara Glass-Hillel Weinbaum, Sugar Land; Bob Dingle, Carrollton; Karen Cox, Centennial CO Tuesday Swiss Bracket 4-13 Tables 1. Carol Ramberg, Boerne ; Horatio Aldredge-Jacquelyn Aldredge, Kerrville ; Wright Barnebey, Rocksprings 2. Rita Wiegenstein-William McIndoo-Marjorie Feldmann-Jo McDaniel, Georgetown Wednesday Open Pairs-25.5 Tables / Based on 65 Tables A1. Susan

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Larry Levin, San Antonio ; Bill Boerne 2. Donna Jordan-David Walker, Bulverde A3. William Sterner, Dallas ; Milton Birmingham, Garrard-Donna Garrard, Irving A4. Fort Worth ; Brett Elliott, Cypress Larry Davis-Robert Donathan, Austin Thursday Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables A5XY1. Susan Hernandez, Fair Oaks 1. Joe Ramirez, Mission ; Jeane Ranch ; Andy Villastrigo, San Anto-Crumpler, Conroe ; Jean Marsh, Ausnio X2. Samuel Williams Jrtin ; Marcia Lindsey, Bellaire 2. Anyemarie Weaver, San Antonio Sharon Dameron, Cedar Park ; Prav-X3. Harold Copeland - Raleigh Wilina Jani, Austin ; Gloria Bennett, liamson, Houston X4. G Thomas Lakeway ; Laura Craft, Leander Rush, Houston TX; Harry Elliott, Thursday Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables Cypress TX X5Y2. Cyrus Sabharwal 1. Odis Nolte, Conroe ; Scherry Spra-- Kapil Sabharwal, Austin TX Y3. gue, Willis ; Twyla Woody-Charles Mark Craig-Brett Leach Y4. Jo Anne Woody, Houston 2. Marilyn Gale Vilyus-Robert Vilyus, Houston; Knodel, Pearland ; Jane Boozalis, Houston Y5. Pieter Vanbennekom-Sheryl Thomas, Richmond ; Kris Sankaran, Sugar Land Christine Matus, Vero Beach FL Friday Open Pairs-22.0 Tables / Wednesday Gold Rush Pairs-31.0 Tables BC1. Marie Russiello-Emil Based on 59 Tables A1. Rosemary Russiello, Austin B2. Toni Roesler-Kelley, San Antonio ; Bill Walker, Jill Spence, The Woodlands B3. Kay Bulverde A2. Tobi Sokolow-Dierks-Robert Auvenshine, Wimber-Claudette Hartman, Austin A3. John ley B4. Carol Ehrman, Houston; Schwartz, Plano ; James Thurtell, Dallas A4X1.. Joseph Titone-Shirley B5 C2. Michael Wexler-Susan Banks, Titone, Vancouver WA A5. Susan Stubinski-Bruce Wick, Houston Houston C3. Xinpeng Huang, Foster City CA; Peter Naimoli, Austin C4. X2Y1. David Warner-Larry Smith, Evelyn Irene White, Fair Oaks Austin X3. Anton (Tony) Haddad, Ranch ; Bobbi Hale, Boerne C5. Houston ; Marilyn Adams, Beaumont Joyce Anderson, Fort Worth ; Mary X4. Kay Humphries-Hugh Humphries, Bellaire X5. Neal Wed-Thu KO Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Perlman-Marcie Perlman, San Angelo Y2. Mark Craig-Brett Leach, Austin Steven Bell, Cypress; Courtney Coffman, The Woodlands ; Jeffrey Y3. Thomas Smith-James Moody, Austin Y4. Barbara Clements-Kroll, Conroe ; Edwin (Ted) Bain III, Houston 2. James La Fountain, Tem-Richard Clements, Austin Y5. Peter Naimoli, Austin ; Xinpeng Huang, ple : Richard Ware, New Braunfels : Charlene Sands, Pflugerville ; Virgil Foster City CA Massey, Driftwood 3/4 Donna Friday Gold Rush Pairs-25.5 Tables Swarthout-Dave Swarthout-Gary BC1. Carol Ramberg, Boerne ; Gerald Irion, Kerrville B2/3 Toni Hurlbut-Alberta Birk, Mason B2/3 Carol Rawlinson, Helotes 3/4 Nancy Segreti-Joyce Armstrong, Arlington Abrams, Longboat Key FL; Mark Lair, Canyon ; Jack LaVigne, Hous-B4C2. Myra Marsh-Julia Thompson, ton ; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL Houston B5C3. Alberto Fernandez, Wed-Thu KO Bracket 2-10 Tables Garza Garcia Mexico: Patricia Cantu. 1. David Johnson Jr, San Antonio; San Pedro Garza Mexico C4. Cynthia Howard Huynh, Lubbock ; Jerry Bar-Brettschneider-Ralph Brettschneider, rett-Gary Anderson, Austin 2. David San Marcos C5. Evelyn Irene White, Collins-Carol Hall-Sunny Laird, Fair Oaks Ranch ; Bobbi Hale, Horseshoe Bay ; Jeanette Hughes, Boerne Marble Falls 3/4 Benjamin Klein-Friday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Joyce Klein, Houston ; Kenneth Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, McAllister-Phyllis Kuchta, Pearland 3/4 Elisabeth Kay, Spring Branch; Ann Kuehler, New Braunfels ; Jo

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Friday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. Penny Smith-Ann Perry-Sisir Sharma, San Antonio ; Jo Ann Robertson, Bulverde 2. Arthur Widen, Georgetown ; Steven Andersen-Lysa Nguyen-Robert Tyler, Austin Friday Swiss Bracket 5-15 Tables 1 Susan Morrison-Dinah Weems, Houston ; Leilani Rose-Lisa Holzgrafe, Austin 2. Robert Vilyus-Marilyn Gale Vilyus, Houston; Sheryl Thomas, Richmond ; Kris Sankaran, Sugar Land Saturday Open Pairs-20.0 Tables / Based on 55 Tables AXY1. Yaoguang Zhu-Lysa Nguyen, Austin A2. Marilyn Arnold-Patty Hinze, San Antonio A3. Rosemary Kelley, San Antonio ; Bill Walker, Bulverde A4. Forrest Gray-Diane Olson, San Antonio A5X2. Mark Craig-Sharon Hoger, Austin X3Y2. Brett Leach-Eric Goff, Austin X4. Swadesh Mahajan-Kalpana Sutaria, Austin X5. Robert Barber, Bandera ; Jerome Tilles, San Antonio Y3. John Moore-Roxann Swenson, Austin Y4. Bob Dingle, Carrollton ; Ann McDougal, Houston Y5. James Moody-Rachell Jackson, Austin Saturday Gold Rush Pairs-21.0 Tables B1. Jarek Langer-Julianne McKenna, Austin B2. Jeanne Dawley-Ann Perry, San Antonio B3. Linda Griffith, Austin ; Jeff Skillin, Round Rock B4C1. Carol Ramberg, Boerne ; Gerald Irion, Kerrville B5. Jim McMullan-Ann McMullan, San Antonio C2. Richard McGaughy, Sugar Land ; Tomme Actkinson, Rockport C3. James Cuccia,

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Friday, October 20

10 am Stratified Pairs 10 am Stratified 499'er Pairs 2:30 pm Stratified 499'er Pairs 2:30 pm KO Teams (1 of 3 sessions) Saturday, October 21

10 am Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs 10 am KO Teams (2 of 3) 2:30 pm Stratified Open Pair & 499'er Pairs 2:30 KO Teams (3 of 3) Sunday, October 22

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Elisabeth Kay, Spring Branch ; Ann Kuehler, New Braunfels ; Charlotte Schuepbach-Mike Vivian, San Antonio 2. Sharon Dameron, Cedar Park ; Gloria Bennett, Lakeway ; Robert Auvenshine-Kay Dierks, Wimberley Saturday KO Bracket 6-9 Tables 1. Marilyn Gale Vilyus-Robert Vilyus, Houston ; Sheryl Thomas, Richmond ; Kris Sankaran, Sugar Land 2/3 Pravina Jani-Lazaro Brener-Costa Triantaphilides, Austin ; Laura Craft, Leander 2/3 Wayne Williams-William Eads-Dana Pickett, Fort Worth ; Michael Blanchard, Benbrook

Evening Side Series-33.25 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1/2 Daniel Baker,

Austin 1/2 Joyce Cooper, Austin 3/4 Karen Snyder, Spicewood 3/4 Pam LaShelle, Georgetown 5/6 A Ansari, Austin 5/6 Bharat Shrestha, Katy **Morning Side Series-**33.75 Tables / Based on 14 Tables 1/2 Joyce Ryan, Houston 1/2 David Henke, Houston 3/4 Sandra Press, San Antonio 3/4 Victor Press, Shavano 5/6 Mavis Warren, Montgomery 5/6 Janelle Frusha, Conroe

Afternoon Side Series-43.00 Tables / Based on 14 Tables 1/2 Marilyn Adams, Beaumont 1/2 Anton (Tony) Haddad, Houston 3/4 Jimmie Lou Conner, Austin 3/4 Gay Roach, Nacogdoches 5. Bill Beaushaw, Pearl River LA

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-31 Tables / Based on 85 Tables A1/2 Dan Morse, Houston ; Barry Schaffer, Frisco ; Mark Bumgardner, Dallas ; Nagy Kamel, Plano A1/2 David Sokolow-Tobi Sokolow-Stephen Wood-Claudette Hartman, Austin A3. Daniel Blaettler, Melbourne FL; Thomas Trudeau-Forrest Gray-Diane Olson, San Antonio 4/5 Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely, San Antonio ; James La Fountain, Temple ; Richard Ware, New Braunfels 4/5 Stephen Kornegay -Nancy Kornegay, N Richland Hls; Bill Staats, Southlake ; Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie X1/2 James Andre-Lily Andre, Sugar Land ; Terry Richardson-Greg Schepens, Austin 66.00 X1/2 Anton (Tony) Haddad, Houston ; Marilyn Adams, Beaumont ; David Johnson Jr-Marilyn Arnold-Patty Hinze, San Antonio X3/4 Daniel Baker-Joyce Cooper-Anita Albert, Austin ; Terri O'Brien, Leander X3/4 Jerrold Harrington, San Antonio ; Joe Black, Austin ; Neal Perlman, San Angelo ; Howard Huynh, Lubbock X5. Daniel Jackson, Spring; Bill McCarty, San Antonio; Jeffrey Kroll, Conroe ; G Thomas Rush, Houston

Sunday B Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Susan Kaplan-Sheila Harrison, Houston ; Alfred Fortier III, Katy ; James McCommons, Dallas 2. Yaoguang Zhu-Lysa Nguyen-Kimi Lambert, Austin ; Theda Cook, Daingerfield

Sunday B Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Stephanie Stevens-Homer Stevens, Boerne ; Beth Gale-Bob Otis, San Antonio 2. Leigh Primerano, Helotes ; Eric Goff-Brett Leach, Austin ; Baijanti Shrestha, Katy 1. Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett-Julianne McKenna-Jarek Langer, Austin 2/3 J Bank-A Ansari, Austin ; James Hammond Jr, Denton ; Bharat Shrestha, Katy 2/3 Janice Fletcher-Geneva Johnson-Georgia Baron-Andrea Williams, San Antonio Sunday B Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. Michael Blanchard, Benbrook ; Wayne Williams-Dana Pickett-William Eads, Fort Worth 2. Sunny Won-Vijay Koli-Govindasamy Durairaj, San Antonio ; Paul Fafoutakis, Universal City Fri-Sat KO Bracket 1-10 Tables 1. Ed Rawlinson, Helotes ; Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout-Garv Anziani, San Antonio 2. Daniel Baker-Joyce Cooper, Austin ; David Ticen, Victoria ; Kim Brinkman, Highland Vlg 3/4 Terri O'Brien, Leander ; Anita Albert-Sandy Potts-Stan Pushkarsky, Austin 3/4 Virginia Noelke, San Angelo; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA; Nancy Cord, Sun Valley ID

Sunday B Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables

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Monday Gold Rush Pairs Steve Kassarjian, Janina Kuzma



Courtney Coffman, Kay Bickham, Steve Bell, Jim Goza Tuesday Swiss Bkt. 3



Eleanor Sherwyn, Don Varvel, Harry & Brett Elloitt Tuesday-Wednesday Swiss B





Tuesday Pairs A William & Donna Gerard



Susan Hernandez, Andy Villastrigo Wednesday Pairs X,Y



Diana Lecuona, Linda Mott, Mavis Warren, Janelle Frusha Tuesday-Wednesday Swiss C



Tuesday Pairs X,Y Rebecca Brown, Bob Otis



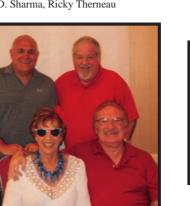
Carol Ramberg, Jacquelyn Aldredge, Andrew Barnebey, Horatio Aldredge Tuesday Swiss Brkt. 4



Claudette Hartman, Tobi Sokolow Thursday Pairs A



Tuesday Gold Rush Pairs P.D. Sharma, Ricky Therneau



Dan Blaettler, Tom Trudeau, Laurie & Larry Levin Monday-Tuesday KO



Harry Elliott, Thomas Rush Thursday Pairs X



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 2 Richard & Diana Frankeny, Yaoguang Zhu, Anita Albert



Marie & Emil Russiello Wednesday Gold Rush Pairs



S.K. Sharma, Ann Perry Thursday Pairs Y



Julie McKenna, Zaeem Lutfi Thursday Gold Rush Pairs



Courtney Coffman, Ted Bain, Steve Bell, Jeff Kroll Wednesday-Thursday KO Bkt 1



Mahesh Maruvada, Marilyn Mac Donald Lynn Swinger, Bill Mac Donald Thursday Swiss Bkt. 2



Dave Johnson Jr., Howie Huynh, Jerry Barrett, Gary Anderson Wednesday-Thursday KO Bkt 2



Susan Young, Dave Herron, Steve Hoffman, Lew Spurlock Thursday Swiss Bkt. 4



Rosemary Kelley, Bill Walker Friday Pairs A



Jeane Crumpler, Joe Ramirez, Jean Marsh, Marcia Lindsey Thursday Swiss Bkt. 5



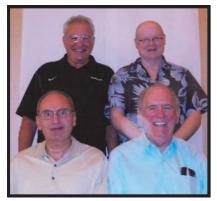
Gerald Irion, Carol Ramberg Friday Gold Rush Pairs Saturday Gold Rush Pairs

Sherry Sprague, Twyla Woody, Odis Nolte, Charles Woody Thursday Swiss Bkt. 6



S.K. Sharma, Ann Perry, Penny Smith, Jo Ann Robertson Friday Swiss Bkt 4





Barry Schaffer, Mark Bumgardner, Nagy Kamel, Dan Morse Sunday Swiss A tied



Gary Anderson, Jarek Langer, Jerry Barrett, Julie McKenna Sunday BCD Swiss



Mike Blanchard, Dana Pickett, Wayne Williams, Randy Eads Sunday BCD Swiss



Tobi Sokolow, Claudette Hartman, Steve Wood, David Sokolow Sunday Swiss A tied







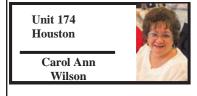
Sheila Harrison, Susan Kaplan, Jim McCommoms, Al Fortier Sunday BCD Swiss

Lysa Nguyen, Yaoguang Zhu

Saturday Pairs A

Jarek Langer, Julie McKenna Saturday Gold Rush Pairs





Unit News: Dianna Gittelman is heading the team to prepare for our Fall Sectional Extravaganza on October 27-29, and we hope you will join us! We have a new, BEAUTIFUL playing area, the Hilton Hotel North (713-866-1154, Code ACBL), near Intercontinental Airport, with a \$92 room rate. On Saturday night we are planning a Casino Party! Sunday's Swiss Team Games will be REGION-ALLY RATED! Save that date, because you won't want to miss this one!

