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### Four Teams Qualify fo GNT teams Final in Atlanta



**GNT Super Flight** John Zilic, Thomas Peters Nagy Kamel, Dan Morse



**GNT B** Kim Brinkman, Wes Peirce David Ticen, Thomas Rush



**GNT C** Jack & Jeanette Dean, Robert Burridge, Marsha Doyle

39 teams played in Houston during the first weekend in May to determine four teams that would represent District 16 at the Atlanta Summer Nationals. Four teams played in the Superflight, five in A, 20 in B and 10 in C. Last year there were just three teams that entered to play in the Superflight, five in A, 16 in B and 10 in C. 140 players competed out of the 464 who qualified for flights B and C meaning that roughly 30% of those who qualified actually participated. The Superflight and Flight A were automatically qualified.

The winners were:

### Super Flight

Dan Morse-John Zilic, Houston Nagy Kamel, Plano Tom Peters, Grapeland Flight A:

Gerry McKim, Garland John Schwartz, Plano Milton Neher Richardson David Pearlman, Southlake Flight B

Thomas Rush, Houston; Wes Peirce, The Woodlands; Kim Brinkman, Highland Vlg; David Ticen, Victoria

Jack Dean - Jeanette Dean - Robert Burridge - Marsha Doyle, Houston

Daniel Jackson and Mike Doyle were added to the flight A team. Ira Hes-

sel and Ken Schutze were added to the Superflight. Scott Nason and Jeff Dater were added to the squad.

The Superflight played an all day round robin on Saturday to eliminate two teams and the surviving two teams played a 48 board final on Sunday. The Morse team defeated the team of Buddy Handy, Sally Wheeler, Phillip Grothus and Mildred Breed in the final. The winners have almost 80,000 masterpoints and more than 25 national championships between them.

The district helps defray expenses by subsidizing \$2000 to each team plus entries for the first two days for the Superflight. The other flights have their first two days of entries covered by the ACBL.

Flt B began Friday evening/Saturday morning with a 2-session Swiss, dropping from 20 to 8 teams. Then they had a 3-session KO which started Saturday afternoon and concluded with Sunday morning and afternoon. The other flights did 4session KO's Saturday and Sunday morning and afternoons.

District 16 subsidy: Each team member that participates in Atlanta, and remains in good standing, will receive an equal portion of the total amount of \$2,000. So, if a 4-player team, each player will receive \$500. Likewise, if a 5-player team, player will receive \$400. One or two players may be added to a team for Atlanta to make a five or six player team.

David Pearlman relayed his team's exciting journey:

"We squeaked into the final by one one hundredth of a victory point. (never show them any more than you need to.)

In the 48 Board final we were down 35 after the first quarter, 38 to 3. Steve Shirey had emailed me to ask how we were doing so when I responded he told me we had them overconfident. I emailed him to tell him that at the halfway point we really had them overconfident since they were now up 46, 72 to 26. We pretty much shut them down after that. In the third quarter we had 36 against their 6 and the fourth was 35 to 5 so we won by 14."

The national finals will be held in Atlanta in late July.

As Little Feat sang "I said yeah! yeah! yeah! Atlanta, got to get back to you"

### Rebecca **Brown**

District 16 **President** 



Scorecard (July/ August) President's Column

Who are we?

Generally speaking, we are smart, quirky and addicted! We have had diverse careers (most of us are already retired), though we are unlikely to know much about one another's personal history. We are more likely to know about our opponent's carding!

Here are some facts about us (thanks a million to Ira Hessel for the data):

> D16 has approx. 8700 members out of ACBL's 168,000. Most of us are approx.. 70

years old. We earn about half of our masterpoints at clubs.

The number of clubs in the District has decreased by 10% in the past 10 years; table count has gone up slightly for the same period.

Online play has quadrupled over ten years.

Average masterpoint holding: 764

Median masterpoint holding: 204 38% of D16 members are Life

Masters. Houston and Dallas are the largest Units; Houston had more than twice the number of club tables than any

District had more than 112,500 tables. The largest six Units (Houston, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Austin,

other Unit. In 2016, the

San Antonio and East Texas) account for 80% of D16 members

The number of games a player averages at clubs in the smaller Units is actually larger than that of the bigger Units.

There were 71 Sectionals in D16 last year; the average per district is 37.4.

I/N events have increased dramatically.

Approximately 1/3 of new players become inactive after one year.

We average 20 years of membership in the ACBL.

Our devotion to the game serves many aspects of our lives. In addition to helping us to keep our powers of analysis and memory keen, belonging to a community and having social contact promotes longevity. Social isolation/loneliness has a deleterious effect on life expectancy; indeed, England has just established the office of "Minister of Loneliness" to address the health care challenge posed by isolation among the older population.

So, though I may be "preaching to the choir," keep on coming out to the clubs and playing. Online play, though worthwhile for various reasons, does not substitute for being at the table with live opponents! Also and important is to encourage players new to duplicate (especially social bridge players) to persevere. We all know how humbling a game bridge is!

Heard at the table: "I DID SO have a balanced hand...I just had a singleton heart!"

SEE YOU AT THE TABLE!

### **Lall Just Misses Berth** for Bermuda Bowl

"I dreamed I saw the knights in armor, saying something about a queen" N. Young, After the Gold Rush

In the recently conducted team trials in Houston, a team that included Hemant Lall missed winning the final on the very last hand. . After five of the eight 15 board sets Hemant's team was behind 60. In the next 2 sets they pulled ahead by 27 going into the final 15 hands. They were ahead 47 with 9 boards left but a furious rally by the team of Hall of fame players [Eric Rodwell, Jeff Meckstroth, Bobby Levin, Steve Weinstein, Ralph Katz and Nick Nickel] tied the match going into the final hand! It was a one board match to determine the USA entrant

in to the world championship! The final hand was an 11 or 12 trick hand depending on the location of the Q of Clubs. The Nickel team stopped in 4 and picked up the Q but Hemant's guys got to 6S with S AKQJ1084 H 9 CAJ105 opposite S 3 H J865 D AK82 C

K863, and after an excrutiating and exciting delay went wrong late in the hand. A great near miss for district 16.

D16 showed well as 6 of the teams in the round of 16 had D16 members.

It was a model tournament that de-



Kevin Bathurst, Zia Mahmood, Reese Milner, Jacek "Pepsi" Pszczola, Justin Lall, Hemant Lall

serves praise and comparison to our

NABC, regionals and sectionals.

We played a round robin the first 2 days to qualify 11 teams for the KO round. The KO consisted of 120 hands

played over 2 days. Conditions were exemplary. We played one table to a room, screens, monitors and hand records were supplied for each match. Unlike many events there was great lighting and noise control.

For \$50 a day, we had exceptional playing conditions, including breakfast and lunch, gourmet coffee and countless treats. Many matches were on BBO.

The Houston unit, led by Nancy Strohmer and her great staff, showed how to host a tournament. Many thanks to Jan Martel and Lisa Berkowitz OF the USBF...

**Paul Cuneo** District 16 National BOD

Summer is upon us and I'm looking forward to the Atlanta NABC and I hope to see many of you there. The Board meeting in Atlanta is shaping up to be very interesting.

As you know, I was appointed to lead the Search Committee for a new executive. The Search Committee is up and running. Our first decision was to re-title the job as Executive Director which is a very common title for nonprofits. We feel this title better fits the duties and relationship with the Board for the long term. We've also taken a fresh look at the qualifications for the position and the processes involved in candidate evaluation. We're involving the entire board in each step and everyone recognizes that there is no need for speed as we have full confidence in our Interim Executive Director Joe Jones.

The Strategic Review Committee, which I chair, conducted an assessment of the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) earlier this year. We're planning a full day of Board discussion on two topics that emerged from the exer-

Promotion of Bridge and Membership Growth

The future of Bridge, the role of the online game and technology

I'll have a lot more about this in my next report. Our mission has the promotion of Bridge as a key objective, however ACBL has devoted very little resource or effort to this aspect of the mission for several decades. It's no wonder that the overall recognition and popularity of the game has declined. One of the questions we'll consider is "Does the general awareness of bridge effect our ability to attract new members?"

Bridge is also evolving through technology. In the future, should we use cards or should the game be played on tablets? Whether played with cards or tablets, should we have "barometer" type games where the same hand is played at every table? Devices already exist to shuffle a deck of cards at each table to have this type of game. What's the role and relationship we should have with the online game? These and other questions will be discussed as we think about our future.

A series of bylaw changes will have the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and vote in Atlanta. Among these is a motion on term limits for ACBL Board members.

I hope that each of you is having a great summer especially at the bridge table. We recently lost Ed Groner who was one of the District's fine players. At his celebration of life there were several stories about Ed's ability to get the best from his partners by always encouraging and never criticizing them. A good lesson for us all.

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### In Memoriam

\* denotes Life Master

Harriet H. Garth, Beaumont Mrs. Carole L. Hardeman, Waco

- Mrs. Judy R. Lewis, San Antonio Mrs. Linda E. Simmering, Round Rock
- John C. Sutherlin, Dallas Mrs. Ruby V. Waggoner, Waco
- M. Aslam Ansari, Dallas Mrs. Patricia C. Hutton, Houston
  - Dr. Wayne L. Miller, Baytown
  - Mary A. Peden, Van Mrs. Judith L. Simonson, Lakeway
  - Mrs. Mary L. Terry, Beaumont Pat A. Warner, Horseshoe Bay

### Bridge in a Box<sup>TM</sup>

By Patty Tucker

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Thanks to Patty Tucker

She also teaches duplicate bridge and is an author of 40+ bridge books and workbooks. The ACBL's Board of Directors named Patty the "2016 Honorary Member of the Year" for her efforts in sustaining the game of bridge for future generations. Patty reflected, "I teach bridge for the immense satisfaction I get, in passing on to others, my knowledge, respect, and love for the game of bridge."

### ACBL'S UPDATED BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP

### Join the fun in Richardson!!

For the past two years the ACBL's Education Department staff along with outside consultant, Grace Major, has performed an overhaul of the Teacher Accreditation Program, which has been around since the 1980's. The updated program, the Best Practices Teacher Workshop, focuses on training how to teach rather than what to teach as well as explores the latest and greatest teaching practices.

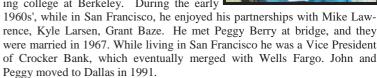
If you are thinking about teaching bridge or updating your teaching skills, you may want to consider attending this fun, new approach to teaching at the Dallas Labor Day Regional in Richardson. This two-day workshop features simulations to engage participants in analyzing teaching tactics, practicing these methods and giving and receiving feedback during bridge lessons

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### John Sutherlin 1936-2018

Grand Life Master John Sutherlin of Dallas died May 12 at age 81. Sutherlin was a member of the winning squad in the 2000 World Senior Teams. He and his wife, Peggy, were second in the World Mixed

He joined the ABCL in 1959 while attend ing college at Berkeley. During the early



A 13-time NABC champion, Sutherlin also had 15 second-place finishes in national-level events. His last national win was The Baze Senior Knockout Teams in 2015. He and Peggy were on the winning GNT squad in 2006.

Sutherlin served as ACBL National Recorder from 1986 to 1996, and he worked extensively for the League in recent, well-publicized cheating cases. In 2008, John and Peggy were named ACBL Honorary Members of the Year. A full obituary will appear in the July issue of the ACBL Bridge Bulletin.

Longtime partner Dan Morse remembered John as, "above all a fighter, he never gave up, we had a date to play bridge at the Atlanta NABC this summer. He was a marvelous dummy player known by some as the King of 3NT for his proficiency at that contract. John was good friend to many expert bridge players, a real straight shooter."

Ed note: John was an extraordinary example of strength to many of us. I always will remember him telling us that "I had cancer 4 times and consider myself luckier than 95% of the people in the world. " He battled with strength and dignity and lent that strength to many of us who needed it in difficult times.

### **Missing Scorecards** and Address Changes

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Address corrections can be e-mailed to addresschange@acbl.org or by calling Cindy Wages at 662-253-3140.

ACBL's toll-free number 1-800-467-1623 will accept voice messages 24 hours a day from members wishing to confirm we have the correct address

Include your Player Number, in addition to your address and phone number. If you are receiving the ACBL monthly bulletin and not the Scorecard please point that out.

### **Ed Groner** 1929-2018

We celebrate Ed Groner's life who left this world on April 27, 2018. Ed was born in New York City and started playing bridge with his parents when he was a teenager growing up in Oklahoma. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma and moved to Houston in 2000. He worked for Halliburton for 40 years and had several patents issued during his employment. He was married for 46 years until his wife passed away in 1997.



They had 3 children and traveled extensively after retirement.

Ed attained the rank of Platinum Life Master with more than 15,000 masterpoints and had numerous top ten finishes in National events. Unit 174 appreciated Ed's gentle and kind demeanor at and away from the bridge table. He taught many aspiring bridge players over the years and mentored many players and was known as a man who was true to his word and was a kind partner and gracious opponent. He will truly be missed by all!!!



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### **Tournament Announcements**

Announcements of tournaments should be "picture ready". They are usually 4 inches wide by 8-8.5 inches long or 6 in wide by 5.5 inches long for a ½ page announcement which is standard. Often they include text and graphics to catch the eye. Font size has to be adjusted so all the information fits. This can be daunting if there is too much information which unfortunately increases to describe increasing number of events and conditions. While we can have the announcements a bit longer the widths are fixed so they fit neatly Larger (1/2 or full page) announcements are also available. They will be 10.3 in wide.

It seems that the job of preparing these announcements passes occasionally from one volunteer to another and there tends to be a loss of how to do this. While we have been and will be glad to help,, we need material that can be worked with. Typical web pages and flyers are often not suitable. The web pages are filled with hidden formatting and text boxes that make it difficult to cut and paste. Flyers often have way too much information to fit into 32-34 in<sup>2</sup>.

We are always glad to help. Once we have created a document they are easy to edit for subsequent issues. Please have your person contact us before the first of all even months. (ie Feb 1 for the March/April issue). We have already created announcements for most units and they are easily edited for updates.

We recommend Times New Roman. Font size 10 to 12. The more info the smaller the font. Sizes smaller than 9 may be hard to read.

It is best not to mix a bunch of different fonts and/ or font sizes. If sent in color please note that some colors do not transfer to greyscale very well.

Color ones are nice for the online pdf but please don't mix too many colors.

### Mike Murphy Tops District 16 STaC

District 16 June STaC 2354 players 1929 tables.

- 1 33.52 Mike Murphy, Dallas
- 2 29.99 Jack Borenstein, Dallas
- 3 29.80 Marion Gebhardt, Richardson
- 4 28.02 Harry Elliott, Cypress
- 5 26.69 Joe Black, Austin
- 6 24.49 Jennifer Rao, Dallas
- 7 24.44 Bob Bockemuehl, Cedar Park
- 8 22.36 James Frick, Friendswood
- 9 20.32 Roger Marlatt, Houston
- 10 20.09 Evelyn Schmidt, Gun Barrel City
- 11 19.98 Roxie Tom, San Antonio
- 12 18.49 Puddin Barnes, Brenham
- 13 18.49 James Evans, Brenham
- 14 18.40 Harry Ingham, San Marcos
- 15 18.38 Carol Garza, Mabank
- 16 18.14 Gary Blaiss, Lubbock
- 17 18.14 Charlotte Blaiss, Lubbock
- 18 17.92 Kimmel Jones, Euless 19 17.77 Liz Jacobson, Laredo
- 20 17.65 Terry Riely, San Antonio
- 21 17.65 Carolyn Riely, San Antonio
- 22 17.40 Bob Bender, Plano
- 23 17.13 Mike Roney, Ajijic JA
- 24 16.94 Stuart Nelan, Melissa
- 25 16.74 Mary Anderson, Chapala JA

Late News from Lubbock

Way to go Lubbock!! We raised \$664 for Alzheimer's research and look forward to participating next year.

We are just getting other information and will report next issue.

### WESTBROOK INTERMEDIATE STUDENTS COMPETE AT HOUSTON SECTIONAL

Twenty-six students from Westbrook Intermediate School joined the 0-5 game at the Houston Election Section on Friday, May 4. Dr. Rob Burridge arranged for the students to play as part of a class field trip with the assistance of Kathleen Alidal. The students were greeted by Houston Unit 174 Board Members who wore "welcome" shirts to acknowledge these new players. Each of the students was given a pamphlet on simplifying entries by Audrey Grant and feted to cake during the game. It was most heartening to see and hear the comradery that took place between the students and veteran 0-5 players. Each generation thoroughly enjoyed each other at the table!

Westbrook Intermediate School, in Friendswood, is one of two CCISD campuses housing the WAVE Program for Gifted and Talented students. As part of this program, every nine weeks students select an enrichment class called a "mini-course". These classes meet three times a week, and are often taught by community volunteers. Topics range from Ballroom

Dancing to Ham Radio to Harry Potter to Video Game Programming. For the past five years, Bridge has been offered in the fourth quarter by Dr. Rob Burridge, a research scientist in robotics and a member of the Clear Lake Bridge Club. Each year, Rob teaches 28 sixth through eighthgraders the basics of bidding, card play, and defense. By the end of the class, students have played both rubber and duplicate bridge, and have a reasonable knowledge of the Standard American Yellow Card.







### San Antonio, Texas Invites you to:

### **Our Second NLM Regional** August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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### WIN RED AND GOLD POINTS!

Note: All players must have fewer than 750 master points and may not be a Life Master as of August 6, 2018

Wednesday, August 22 Thursday, August 23

10:00 Gold Rush Pairs (1/2) 10:00 Gold Rush Pairs (1/2) 3:00 Gold Rush Pairs (2/2) 3:00 Gold Rush Pairs (2/2)

Friday, August 24 Saturday, August 25

10:00 Bracketed Swiss Teams (1/2) 10:00 Gold Rush Pairs (1/2) Bracketed Swiss Teams (2/2) TBA 3:00 Gold Rush Pairs (2/2)

We encourage you to play in both sessions to maximize your gold point earnings; however, you may choose to play in only one session. Finishing in overalls of the top strat or a section top will earn 33% GOLD!

STRATIFICATIONS: Based on Pair or Team Master Points

A – 300-750 (NLM) B - 100-300 C-0-100

\$12 per session Wednesday & Thursday

\$ 120 per team for 2-session Bracketed Swiss Teams on Friday, 8/24 (includes lunch)

\$13 on Saturday (includes NABC Surcharge)

\$ 4 additional unpaid members; Non-members may join ACBL on a temporary 1 month membership for \$7.99

Free lectures at 2:30 on Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday

**Door Prizes Daily** 

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**Unit 172** San Antonio

Lew Spurlock



### JUNE SCORECARD ARTICLE

In this issue I am going to continue to write about the insights provided by the renowned bridge teacher, player and author Jerry Helms. Jerry was kind enough to answer some questions I sent to him, but I didn't have enough space to report on all his comments last time. If you like Jerry's comments, then I'm sure you'll like his book The Best of Ask Jerry, available through Baron Barclay, Google books and other sources. He has a new book coming out soon to be called Over My Shoulder. Be sure to look for it.

Jerry says there is nothing that can keep the average player from enjoying the game. And there are definite steps that they can take to get better. He began by quoting Lelia Hattersly from her 1928 book Contract Developments: For those players ambitious enough to improve their contract bidding, I should proffer the following advise (sic): Study card valuation, develop your imagination, rely on your common sense and adopt as few conventions as possible. Jerry's own advice is to study and read books about card play and defense. The new library that the Unit has started should be a great help in this area. It is physically in the Fiesta Bridge Club but is available to all members of the Unit free of charge. He also encourages reading the excellent articles in bridge magazines to understand how experts think about bidding their hands.