We in Unit 174 are very proud of our members who so selflessly serve not only on the District level but at the ACBL level. **Dan Morse** has done so for decades, including his service as President of both District 16 and the ACBL itself. He, along with many of our expert players, have done a great job of representing our Unit at tournaments on all levels.

five ACBL Charity Foundation trustees. This is one of the relatively unknown functions of the ACBL Board. The Foundation Trustees award grants to charities that have successfully applied. Does your organization quality? Formal requests may be made to the ACBL Charity Foundation, 6575 Windchase Blvd., Horn Lake MS 38637-1523, ATTN Kelley McGuire, with specific information, including specific amount requested, specific project for the funds and the budget for same, and the use to which the grant would be put. Submissions must be made before the Founda-

We also took note of how many Unit 174 players won or placed high in events at the July 4 Regional in San Antonio! We were proud of all of them, and we hope to see many players from other units for our tournaments in Houston! Our Lone Star Regional is coming up January 29-February 4 of 2018, and without the crushing competition with other events we had last year, we are hoping to set a new record in 2018! Come one and all, and we will have plenty of hospitality waiting for you.

tion's next meeting on November 24.

We like seeing ACBL's funds put to

good work like this!

game at all of their Friday morning games; their Swiss Team game will be on the last Friday, 9/29; and all October games will be Jane Johnson Club Appreciation games.

Martha Adams, Patty Hinze,

Marilyn Arnold, Tony Haddad

Sunday Swiss X, tied

New 70% Milestones: Bill St. Clair and **Joe Quinn** had a 71.01% game at Westside Bridge Academy on 7/14 in the Open Game, and Sheila Odell and Annette Ehrhardt had a 70.83% the same day in the I/N Game. At **BCoH**, Tommy and Carolyn Harris had a 70.48% game on 6/16; Diane Manning and Valerie Salle, 70% on 7/18; and on 7/31 Ted Bain and Al Cupps posted a 70.57%. Clear Lake DBC reported that on 7/31 Mike Goldberg and Wayne Miller had a 72.43% game; on 7/12 Ida Morrow and Joe Giovannangeli had a 73.20%; on 6/22 Joe Giovannangeli and Edith Reid scored 71.43%; in their 0-299er game, Russel (Brad) Chandler and Donald Bell posted a 70.12% game. On 7/20, David Dyer and Terry Harrison had a 70.33% game at Spring Branch Duplicate Club.

Congratulations to all for these rare achievements!

Remembering Those Who Have **Passed On:** We have lost many stalwarts from our unit, several losing their battles with cancer. Meng-Chr Tsai ("Mike") died on 8/4; Alan Adams, died on 7/22; Ed Lilly, passed away on 7/17; Pete Hanson, a director at BCoH, left us 7/8; Redden Travis Parramore died 7/8; and Carolyn Robbins Fleming Peters, who gave so very much to Bridge, passed away on 7/6. They will be missed very, very much.

11 28.36 John Erickson 12 27.60 Ralda St Pierre 13 27.36 Jack LaVigne 14 26.37 Mildred Breed 15 25.27 Lily Andre 16 25.27 James Andre 17 25.00 Anita Albert 18 23.93 Alfred Fortier III 19 22.79 Sheila Harrison 20 22.35 Bill St Clair 21 22.33 Paul Cuneo 22 22.33 Carmen Keys 23 21.86 Sandra Parker 24 21.80 David Henke 25 21.36 Gil Micheletti

Thursday Morn Side Pairs-6.0 Tables AB1. Sandra Parker-Tom Hogle AB2. Lynn Shapiro-Kathy Watkins 1. David Senior-William McCain Jr C2. Ann Dahn-A Desmond Thursday Morn 299er Pairs-17.0 Tables D1. Jeannie Stone-Laura Chandler D2E1. Alberto Fernandez-Patricia Cantu San Pedro Garza E2. Mary Ellen Vail-George Rosen F1 Van Valentine-Ned Stuart F2. Robert Lee-Mary Ann Glunz Thursday Morn 49er Pairs-7.0

Tables G1. Rupa Shah-Mark Levy G2H1. Brenda Stover-Patricia Wood H2. Mary Bailey-Susan Dezelle I1. Henrietta Sasser-Jay Berkebile I2. Jean Mills-Cherie Seibel Thursday Open Pairs-19.0 Tables / Based on 44 Tables A1. Ed Groner-Kitty Wong A2. Oren Moore-Ralda St Pierre B2 Steven Bell-Courtney Coffman C1. AJ James-Julia Hill C2. Cheryl Smith-Charles Dalton Thursday Aft Side Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1. Jim Dick-Lourdes Fletcher AB2C1. Kathleen Stuart-Roslyn Wallace C2. Marcia Lindsey-May Hakki Thursdayt Aft 299er Pairs-14.0 Tables AB1. Adrienne Juno-Chamberlain AB2. Ronnie Martin-Russell Chandler C1. Gay Conner-Margarete Kirk Thursday Aft 49er Pairs-5.0 Tables A1. Mark Levy-Gigi White A2BC1. Jean Mills-Cherie Seibel B2. Mary Bailey-Susan Dezelle C2. Barbara Craven-Betty Westbrook % Thursday Swiss Bracket-1-9 Tables 1. Dan Morse-John Zilic-Bill St Clair -Tom Breed 2. Nancy Strohmer-Phillip Grothus-Hans Strohmer-Anita Albert

Stephanie & Steve Stevens, Beth Gale, Bob Otis Sunday BCD Swiss Lipscomb-Jane Boozalis Thursday Swiss Bracket-3-9 Tables 1. Naomi Spicer-Bobbie Moutz-Val Grady-Dale Grady 2. Hugh Humphries-Kay Humphries-Victor Tong-Ming Su Thursday Swiss Bracket-4-9 Tables 1. Bob Dowlen-Robert Burridge-Marsha Doyle-Carolyn Labouliere

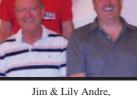
2. Jack Manderscheid-Gene Levy-Patricia Bunn-Owen Bunn Thursday Swiss Bracket-5-9 Tables

1. Beverly Fanarof-Jane Joplin-Ann Gibbs-Marilyn Leiman 2. Mary Cris Emmons-Lisa Zummo-Connie Conover-Carol Jewett

Thursday Swiss Bracket-6-12 Tables 1. Christian Liipfert-Tekin Kunt-Ann Sinclair-Lauri Laufman-2. Patricia Dunnell-Susan Mandel-Sandra Maalouf-Susan Domsalla Friday Morn Side Pairs-16.0 Tables AB1. Clarissa Dowdy-Barbara Grantham A2. Georgiana Gates-Anne La Cour B2. Raymond Alexanian-Ann O'Malley B1. Carol Jewett-Mary Cris Emmons B2. D Russell Long-John Bedford

Friday Morn 299er Pairs-18.0 Tables AB1. Alberto Fernandez-Patricia Cantu San Pedro Garza B2C1. Mark Incerto-Douglas Lilly C2. Bhagvanti Das-Roop Prasad Friday Morn 49er Pairs-8.5 Tables AB1. Jeanne Kokes-Pamela Vincent AB2C1. Nicole Cox-Cindy Cox C2. H Ray Yoder-Marc Sullivan Friday Aft Side Pairs-11.0 Tables A1. Michael Bossert-Sara Bossert A2. Brenda Solovitz-Jack Stone B1. Pam Barksdale-John Caudill B2C1. David Durand-Jere Kemp C2. D Russell Long-John Bedford Friday Aft 299er Pairs-15.5 Tables ABC1. Sadashiv Pethe-Susan Thom AB2. Sheila Odell-Annette Ehrhardt C2. Carol Montague-Linda Morgan Friday Aft 49er Pairs-4.0 Tables 1. Monica Gutierrez San Pedro Gza G Mexico: Roberta Martinez 2. Miriam York-Janet Manchee 1 Nicole Cox-Cindy Cox 71 2 . Michelle Herring= Kay Pittman Friday Swiss Bracket-1-9 Tables 1. Jack LaVigne-Randall Lake-John Erickson-Oren Moore 2. John Zilic-Dan Morse-Gil Micheletti Md-Tom Breed





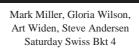
Terry Richardson, Greg Stephens Sunday Swiss X, tied



Bill McCarty, Daniel Jackson, Thomas Rush, Jeff Kroll Saturday Swiss Bkt 2











Betty Starzec, who has been teaching bridge since 1985, continues to serve as a Trustee of the Educational Foundation of the ACBL and on August 1 she became the President of the American Bridge Teachers' Association. Betty has taught the course for accrediting ACBL teachers and has written numerous teaching materials used by the ACBL. She was responsible for a grant from the ACBL Educational Foundation making each successful participant of an ACBLapproved teacher accreditation course a member of the ABTA for a year. The ABTA successfully networks with bridge teachers through its quarterly magazine, convention, and email blasts. And speaking of bridge teachers: Our Lone Star Regional is just around the corner, and it is time to nominate your favorite teacher for District 16's "Star Teacher Award." Contact the Committee Chair, Laura **Delfeld** (<u>lauradelfeld7@gmail.com</u>) to nominate. Friday of the Lone Star Regional is "Hot Dog Day" and there will be cake, too!

Nancy Strohmer has been elected for a two-year term to serve as one of the

More Success Stories from Unit 174: Once again. Dave Glandorf. of Clear Lake DBC, has been honored! At the ABTA meeting in Toronto in July, he was named one of three certified Master Teachers, the highest recognition in the North American bridge community. Clear Lake DBC also reports improvements to their Website, including a new tab with information for volunteers. They had two special parties in July for 299er Advancement and Life Master Advancement, where they recognized members who moved up in standing with ACBL for the preceding year.

Both Westside Bridge Academy and Bridge Club of Houston are continuing to have much success with classes and courses. This is a premier way to increase table count for regular games and to get more players addicted to this game we love so much. And now both clubs are having even more success with MiniBridge! The youngsters are LOVING it!

Jody Henry reports that Lake Conroe DBC is holding an Internal Fund Till next time

Awesome August Houston, TX Aug 10-13, 2017 745 players 784 tables.

1 43.71 Randall Lake 2 43.70 Tom Breed 3 43.70 John Zilic 4 43.70 Dan Morse 5 32.94 Sally Wheeler 6 32.94 Buddy Hanby 7 30.89 Georgiana Gates 8 30.73 Jack Balter 9 30.43 Phillip Grothus 10 29.52 Oren Moore

Thursday Swiss Bracket-2-9 Tables 1. Carmen Keys-Paul Cuneo-Linda Brending-William Brending 2/3 Carol Winograd-Yin Choo-Anne Gorry-Nancy Reader 2/3 Bert Onstott III-Katherine Onstott-Eleanor

Friday Swiss Bracket-2-9 Tables 1. Ron Brown-Judy Brown-William Lindner-Bill Gemas 2. Carmen Keys-Paul Cuneo-William Brending-Linda Brending Friday Swiss Bracket-3-9 Tables 1.

Carol Winograd-Anne Gorry-Goldie Rose-Max Levit 2. Lily Andre-James Andre-Yaoguang Zhu-Sheila Harrison

Friday Swiss Bracket-4-9 Tables 1. Gary Winston-Shari Winston-David Crooks-Bill Kiehnhoff 2. Jeffery Parker-Sandra Parker-Lisa Zummo-Tom Hogle

Friday Swiss Bracket-5-9 Tables 1. James Ochsner-Allison Ochsner-Jeanette Dean-Jack Dean 2. Ming Su-Victor Tong-Rani Sachdev-Kailash Sachdev

Friday Swiss Bracket-6-9 Tables 1. Thomas Romz-Bert Sheldon-Evelyn James-Keith Ritter 2. Tom Nobis-Carolyn Wedel-Betty Schell-Robert Crawford

Friday Swiss Bracket-7-9 Tables 1. George Nelson-Suzie Wilson-Mary Nelson-Joanne Graham 2. James Cauble-Barry Morgan-Alok Bhargava -Gulzar Mitha

Friday Swiss Bracket-8-17 Tables 1. Titia Smulders-Edna Earle Mattei-Joann Suthers-Shirley Savage Total masterpoints: 3888.18 earned by 745 players.