Don't be afraid to ask the opinion of experienced players. Usually they are more than willing to answer questions you may have. In the same vein, he recommends playing with and against the very best players possible. Even though this may damage a fragile ego, if you can "tough it out", in his words, you will be a better player for the effort.

He advises that players should review their results, both good and bad. Did you reach a better result because of a poor lead by an opponent? If you took fewer tricks than others, why? Were you in the wrong contract? Every player must determine what areas seem to need work. Even professional athletes recognize their weaknesses and train to make those areas stronger.

Jerry maintains that if you are a good

partner, your results and enjoyment of the game will prosper. He says that those who frequently berate their partners are insecure. "They feel the need", he says, "to make sure everyone else knows that a particular poor result was not their fault when in fact if they were confident in their own abilities, there would be no need to express them in a negative fashion."

Finally, he says that everyone, including the experts, goes through times when it seems like they can do nothing right at the bridge table. They make the wrong lead; they play the wrong card on defense; they finesse in the wrong direction; whatever can go wrong will go wrong. His final point about dealing with this all too-common situation is worth quoting in full: Focus on reality. You have, at some point, achieved some measure of success, or you would be doing something else instead of wasting your time playing bridge. Play through the negative by appreciating each deal for its own individual opportunity.

On a completely different note, did you know that there are 620 members of Unit 172? Of this number there are: 72 Life Masters (LM); 72 Bronze LM; 40 Silver LM; 46 Ruby LM; 20 Gold LM; 18 Sapphire LM; 7 Diamond LM; 4 Emerald LM; 5 Platinum LM; and 2 Grand LM. That's only 39% of the players in the Unit who are Life Master and above. Congratulations to all those who have achieved this level of success.

### **Summer Sectional**

San Antonio May 31-Jun 03 2018 231 players. 253 tables.

- 1 33.66 Donna Swarthout
- 2.32.99 Dave Swarthout
- 3 28.54 Ed Rawlinson
- 4 28.06 Gary Anziani
- 5 27.56 Ira Hessel 6 24.13 Karen Fillis
- 7 24.13 George Fillis
- 8 22.41 Ellen Hessel
- 9 22.33 Rosemary Kelley 10 20.11 Kenneth Schutze

Thu Morn Open Pairs-24.5 Tables / Based on 33 Tables ABC1. Ann Kuehler-Elisabeth Kay AB2. Jo Ann Robertson-Penny Smith C2. Carol Cobler-Nancy Fisher

Thu Morn 499er Pairs-8.0 Tables ABC1. Evelyn Slapkunas-Roxie Mezzetti AB2. David Goodwin-Rose Goodwin C2. Karl Beach-Barbara Beach

THUR PM 499 PAIRS-6.0 Tables ABC1. David Goodwin-Rose Goodwin A2. Mary Lou Anziani-Dick Arnold BC2. Marcy Wallace-Candace Jacobson

Thu Aft Open Pairs-23 Tables A1. Rosemary Kelley-George Fillis-Karen Fillis-Bill Walker A2. Ed Rawlinson-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout-Gary Anziani A1. Richard Lampman-Charles Walker-Stephen Hoffman-Lew Spurlock A2. Susan Hernandez-Andy Villastrigo-Beth Gale-Bob Otis B1. Leigh Primerano-Paul VanHoorebeke-Helen Lauderdale-Janina Kuzma C2. Geneva Johnson-Lvnn (Ann) Pierson-Takako Malley-Jo Ann Manfredi

Fri Morn Open Pairs-28.0 Tables / Based on 39 Tables A1. Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel A2. Venkatrao Koneru-Virginia Noelke B1. Karen Fillis-George Fillis B2. Helen McCrae-Orpha Sears Carol Ramberg-John Hilbig C2. Bob Steidel-Debbie Schweiss

Fri Morn 499er Pairs-10.5 Tables AB1. Sunny Won-Yesh Singh AB2C1. Annetta Hughson-Lois Kertesz C2. Bill Stillwell-David Conley

Fri Aft Open Pairs-23.5 Tables / Based on 33 Tables A1. Gary Anziani-Ed Rawlinson B2. Beverly Santos-Rebecca Brown B1. Karen Fillis-George Fillis B2. Stephen Simpson-Jerrold Harrington C1. Earl Cutler-Richard Arnold C2. Janina Kuzma-Leigh Primerano

Fri Aft 499er Pairs-9.5 Tables ABC1. Marcy Wallace-Candace Jacobson ABC2. Bill Stillwell-David

Sat Morn Open Pairs-24.5 Tables / Based on 36 Tables ABC1. Jonathan Tramer-Leslie Tramer A2. Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout B2. Susan Hernandez-Andy Villastrigo C2. Roxanne King-Roxi Raaf Sat Morn 499er Pairs-11.0 Tables ABC1. Yesh Singh-Ajit Murarka AB2. Carol Ramberg-Gerald Irion C2. Marcy Wallace-Candace Jacob-

Sat Aft Open Pairs-20.0 Tables / Based on 31 Tables A1. Kenneth Schutze-Stephen Toplansky A2. Larry Levin-Rosemary Kelley B1. Karen Fillis-George Fillis B2. B J Sanders-Mark Sanders C1. Shawn Drenning-James Moody C2. John Moore-Roxann Swenson

Sat Aft 499er Pairs-10.5 Tables A1. S Hultquist-David Conley AB2. Jan Wingate-June Reimer C2 Dana Sun-Peter Naimoli

Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel-Patty Hinze-Kenneth Schutze

Trudeau-Forrest Gray-David Ticen

### Sept 6-9, 2018 **New Braunfels Civic Center** 380 Seguin Avenue **New Braunfels TX 78130**

### Thursday through Sunday

10am and 3pm Stratified 499er Pairs (Single Session) 3 Table Minimum



Thursday, September 6th

10:00 am Stratified Pairs Strati-3:00 pm fied Swiss Teams

### Friday, September 7th

Stratified Pairs 10:00 am 10:00 am Compact KO#1 3: 00 pm Stratified Pairs Compact KO.#1 3: 00 pm

### Saturday, September 8th

10:00 am Stratified Pairs Compact KO #2 10: 00 am 3: 00 pm **Stratified Pairs** 3: 00 pm Compact KO #2

### Sunday, September 9th

10: 00 am & TBA Nell Morgan Bracketed Swiss Teams

### **Stratifications:**

**Flight A** 2500+ **Flight B** 750-2500 **Flight C** 0-750 All events will be stratified based on average master points

### **Card Fees**

\$12/person/session Sunday Swiss/\$120 team (includes lunch) \$4/session more for non-member



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A2/3 Gary Anziani-Donna Swarthout -Dave Swarthout-Ed Rawlinson Sun Swiss Teams-27 Tables A1 B2C1. Carol Ramberg-Wright Barnebey-Bill Stillwell-S Hultquist C2. Peter Naimoli-Dana Sun-Sharon A2/3B1. Rebecca Brown-Thomas Dameron-Laura Craft

### FIESTA SUMMER SECTIONAL



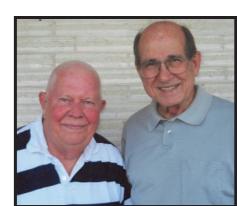
Thursday Morn Pairs, A,B,C Elisabeth Kay, Ann Kuehler



Thursday Aft Swiss Team A Rosemary Kelley, Karen Fillis, George Fillis, Bill Walker



Friday Morning Open Pairs A Ira & Ellen Hessel



Friday Afternoon Open Pairs A Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani



Saturday Morning Pairs A,B,C Jon & Leslie Tramer



Saturday Afternoon Pairs Ken Schutze, Steve Toplansky



Sunday Swiss Team A Ellen Hessel, Patty Hinze, Ira Hessel, Ken Schutze



Thursday Aft Swiss Team B Charlie Walker, Lew Spurlock, Steve Hoffman, Rich Lampman



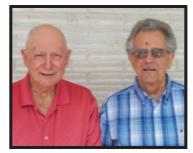
Thursday Aft Swiss Team C Paul VanHoorebeke, Leigh Primerano, Helen Lauderdale, Janina Kuzma



Friday Morn & Aft Pairs B Saturday Aft Pairs B Karen & George Fillis



Friday Morn Pairs C John Hilbig, Carol Ramberg



Friday Aft Pairs C Dick Arnold, Earl Cutler



Saturday Aft Pairs C James Moody, Shawn Drenning



Sunday Swiss Team B Tom Trudeau, Rebecca Brown, Forrest Gray, Dave Ticen



Sunday Swiss Team C Carol Ramberg Bill Stillwell, Steve Hultquist



Thursday Morn 499ers Evelyn Slapkunas, Roxie Mezzetti



Thursday Aft 499ers David & Rose Goodwin



Friday Aft 499ers Marcy Wallace, Candace Jacobson



Saturday Morn 499ers Ajit Murarka, Yesh Singh



Saturday Aft 499ers Steve Hultquist, Dave Conley



Friday Morn 499ers Yesh Singh, Sunny Won

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**Unit 174** 

**Houston** 

Carol Ann Wilson



Unit News:
We are proud of Paul Cuneo, who is heading a search committee appointed by ACBL President Jay Whipple to fill the position of ACBL's CEO. We thank Paul for his tireless service not only locally and in District 16 but nationally as well.

Our annual meeting was held at the Election Sectional and these new members will be serving on the Board: Jack LaVigne, Kathleen Malcolmson, and Sheryl Thomas. We were excited to learn that our finances had improved by \$17,000, and we raised \$2,000+ for SEARCH, this year's charity. Among the awards, Mary Pat Gentry has won the Ace of Clubs award in her category for the past 12 years! And among the kudos to all our hardworking members, Nancy Strohmer was given a standing ovation for her leadership as Board President.