Total attendance: 184 tables. 2. Mary Jane Kinnebrew-Bruce Weiner-Ede Weiner-Linda Aaron Saturday Morn Side Pairs-4.5 Tables ABC1. Gregory Browne-Matt Smith ABC2. Diane Kaminsky-Elizabeth Jackson

Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-13.0 Tables ABC1. Carol Montague-Linda Morgan AB2/3 Gregory May-Mary Love Timmerman AB2/3C2. Bernard Feldman-Sherul Feldman

Saturday Morn 49er Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Brenda Stover-Mary Cezeaux A2. Rose Cullivan Hock-Leon Gertsch B2. Manju Manek-Smita Shah

Fri-Sat Open Pairrs-11 Tables 1. Buddy Hanby-Sally Wheeler 2. David

Sokolow-Tobi Sokolow Saturday Open Pairs-15.0 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. David Dyer-Ralph Herz A2. Georgiana Gates-Randall Lake BC1. William Turner-Angela Hester B2. Phyllis Timko-Donald Timko C2, Bharat Shrestha-A Ansari

Saturday Aft Side Pairs-5.5 Tables AB1. Wes Peirce The-G Thomas Rush AB2. Donna Sparks-Kitty Wong 1 Harry Price-Donna Price 2 Sharon Plescia-Jackie Stewart Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-11.0 Tables AB1. Carol McCord-Adrienne Juno A2. Gregory May-Mary Love Timmerman

B2. Weston Frazier-Larry Wadler C1. Kathleen Gregory-Archie Gregory C2. Gay Conner-Carol Ferguson Saturday Swiss Bracket-1-9 Tables 1. John Zilic-Dan Morse-Gil Micheletti Md-Bill St Clair-Tom Breed 2. Eric Snow-Toni Snow-Thomas Jahnke-Betsy Dubose

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Saturday Swiss Bracket-6-9 Tables 1. Frederick Gregory-Sam Khayatt-John Montgomery-Carol Lombardino

2. Willie Jo Schaefer-Nan Fulweber-Gail Gillespie-Kathryn Kent Saturday Swiss Bracket-7-9 Tables

son A2B1. Debi Balter-Raymond Alexanian B2. Sarah Stephens-Paula Dalv

Sunday Morn 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Dale Miller-Pene Moore A2. Gregory May-Mary Love

Georgiana Gates-Jack Balter X1. Tom Hogle-Clif Rice-Dianna Gittelman-Sandra Parker 2. Susan Kaplan-Alfred Fortier III-Lily Andre-James Andre

Sunday B Swiss Bracket-1-9 Tables

Morgan-James Cauble 2. Frederick Gregory-John Montgomery-Carol Lombardino-Sam Khayatt Sunday B Swiss Bracket-4 1. Mary Jane Kinnebrew-Susan McLaurin-Ede Weiner-Bruce Weiner 2. Martin Gastrell-Yvonne Serbin-Cindy Skeels -Errol LeCesne Sunday B Swiss Bracket-5-13 Tables 1. James Morgan-Brenda Metze-Ethel Black-Joseph Ford 2. Charles Dalton-Cheryl Smith-Stephen Banks-Carol Banks

1. Robert Vilyus-Marilyn Gale Vilyus -Sheryl Thomas-Barbara Giddens 2. Corbin Shouse-James Meade-Carol Meade-Odis Nolte Saturday Swiss Bracket-8-12 Tables

1. Marilyn Slaughter-Julia Thompson -Myra Marsh-Dottie Steverson 2. Richard McGaughy-Maureen Weiss-Van Valentine-Ellen Valentine

Timmerman 2 Manju Manek-Smita Shah

Sunday Aft Open Pairs-4.5 Tables AB1. Kenneth Hudson-Jim Dick A2. Marsha Bernstein-Joan Pleason B2. Debi Balter-Raymond Alexanian Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-25 Tables / Based on 74 Tables A1. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby-Mildred

1. Al Cupps-Pam Barksdale-Sheila Harrison-Courtney Coffman 2. Sandy Potts-Martha Norman-Anita Albert-Terri O'Brien Elliott Sunday B Swiss Bracket-2-9 Tables 1. David Ticen-Suvabrata Biswas-Wes Peirce-Mary McDonald 2.Rodney McCullough-Doug Boswell -Sharon Graber-Robert Graber

HOUSTON AWESOME AUGUST SECTIONAL WINNERS



Thursday Open Pairs A Ed Groner, Kitty Wong



Friday-Saturday Championship Pairs A Buddy Hanby, Sally Wheeler



Saturday Open Pairs A Ralph Herz, David Dyer



Saturday Swiss Bkt 1 Bill St. Clair, Tom Breed, John Zilic, Gil Micheletti, Dan Morse



Sunday Swiss A Buddy Hanby, Sally Wheeler, Mildred Breed, Phillip Grothus



Friday Morn Side Pairs Barbara Grantham



Friday Morn Side Pairs Sally & Michael Bossert



Friday Swiss Bkt 2 Judy Brown, Bill Gemas Ron Brown, William Lindner



Friday Swiss Bkt 3 Carol Winograd, Goldie Rose, Anne Gorry



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Friday Swiss Bkt 5 Allison Ochsner, Jeanette Dean James Ochsner, Jack Dean



Saturday Swiss Bkt 4 Sheila Harrison, Janice Sandberg, Yaoguang Zhu, Eric Sandberg



Friday Swiss Bkt 7

Joanne Graham, Suzie Wilson,

Mary Nelson, George Nelson

Saturday Swiss Bkt 5 Carol Wilson, Betty Schell, Robert Crawford, Carolyn Wedel



Sunday BCD Swiss 3 Barry Morgan, Azam Khan, Alok Bhargava, James Cauble



Friday Swiss Bkt 8 Titia Smulders, Edna Earle Mattei, Joann Suthers



Saturday Aft 299ers Adrienne Juno, Carol McCord



Saturday Swiss Bkt 2 Lily Andre, Susan Kaplan, Jim Andre, Alfred Fortier III



Saturday Swiss Bkt 3 Sandy Potts, Terri O'Brien, Martha Norman, Anita Albert



Saturday Swiss Bkt 7 Sheryl Thomas, Barbara Giddens, Marilyn Gayle & Robert Vilyus



Saturday Swiss Bkt 8 Marilyn Slaughter, Julia Thompson, Myra Marsh, Dottie Steverson



Sunday Morn Side Pairs Joan Pleason, Marsha Bernstein



Sunday BCD Swiss 1 Al Cupps, Courtney Coffman



Sunday Swiss X Cliff Rice, Tom Hogle, Sandra Parker, Dianne Gittelman



Thursday Open Pairs B Thomas Ruch, A Ansari



Sunday BCD Swiss 2 Pam Bardsdale, Sheila Harrison, Mary McDonald, Suvabrata Biswas, Wes Pierce, David Ticen



Thursday Aft 299ers Adrienne Juno, Janelle Chamberlain



Thursday Open Pairs C AJ James, Julia Hill





Thursday Aft 299ers Gay Conner, Margarite Kirk





Thursday Morn 49ers Mark Levy, Rupa Shah

Sunday BCD Swiss 5

Bruce Weiner, Susan McLaurin,

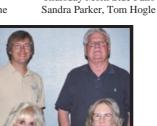
Ede Weiner, Mary Jane Kinnebrew

Thursday Aft 299ers Laura Chandler, Jeannie Stone





Thursday Morn Side Pairs





















Thursday Swiss Bkt 2 Paul Cuneo, Carmen Kevs, William & Linda Brending



Fhursday Swiss Bkt 3 Bobbie Moutz, Naomi Spicer, Val & Dale Grady

with hot dogs and apple pie.



Thursday Swiss Bkt 4 Robert Burridge, Bob Dowlen, Carolyn Labouliere, Marsha Doyle



Thursday Swiss Bkt 5 Beverly Fanarof, Marilyn Leiman

certain partnerships seem to have

Thursday Swiss Bkt 6 Lauri Laufman, Ann Sinclair, Tekin Kunt, Chrisian Liipfert



By the time you Unit 176 members read this, the long, hot summer will be behind us. I know many travel during this time often to cooler climates hoping to escape the Texas heat. However, enough bridge players remain behind to earn accolades for our unit. At the Tyler Regional, Mark Bumgardner was the masterpoint winner for the tournament, and at the San Antonio Regional, Mark Bumgarder, Nagy Kamel, and Barry Schaffer all tied as master-point winners. Congratulations to you all.

Both Dorsey's Bridge Club and BAND celebrated the fourth of July

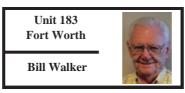
At BAND, Donna Compton has started a fast pairs game on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm and ending at 8:45pm. This has had a great reception with the players and is growing weekly. On August 9th, Gerrie Owen and Valley View Bridge Club is hosting a fundraiser for Jim Clark who is suffering with brain tumors. Valley View will donate proceeds to the Clarks and any other donations received. Thanks to all the bridge players for your generosity.

Since I have written this prior to our Dallas Regional, I am anxious to see how you liked the changes that we implemented there. The hospitality snacks and desserts were put out in the morning instead of the evening. However, the most important is that we ordered all new cards for the

Regional. Wasn't that a joy!

I'm sad to report that one of our longtime and most loved bridge players has died. LaRue Stott's funeral was August 1st at Restland. She lived to be 92 and played bridge until the What a great life! end.

Our Fall Sectional is October 26-29 and there are only morning and afternoon games. We hope you will like this new schedule. Remember to report any news to me. See you at the table.



defined bridge. Last century, in the late twenties and thirties Ely and Josephine Culbertson taught America how to play bridge. They also demonstrated how a masterful partnership plays the game. Then along came Charles Goren who revolutionized the game with his point count bidding. Goren and his favorite partner of many years, Helen Sobel, formed what may have been one of the greatest partnership of all time. Next were the Dallas Aces. While they played as a team, the Aces were in reality three highly skilled partnerships, featuring such talent as Mike Lawrence, Bobby Wolff and Jim Jacoby. More recently the game has been dominated by Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell -or Meckwell- as they are commonly known.

who is spreading their talents around the world. Specifically, Buck Bucannon and Don Reynolds recently played in the Saturday session of a worldwide open pairs game with over 1200 tables in twenty countries participating. They finished FIFTH overall in the world with a 68 percent game. Great showing guys, congratulations from all of us. Maybe we should start calling them -Bucknolds. Then again, maybe we shouldn't.

If that wasn't enough, in the Friday night worldwide session Buck teamed with Gary Neisler to finish first in District 16.

Unit 183 made a good showing at the recent Tyler Regional. Finishing among the top ten in master points won were LaQuitta Talbot and the late Herb Fallin with 31.72 master

It's interesting the extent to which Today Unit 183 has a partnership

Dallas Fall Sectional October 26-29, 2017

Richardson Civic Center SW Corner of Arapaho Rd. & US 75 (Central Expressway)

Thursday, October 26

| Stratified 299er Pairs (0-5 play free) | 10:00 am, 2:00 & 7:00 pm |
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| Stratified Open Pairs | 10:00 am, 2:00 & 7:00 pm |
| Bracketed Swiss Teams | 10:00 am & 2:00 pm |
| Single Session Swiss | 7:00 pm |
| | |

Friday, October 27

Stratified 299er Pairs (0-5 play free) Stratified Open Pairs Bracketed Swiss Teams Board a Match Team game 10:00 am, 2:00 & 7:00 pm 10:00 am, 2:00 & 7:00 pm 10:00 am & 2:00 pm 7:00 pm

Saturday, October 28

Stratified 299er Pairs (0-5 play free)10:00 am, 2:00 & 7:00 pmStratified Open Pairs10:00 am, 2:00 & 7:00 pmBracketed Swiss Teams10:00 am & 2:00 pmSingle Session Swiss7:00 pmSunday, Oatabar 20

Sunday, October 29

| Strati-flighted Swiss Teams – 2 Session Event | 10:00 am |
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| 499er Swiss Teams – 2 Session Event | 10:00 am |
| Stratified Open Pairs | 2:00 pm |

Stratifications:

Pairs: A: 3000+, B: 1000-3000, C: 0-1000 (based on average mps) 299er Events: A: 300-200, B: 200-100, C: 100-0 (based on average mps) Strati-flighted Teams: A: 5000+, AX: 0-5000 (play together) B: 3000-1500, C: 1500-750, D: 750-0 (play together)

Entry Fees: ACBL members \$13 per daytime session, \$10 per evening session; unpaid and non-members \$16 per session. Sunday Swiss: \$104 for team of four. **Saturday Night Special \$5!! for 7 pm games.**

Tournament Chairman: Catherine Tucker

(textuck@swbell.net), Cheryl Clark (DallasUnit176@yahoo.com) **Partnerships:** Cheryl and Jim Rider (ridercheryl@gmail.com)

Tournament Director: Scott Humphrey Snacks and drinks every session; lunch provided during Sunday Swiss

Teams games. We recommend you bring lunch Thursday-Saturday due to the time constraints of the schedule.

Fragrance Policy: Please refrain from the use of perfumes and colognes as many players have allergies.

Hotel Info: (Ask for Dallas Bridge Association rate)
Wingate by Wyndham, 1577 Gateway Blvd., Richardson, TX
75080; Phone: 972-234-5400; Rate: \$79.
Courtyard by Marriott, 1000 S Sherman St, Richardson, TX
75081; Phone: 800-321-2211; Rate: \$69.

points each, Steve Shirey ended with 26.65 and Dave Pearlman had 25.40. Also amassing more than fifteen points were: Bill Staats 22.88, Kathy Coleman 16.63, and Patricia Sears 16.28.

Unit 183 has had a few more outstanding games recently. Sandie Conner and Randy Eads had a 70.53 game, Buck Bucannon and Don Reynolds had another seventy percent plus game. Where have we heard those names before?

This piece of news is compliments of "Fitz" Fitzgerald.

"The Granbury Bridge Club raised over \$10,000 for the Alzheimer's Association during their 'Longest Day' fundraiser on June 21st. The club conducted a full day of events from 7am to 6pm and then continued into the evening with a swing band and concert and dance. For an entry fee of \$35 participants had breakfast, bridge lessons, played both party and duplicate bridge, had lunch; and did it all over again! All the while there was a silent auction and an art exhibit ongoing. CONGRATULATIONS to the members of the club and the participants for a most successful charity event." Thank you, Fitz.

Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club bid farewell to a hot July on the 31st with an open and a 999 game.

Overall winners were:

Open Pairs: A1 Melody Gann and Bill White, A2 Margot Hirsch and James Wilson, A3/4 Roy Baughman and Jerry Derby, A3/4 Hugh Hillaker and Pat Cassidy, A5 Dee Berg and Ned Nolte, B1 James Justice and Paula Justice, B2 Mary Ellen Stayton and Charlie Raines, B3 Tom Moore and Ben Benjamin. 999 pairs:

A1B1C1 George Morey and Ramona Long, A2B2C2 Earl Mast and Linda Neal, A3B3 Jeff Newman and David Adams, A4B4C3 Jeannie Schemensky and Angela Benvenuto. Congratulations all.

I haven't seen it yet, but I understand the Arlington Bridge Club has completed some major renovation and face-lifting. Good for you-all!

In case you were wondering, Helen Sobel started her career as a 16 year old chorus girl in New York City.

Arlington Summer

Grapevine, TX Jun 23-25, 2017 296 players 262 tables.

1 38.04 Stephen Kornegay 2 38.04 Nancy Kornegay 3 38.04 Nagy Kamel 4 38.04 Mark Bumgardner 5 22.05 Eric Diamond 6 19.93 Jeff McKee 7 19.93 Greg Resz 8 17.94 Milton Neher 9 17.94 Jeff Dater 10 15.91 Tomi Storey Fri Eve Open Pairs-8.0 Tables / Based on 14 Tables ABC1. Charles Brown-Dee Berg ABC2. Betty Boring, Euless TX; Robert Bever Fri Eve 499er Pairs-5.5 Tables AB1. Debrah Chockley-Judy Bouska AB2. Dana Pickett-William Eads C1. Karen Cook-Patricia Gaultney C2. Edna Riek-Robert Pitts Fri Aft Open Pairs-12.0 Tables /



October 6-8, 2017

FORT WESTERN ELECTION SECTIONAL

Radisson Hotel Fort Worth South

No player in the B/C/D/ Swiss may have more than 2500 master points. Stratification in all events based in average of pair or team)

Friday, October 6

| Bracketed Swiss Teams | 1:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. |
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| Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session) | 1:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. |
| Stratified 299er Pairs (Single Session) | 1:30 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. |

Saturday, October 7

Bracketed Swiss Teams10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session)10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.Stratified 299er Pairs (Single Session)10:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 8

Tournament Chair: Janet Jordan (817) 797-9465 janetjordan817@yahoo.com Partnership chair: Darlene Shirey (817) 292-4719 shireysa@yahoo.com

All single sessions \$12 per player – Sunday Swiss \$100 per team Additional charge of \$3 per session for players who are unpaid or non-ACBL members Players with 0-20 MP play FREE on Saturday morning Speaker 6:15 Friday evening.

Radisson Hotel Fort Worth South 100 East Alta Mesa Blvd Fort Worth, TX 76134 (817) 293-3088 - ask for corporate rate All rooms \$69.00 plus tax per night (King or 2 Queens) Reservation deadline: September 26

Based on 22 Tables A1. Linda Spangler-Billy Leeper A2. Steve Shirey-Robert Adams BC1. Narayana Kamath-Royal Smith B2. Georgie Jaeger-Kashi Singh C2. Sam Shao-Jonathan Wang

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JUNE GRAPEVINE SECTIONAL WINNERS









Friday Aft Open Pairs A Billy Leeper, Linda Spangler

Friday Eve Open Pairs A Dee Berg, Charlie Brown

Saturday Swiss Bkt 1 Peggy Sutherlin, Bob Hamman, John Sutherlin, Petra Hamman

Saturday Swiss Bkt 3 Chris Tsai, Liane Tsai, Ginger Morgan, Ann Parker



Sunday Swiss A Steve Kornegay, Nagey Kamel, Nancy Kornegay, Mark Bumgardner



Friday Open Pairs B&C Royal Smith, Narayana Kamath



Saturday Bracket Swiss - Brk 4 Liz Jacobson, Larry White, Jan & Chuck Mogged



New Life Master Dagmar Rettberg

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Friday PM 499ers







Sherra Read, David Croissant Unit 187 Halloween Regional Tour-



Saturday PM 499ers

Debrah Chockley, Judy Bouska



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Saturday Open Pairs B

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nament will be held October 30th -

November 5th at the Holiday Inn

Downtown Marina in Corpus Christi.

Please refer to our flier or visit us

www.southtexasbridgeunit187.com

for detailed information. We look

The passing of Earlene Willett on

July 18, 2017 comes with great sad-

The following excerpt was published

Earlene enjoyed the atmosphere of

friends at a card table and enjoyed the

games. This interest over a period of

time culminated in her membership in

the Rockport Duplicate Bridge club

for many years where again she fur-

ther cultivated many meaningful relationships. She often called her chil-

dren with stories of triumph at the

bridge table with her dear friend,

She is survived by her two children;

Pamela Willett, Mark Willett

We offer our condolences to family

I'd like to introduce Felicia Davis of

Rockport. Felicia was born to Joseph

and Mary Hack in Detroit, Michigan.

She has one brother, Richard Hack of

Indianapolis. At the age of three, her

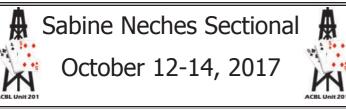
family moved to Miami Beach, Flor-

(Elizabeth) and Alexander Willett.

in Express-News on July 30, 2017:

forward to seeing you there!

Jean Kidd-Martin Hester-Mark Zeitlin-Kim Brinkman B2CD1. James



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MCM Eleganté Hotel and Convention Center 2355 I10S, Beaumont 77705 409-842-3600 Rate: \$109 per night (by Oct 1) **Ask for Sabine Neches Bridge Club** Free WiFi and Parking (8 minutes from BBS)

Fairfield Inn and Suites

2265 I10S, Beaumont 77705 409-840-5751 **Ask for Sabine Neches Bridge Club** \$92 per night (by Sep 27) Free WiFi, Breakfast, Parking (8 minutes from BBS)

Entry Fees

\$10 per person per session Swiss Team: \$100 per team (all day) NOTE: \$3 additional/session for ACBL non and unpaid members

Stratification* Strats are based on team or pair average **Open:** A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750) 299er: A (200-300), B (100-200), C (0-100)

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

| Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) | .9:30a |
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| Stratified Open Pairs (1 session) | .1:30p |
| 299er Pairs (single sessions)9:30a | , 1:30p |

Tournament Chairs

E. W. Sweeney (409-728-0821 dispatcherone@yahoo.com Liz Mackensie (409-893-4036) granmar45@hotmail.com

Partnership Chair

Sandra Allison (409-656-4478) tallison@gt.rr.com

Join us for a great bridge-playing time in Southeast Texas! As always, entry fees include coffee and snacks, sandwiches between pair sessions, and a catered lunch between Swiss sessions!

ida. After completing high school Felicia attended the University of Missouri in Columbia where she obtained a bachelor's of chemistry degree. Felicia obtained a job working for the FDA as a chemist in New Orleans. Felicia then moved back to Missouri where she opened a hunter and jumpers stable where she taught how to ride and trained horses. In addition, Felicia rode professionally for twenty -two years. She obtained a judge's license crediting her to judge compe-

titions for the U.S. Equestrian Federation held all over the United States. Owning and operating this stable for many years, allowed Felicia to pursue a master's degree in accounting at the University of Mississippi in Clinton.

Once completed, Felicia returned to the St. Louis area where she worked as a CPA. While attending a Spanish class, she asked fellow classmate Stanley Davis out. They have now been married for twenty years!

At the annual membership meeting U201 elected the Board of Directors for June 2017-June 2018: Linda Briggs, Kay Hooper, Liz Mackenzie, E. W. Sweeney, and Sandra Allison. Other board members include Susan Nimmo, Kimberly Goodson, Nixie Lynch, Patsy Pierce, and Carolyn Worsham. Kris Cherry and Martha Oliver represent the Orange Community Bridge League. John Smalley is Executive Secretary-Treasurer. Officers elected for 2017-2018 are Carolyn Worsham, President; E. W. Sweeney, Vice President; and Kimberly Goodson, Secretary. U201 especially thanks Kris Cherry for her many years of service as secretary.

Award winners recognized at the membership meeting for 2016- 2017 were: Goodwill - Joan Hataway and Connor Smith; Texas Star - Linda Briggs. Ace of Clubs - Carolvn Oliver, Loretta Hughes, Bobbie Carson, Mike and Carolyn Lemons, Susan Gore, Sandra Allison, Pat Bell, Jack Evans, Tim Stelly, Carol McGill, Dr. Bharathi, Nancy Smalley, and Tipton Golias. Mini McKenney - Carolyn Oliver, Loretta Hughes, Bobbie Carson, Joe Kazmar, Mike Lemons, Susan Gore, John Kacher, Marilyn Adams, Jack Evans, Tim Stelly, Carol McGill, Dr. Bharathi, Nancy Smalley, Tipton Golias.

This year U201 has mourned the passing of members: Connor Smith, Sarah Smith, Lorraine Brown and Fred Rice.

Seventy-six players won SILVER at the Beaumont Bridge Studio during STaC week. Overall scores for each game compared players from all of District 16 (all of Mexico and much of Texas). Over the week of June 12-16, 2483 players earned a total of 6254.70 master points. The top ten performers from Unit 201 (with their rank in the district and number of MPs won) were: John Smalley , 10.73), Jerry Triggs (146, 8.13), Nancy Smalley (148, 8.00), Bill ie Carter (212, 6.22), Susan Gore (233, 5.82), Pat Bell (233, 5.82), Dr. Bharathi (287, 5.11), Sylvia Street (343, 4.41), Nixie Lynch(345, 4.40), and Susan Nimmo (398, 3.89).

Thanks to President Carolyn Worsham who chaired U201's most successful The Longest Day, June 21, earning over \$7,500. A special hit was the fish fry provided by Jerry Gore and underwritten by Tipton Golias. Other helpers on The Longest Day, besides Carolyn were Bill Worsham, Ed Rasmussen, Pat and Lynda Jones, Susan Gore, Liz Mackenzie, Linda Briggs, Nixie Lvnch, E.W. Sweeney, and Susan Nimmo. In the morning open game placing 1st – Dr. A. Bharathi and Susan Gore; tied for 2nd– Lou Rising and Bob McGill and Wilbur and Verna Dahlquist. In the afternoon open game placing 1st – **Patsy Pierce** and **Cynthia Stueber**; 2^{nd -} **John** and Nancy Smalley; 3rd – Carolyn Worsham and Dr. A. Bharathi. In the 299'er game tied for 1^{st} – **Frances** Price and Barney Hammer and Lucille Armintor and Patricia Woods; 3rd – Donna Bryson and Vicki Bennett

Bharathi, and Pat Bell. 2^{nd-} Sandra Allison, Carolyn Oliver, Anna Smith, and Tim Stelly - 3rd -Reggie Cox, Lou Rising, Marian Jones, and Carolyn Worsham.

July mentor pairs placing: 1st - Sandra Allison and Liz Mackenzie, 2nd - Patricia Woods and Frankie Hall; 3rd – Glenda Bass and Tim Stelley. July mentor teams placing:1st - Sandra Allison and Anna Smith, Carolyn Oliver. and Tim Stelly; 2nd -Susan Nimmo and Carolyn Worsham, Nadine Pierce, and Linda Briggs.

Players with 70% or above games in June/July were Billie Carter and Ruby Collins; Bobbie Carson and Katie Mulhollan; Pat Bell and Susan Gore.

The highest monthly totals for June were Dr. Aiyanadar Bharathi, Nancy Smalley, and John Smalley. The highest for July were Dr. A. Bharathi, Loretta Gary, and Flo Gillispie.

Kris Cherry's six beginner's lessons brought in new enthusiastic bridge players. U201 certainly benefits from Kris's lessons and those of Nancy Smalley. Nancy offered 4 lessons on Two-Over-One- Game Force, attracting more advanced players. Thanks to both teachers.



Many Thanks to Neal who not only has written the column for 6+ years but has contributed in mnay ways.

Hello-Goodbye or is that Goodbye-Hello??

I have been the 204 reporter for 6 + years and about 40 columns. I want to extend a giant thanks to all those who helped me with bits and pieces for District 16 sharing.

Just came across a Bols tip by Mike Lawrence which is probably old news to many of you. I am going to give the message without the examples of cards, declarer play or defense. Anyway there is a MISHAP because your poor carding as declarer turns a 1 trick set into 3. In the words of Mike Lawrence: "Bad news is infectious. It brings with it emotions ranging from disappointment to sadness to depression, any one of which can distract and cause muddled thinking. Most players know it is important to keep your wits when things go sour. The trick is to recognize when your concentration is failing and to get your thoughts back together. Strong negative emotions do obstruct our thoughts." Then Mike Lawrence asks if there is anything worse than bad news and proceeds to give us a hand on defense where your lead against 3 NT leads to a sure 2 trick set. In his words, "You're feeling a little ecstasy mixed with a little power as you turn the 6th trick." "Cutting thru the euphoric glow, you realize you didn't pay attention to partner's carding and discards. What if partner has an Ace and you don't get it?" Ecstasy plays no favorites. It muddles your bidding judgement, your declarer play and your defensive awareness with equal facility." After he gives an example related to declarer play he continues.