All the Best to these Unit members as they compete in Atlanta in the Grand National Teams: Dan Morse, Thomas Peters, Thomas Rush, Wes Peirce, Jack Dean, Jeannette Dean, Robert Burridge, Marsha Doyle, and Daniel Jackson. Good luck to all!

We enjoyed hosting the United States Bridge Federation's 2018 Open Team Trials at the Marriott Westchase for the Team USA1 team for the 2019 Bermuda Bowl. The trials were held May 11-20. Twenty teams participated, ending with the Nickell Team scoring an amazing victory on the very last board of the 120-board match against the Lall Team. Hospitality and Vugraph volunteers were organized by Shawn Quinn, Nancy Strohmer, and Betty Starzec under the watchful eyes of Jan Martel and Lisa Berkowitz. Paul Cuneo was always on hand in the players' area to assist whenever needed. Dozens of Unit 174 members assisted with this event, but special kudos go to Phillip Grothus for his amazing expertise in working the Vugraph daily and to Hans Strohmer for employing his skills as a chef in Hospitality each day. USBF President Marty Fleisher wrote this email to **Nancy Strohmer**: "This year in particular you enabled us to run what many have called our best tournament in years." Houston Strong!

We hope to report on the raising of big money for The Alzheimer's Association from our clubs' events for "The Longest Day" June 20-23. Finally, We invite one and all to our upcoming Unit 174 Tournaments, both at the Marriott Westchase: August Sectional August 9-12 and Fall Sectional November 16-18.

News from Our Clubs: The new Katy Duplicate Bridge Club meets Wednesdays at noon at the Katy Seniors Center, 5370 E. 5th St., Katy TX 77493; age 55+, reservations required, and contact is **Bob** Lee, 713.557.4077 or

relee@leekon.net. This small club has a GoFundMe page to raise funds for a dealing machine, and you can help by visiting this Website: <a href="https://www.gofundme.com/katy-bridge-club-dealing">https://www.gofundme.com/katy-bridge-club-dealing</a>.

Another newly sanctioned club is the Cypress Northwest Duplicate Bridge Club, which meets Thursdays at noon at the Weekley Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd., Cypress TX 77433, and contact is Jim Warren, 832.851.4745, or by email to cypress.northwest.bridge@gmail.com.

The Lone Star Bridge Club holds games on Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Conroe, Texas, and a Website at www.lonestarbridge.club. Diamond LM Jeff Kroll gives free lessons at 9:30 before the Thursday game. The club elected these officers on 4/12: Mary McDonald, President; Anita Rothfuss, VP; Vicky L. Martinez, Secretary; Helen Wren, Treasurer; Pat Horsley, Club Manager; and Jeff Kroll, Bill Gemas, Gene Levy, and Jeane Crumpler, Members at Large. All games are \$5 per person, and the yearly membership is also \$5 per person.

Westside Bridge Academy will present Barbara Seagram, one of the ACBL's most popular bridge teachers, giving a seminar on "Defensive Strategy and Signaling" on Saturday morning, December 1. Reservations are required, the fee is \$50, and attendance is limited to 160. Gary King is holding a "Learn to Play Bridge" course on Wednesday

nights, 7-9, beginning Sept. 5. Course fee is \$150 and pre-registration is required to houston-

bridge@gmail.com. This course is always extremely popular. Terry Currie is teaching "Commonly Used Conventions," "Defense," and "Beginning Bridge." She may be contacted at tourrie1@comcast.nhet or 832-594-8577.

Bridge Club of Houston is in its temporary space, "Camp BCoH," at Corum Station, Kuykendahl and Louetta, anxiously awaiting the build-out of their new club. We look forward to their Grand Opening in August. Beverley Cheatham is organizing their many special volunteers!

New 70% Milestones: Bridge Club of Houston: Mary Anne Woessner and Barbara Atkins had a 70.20% game on 4/18; Thomas Rush and Sam Khayatt had a 70% on 5/10; and Bill Daniel and Ann Dahl had a 70% on 5/31. Spring Branch Duplicate Club:t David Dyer and Ralph **Herz** had a 71.4% game on 5/24. At Lone Star Bridge Club, Ed Freiter and Julie Halperin had the first Big Game at LSBC, posting a 72% on 4/12, Faye Vincent and Nancy Carlin had a 71.54% on 4/23, and on 5/8, again it was Julie Halperin, with Terry Sucher, posting a Westside Bridge 73.65% game. Academy reports these Big Games in the Open Game: James Breihan and Carolyne Fox, 70.02% on 5/2; Eddie Wold and Sam Dodson, 71.96% on 5/7; Max Levit and Ariel Leibovitz, 71.64% on 5/19; and **Dolores** Aquino and Susan Kaplan, 70.56% on 5/20. In their IN Games Pamela Wilson and Ed Wolochin had 70.83% 5/2 and Rosine Chappell and Mary Robinson 77.50% on Clear Lake Bridge Club posted these Big Games: In the Open Game. Marilyn Bein and Jean **Foltz,** 70.51% on 4/27, **Ida Morrow** and Nelson Brown Jr., a 75.09% on 5/30, and Irene Baker and Rick **Stell**, a 70.13% on 6/1; in the 499er game, Scott Koehler and Judith **Rebmann** had 71.61% on 4/19. Congratulations to all!

Remembering Those Who Have Passed On: Susan Kupper passed away 4/5; Ed Groner, a 15,000+MP beloved player and teacher, left us and a Special Game honoring his life was held June 5; Charles Duran passed away 5/23; and Paul Axelson died 5/27. We will miss them all.

Till next time . . . .

### **Election Sectional**

Houston May 04-06 2018 757 players 681 tables.

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1 42.82 Tom Breed
2 39.03 Joe Quinn
3 37.29 Ron La Cour
4 34.85 Anne La Cour
5 33.49 Pat Levy
6 32.72 Ralda St Pierre
7 31.17 Georgiana Gates
8 26.91 Jack LaVigne
9 22.44 Randall Lake
10 22.38 Stephen Toplansky
11 20 34 Carolyne Fox

11 20.34 Carolyne Fox12 19.92 Steve Vaughn13 19.92 Rick Stell14 19.92 Michael Novack

15 19.53 George Fox 16 19.38 Barbara LaVigne 17 18.65 Tom Hogle

18 18.22 Sandra Clark 19 18.22 Rick Barrett 20 17.60 Bobbi Kauffman

21 16.99 Mary Pat Gentry 22 16.09 Shari Winston

23 16.09 Gary Winston 24 15.76 Jill Spence 25 15.65 Siraj Jiwani

26 15.65 Linda Rensi

Friday Morn Side Pairs-9.5 Tables ABC1. Stephen Reichek-Robin Ladin AB2. James Andre-Lily Andre C1. Kathleen Stuart-Jim Goodale C2. Christian Liipfert-Ann Sinclair

**Friday Morn 299er Pairs**-15.5 Tables ABC1. William Petersen-Peggy Woods ABC2. Laurinda Lankford-Janet Burroughs

**Friday Morn 0-5 Pairs**-17.0 Tables 1. John Magyari-Louise Haine 2. Bea Ertas-Ninat Ertas

**Friday Morn 49er Pairs**-4.0 Tables AB1. Thomas Russell-Roger Burrows A2. Yetty Mikkelsen-Sara Dalton B2 Jesse Allen-Elaine Allen

Friday Open Pairs-24.5 Tables / Based on 45 Tables A1. Anne La Cour-Ron La Cour A2. Pat Levy-Mary Pat Gentry B1. Bobbi Kauffman-Tom Hogle B1. James Cauble-Eric Watson B2. Steven Gordon-Rhonwyn Weissman

Friday Aft Side Pairs-14.0 Table AB1. Marion Collins-Joyce Settle AB2. Andy Villastrigo-Bob Otis C1 George Nelson-Mary Nelson C2. Barbara Nystrom-Carol Tuttle
Friday Aft 299er Pairs-16.0 Tables ABC1. Peggy Woods-William Peter-

sen AB2. Joan Schnider-Moira Morris C2. Jay Evert-Michael Wei Friday Bracketed Swiss-1-9 Tables 1. Dan Morse-John Zilic-Tom Breed-Thomas Peters 2. Daniel Jackson-Joe Quinn-Shawn Quinn-Carolyn Lanier **Friday Bracketed Swiss**-2-9 Tables 1. Steve Vaughn-Jill Spence-Rick Stell-Michael Novack 2. Gail Carter-Betsy Birkett-Lucy Hofmann-Bonnie Terrell

Friday Bracketed Swiss-3-9 Tables
1. Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald VarvelTwyla Woody-Charles Woody 2.
Jeffery Parker-Rhonda BryantDianna Gittelman-Lisa Zummo

Friday Bracketed Swiss-4-9 Tables
1. Gary Winston-Shari WinstonDavid Crooks-Bill Kiehnhoff 2.
Hugh Humphries-Kay HumphriesBeverly Fanarof-Marilyn Leiman
Friday Bracketed Swiss-5-9 Tables

1. Jack Dean-Jeanette Dean-Bell-Courtney Coffman 2 Janet Smith-Marilyn Jordan-Carol Krug-Margie Patterson

Friday Bracketed Swiss-6-9 Tables 1/2 Susan Mandel-Janice Walker-Norma Lampkin-Susan Domsalla 4.86 1/2 Michael McKown-Judith Busby-Lynn Luster-Linwood Olson Friday Bracketed Swiss-7-9 Tables 1. Susan Morrison-Carol Jewett-Barbara Fagan-Dinah Weems 2. Marilyn Slaughter-Dottie Steverson-James Morgan-Brenda Metze

1/2 Robert Vilyus-Marilyn Gale
 Vilyus-James Mays-Sheryl Thomas
 1/2 Cindy Hillman-Julie Stewart-Chamberlain-Jenelle Chamberlain
 Saturday Morn Side Pairs-4.0 Tables
 AB1. Giovanna Spiker-Silvana Smith
 A2. Patti Mullendore-Hallie Eads B2.