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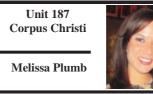
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Rider-Cheryl Rider-Lynn Cooper-Barry Cooper C2. Frank Durante-Nancy Latner-Paula Justice-Jimmy Justice C2. Lori McCline-Marilyn Vallario-James Hammond Jr-Wayne Lussier



Hello bridge patrons. I am the new correspondent for Unit 187 as our beloved friend, Linda Medina, is now living in Washington. She is truly missed and we wish her many blessings.

Congratulations to Bill MacDonald, Marilyn MacDonald, Mahesh Maruvada, and Lynn Swinger for placing 1st in the Swiss Bracket 2 game on July 6th at the San Antonio Regional Tournament.

When AT&T headquarters moved to San Antonio, Stanley and Felicia followed for his work. She too began working for the company as and international tax accountant. When the couple retired, they moved to Rockport. Her bridge playing began four years ago when Frances Couvillion had a class on learning how to play. She joined the Rockport Bridge Club and finds the game challenging and enjoyable. She spends half an hour a day studying the game on bridgeclues.com.

In her spare time Felicia and Stanley enjoy fishing, traveling, and judging. She is an avid orchid grower collecting plants from orchid shows and orchid farms. Three years ago, Felicia retired her horse Flying Color.

Felicia Davis is an asset to Unit 187.

melissaplumb187@yahoo.com



June mentor pairs placing: 1st- Sandra Allison and Liz Mackenzie; 2nd - Susan Gore and Dr. Aiyanadar Bharathi; 3rd – Sylvia Street and Pat **Bell.** June mentor teams placing: 1st – Susan Gore, Sylvia Street, Dr. A.

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"The issue here is very simple. Either you paid attention to the spots and made an educated decision or you didn't pay attention and therefore had to make an uneducated guess. If you allowed the comfort of nine apparent tricks to cloud your vision, you're in trouble. Conversely, if you ignored emotional intrusions and paid attention to the cards, then you were <u>able</u> to determine rather than guess the <u>correct play.</u>

His BOLS Tip: Anytime you feel yourself succumbing to an emotion, whether sadness, depression, irritation, COMFORT, ELATION, or ECSTASY, you should fight it off. STOP AND PAY ATTENTION."

So as the ups and downs of bridge come your way, do yourself and your partner a favor and practice his advice. Bridge people are the best folks! So, happy trails and I look forward to seeing y'all at the next tournament. Bubba

Now it is my honor to introduce y'all to Larry Hettick. Larry will be the new "senior" Fort Concho correspondent for Unit 204. Welcome!

(Larry here) Thanks, Neal for the warm introduction! And thank you for all you do and continue to do for our club and for the game of bridge. I could probably spend the next several columns listing all the great things Neal has done and praise him for the kind and caring soul he is; Neal is the kind of man you want as your friend and mentor. As the new unit Scorecard contributor, I know Neal will be a tough act to follow.

We do have some news and announcements, though. Lots to celebrate this round, with a shout-out to Peggy Jackson and Judy Matthew who came in first at a recent Riudosa session with a 68% game. Not to be outdone, Mary Bloodworth and Carol Diminnie took first at a San Angelo Cactus Club session with a 71% game. Nice going ladies!

More congratulations are in order to Neal Perlman and Carl McGill who are retires last month – no doubt so they can have more time to play bridge.

Finally, kudos to our very own Sue and Floyd Henry, who just celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary and to Johnnie and David Gist who topped that with a 65th wedding anniversary celebration.

One more thing: we will be having our NAOP sessions on the second Saturday in October (October 10) for those who qualified to move forward. The first session will be at 10 AM and the second session time will be TBD after the first session and lunch. If you want to play, we promise some warm San Angelo hospitality. road serves the entire area. There is a thriving artistic community, and many opportunities to pursue other interests through local clubs and volunteer organizations. Most of us are busier and more socially active in our retirement than we ever were when we worked! And did I mention you can play bridge four days a week?

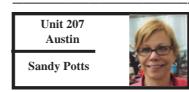
Unit News. We have several upcoming tournaments in Unit 205. So, if you're looking for a beach vacation, why not check out the Mexican Riviera? First up is the Puerto Vallarta Regional at the Westin Resort & Spa in sunny Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Dates are November 13-19. The tournament committee always goes out of its way to ensure that everyone has fun at this tournament! You can expect lots of hospitality and prizes on your way to winning the gold. Visit the tournament website at www.puertovallartaregional.com for more information.

Is silver what you need? Then check out our upcoming sectional tournaments. Even if you don't need silver, but just an excuse to visit the beach or lovely Lake Chapala, one of these tournaments might be for you: Mazatlan will be hosting a sectional from January 18-21, 2018, at the Hotel Playa Mazatlan on the beach. I attended this tournament last year, and enjoyed it so much I plan to return. And the Ajijic Valentine sectional is slated for February 8-11, 2018, at the Hotel Real de Chapala. We always have a great time! Flyers are available on the ACBL tournament page.

Club News. June was a big month for extra point games and special events at the Lake Chapala DBC. The Club participated in the annual Longest Day event, with games at 9:30 and 1:30 on Wednesday, June 21. Thanks to all who participated to raise money for Alzheimer's research.

LCDBC also participated in STaC week from June 12-16. Several players finished well in the District, most notably Jimmy Reynolds and Dagmar Rettberg who won the event overall on Thursday afternoon, June 15, with a 74.11% game. Wow! Other LCDBC players who scratched at the District level included Judy Wells, Doris Denny, Louise Morel, Catherine Gonzales, Mike Roney, Charles Chartier, Diane van Brocklin, Jeane Treloar, Sue Torres, Janet Mitchell, Lew Crippen, and Donna McElroy. Congratulations to all!

Club Championship games were held at the Lake Chapala DBC in June. Club champions are Tom Gillett and Charles Chartier (Monday—59%); Louise Morel and Catherine Gonzales (Tuesday—61.9%); Norinne and Dick Nelson (Thursday—68.75%); and Diane van Brocklin and Charles Chartier (Friday—60%). Our 299r club champions are Nancy Segall and Martha Heffron (61.20%). And the Pro-Am Swiss on June 30 was won by the team of Pat Mitchell, Dagmar Rettberg, Jeane Treloar, and Mike Roney. ing, keep winning, and keep advancing...but most important, keep smiling and being gracious to your partner!



Non-Life Master (NLM) Regional Tournament: August 24-27, 2017. If you are not a Life Master and you have fewer than 750 master points, come and get some gold points. Sally Sassen is the chair and Tracy Bruce is the partnership chair for this tournament.

The City Championship games were hosted free to Unit members. A free catered lunch was also provided by the Unit. Austin Burrito provided the delicious lunch.

New City Champions include: A: Joe Black and Terry Richardson; B: Harry Ingham and Bill Davis; C: Roxann Swenson and John Moore. A huge congratulations for these new champs!

Milestones: 200 Points: Gleaves Rhodes, Mel Sharp, and Barbara Rodriguez; New Life Master: Mickey Goldwater, LySa Nguyen; New Bronze Life Master: Melinda Simmen; New Diamond Life Master: Larry Davis, Charlene Sands, and Paul Tobias. Wow, what an accomplishment! Friends of these new Diamond Life Masters hosted a party and their photo will be in the Bridge Bulletin. Unusual and fun that three Austin players attained this high level all in the same month! Genuinely happy for each of you!

Have you noticed the Tuesday 0-350 game directed by Sally Sassen? This teacher provides great snacks and a lesson along with a Novice Weekly Newsletter. I have been amazed to see the efforts put in by this player. Sally is also our unit I/N coordinator. Nice job, Sally!

Also found out that Harry Ingham provides a newsletter for his clubs in Kyle and San Marcos. He gives Unit information and tells about events of interest to his players in the surrounding areas. Nice job, Harry!

I've been noticing the postings for the BCA NAP qualifiers on the bulletin board. Way to go, Rick Clements. Barbara Clements, did Rick help you find just the right size shoes to display on the bulletin board? Bet that's a hidden talent. Thanks for your efforts.

Pam LaShelle recently redid the New Life Masters Bulletin Board with the 2017 winners. So far there are Lazaro Brener, Gary Anderson, Bob Tyler, Mickey Goldwater and LySa Nguyen. Way to go, players! various events? Ever thought about who gathers, sorts, counts, and deposits the money collected by the directors? And balancing and juggling those accounts. The help of the Unit treasurer, Jo Dee Bowen, a fine woman, helps us get it all done. Other monies get similar attention from the BCA Board treasurer, Art Widen. Good job to each of you for making the books balance and getting folks reimbursed when we host events. You make it look EASY - - I know it's not. Ha!

The Unit recently hosted a "Dog Days of Summer" bridge event. This was free to Unit players, and we had 37.5 tables. Director Pam LaShelle made it seamless. Other directors happened to be present and helped make this event a huge success. Thanks to Mark McAllister and Tracy Bruce for assisting. I loved the dog days cake. Thanks to the Board members and other caring people who helped set up, clean up, and keep the party atmosphere going. If you see a Unit Board member or a BCA Board member, let's thank them for their many hours of dedication to our bridge community. Fun working together and watching bridge folks support each other. Seeing all the contributions makes me feel proud to be a member of our community!

You may see others quietly volunteering. Please send me a note at <u>sandy.potts5@yahoo.com</u>. Never hurts for us to say thank you for the unspoken help we are given!

New game directed by Tracy Bruce, most Saturdays at 1:00 PM. This is for new players with 0-20 masterpoints. Know anyone making the transition from social bridge to duplicate bridge? Are you a newer player in a bridge class who would like some practice? Partners are guaranteed. This game is at the Bridge Center of Austin. Please contact Tracy for more information: <u>malt.bruce @</u> gmail.com

Help is needed for this game. Tracy is requesting two volunteers per session. Let's make this group a successful one!

New Lifetime Learning Institute classes start in September. www.LLI.org

Sally Sassen is the instructor for this 8-week hands-on beginner's course: sallysassen@gmail.com No bridge experience needed. Come with or without a partner. Sally also publishes a weekly newsletter for newer players. Be sure to check this out!

NAP finals are coming up. You must have qualified for the NAP in club games to be eligible to participate in this event. Kevin Perkins will direct and Rick Clements is the NAP coordinator. See either with questions. NAP finals will be Saturday October 14. between rounds of bridge. Many of us are quite shocked that he passed away and we will miss him.

Austin NLM Regional Aug 24-27, 2017 137 players 165 tables.

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Thu Gold Rush Pairs-25.5 Tables / Based on 22 Tables

BC1. Arthur Herriott-Louis Fogleman, Georgetown BC2, Sheryl Miller -Beth Peterson, Horseshoe Bay B3. David Mead-Spencer Ledlow, Austin B4C3. David Goodwin-Rose Goodwin, Roanoke VA B5C4. Barbara Rodriguez, Volente ; Sally Disanza, Austin D1/2 Jessie Bouldin, Wimberley ; Julie Morris, Buda D1/2 Robert Christophel-Rosalind Brazda, San Antonio D3. Ronald Kunkel, Leander ; Ken Hanson, Austin D4. Susan Sheppard-David Sheppard, Austin D5. Gary Steele-Paty Steele, McAllen Fri Gold Rush Pairs-26.0 Tables / Based on 20 Tables B1. Bill Kalmbach-Nola Ray, Austin B2CD1. Dana Sun-Peter Naimoli, Austin B3. Susan Fenton, Houston ; Odis Nolte, Conroe B4. Costa Triantaphilides-Jarek Langer, Austin B5. Patricia Rutledge, Round Rock ; Leilani Rose, Austin C2. Barbara Wood-Mary Williams, Rockwall C3D2. Bob Allen-Eric De Rouffignac, Austin C4. Dionne Green -Suzanne Deaderick, Austin C5. Anu Chhabra-Gayle Herring, Austin D3. Earnestine Broyles, Lakeway ; Jean Durocher, Austin D4. Tom Bell-Cindy Bell, Austin D5. Karen O'Shea -Ken Hanson, Austin

Sat Gold Rush Pairs-17.0 Tables / Based on 16 Tables B1. David Mead-Spencer Ledlow, Austin B2. Blair Lapwing-Bill Kalmbach, Austin B3CD1. Tom Bell-Cindy Bell, Austin B4C2. Nola Ray-Kathleen Monahan, Austin C3. Rose Goodwin-David Goodwin, Austin C4. Preston Olivent -Carolyn Olivent, Georgetown C5D2. Peter Naimoli-Dana Sun, Austin D3. Bob Allen-Eric De Rouffignac, Austin



With many American and Canadian expats living in Unit 205, either fulltime as I do or as "snowbirds" (in the winter) or "sunbirds" (in the summer), some of you might wonder: what's the attraction? For one of our beach cities, such as Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan, or San Jose del Cabo, the attraction seems obvious. But what about the Lake Chapala area? Words that come to mind include: relaxed, active, friendly, artistic, vibrant, and historic. It's a lovely place that combines the beautiful scenery of mountains and lake with a perfect climate and slower pace of life where every moment is savored. Unlike more touristy destinations, there still remains an off-the-beaten-path feeling at Lake Chapala. Large hotels are few and far between, and one main

Summertime is party time again at the Lake Chapala DBC. The annual Summer Party was held at La Sima del Copal Restaurant on July 19. 50 club members attended, enjoying good food, good music, and lively dancing. And the panoramic view over the lake was incredible! Thanks to Mary Ann Waite for organizing this event.

Several Unit 205 players achieved milestones during June and July. Congratulations to Dagmar Rettberg of the Lake Chapala DBC for achieving the rank of Life Master—we are so proud of you! Also, Mary Ann White and Don Ross of the LCDBC became Ruby Life Masters. And we have a new Junior Master at the LCDBC: Nikki Horne. Keep play-

Anybody been smiling for pictures lately? Julie McKenna takes photos for the Unit, and they get posted by Ken MacMorran on the Unit website (austinbridge.org) and Mark McAllister for the BCA website (bridgecenteraustin.com). Also, there's an effort to get everyone's picture on the websites for the Unit/ BCA. Some of us have aged quite a lot since our last photo opp. Bobbie Gruhlkey is happily snapping away and trying to make our information more recent. Did you also know that Martha Norman is updating Unit contact information and that Laura Delfeld updates the BCA contact information? Email Mark McAllister if you need a password to get into the only members tab: markmc888@gmail.com

What about all the money collected at

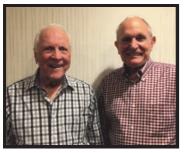
There's a new GNT District coordinator in town. BJ Sanders has been selected to represent District 16. Way to go, BJ! Jerry Barrett is working with her as our Unit coordinator. Thanks to each of you.

Deceased:

Wayne Jameson. Wayne was especially supportive of his wife Marcia's quest to get her Life Master. Illness did not keep him from traveling with Marcia and her friend, Diana Whitfield, to get those elusive gold points. The support he showed these women is noted, and he will be missed by many.

David Myers. David was a person who was curious and interested in languages, particularly Portuguese. He shared the love of his cat and his interest in life with friend and bridge partner, Juanita Painter. David's sense of humor and a quest for knowledge was shared sometimes Sun Bracketed Swiss 1-6 Tables 1. Jeff Skillin, Round Rock ; David Mead-Ken Hanson-Spencer Ledlow, Austin 2. Blair Lapwing-Bill Kalmbach-Kathleen Monahan-Nola Ray, Austin

Sun Bracketed Swiss 2-6 Tables 1. David Goodwin-Rose Goodwin, Austin ; Preston Olivent-Carolyn Olivent, Georgetown 2/3 William Hiers Jr, Bertram ; Lue Harden, Burnet ; Barbara Orwick-Connie Lowry, Horseshoe Bay 2/3 Mark Alpert-Judy Alpert-Jean Durocher, Austin ; Earnestine Broyles, Lakeway



Thu Gold Rush Pairs Strats 700 & 350 Arthur Herriott & Louis Fogleman



Sat Gold Rush Pairs Strats 350 & 100 Cindy & Tom Bell

The Midland bridge players want to thank everyone who attended our Tall City Sectional in June. It was our biggest tournament yet, with players from Midland, Odessa, Big Spring, San Angelo, Hobbs, Carlsbad, and Lubbock. And of course, we appreciate our tournament director, Belle Harris, and her many helpers, including Marty Massie, Kay Sewell, Marlene Blumentritt, and Bill and Audie Brooks.

Several players from Midland and Odessa attended the Fourth of July Sectional in San Antonio. Marlene Blumentritt played with Lena Nichols and got 8.15 Gold—enough for Marlene to become a Life Master. Congratulations, Marlene!

Audie and Bill Brooks won 5.61 points, with 3.02 of that Gold. Other point-winning pairs were Belle Harris and Kay Sewell from Midland and Shyla McGill and Debra Jones from Hobbs and Odessa. Audie and Bill are heading off next to the Nebraska regional in Council Bluffs, Iowa. They're hoping to see Bill Gates and Warren Buffett, who some-



Thu Gold Rush Pairs, Strat 100 Jessie Bouldin, Julie Morris



Sunday Swiss Bracket 1 Ken Hanson, Jeff Skillin, David Mead, Spencer Ledlow

times play there. We wish them luck and more Gold!

We had five tables (the minimum) for the ACBL-Wide International Fund Game on July 11. First-place winners were Charlie Grimes and Robert Grimes with a great score of 69.91%. Second were Marlene Blumentritt and LaDoyce Lambert. Robert is Charlie's brother, visiting in Midland from Yucca Valley, California for a few months. Robert has been a regular player in the Midland clubs and is often on the winning team.

District 16 President Paul Cuneo came to visit the Permian Basin on Thursday, June 22. He played in the afternoon in Odessa and in the evening in Midland. The Thursday night game in Midland is a novice game, and he played with Lonnie Yee. We had nine tables. Greg Keys and David Hudson were north/south winners in A, B, and C. East/west winners were Flo Curry and Bill Brooks in A, Marlene Blumentritt and Audie Brooks in B, and Linda McDonald and Linda Farrar in C.

We celebrated the Fourth of July



Ft. Phantom Bridge Unit #224

Abilene's Harvest Sectional

Abilene Convention Center October 20, 21 and 22, 2017 North 6th & Pine, Abilene, Texas

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm Stratified 0-500 Open Pairs (single sessions) 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm* No charge @ 7:00 for 0-5 MP players

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

KO Teams* (3 sessions) 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm



Fri Gold Rush Pairs Strat 700 Nola Ray & Bill Kalmbach



Sunday Swiss Bracket 2 Carolyn Olivent, Rose Goodwin, Preston Olivent, David Goodwin

several times. On July 3, Midland had a hot dog party and seven tables of bridge. North/South winners were **Charlie Grimes** and **Robert Grimes** in A, and Marilyn Higgins and Paula Baggett in B. East/West winners were Kay Sewell and Greg Keys in A and B, and Linda Farrar and Linda McDonald in C.

On July 4, we had only three tables, since several players had left to play in the San Antonio Sectional. Marilyn Matthews and Deborah Brookins came in first, with Bob Bacon and Jim Hawkins taking second.

The invitational game for novices had a belated Fourth of July party on July 13. Instead of hotdogs, we had chopped barbecue beef sandwiches (Thanks, Belle!) and lots of sides. We had eight tables in play. First in North/South A, B, and C were John Sevmour and Betty Moore. East/ West A winners were Ann Servatius and Linda Scarpelli; East/West B and C winners were Bill and Audie Brooks.

The salad luncheon in June had six tables. As usual, we had all kinds of salads-some of which were fried chicken and desserts. And we all tasted or gobbled up at least a little of every salad. First-place winners in A were Linda Buzan and Ann Parish, with second going to Martha Poss and Tommie Strack.

The July salad luncheon had five tables, with first place going to Jim Hawkins and Bob Bacon and second place going to Jean Pistole and Tommie Strack.

We had a number of games at 70%+ in June and July. On June 19, Belle Harris and Don Troy got 74%. On June 24, Lena Nichols and Marlene Blumentritt got 70.14%On June 28, Charlie and his brother Robert Grimes got 72.62%. They continued their winning ways in July, with 70% on July 26 and 73% on July 31.



Fri Gold Rush Pairs Strats 350 & 100 Dana Sun &, Peter Naimoli,

of Hearts is speaking: "There was a

time when the Kings and Queens of



Sat Gold Rush Pairs Strat 700 David Mead, Spencer Ledlow

AUSTIN NON-LIFE MASTER WINNERS

the Pack were addressed ceremoniously, but that was in the early days of bridge when everyone thought we and the Aces were all that mattered in a hand. But these are democratic days, and we high personages have been taught by master players that our might is little if it is not given supporting strength that comes from the lesser People of the Pack. True, we Royal Ones are specially counted for defense; but what is that compared with the attacking strength of six or seven of our own suit behind us?" With this thought, total trumps comes to mind. Can the cards impart their knowledge to we mere players? District 16 STAC game winners in the District were: Monday Under five tables 1st Jo smith and Carol Whitten. Tuesday afternoon 96 tables 1st in A Bette Byrd and Coleen Grisham scored 70.42%. 5th in A, 3rd in B, 3rd in C Jeff Lewis and Glynda Groves, 14th in A,7th in B, 5th in C Darla Mawson and Tiffany Wagstaff, 12th in Peggy Ford and Carol В Whitten. Tuesday night Under 5 tables 6th in A, 4th in B Robert Patton and Bill Armer. Wednesday afternoon 126.5 tables 12th in A, 3rd in B Beverly Walker and Robert Patton. Thursday afternoon 134.5 tables 13th in A, 8th in B, 3rd in C Alan Wakefield and Richard Pike, 25th in A Jo Smith and Pat Ramsey. Thursday night 499er game 5 tables 1st in A Jim Alvis and Harriet Connor, 2nd in A, 1st in B Beverly Joosten and Mary Swinney, 1st in C Pat Egdorf and Ruthie Julian. Friday afternoon Under 5 tables 2nd in A and B Robert and Sue Patton Attending the Midland tournament were Beverly Joosten and Jim Alvis winning 1st in A, B, and C in Open Pairs, Gwen Riggs and Barbara Bridges won 2.38 points and Rosemary and Bill Johnson won .57 points in Ruidoso. Jerry Riggs and Jim Alvis attended as well. In the Over/Under game North/South

1st was Jim Bertrand and Bob Young. 2nd was Pat Ramsev and Mike Sadler, tied for 3rd and 4th were Jo Smith and Helen Cartee and Jerry and Gwen Riggs. East/West 1st was Jim Alvis and Betty Henderson, 2nd was Beverly Walker and Jackie Batjer, 3rd was Carl and Coleen Grisham, 4th was Glynda Groves and Rita Tucker. Thanks to all the Life Masters and non-Life Masters for teaming up for the game.

and make them Life Masters. They played with Monte West of Snvder and Rojene Spruell of Colorado City. "What was nice", Mary Lou said, "was that we went on to win a section top and get more." The Thursday game has raised it's point level from 50 to 100. It was reported that those without more than 50 points feel they are learning from the more experienced players, and those with more are enjoying playing with new partners .

Abilene is hosting a Sectional on October 20 - 22 at the Abilene Civic Center. Darla Mawson is tournament chairman. There will be Open Pairs on Friday night and those with 0 - 5 points play "free" There will be a 0 - 500 game for them. Saturday will have a Team Game and Open Pairs at 9 AM, 2 PM and 7 PM.. Entry fees are \$11.00 and Team on Sunday is \$100.00 per team including lunch. Abilene welcomes all of you. SAVE THE DATE

Thanks, Bette



70% Games

The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek reports that Judy Adams & Bari Hart had a 74.07% game on June 30, 2017. On July 25th Larry Brough and Ed Loutherback were top winners with 70.42% game at the Pittsburg DBC.

LAKE CYPRESS SPRINGS BC (LCSBC)-

NAP games were offered in June and July with extra red and black points going to the winners.

LCSBC also participated in the Dis-

Stratified 0-500 Open Pairs (single sessions) 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm * KO Teams may be handicapped at Director's discretion

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 Stratified Swiss Teams 10:00 am and TBA (free lunch served) Coffee and Patries @ 9:00 am

Stratifications: A 2000+ B 500-2000 C 0-500 0-500 games will be stratified based on attendance All events will be stratified by average master points

ENTRY FEES

Friday, Saturday \$12 per session; Sunday \$120 per team \$3.00 additional per session for non and unpaid ACBL members Friday 7:00 0-500 Pairs: Free Play for 0-5 MP players

Director: Joan Paradeis

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

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Best Western Abilene Inn & Suites, 350 I-20 West (325) 672-5501 \$75.00 + tax (ask for bridge rate) (Call early because of coll homecomings)



The children's beginning bridge lessons at Centennial Library have been extended until right before school starts. We have had mixed attendance from 0 to 3 full tables. Most students are still in the very early stages, but some have progressed to bidding boxes and basic bidding. Bill Brooks organized the game, and a number of our adult players are helping. Adult lessons will resume at Allison Bridge Center on September 9.

We've gotten past the "dog days" of summer and are looking forward to autumn, filled with good friends, good food, and good cards!



Just some thoughts for my friends at the table. According to "Right Through The Pack by Robert Darvas and Norman de V Hart, The Queen

Looking Back 1997

Jackie Sonnenburg won the Abilene Duplicate jackpot attendance drawing of \$80.00. Plans were in order for the Thanksgiving dinner on the Monday before Thanksgiving. Ed Grant, Bette Byrd, Ann Spitler and Johnnye VanDever attended the Amarillo tournament and played in

h Knockout semi-finals winning 10 gold. On Thursday, Dale Lain, p 1 a y e d instead of Ed and they won 10 gold. Plans are finalized for the October Regional. Howard and Mary Lou Gross won enough matches in the Knockouts in Granbury to give them their gold

trict 16 wide STAC game on June 12th with 5 tables playing. Linda Edmondson and Carol Kober had 60.50% game and got 2.52 silver points. Also, Curtis Bourland and Jeff Brown had a 58.50% game to get 1.62 sliver points.

Sandy Lansing became a Life Master on May 27th and was honored with a Life Master's party on Sunday, July 9th at the Tall Tree Clubhouse. The theme was "Bridge Queen" qand Sandy fits the part, given her love of bridge and teaching bridge to her friends. Sandy was instrumental in assisting Linda Harrison, her partner, to start up LCSBC and PDBC as ACBL sanctioned clubs. LCSBC and PDBC along with many other bridge friends presented Sandy with a crown, a gold LM charm, a beautiful plaque, flowers, balloons, cake and petit fore's decorated with crowns/ jewels to carry out the party theme. Mike Graham also wrote an interesting poem about Sandy's journey to achieve her LM. We had 11 tables celebrating with Sandy on her accomplishment of LM! Janie Wolaver

ATHENS **Black Eyed Pea Sectional Tournament** November 30 - December 2, 2017 Dottie Pirkle's Duplicate Bridge Studio 219 E Tyler Street(Hwy31) Athens, Texas 75751 903-203-8169 or 903-521-8041 Thursday - November 30, 2017 3:00 Stratified Single Session Open Pairs 10:00 Stratified Single Session 499er NLM Pairs 10:00 3:00 Friday - December 1, 2017 Stratified Single Session Open Pairs 10:00 3:00 BRIDGE Stratified Single Session 499er NLM Pairs 10:00 3:00 Saturday- December 2, 2017 Stratified Single Session Open Pairs 10:00 3:00 Stratified Single Session 499er NLM Pairs 10:00 3:00 Stratifications (Based on averagemasterpoints of pairs) Open Pairs: A:2500+, B:750-2500, C: 0-750 499er: A:300-500,B: 100-300, C: 0-100 Entry Fees: \$11.00ACBL Member- \$15.00 Non or unpaid member Saturday Hot BarB QueLunch Available- Cost \$10.00 **Tournament Chairpersons** Ginger Rhamey * 903-521-8041 * gingerrhamey@msn.com

Charles Ford * <u>crfordsf@aol.com</u> * 903-498-4506 Tournament Director-in-Charge Sanction #1712038

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| | 903-292-1750 | 903-675-7511 |

assisted Linda in planning and decorating for the party.