Friday Bracketed Swiss-8-14 Tables

Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-13.0 Tables ABC1. Cecilia Tse-Joseph Tse ABC2. Wanda Wisniewska-Carol Teufel

Lynn Shapiro-Armand Shapiro

**Saturday Morn 49er Pairs**-4.5 Tables ABC1. Ronda Kelly-Alice Busch ABC2 Jean Mills-Dave Feuerbacher

Saturday Open Pairs-20.0 Tables / Based on 38 Tables A1. Georgiana Gates-Pat Levy A2. Ralda St Pierre-Oren Moore B1. Bobbi Kauffman-Tom Hogle B2. Robin Ladin-Stephen Reichek C1. Jenelle Chamberlain-Bill Chamberlain C2. Jackie Fakhouri-Yoli Herrmann

Saturday Aft Side Pairs-12.0 Tables
A1. Steven Bell-Courtney Coffman
A2. Harry Elliott-David Goldfarb B1.
Ari Sippola-Suvabrata Biswas B2.
James Moody-Richard Clarke C1.
Dale Remmers-Valarie Remmers C2.
C Paul Shubert-Stephen Lavoot
Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-12.0 Ta-

**Saturday Aft 299er Pairs**-12.0 Tables A1. Barbara Fagan-James Bettis

A2. June Bradford-Phyllis Ogden B1. Sharon Kirkland-Henrietta Sasser B2. Gregory May-David Badertscher C1. Carol Ferguson-Christine Spalding C2. Mark Jones-Melissa Jones

Saturday Bracketed Swi-1-9 Tables 1/2 Steve Vaughn-Rick Stell-Julia Blancet-Michael Novack 1/2 Sandra Clark-Rick Barrett-Betsy Dubose-A

Saturday Bracketed Swi-2-9 Tables 1. Paul Cuneo-Carmen Keys-Linda Brending-William Brending Robert Arnett-Sam Dodson-Troy Carr-Donna Sparks

Saturday Bracketed Swi-3-9 Tables 1. Wolfie Kotzen-William Houck-David Kuykendall-Chuck Ensor 2. Cupps-Julie Halperin-Julie Stewart-Cindy Hillman

Saturday Bracketed Swi-4-9 Tables 1. Gary Winston-Shari Winston-David Crooks-Bill Kiehnhoff 2. David Wicks-Linda McReynoldsRonald Schulman-Dianne Kraft Saturday Bracketed Swi-5-9 Tables 1. Azam Khan-Paul Chhabra-Barry Morgan-Peter Jeswani 2. Mary Cris Emmons-Connie Conover-Carol Jewett-Lisa Zummo

Saturday Bracketed Swi-6-9 Tables 1. Charlotte Johns-Linwood Olson-Laura McWilliams-Lotte Optekamp 2. Donald Boyd-Bonnie Boyd-Laura Chandler-Jeannie Stone

Saturday Bracketed Swi-7-9 Tables

1. Judith Glasco-William Turner-Dottie Steverson-Marilyn Slaughter 2. Joanne Graham-Diane O Neill-Julie Harrell-Mary Nelson

Saturday Bracketed Swi-8-8 Tables 1. Ann Coates-Margarite Kirk-Shirley Davis-Joan Hayton 2. Darlyn Dusek-Madhu Moza-Ronnie Martin-Russell Chandler

Sunday Open Pairs-10.0 Tables / Based on 8 Tables A1. Carolyn Pinto -Pat McMullin A2B1. Phillip Jaeger-

Thomas Hackenberg C2. Crawford-June Ardoin Sunday Swiss Teams-75 Tables A1/2 Jack LaVigne-Barbara LaVigne -Randall Lake-George Fox A1/2 Joe Quinn-StephenToplansky-Tom Breed -Ron La Cour B1. Linda Rensi-Syed R Naqvi-Romeo Bodrogi-Podoaba-Siraj Jiwani C1. William Higgins-Jean Higgins-Valarie Remmers-Dale Remmers C2. Jill Spence-Toni Roesler-Jerry McNeely-Jerry Hoffman

### **HOUSTON MAY SECTIONAL WINNERS**



Fri Morn 299ers Peggy Woods, William Petersen



Friday Open Pairs A Anne & Ron LaCour



Friday Open Pairs B Bobbi Kauffman, Tom Hogle



Fri Swiss Bkt 3 Twyla Woody, Eleanor Sherwyn Charles Woody, Donald Varvel



Fri Swiss Bkt 5 Jack & Jeanette Dean



Sat Swiss Bkt 6 Laura McWilliams. Courtney Coffman, Steven Bell Lotte Optekamp, Charlotte Johns



Saturday Open Pairs A Georgiana Gates, Pat Levy



Sunday Open Pairs A Carolyn Pinto, Pat McMullin



Jack & Barbara LaVigne, Randall Lake, GeorgeFox



Sunday Swiss A Tie Stephen Toplansky, Joe Quinn, Tom Breed, Ron LaCour



Sat Swiss Bkt3 David Kuykendall, William Houck, Chuck Ensor, Wolfie Kotzen



Sat Morn 49ers Alice Busch, Ronda Kelly



Sat Morn 299ers Cecelia & Joseph Tse



Sat Swiss Bkt 8 Margarite Kirk, Joan Haylon Shirley Davis, Ann Coates



Sat Swiss Bkt2 Carmen Keys, Linda Brending Paul Cuneo, William Brending



Saturday Open Pairs C Jenelle & Bill Chamberlain



Fri Swiss Bkt 6 Lynn Luster, Michael McKown Linwood Olson, Judith Busby



Fri Swiss Bkt 8 Jenelle Chamberlain, Cindy Hillman Bill Chamberlain, Julie Stewart



Fri Swiss Bkt 8 Sheryl Thomas, Marilyn Gal Vilyus, James Mays, Robert Vilyus



Sat Swiss Bkt 7 Dottie Steverson-Marilyn Slaughter



Sat Swiss Bkt 5 Azam Khan, Barry Morgan Peter Jeswani, Paul Chhabra



Sunday Swiss B Romeo Bodrogi-Podoaba, Syed R Naqvi, Linda Rensi, Siraj Jiwani

### The Big Switcheroo

Houston, TX Jun 08-10, 2018 629 players. 581 tables.

1 29.75 Daniel Jackson 2 29.61 Marc Levine

3 29.61 Jo Smith

4 29.61 Greg Hinze

5 29.61 Chris Compton 6 25.91 Sally Wheeler

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9 24.16 Gil Micheletti

10 22.05 Stephen Toplansky

11 20.99 Sheri Wolkenstein 12 20.99 Norman Gautier

13 20.99 Joyce Gautier

14 20.99 Jon Wolkenstein

15 20.84 Mark Howard 16 20.43 William Van Dame

17 19.55 Betty Freedman 18 18.95 Joyce Ryan

19 18.95 David Henke

20 18.46 Georgiana Gates 21 18.31 Clif Rice

22 17.53 Christoph Eick

23 16.84 Kenneth Schutze

24 16.63 Paul Cuneo 25 16.63 Carmen Keys

Friday Morn Side Pairs-10.0 Tables AB1. Phyllis Hink-Maury Gurwitch A2. Theron Lindsey-John Lindsey B2. Mary Ann Polk-Bernice McElwain-Hick, C1. Kathleen Malcolmson-Lauri Laufman C2. Kris Sankaran-Michael Wexler.

Friday Morn 299er Pairs-21.5 Tables A1. Jack Adams-Rony Klein A2BC1. Bill Nash-Debbie Nash B2. Carmen Nash-Pat Chichakli C2. Thomas Russell-Roger Burrows

Friday Open Pairs-21.0 Tables / Based on 43 Tables A1. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby A2. Daniel Jackson- Shatrugna Prasad B1. Linda Rensi-Siraj Jiwani B2C1. Gregory Andrews-Paul Andrews C2. Saundra Dickinson-Barbara Abney

Friday Aft Side Pairs-5.5 Tables A1. Theron Lindsey-John Lindsey A2B1. Jo Ann O'Malley-Susan McMahan B2. Carol Meade-James

Friday Aft 299er Pairs-17.5 Tables AB1. Nancy Reingold-Danuta Parzych AB2C1. Carmen Nash-Pat Chichakli C2. Roberta Martinez, Garza Garcia - Monica Gutierrez Friday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Dan Morse-John Zilic-Gil Micheletti-Tom Breed 2. Greg Hinze-Jo Smith-Chris Compton-Marc Levine

Friday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Elton Lipnick-Ming Su-Shou Chao-Shih-Ming Yang 2. Robert Arnett-Marilyn Joyner-Kyle Lueders-Debra Bellan,,

Friday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Thomas Romz-Yvonne Strangmeyer-Bert Sheldon-Joyce Gore 2. Gary Winston-Shari Winston-David Crooks-Bill Kiehnhoff

Friday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. Jack Dean-Jeanette Dean-Steven Bell -Courtney Coffman 2. David Wicks-Mary Cris Emmons-Linda McReynolds-Connie Conover,

Friday Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables 1. Carol Winograd-Vivian Cyprus-Christian Liipfert-Ann Sinclair 2. Gayle Longmire-Edna Earle Mattei-Darlene Moody-Gay Rod.