PITTSBURG DBC (PDBC)

June and July games were well attended with the club offering special games, including North American Pairs with extra red and black points for all of the winners.

PDBC also participated in the District 16 wide STAC game on June 13th with 5 tables playing. Helen Sullivan and Carol Kober had 66.00% game and got 10.33 silver points.

PDBC held the ACBL Wide International Fund Game #2 on Tuesday, July 11th at 11:30AM with 9 tables present.

We had very good representation from both clubs at the July 21-23 Tyler Sectional Tournament of Roses. It was a great tournament and especially enjoyable for those players winning silver points!

LONGVIEW DBC

generously provided prizes of tickets for their performances.

NANNIE'S BRIDGE HOUSE

We are still having a free lesson on Monday nights with a game following to help new players learn Duplicate. Tuesday, 25 July we had a very special player join us for the day. It was the first time Mary Helen Lawrence, has been to a game since she had a stroke last year. She played with Evelyn Schmidt and they came in first! We are excited to have Mary Helen with us again.

ROSE CITY DUPLICATE BRIDGE

On Friday July 30, the Rose City Bridge Club honored S.V. Ramarathnam (Rathnam) with a program, gifts, and accolades for his achievement of Life Master. The program was opened by the master of ceremonies, Paula Edwards. Pat Craig of Shreveport sang God Bless America with Brenda Baker accompanying him at the organ. Emily Leake presented cards and a Memory Book. Brenda Baker and Charlene Goodman read their personal poems dedicated to Rathnam. Directors, Nancy Green presented flowers for his wife, and Ennis Dyess, gave stories about his bridge accomplishments. Paula gave a presentation of Rathnam's education, work history, family, and bridge background. Joyce Hahn presented gifts from club members and friends and gave a personal history of her and Rathnam's partnership. Final remarks were made by Rathnam, who encouraged those seeking their Life Master, expressed his love of the game, gave remarks about his bridge playing days, and thanked everyone for attending. Club members provided a delicious lunch buffet. The day was finished with 16 tables of bridge.

Longtime bridge player Art Faulkner was injured in a car accident last week. He has numerous broken bones so will not be at the bridge table for a while

Tyler Tournament of Roses

Jul 21-23 2017 138 tables.

1 17.28 Ike Hawkins Jr

- 2 16.24 Shirley Matthews
- 3 16.05 Stewart Angel
- 4 16.05 Jonathan Ernest 5 13.21 Dorothy Nuttall
- 6 11.61 Kay Paine
- 7 11.61 Anne Bateman
- 8 11.49 Emily Leake
- 9 11.49 Brenda Baker
- 10 10.38 James Thurtell 11 10.38 James Bauer

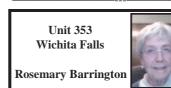
Friday Aft Open Pairs-17.5 Tables / Based on 25 Tables A1. Jacqulyn Kimberley-Charles Ford A2. Stewart Angel-Jonathan Ernest B1. Jo Booth-Barbara Williams B2C1. Elaine Dorsey-Kathleen Holmes C2. Vicki Angel-David Mitchell Friday Aft 499r Pairs-7.0 Tables D1. Glenda Ilgenfritz-Hugh Ilgenfritz D2E1. Jackie McElhaney-Dorothy Miller E2F1. Keith Koeats-Judy Evans F2. Wanda Earles-Barbara McMahan Friday Eve Open Pairs-11.0 Tables / Based on 14 Tables A1. Brenda Baker-Emily Leake A2B1. Brent McDaniel- Bullard ; Cheryl Landers B2C1. Patsy Gordon-Barbara Bradford C2. Janet Bullock-Pat Cawley Friday Eve 499r Pairs-3.0 Tables DEF1. Keith Koeats-Judy Evans DE2. Jackie McElhaney-Dorothy Miller Saturday Morn Open Pairs-18.5 Tables / Based on 26 Tables A1. Ike Hawkins Jr-Dorothy Nuttall B2. James Bauer-James Thurtell B1. Elizabeth Smith-Jackie McGinty B2C1. Vicki Angel-David Mitchell C2. Carol Kinsey-Linda Harrison Saturday Morn 499r Pairs-7.0 Tables DE1. Wilton Crocker-Frankie Milner D2/4 Glenda Ilgenfritz-Hugh Ilgenfritz

D2/4E2F1. Keith Koeats-Judy Evans D2/4 John Lawrence-Betty Lawrence E2. Wanda Earles West Columbia Saturday Aft Open Pairs-17.0 Tables / Based on 26 Tables AB1. Patricia Rose-Patricia Marchman AB2/3 Brent McDaniel-James Hammond Jr AB2/3C1. Kay Paine-Anne Bateman C2. Wesley Crawford Shreveport LA; Donald Gable Hervey Saturday Aft 499r Pairs-8.5 Tables A1. Glenda Ilgenfritz-Hugh Ilgenfritz A2. Helen Sullivan-Jean Huskey BC1. Jeanette Shelton-Jo Ann Zastovnik BC2. Keith Koeats-Judy Evans

Saturday Eve Open Pairs-6.0 Tables A1. James Bauer-James Thurtell A2. Jonathan Ernest-Stewart Angel AB1. Anne Bateman-Kay Paine B2. Evelyn Schmidt-Mary Adams B2. Delores Maddox-Tomme Meadows Steger Swiss Bracket 1-7 Tables1. Hua Yang-Yan Song-Tiger King-Danny Feng 2. Sandra Campbell Kaufman ; Peter Hudson- Gay Roach-Shirley Matthews

Steger Swiss Bracket 2-7 Tables 1. Sandy Hilliard-Mary Priest- Jack Vollmer-Libbie Vollmer 2. Susan Young-Billy Jean Reasor-Earlene Boddie-Jackie Carroll

Steger Swiss Bracket 3-7 Tables 1. Eddie Cheatham-Kay Paine-Anne Bateman- Pat Berry2. Sally McAnulty-Colleen O'Neal- Rosemary Mize Canton



Once again Wichita Falls ACBL is hosting our yearly Bridge Tournament. Any who are interested in meeting and playing with a great group of people from Wichita falls and Vernon this year can get on google and bring up Wichita Falls ACBL and then click Unit 353 and again click on upper right that says 2017 Tournament Flier for all the information about our Tournament on September 23 through September 25. Hope to see your shining faces there.

Meanwhile back at the Bridge Games we have had a busy time.

Bridge Paradise Masterpoint Leaders for May are Gladys Barley with 0.80, Nell Lister with 0.80, Kathleen Brown with 0.56, and Patty Hofer with0.56. High Percentage Leaders were Gladys Barley and Nell Lister with 66.67.

Unit Game Leaders were Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog with 67.59, Betsy Smith and Rosemary Barrington with 58.50 and Gladys Barley and Margie Brown with 57.00.

Bridge Center Masterpoint Leaders were Dave Hertzog with 7.67,Tomie Johnson with 7.23,

Wanda Hughes with 5.06, and Margaret Kirkland with 4.75.

Barley with 2.75, Faye Morrison with 2.66, Julia Lucas with 2.50. and Cathy Zinn with 2.50.

High Percentage Leaders were Faye Morrison and Suzanne Sosa with 64.58, Jolene Brantly and Kathleen Brown with 62.50, and Patty Hoffer and Pat Robinson with 61.00.

Margie Brown fell and injured her foot but has done well at the tables anyway. Go girl and don't give up. We are so glad to welcome Marilyn Waggoner back at the tables. All for now and may all have great games in the future.



Most of my younger years were spent in north country where the arrival of September was always a melancholy time. One knew that the cold winds of winter would soon be blowing and it would be many months until springtime. For Texans September usually heralds four months of nearly perfect weather, followed by a hoped for freeze in January (to limit the bug population). By March the trees are sprouting new leaves and the flowering shrubs are in blossom. How fortunate we are to live in "God's country"!

It was party time on July 14 at the Bridge Studio of Temple. The folks at Gene Thompson's game gathered to celebrate the one-hundredth birthday of long time bridge enthusiast and teacher, Margaret Barrelle. To witness her energy and sparkle it is difficult to believe this retired Army nurse is a century old. Just think of the changes she has witnessed in her lifetime. What a life!

The Waco Sectional Tournament was a great success attracting bridge players from throughout Texas. Many decided to combine their love of the game with the desire to also visit Chip and Joanna Gaines' Magnolia Market at the Silos. Whatever their reason it made for a successful tournament that should make all Waco "bridgers" proud! Top masterpoint winners were: Virgil Massey (19.44), Charlene Sands (19.44), Robert Adams (14.84), Steve Shirey (14.84), David Farris (14.40), Jonathan Ernest (14.40), Mike Bukala (13.35), Richard Ware (11.63), James LaFountain (11.63) and Steve Olson (11.45). Friday morning Gloria Stanton and Patricia had a 71.43% game winning the 299er pairs. Betty and Dan Woodward won the Stratified Open pairs. Swiss winners were: Ethel and Tom Corlett and Richard Ware and James LaFountain. Friday afternoon 299er pairs winners were Ravdell O'Neil and Thomas McMillin. Stratified Open winners were Bill Staats and Mike Bukala. Saturday winners were: George and Pamela Holmes for 299er pairs. Steve Shirey and Robert won the Stratified Open Pairs. Swiss winners were: Jonathan Ernest, David Farris, Charlene Sands and Virgil Massey. Winners of the 299er pairs for the Saturday afternoon game were Joan Cation and Laura Fair. Stratified winners were Charlene Sands and Virgil Massey. Sunday AX Swiss Team winners were Jonathan Ernest, David Farris, Charlene Sands and Virgil Massey. Winners of the Stratiflighted B/C/D Swiss Teams were: William McIndoo, Marjorie Feldmann, Jo McDaniel and Rita Wiegenstein. Congrats to all the winners and special thanks to Ila Bates, Peggi Kenny and Lenora Parrish for hosting such a successful tournament. Unit 233 lost a dear friend and excellent bridge player on July 8, when Peggy Phelps passed away. She and her beloved, Lyndon, have been such stalwart supporters of this game we all enjoy. It has been said that Lyndon proposed to her at a bridge tournament. They enjoyed a wonderful life together. She was generous in ways that few people knew. We are all richer for having known her.

Something new is right around the corner! In an effort to bring in more players to duplicate, Sandy Molander will teach a Beginner's Bridge course starting in September. This class is only for those who have never played bridge. Sandy is an accredited ACBL teacher and has taught various levels

THE BRIDGE STUDIO AT

CEDAR CREEK

REV:

teacher and has taught various levels of duplicate bridge courses for about 7 years. Her goal with this class is not to convert the party bridge player to duplicate or to hone the skills of those who already enjoy the game, but to introduce this fascinating game to those who have not had the chance to give bridge a try. Of course, the hope is that they will love it, as we all do, and join in the fun!

On June 21st The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek held "The Longest Day", the ACBL sponsored event benefitting The Alzheimer's Association. The studio hosted 16 teams which together donated over \$4,200, thanks to the generosity of the players and their fund-raising abilities. Area players have supported this effort for

In the District 16 STaC week event, which drew 2,059 tables, Mike Graham won first place in the district, amassing 39.21 master points.

Congratulations to LDBC member, Shirley Matthews, for being the top masterpoint winner in the Tyler Tournament of Roses in July.

LDBC substitute director Ennis Dyess was honored with a birthday cake and party at the club. And on top of that, Ennis and his partner, Mike Graham, finished first with a 72.22 percent game.

LDBC would like to welcome our newest player who has relocated from Indianapolis, Tom Spradlin.

Beginning on Thursday, September 21, Mike will be starting a new class, beginning at 10 am, and the text will be Commonly Used Convention (Spade Series). If you would like to participate, see Mike at the club or email him at babaloolop@yahoo.com. 4 years, each year bringing in more donations than the year before.

Many of our players have personally dealt with caring for a parent or sibling who was an Alzheimer's patient. Bonnie Magee's father lived with the disease for 13 years before passing away in 1996 at the age of 85. She described those 13 years as "a long good-bye". One of our directors Barbara Williams also had this disease hit close to home. Her mother, a Registered Nurse, developed Alzheimer's when she was about 70. Her death at 79 was caused by cancer and at that time her Alzheimer's could not be medically confirmed until after her Carol Shearer's mother death. developed the disease at age 67 and lived 11 years. Jimmy Hubbard's mother, Carol Garza's father and Rick Davis' mother and sister all succumbed to Alzheimer's.

Rick Davis and his wife Karen each year take on the project of rounding up prizes for the teams bringing in the most donations. As in the past, The Henderson County Performing Arts High Percentage Leaders were Margie Brown and Wanda Gaynor with 65.97, and Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog with 64.29.

Vernon Masterpoint Leaders were Susan Couch with 8.70, Donna Lorance with 8.67, Elgy Smith with 8.67, and Arvella Storrs with 6.85. High Percentage Leaders were Carrol Green and Susan Couch with 72.50, Anne Halsell and Susan Couch with 67.00, and Tomme Meadows and Beverly Patriquin with 67.00.

Bridge-A-Gap Masterpoint Leaders were Dave Hertog with 3.38, Tomie Johnson with 3.38, Betsy Xmith with 1.80 and Rosemary Barrington with 1.80.

High Percentage Leaders were Margaret Kirkland and Kathleen Brown with 71.38, Cathy Zinn and Lois Roberson with 60.07, and Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog with 60.00.

Suite 16 Masterpoint Leaders were Kathleen Brown with 2.92, Gladys

WICHITA FALLS

On August 9, the Temple bridge family was saddened to learn of the passing of Evelyn Smith at age ninety-six. She will be sorely missed. Evelyn was a friend to all. Until her vision began to fail her, she could administer a dose of bridge humility to those who played against her. She donated her remains to the Texas A&M medical school. The stars are shinning bright in the heavens tonight!

It is not too early to plan your tournament schedule for 2018. The Temple Sectional is to be held February 16-18, 2018. We hope to see you there! We will remind you again in the December Scorecard.

On Monday, August 7, Steve Olson and Helen Simonette had a 78.92% game playing at the Temple Duplicate Bridge Club.

Bridge on the Brazos

Waco Aug 11-13, 2017 136 players 142 Tables

1 19.44 Virgil Massey

- 2 19.44 Charlene Sands
- 3 16.14 Steve Shirey
- 4 16.14 Robert Adams 5 14.40 Jonathan Ernest
- 5 14.40 Jonathan Erne
- 6 14.40 David Farris
- 7 13.35 Mike Bukala
- 8 11.63 Richard Ware 9 11.63 James La Fountain
- 10 11.45 Stephen Olson

Fri Aft Strat Open Pairs-16.0 Tables A1. Bill Staats-Mike Bukala A2B1. Stephen Olson-Richard Cunningham

B2. Carol Helms-Darlene Gilmore C1. Annie Mason-John Mason C2. Liz Jacobson-Bonnie Jan Robson **Fri Aft Strat 299er Pairs**-9.0 Tables ABC1. Raydell O'Neil-Thomas McMillin ABC2. Barbara McMahan-Wanda Earles **Fri AM Strat Open Pairs**-9.0 Tables / Based on 17 Tables ABC1. Betty Woodward-Dan Woodward, Fairview 58.33%

4.64 2 2 Carol Helms, Schulenburg ; Darlene Gilmore 2 G Nell Carpenter-Darlene Reynolds, Woodway 55.32% **Fri AM Strat 299er Pairs**-8.0 Tables ABC1. Gloria Stanton-Patricia Sullivan AB2. Linda Gurasich-John Gurasich C2. Toni Riley-Christina Paul

Fri AM Strat Swiss-7 Tables A1. Ethel Corlett-Thomas Corlett-Richard Ware-James La Fountain B1, Bill Parrish-Lenora Parrish-Harry Kenny-Peggi Kenny A2/3 Bill Staats-Pat Cassidy, Arlington ; Jerry Derby-Mike Bukala C2. Belva Barrington-Pat Jodoin-Gene Thompson-Ila Bates Sat AM Strat Open Pairs-14.0 Tables / Based on 23 Tables A1. Steve Shirey, Fort Worth ; Robert Adams, Oklahoma City A2BC1. Michael Chockley-Debrah Chockley BC2. Margaret Downey-Nancy Ramsey Sat AM Strat 299er Pairs-8.5 Tables ABC1. George Holmes-Pamela Holmes AB2. Ross Kammlah-L. Denise Kammlah C2. Raydell O'Neil-Thomas McMillin Sat AM Strat Swiss-5 Tables A1. Jonathan Ernest-David Farris-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey B2C1 Belva Barrington-Pat Jodoin-Gene Thompson-Ila Bates Sat Aft Strat Open Pairs-18.0 Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1. Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey A2. Patsy Pierce-Cynthia Stueber B1. Pat Kelly-Patricia Marchman B2C1. Chris Lake-M Elaine Lyles

C2. G Nell Carpenter-Darlene Reynolds

Sat Aft Strat 299er Pairs-9.5 Tables A1. Joan Cation-Laura Fair A2. Marcia Ives-Ronnie Ives B1. Mary Levy-Janis Bodin B2C1. Phyliss Mitchael-Tammy Carlisle C2. Gloria Stanton-Patricia Sullivan

Sun StratFl A/X Swiss-6 Tables / Based on 19 Tables A1. Jonathan Ernest-David Farris-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey A2, Thomas Corlett-Ethel Corlett-James La Fountain-Richard Ware X1. George Watkins-Yaoguang Zhu-Lysa Nguyen-Linda Anthony Sun StratFl B/C/D Swiss-13 Tables B1. William McIndoo-Marjorie Feldmann-Jo McDaniel-Rita Wiegenstein B2/3CD1. George Holmes-Pamela Holmes-Darlene Reynolds-G Nell Carpenter B2/3 Stephen Olson-Jan Hart-Mary Adams-Virginia Miller C2. Patricia Santini-N Sue Blackwell-Margie Kintz-Janis Bodin

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ROTH OPEN SWISS TEAMS - 32 Tables / Based on 157 Tables 2 Eddie Wold, Houston Greg Hinze, San Antonio ; Mike Passell, Plano ; Chris Compton, Dallas 9 Bart Bramley, Dallas 19 Mark Feldman, Austin 20 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio 0-6000 MINI-SPINGOLD - 43 Tables / Based on 56 Tables 1 Terry Richardson, Austin 3-4 David Sokolow - Louis Sachar, Austin; Virgil Massey, Driftwood; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville 9/16 Ira Garrison, Sugar Land ; Philip Duterme, Bellaire ; 0-2500 MINI-SPINGOLD KO - 40 Tables / Based on 53 Tables 5/8 Howard Huynh, Lubbock ; Jeff Dater - Scott Nason, Dallas ; David Johnson Jr, San Antonio 0-10^000 MIXED SWISS TEAM 20 Tables / Based on 40 Tables 3 Barbara Ferm, Dallas ; 9 Norman Beck - Joan Jackson, Dallas; Ellen Hessel, San Antonio

| SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT | | | | |
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| SEPTEMBER 22 – 24, 2017 | | | | |
| KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL | | | | |
| 2250 TURTLE CREEK ROAD WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS 76309 | | | | |
| FRIDAY – SEPTEMBER 22, 2017 | | | | |
| STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS | 10:00 AM | 3:00 PM | | |
| STRATIFIED 299ER PAIRS | 10:00 AM | 3:00 PM | | |
| BRACKETED KO TEAMS (1 OF 3) | 3:00 PM | | | |
| SATURDAY – SEPTEMBER 23, 2017 | | | | |
| STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS | 10:00 AM | 3:00 PM | | |
| STRATIFIED 299ER PAIRS | 10:00 AM | 3:00 PM | | |
| BRACKETED KO TEAMS (2 & 3 OF 3) | 10:00 AM | 3:00 PM | | |
| SWISS (SINGLE SESSION) | 3:00 PM | | | |
| SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 24, 2017 | | | | |

SWISS TEAMS (STRATI-FLIGHTED) 10:00 AM TBA LUNCH BETWEEN SESSIONS FOR ALL SUNDAY ENTRANTS

ENTRY FEES PAIRS & KNOCKOUTS - \$12.00/PERSON (\$15.00/PERSON FOR NON MEMBERS) SUNDAY SWISS - \$104/TEAM (INCLUDES 4 MEALS, \$10.00 ADDITIONAL MEMBERS)

STRATS: OPEN PAIRS: A = 1500+, B = 300 - 1500, C = 0 - 300 299ER: D = 100 - 300, E = 50 - 100, F = 0 - 50 KNOCKOUTS BY ATTENDANCE STRATI-FLIGHTED SWISS: A = 3000+, X < 3000 (PLAY TOGETHER) B = 1000 - 2000, C = 500 - 1000, D = 0 - 500 KO EVENTS MAY BE HANDICAPPED

REFRESHMENTS SERVED AT EVERY SESSION

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WACO SECTIONAL WINNERS



Friday Morn Strat Swiss A Tom Corlett, Richard Ware, Ethel Corlett, Jim LaFountain



Friday Morn Open Pairs ABC Dan & Betty Woodward



Friday Aft Strat Open Pairs A Bill Staats, Mike Bukala



Saturday Morn Strat Pairs A Robert Adams, Steve Shirey











Saturday Aft Strat Open Pairs A Charlene Sands, Virgil Massey



Saturday Morn Open Pairs B,C Michael & Debrah Chockley



Saturday Morn Strat Swiss A Sunday Strataflighted Swiss A Jonathan Ernest, David Farris, Charlene Sands, Virgil Massey



Friday Morn Strat Swiss B Bill & Lenora Parrish, Peggi & Harry Kenny

Friday Aft Open Pairs B Steve Olson, Richard Cunningham

Saturday Aft Open Pairs B Pat Kelley, Patricia Marchman



Saturday Aft Open Pairs C Chris Lake, Elaine Lyles



Friday Morn 299ers Gloria Stanton, Patricia Sullivan



Friday Aft 299ers Thomas McMillin, Raydell O'Neil



Saturday Morn 299ers George & Pamela Holmes



Saturday Aft 299ers Joan Cation, Laura Fair



Sunday BCD Swiss Marjorie Feldmann, Rita Weigenstein, Jo McDaniel, William McIndoo



Saturday Aft 299ers Phyliss Mitchael, Tammy Carlisle



Saturday Aft 299ers Mary Levy, Janis Bodin



Unit 187 Halloween Regional October 30-November 5, 2017 Corpus Christi, Texas

Holiday Inn Downtown Marina

707 North Shoreline Drive Corpus Christi, TX 78401

361.882.1700 (Mention South Texas Bridge)

Book Online: www.holidayinn.com/corpuscdtwntx—Enter Group Code "PBW"

Room Rate: \$122.00/night plus tax (1 King Room or 1 Double Room) Deadline: October 9, 2017 Group Code STB \$5.00 Self Parking **48 Hour Cancellation Policy** Session Rates: \$13.00 Mon-Sat. (\$14.00 for Charity) Sunday Swiss Teams-\$128.00 per team Non and Unpaid ACBL Members Pay \$4.00 more per Session Separate Flight A Events and Top Bracket(s) are "Mid Chart" Events Non-smoking including e-cigarettes with breaks/No Fragrance

Stratified Open Pairs A:2000+B:500-2000 C:0-500 Gold Rush 0-750 (Wednesday & Saturday) Stratified Pairs A-2500 + AX:0-2500 B:300-750 C:0-300 (Everyday except Sunday)) Bracketed Swiss & KO's at Director's Discretion

Tournament Chairman Martha DeCou mizcou@stx.rr.com 361.537.2353

Partnership Chairman **Mary Ross** mskimble@aol.com 361.851.1001 361.232.6181 (During Tournament)

Monday, October 30, 2017

Evening Side Series (Session 1 of 6) Monday session benefits CASA 7:00 pm Dave Ticen - KO1 (Round 1 of 4) Top Bracket - Mid Chart Event 7:00 pm

Martha DeCou-Choice Pairs (Session 1, 2 & 3 of 3) 10:00 am, 2:30 pm & 7:00 pm Tom Marsh-Afternoon Side Series (Session 3 of 5) 2:30 pm Swiss (Single Session) 2:30 pm Wednesday/Thursday Swiss (Session 2 of 2) 7:00 pm Evening Side Series (Session 4 of 6) Monday session benefits CASA 7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Unit 172-Morning Side Series (Session 1 of 5) 10:00 am Larry Nagel-Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 & 2 of 2) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Mary Ross-Choice Pairs (Session 1, 2 & 3 of 3) 10:00 am, 2:30 pm & 7:00 pm Dave Ticen - KO1 (Round 2, 3 & 4 of 4) Top Bracket - Mid Chart Event 10:00 am, 2:30 pm & 7:00 pm Tom Marsh-Afternoon Side Series (Session 1 of 5) 2:30 pm Swiss (Single Session) 7:00 pm Evening Side Series (Session 2 of 6) Monday session benefits CASA 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 1, 2017

Unit 172-Morning Side Series (Session 2 of 5) 10:00 am Jack Farmer Gold Rush Pairs (Session 1 & 2 of 2) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Ronnie Gerberich-KO2 (Round 1 & 2 of 4) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Ann Crumpier-A/B Pairs (Session 1 & 2 of 2) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Tom Marsh-Afternoon Side Series (Session 2 of 5) 2:30 pm Swiss (Single Session) 2:30 pm Wednesday/Thursday Swiss (Session 1 of 2) 7:00 pm Evening Side Series (Session 3 of 6) Monday session benefits CASA 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 2, 2017

Unit 172-Morning Side Series (Session 3 of 5) 10:00 am Ronnie Gerberich-KO2 (Round 3 & 4 of 4) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Friday, November 3, 2017

Unit 172-Morning Side Series (Session 4 of 5) 10:00 am Ronnie Gerberich-KO3 (Round 1 & 2 of 4) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Donna McGee-Choice Pairs (Session 1, 2 & 3 of 3) 10:00 am, 2:30 pm & 7:00 pm Tom Marsh-Afternoon Side Series (Session 4 of 5) 2:30 pm Swiss (Single Session) 2:30 pm 7:00 pm Marilyn German-Friday/Saturday Swiss (Session 1 of 2) Evening Side Series (Session 5 of 6) Monday session benefits CASA 7:00 pm

Saturday, November 4, 2017

Unit 172-Morning Side Series (Session 5 of 5) 10:00 am Kathy & Russ Powers Gold Rush Pairs (Session 1 & 2 of 2) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Ronnie Gerberich-KO3 (Round 3 & 4 of 4) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Ven Shellberg-A/B Pairs (Session 1 & 2 of 2) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm Tom Marsh-Afternoon Side Series (Session 5 of 5) 2:30 pm 2:30 pm Swiss (Single Session) Marilyn German-Friday/Saturday Swiss (Session 2 of 2) 7:00 pm Evening Side Series (Session 6 of 6) Monday session benefits CASA 7:00 pm

Sunday, November 5, 2017

Phyllis & Jack Mehrens-Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 & 2 of 2) 9:30 am & TBA