Friday Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables 1/2 Vicky Martinez-Janice Walker-Sandra Maalouf-Susan Mandel 1/2 Lynn Gamblin-Maureen Weiss-Barbara Nystrom-Carol Tuttle Friday Swiss Bracket 7-14 Tables 1. Joanne Graham-Mary Nelson-Julie

Harrell-Diane O Neill 2. Ronnie Martin -Donald Bell-Russell Chandler-Rubin Chang

Saturday Morn Side Pairs-9.0 Tables ABC1. Joyce Grindle-Martha Wallace A2. Ed Harper-Jack Stone B2/3 Jo Ann O'Malley-Raymond Alexanian B2/3 Mary Lou Fowler-Chris Curran C2. Martha Dougherty-Margarite Kirk

Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-17.0 Tables ABC1. Kimberly Sunderland-Stacy Lodden A2. Zach Townley-Smith-Bob Townley-Smith BC2. Stormy Hull-David Hull

Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-13.5 Tables ABC1. George Holmes-Pamela Holmes AB2/3 C2. Stormy Hull-David Hull AB2/3 C2/3 Alberto Fernandez-Patricia Cantu

Saturday Aft Side Paris-5.5 Tables ABC1. Amy Tam-Hampo Hekimian AB2. Himanshu Joshi-Lourdes Fletcher C2. Bette Linbeck-Betty Davis

Saturday Open Pairs-24.0 Tables / Based on 41 Tables AB1. William Van Dame-Christoph Eick AB2. Clif Rice-Mark Howard C1. Sandra Jackson-Richard Jackson C2. Michael

Fagan-Arjune Bose

Saturday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Greg Hinze-Jo Smith-Chris Compton-Marc Levine 2. Daniel Jackson-Mike Doyle-Marilyn Arnold-Patty Hinze,

Saturday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Paul Cuneo-Carmen Keys-Linda Brending-William Brending 2. Julie Stewart-Cindy Hillman-Julie Halperin-Faye Vincent, Saturday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables

1 Lily Andre-James Andre-Sheila Harrison-Yaoguang Zhu 2. Jon Wolkenstein-Sheri Wolkenstein-Norman Gautier-Jovce Gautier Saturday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables

1. David Wicks-Linda McReynolds-Carol Jewett-Ronald Schulman 2. Bob Dowlen-Marsha Doyle-Robert Burridge-Carolyn Labouliere,

Saturday Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables 1. Willie Jo Schaefer-Nan Fulweber-Kathryn Kent-Gail Gillespie 2. Thomas Romz-Evelyn James-Bert Sheldon-B J Renshaw,

Saturday Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables 1. James Morgan-Brenda Metze-Dottie Steverson-Mary Ann Broussard 2. Kenneth Baker-Nancy Guthrie

-Sandi Mills-Tera Boyd Saturday Swiss Bracket 7-11 Tables 1. Douglas Lilly-Mark Incerto-Mary Ellen Vail-Rubin Chang 2. Susan Morrison-Dinah Weems-Susan Smith-Patricia

Sunday Morn 299err Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Bruce Weiner-Ede Weiner AB2. Sue Geller-James Sells.

Sunday Open Pairs-7.5 Tables / Based on 10 Tables AB1. A Desmond, Jersey -Ralph Herz AB2. Sandra Parker-Clif Rice C1. Jeffery Parker-Troy Carr C2. Jeannie Stone-Laura Chandler, Houston TX 49 48%

Sunday Aft 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1. Carol Tuttle-Charlotte Howell AB2. Jay Evert -Michael Wei

Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-18 Tables / Based on 33 Tables 1. Stephen Toplansky- Kenneth Schutze- Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel A2. John Zilic-Georgiana Gates-Gil Micheletti-Vinh Tran X1. David Goldfarb-Joyce Ryan-David Henke-Harry Elliott X2. Tom Hogle-Bobbi Kauffman-Barbara LaVigne-Jack LaVigne, Sunday B Swiss Bracket 1-9

Tables 1. Jon Wolkenstein-Sheri Wolkenstein-Norman Gautier-Joyce Gautier 2. Paul Cuneo-Joyce Klein-Benjamin Klein-Carmen Keys,

Sunday B Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. David Littmann-Sharon Haley-F Adrian Johnston-Constance Singleton 2. Sharon Graber-Robert Graber-Richard Burkhart-Bonnie Burkhart,

Sunday B Swiss Bracket 3-14 Tables 1. James Ochsner-Robert Burridge-Marsha Doyle-Allison Ochsner 2. Jane Boozalis-Gail Wood-Carol Jewett-John Caudill



Friday Aft 299ers Nancy Reingol, Danuta Parzych

### ACBL Unit 174 Announces

## Awesome August Sectional August 9-12, 2018

### HOUSTON MARRIOTT WESTCHASE

2900 Briarpark Dr., Houston TX 77042 713-978-7400

Room Rate: \$89.00 - Cutoff Date: July 20, 2018

- Free wireless internet
- Valet Parking and Free Parking available
  - Fitness Center available

### Stratification:

### Stratified Open Pairs

A:No Limit, B:750-3,000, C:0-750

### Stratified 199er Pairs

A:100-199, B:50-100, C:0-50

Stratified 299er Pairs

A:100-199, B:50-100, C:0-50



A:No Limit, X:0-5,000 A/X play together; B:0-3,000 Bracketed\* \*No player with more than 3,000 points may play in B.

### Stratified 499 Swiss\*

A:250-500, B:100-250, C:0-100

\*No life master, or player with more than 500 points,

may play in 499er Swiss.

### Speakers: 2pm

- Thursday Betty Starzec "The Match Game"
- Friday Carolyne Fox "Overcalls"
- Saturday Bob Morris "Range Stayman"

### **Tournament Chairs:**

David Henke - dhenke46@comcast.net Betty Starzec - Istarzec@comcast.net

### Partnerships:

Jane Armstrong - littlebit9@comcast.net

### **Hospitality:**

Debra Bellan - debrabellan@windstream.net

### Intermediate/Novice:

Kathleen Malcolmson - kathalidal@att.net

### **Playing Schedule:**

Morning

Bracketed Swiss

ONLY \$5.00

### Thursday, August 9

10:00 Stratified One Session Open Pairs

10:00 Stratified 199er Pairs

10:00/2:30 Bracketed Swiss

2:30 Stratified One Session Open Pairs

2:30 Stratified 299er Pairs

### Friday, August 10

10:00 Stratified One Session Open Pairs

10:00 Stratified 299er Pairs

10:00 0-5 Relaxed Pair Game

10:00/2:30 Bracketed Swiss

2:30 Stratified Open Pairs/Team\*

\*This is a one session event scored both as a pair game and a team game. You receive the higher of your pair score or your team score.

2:30 Stratified 299er Pairs

7:30 Bracketed Swiss Session 1 of 2

### Saturday, August 11

10:00 Stratified Side Game

10:00 Stratified 199er Pairs

10:00/2:30 Bracketed Swiss

10:00/2:30 Stratified Two Session Open Pairs

2:30 Stratified 199er Pairs

2:30 Stratified Side Game

7:30 Bracketed Swiss Session 2 of 2

### Sunday, August 12\*

10:00 Stratified Open Pairs

10:00/2:30 Stratified 499er Swiss

10:00/2:30 Stratified Swiss for A/X

& Bracketed Swiss for B

2:30 Stratified Open Pairs

\*Lunch on your own.

### **Table Fees:**

Special \$5.00 rate for 7:30 Bracketed Swiss Friday and Saturday.

All other sessions \$12.00 for ACBL Members, Lapsed Members \$16.00.

Join us for light bites in the Hospitality Suite between the afternoon and evening sessions on Friday.

### HOUSTON JUNE SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Friday Open Pairs A Sally Wheeler, Buddy Hanby



Saturday Open Pairs Flt A Christoph Eick-William Van Dame



Sunday Open Pairs A Ralph Herz



Sunday Swiss Team Flt A Ken Schutze, Steve Toplansky, Ellen & Ira Hessel



Friday Open Pairs B Siraj Jiwani, Linda Rensi



Friday Swiss Bkt 2 Ming Su, Elton Lipnick Shou Chao, Shih-Ming Yang



Friday Swiss Bkt 3 Joyce Gore, Yvonne Strangmeyer Bert Sheldon, Thomas Romz



Friday Swiss Bkt 4 Jeanette Dean, Jack Dean Steven Bell, Courtney Coffman



Friday Swiss Bkt5 Vivian Cyprus-Carol Winograd Ann Sinclair-Christian Liipfert



Friday Swiss Bkt 6 Lynn Gamblin-Maureen Weiss Carol Tuttle



Friday Swiss Bkt 6 Sandra Maalouf-Vicky Martinez Susan Mandel-Janice Walker



Friday Swiss Bkt7 Joanne Graham-Julie Harrell Diane ONeill-Mary Nelson



Saturday Swiss Bkt2 Linda Brending-Carmen Keys William Brending-Paul Cuneo



Saturday Swiss Bkt 3 Lily Andre-Sheila Harrison James Andre-Yaoguang Zhu



Saturday Swiss Bkt 4 Carol Jewett-Linda McReynolds David Wicks-Ronald Schulman



Sunday Open Pairs C Jeffery Parker-Troy Carr



Saturday Swiss Bkt 6 James Morgan-Dottie Steverson Mary Ann Broussard-Brenda Metze



Friday Morn 299ers Jack Adams, Rony Klein



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 2 Sharon Haley-Constance Singleton F Adrian Johnston-David Littmann



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 3 Robert Burridge-James Ochsner Marsha Doyle-Allison Ochsner



Sunday Swiss X David Goldfarb-Joyce Ryan Harry Elliott-David Henke



Friday Morn Side Pairs Flt C Lauri Laufman-Kathleen Malcolmson

Unit 176 Dallas





Our Texas Spring may have started out cold, but I'm afraid the long, hot summer is upon us now. Well, we will just have to stay inside in the cool A.C. and play more bridge. Bet I don't have to twist your arm.

On May 1st, the board visited the club in Waxahachie. The members there were so welcoming, and the snacks and desserts were wonderful. The Waxahachie Club has done a great job in cultivating players new to the community. My favorite is their venue for the game — the Boy Scouts' cabin. What fun!

The Dallas Memorial Day Sectional hosted by Dorsey's Bridge Studio, was very successful. Dorsey Shaw and her co-chair Carol Rieger, as well as the partnership chairs, Mimi Lempert and Jan Welsh, were very hospitable. The great food, the good schedule, and the accommodating hosts all combined, made the tournament a real hit. Many thanks to Dorsey and her crew.

Sheri Wolkenstein and Ann Parker finished up the school year teaching their bridge program at Gooch Elementary in Dallas. The last week of school, they held a bridge camp for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders in the morning. It was fun for everyone who participated. I'm happy to say that we have been invited back to Gooch Elementary to run a bridge club after school for the Fall and Spring semesters. Many thanks to Sheri and Ann for doing such a fine job.

This is my last chance to plug the upcoming Dallas Labor Day Regional August 28th through September 3rd. We are really looking forward to the new schedule with so many team events, double-session pair games, and single-session pairs. There is a great variety of games. There will also be additional hospitality and an IN (0-499er) reception on Friday between the afternoon and evening sessions. A great selection of speakers are lined up for the Regional as well as our favorite directors, Tom Marsh, Kevin Perkins, Scott Humphrey, Melody Uler, and Carolyn Pinto. Please make plans to come, and put it on your calendar

now. You can pick up a flier at your bridge club.

I'm sorry to report John Sutherlin, one of our long time and most esteemed players, has passed away. Anyone who has played against John knows what a gentleman at the table he was. He was really great and will be missed by all. Our condolences to family and friends.

Please report to me any information on bridge activities or news of players, etc. so that I can include it in this article. Thanks. See you at the table.

### Memorial Day Sectional

Richardson TX May 24-28 2018 528 players 643 tables.

- 1 68.12 Peggy Sutherlin
- 2 57.06 Petra Hamman
- 3 57.06 Hemant Lall
- 4 48.58 Steve Shirey 5 48.58 Robert Adams
- 6 41.86 Nagy Kamel
- 7 40.24 Phil Clayton8 37.02 Marion Gebhardt
- 9 37.02 Jack Borenstein
- 10 36.88 Kimmel Jones
- 11 35.97 Bryan Storey
- 12 34.90 Bart Bramley
- 13 31.90 Bob Friz
- 14 30.88 Nancy Passell15 30.65 Tom Edwards
- 16 28.00 Barbara Hamman
- 17 27.26 Shawn Quinn
- 18 27.26 Joe Quinn
- 19 26.76 Stephen Kornegay
- 20 26.76 Nancy Kornegay N
- 21 25.51 Greg Resz
- 22 25.50 Bob Hamman23 23.89 Jeff McKee
- 24 23.78 Bob McNeill
- 25 22.55 David Pearlman

Thu Morn Open Pairs-23.0 Tables / Based on 35 Tables ABC1. Rich Brandenburg-Bob McNeill A2. Jon Browne-Adrianne Feuer B2. James Richman-Wayne Olson C1. Janet Meyer-Jacqueline Brown C2. Dorothy Nance-Alma Johnson

Thu Morn 299er Pairs-12.0 Tables AB1. Bill Brooks-Kenneth Melvin A2. Carol Murray-Linda Lindley B2. Linda Robertson-Yvonne Bowman C1. Jane Canning-Clifford Canning C2. Deepak Aurora-Venkata Vishnubhotla

**Thursday Bracketed Swi-**1-7 Tables 1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay-Bob Friz-Mark Bumgardner 2. Hemant Lall-Peggy SutherlinPetra Hamman-Nancy Passell

Thursday Bracketed Swi-2-7 Tables 1. Howard Huynh-Joe Black-Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett 2. Catherine Tucker-James Willson-Janet Borg-Khalifa Ahmed

**Thursday Bracketed Swi-3**-7 Tables 1. Jack Harkey-Mimi Lempert-Bill Frazee-Jan Welsh 2. Connie Van Patter-Karen Roland-Sharon Ward-Martha Ward

Thursday Bracketed Swi-4-9 Tables
1. Wayne Evans-William DriscollLinda Harley-Terence Harley 2.
Mary Chaffin-Molly HamiltonCheryl Paul-Margaret Jo DuffWilliam Duff

Thursday Aft 299er-12.0 Tables A1. Beverly Yoehle-Linda Walton AB2C1. Franca Torellini-Ross Ramsey C2. Jayaprakash Namburi-Gopichand Anne

Thu Aft Open Pairs-20.0 Tables / Based on 32 Tables AB1. Ira Nemazie-Pat Measley A2. Jay Gibson-Martha Young B2. Truett Cates-Raymond Clark C1. Mark Sherman-Nancy Morse C2. Barbara Aide-Judy Thompson

Fri Morn Strat Open Pairs-22.5 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. Lynne Wood-Peter Grenier A2B1. John Bridgewater II-Rajasekhar Menon B2. Ann Berning-Lue Waddle C1. Carol Casey-Cathy Bruff C2. Mark Dumdei-Deanna Davis

Fri Morn Strat 299er Prs-9.0 Table A1. Kenneth Melvin-Beverly Yoehle AB2C1. Jayaprakash Namburi-Gopichand Anne C2. Jeanne Edwards Murphy TX; John Phillips

Fri AFT Strat Open Pairs-23.0
Tables / Based on 33 Tables A1.
David Pearlman-Kimmel Jones A2.
Bob Friz-Michael Hout B1. Barbara
Aide-Judy Thompson B2. Ann Berning-Lue Waddle C2. Donald Gable
Hervey-Wesley Crawford

Fri AFT Strat 299er Prs-10.0 Tables ABC1. Jayaprakash Namburi -Gopichand Anne ABC2. Angela Johnson -John Beach

Friday Bracketed Swiss-1-7 Tables
1. Nancy Passell-Petra HammanPeggy Sutherlin-Hemant Lall 2. Jeff
McKee-Greg Resz-Phil ClaytonNagy Kamel

Friday Bracketed Swiss-2-7 Tables 1. Rich Brandenburg-Tony Pellegrini -Bob McNeill-R Randall Smith 2. Charles Wobbeking-Larry White-Sue Gilbreath-Charles Brown

Friday Bracketed Swiss-3-7 Tables 1. Frank Durante-Sharon Ward-Martha Ward-Nancy Latner 2. G Morey-Stephen Hibbard-Mickey Tryon-Stephen Bennett

**Friday Bracketed Swiss-4**-7 Tables
1. Tommie Anglemyer-Sandra Fedro-

Betty Wheeler-Linda Jimmerson 2. Judy Nixon-Jim Nixon-Jeanette McDonald-Ross Ramsey-James Cothran

Friday Bracketed Swiss-5-12 Tables
1. Michael Chockley-Ribs LaMotheNancy Young-Jack Schober 2. Floyd
Gerwig-Barbara Taylor-Gretchen
Cash-David Noteware

Sat Morn Strat Open Pairs-23.0 Tables / Based on 36 Tables A1. John Bridgewater II-Rajasekhar Menon AB2. Ronald Mankoff-Marvin Migdol C1. Louise O'Brien-Marj Frederiksen C2. Rhonda Norfleet-Julie Scherz

Sat Morn Strat 299er Prs-13.0 Tables AB1. Debor Cassen-John Saylor A2. Nand Kuloor-K N Shyam Sundar B2. Jayaprakash Namburi-Gopichand Anne

**Saturday Bracketed Swi-1**-7 Tables 1. Bart Bramley-Judy Bramley-Phil Clayton-Nagy Kamel 2. Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman-Shawn Quinn-Joe Quinn

Saturday Bracketed Swi-2-7 Tables
1. Paula Justice-Jimmy JusticeCharles Brown-Sue Gilbreath 2. Bob
Butterfield-Stephen Birnbaum-Eileen
Smith Davidoff-James McCommons
Saturday Bracketed Swi-3-7 Tables
1. Jim Harp-Mary McGinnis-Jin ChuJianbo Chen 2. Stan PushkarskyAnita Albert-John Moore-Roxann
Swenson

Saturday Bracketed Swi-4-7 Tables 1. Connie Van Patter-Karen Roland-Sharon Ward-Martha Ward 2. Tom Lang-Bonnie Shea-Jill Hartel-Jack Hartel

Saturday Bracketed Swi-5-12 Tables 1. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr-Don Greer-Marylin Hicks 2. Janet Borg-Carmond Fitzgerald-Gwendolyn Faherty-Linda Harley

Sat AFT Strat Open Pairs-24.0
Tables / Based on 38 Tables A1.
Jeff McKee-Greg Resz A2.. Bob
Hamman-Barbara Hamman B1.
Marie-Anne Johnson-Andi Gordon
B2. Jon Browne-Bob McNeill C1.
Eloise Meachum-Leslie Conant C2.
Keith Koets-Judy Evans

Sat AFT Strat 299er Prs-13.5 Ta-

bles ABC1. Kurt Smith-Lisa Smith ABC2. Ansel Goldgar-Nina Watkins Sun Morn Strat Open Pairs-13.0 Tables / Based on 18 Tables A1. Martha Young-Leonard Schaen A2. Marian Maley-Khalifa Ahmed B1. Richard Page-Rebecca Page C2. Bill Rose-Howard Kahlenberg C1. Genny Lemeshev-Yuri Lemeshev C2. Jacqueline Brown-Philip Brown

Sun Morn Strat 299er Prs-4.5 Tables AB1. Eileen Smith-Rodger Gruenwald AB2/3 Carolyn Henderson-Darrel Van Dyke AB2/3 Rodney Wood-Joan Wood **Sun AFT Strat Open Pairs**-14.0 Tables / Based on 20 Tables A1. Steve Shirey-Robert Adams A2. Suresh Agrawal-Bob Scallan BC1. Frank Vlach-Karen Vlach B2. How-

Sun AFT Strat 299er Prs-5.5 Tables ABC1. Laura Waguespack-Mimi Cohen ABC2. John Saylor-Debor Cassen

ard Kahlenberg-Bill Rose C2. Genny

Lemeshev-Yuri Lemeshev

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-1-7 Tables 1. Peggy Sutherlin-Bart Bramley-Bob Hamman-Barbara Hamman 2. Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman-Shawn Quinn-Joe Quinn

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-2-7 Tables 1. Howard Huynh-Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett-Joe Black 2. Pawel Hanus-William Garrard-Donna Garrard-Sippola

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-3-7 Tables
1.. Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Karen
Caton-Richard Langland 2.. Edward
Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter-John
Moore-Roxann Swenson

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-4-7 Tables 1. Robert Bender-Keith Mond-Cheryl Clark-Stuart Nelan 2. Connie Van Patter-Karen Roland-Rick Margerison-Leah Margerison

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-5-10 Tables 1. Floyd Gerwig-Karen Cohen-Roslyn Miller-Mary Lynn Genovesi 2. Joyce Anderson-Joyce Armstrong-Liz Castioni-Connie Burnett

Monday A/AX Swiss Teams-19 Tables / Based on 50 Tables A1. Marion Gebhardt-Steve Shirey-Jack Borenstein-Robert Adams A2. Peggy Sutherlin-Joan Jackson-Bryan Storey -Tom Edwards X1. William Garrard-Donna Garrard-Gary Neisler-Robert Buchanan X2. Gerry McKim-John Schwartz-Pawel Hanus-Ari Sippola Monday 499er Swiss Teams-9 Tables A1. Joyce Anderson-Gloria Schuford-Liz Castioni-Carol Segreti A2. Michael Chockley-Debrah Chockley-Janice Trombello-Joseph Trombello B1. Paulette Armstrong-Janet Sheppard-Allan Chernov-Marilyn Foote B2/3 Mary Chaffin-Molly Hamilton-Gretchen Cash-Barbara Taylor B2/3 Debor Cassen-Robert Bugbee-Cecily Hutchison-Paramjeet Ahluwalia

Monday B/C/D Swiss Teams-22 Tables ABC1. Judy Etchison-J Scott Etchison-Robert Clarke-Alma Farley AB2. James Richman-Chris Anderson-Pingshan Wen-Jin Chu C2. Stuart Nelan-Victoria Sublette-Jack Hartel-Jill Hartel

### DALLAS MEMORIAL DAY SECTIONAL WINNERS



Friday Swiss Bkt 4 Linda Jimmerson, Sandy Fedro, Tommie Angelmeyer, Betty Sue Wheeler



Friday Swiss Bkt 5 Mick Chockley, Nancy Young, Jack Schaber, Ribs LaMothe



Friday Aft Open Pairs B,C Barbara Aide, Judy Thompson



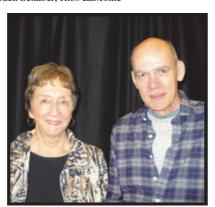
Saturday Swiss Bkt 4 Connie Van Patter, Karen Roland, Sharon Ward, Martha Ward



Saturday Swiss Bkt 5 Jan Mogged, Charles Mogged, Don Greer, Marylin Hicks



Friday Swiss Bkt 1 Peggy Sutherlin, Petra Hamman, Hemant Lall, Nancy Passell



Friday Morn Open Pairs A Lynn Wood, Peter Grenier



Friday Aft Open Pairs A David Pearlman, Kimmel Jones



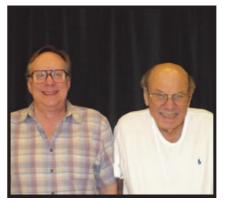
Saturday Swiss Bkt 1 Nagey Kamel, Phil Clayton, Judy & Bart Bramley



Sunday Swiss Bkt 1 Bart Bramley, Peggy Sutherlin, Barbara Hamman, Bob Hamman



Sunday Morn Open Pairs A Martha Young, Lenny Schaen



Sunday Aft Open Pairs A Steve Shirey, Robert Adams



Friday Swiss Bkt 2 Tony Pellegrini, Bob McNeill, Rich Brandenberg, Randall Smith



Sunday Swiss Bkt 4 Cheryl Clark, Stu Nelan, Keith Mond, Bob Bender



Monday Swiss X Buck Buchanan, Gary Neisler, William & Donna Garrard



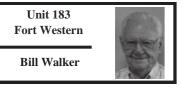
Monday BCD Swiss Bob Clarke, Alma Farley, Judy & Scott Etchison



Sunday Aft 299ers Mimi Cohen, Larue Waguespack



Friday Swiss Bkt 3 Nancy Latner, Frank Durante, Martha Ward, Sharon Ward



A few years ago my wife Jan coordinated a 299er tournament in Gulfport, MS. Her guest speaker was a friend, Chris Moll, who spoke about why and how to make weak two bids. While his talk was excellent, he made one profound comment which has stuck with me since that day.

"You can read the greatest bridge book in the world, but unless your partner reads the same book, it won't do you any good."

Okay, Moll's comment is pretty much beyond question; but what is the greatest bridge book ever written? Like so much of life, the way things used to be are much simpler than they are today; this is a perfect case in point.

If we were living in the early 1930s, the answer as to the greatest book was easy. It's Ely Culbertson's, "Contract Bridge Blue Book" published in 1930. The "Blue Book" went through a few iterations (including a "Red Book") during the next several years. Culbertson's theory seems to have been, why let them buy one book, when they will buy several.

Finally, in 1936 the ultimate bridge book was written: "The Gold Book – Contract Bridge Complete." Culbertson showed a more commercial side too, for in 1941 he published, "The New Gold Book-Contract Bridge Complete." Why? He noted that cars had gotten better, and so had bridge. In the Author's Foreword, Culbertson modestly prophesied his system would last at least another fifteen years.

But fate was not kind to Ely. A few vears before "The New Gold Book" hit the press, a chorus girl's rejected suiter reacted from being labeled a bad bridge player by plunging himself into the game with a vengeance. At least we must assume he did. For in 1942 Charles Goren published "Contract Bridge Complete" featuring point count bidding. This quickly swept away Culbertson's cumbersome and inaccurate honor-trick approach. Since Goren's "Contract Bridge Complete" went through three revisions, and was the underlying basis for Goren's other twenty-six books, surely this is the book Chris Moll was alluding to, right?

Not so fast. After twenty years of reigning as Mr. Bridge, Goren was eclipsed. In 1964 two new authors published books which have taken their place in bridge history.

Edgar Kaplan's "Winning Contract Bridge" was introduced fifty-four years ago and is still in print and selling. Not bad. Alfred Sheinwold's "Five Weeks to Winning Bridge" has also stood the test of time. As an endorsement, Marty Bergen said this was the book that taught him bridge.

As great as all of the preceding works have been, this is barely scratching

the surface of what exists today. Mike Lawrence and Eddie Kantar have written dozens of books between them. Barbara Seagram and David Bird must write from sunrise to sunset to produce the volume of work to their credit. David Bird himself has authored over 100 books. Unit 183 is represented by Mary Jane Orick and Jacqueline Montgomery's "Learn Bridge the 2/1 Way", and Grady Fuller's "Bridge Strategy II," among the vast store of bridge books now available.

What is your answer to Chris Moll's question? Send me an e-mail (undbl@att.net) with your thoughts. Later this year we'll revisit what you have to say.

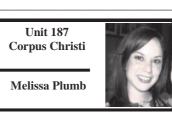
By the time you read this, the June 9<sup>th</sup> Unit Game honoring Janet Jordan will be history. Janet is Unit 183's Texas Star for 2018. Many people have done a great deal for Unit 183, but few, if any, can begin to match Janet's contributions as; board member, tournament coordinator, game director, Mentor/Mentee organizer, just to name a few of her activities. On behalf of all of us, Thank You, Janet, Very Much!

When you sit down to play with a new partner for the first time, how much do you expect? No matter how carefully you go over your convention cards you can't begin to touch on everything in the bidding and play that will come up. If you are both competent players you can certainly expect reasonable results. That's probably where Winnie Simon and Steve Shirey were on May 21st. They

had played against each other for years, but had never partnered. When the game was over they had, in fact, played well, very well! Their final score was a phenomenal 77.68 per cent. Way to go guys!

Maybe Winnie was just showing us her consistency at the table. Back on February 2<sup>nd</sup> she paired with Mary Jane Orick to win District 16's Big Heart Charity Game with a 68.75 percentage.

And last, but certainly not least, our own web master, Milt Birmingham made Silver Life Master. Congratulations.



As summer is here, there is no better place to beat the heat than playing bridge at our new location. We are now successfully moved in at 5959 S. Staples Street Ste. 106. There were many volunteers who helped with the move, to whom we thank. One bridge patron definitely shined: David Hobson. Mr. Hobson made numerous trips transporting all things bridge, from the old club to the new. David offered his truck, his time, and positive attitude. We are all very grateful to him and all volunteers.

June was a busy month with the Longest Day, STAC, and NAP games. Thanks to those that donated to Alzheimer's Association. Rockport raised \$1500 and South Texas Bridge Club raised \$1600+. Well done! For those who qualified in the NAP games, there will be a double session held on September 15 at the Women's Club of Aransas Co. 1104 E. Concho, Rockport, TX. The first session begins at 10:00, followed by a light lunch, and the second session's time is TBA. Thank you Russ and Kathe Powers for hosting this event.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENT:
Corpus Christi Shoreline Tournament
October 26-28
Holiday Inn Downtown Marina
707 N. Shoreline Drive
Corpus Christi, TX 78401
Room Rates :\$109 Code: STB
Cutoff Date: 10/05/18

Come Join the fun!

One of the challenges of all clubs are recruiting new players. A second challenge is retaining these members. It would be easy for seasoned players to play with alike and garner more masterpoints. It is with great admiration to witness said players in the South Texas Bridge Club mentor novice players. Special recognition is awarded to: Marilyn German, Bill and Marilyn MacDonald, Martha DeCou, Mary Ross, Bob Gerberich, and Phyllis Pruet. These A flight players continue to teach our bridge patrons on an on-going weekly basis. David Sharp offers weekly lessons to newcomers as well at the Senior Center. Two remarkable members, Joe Alexander and Kay Mrazek, are open to play with anyone, regardless of flight standing. What makes them

truly special, is that when pairing them for a game, neither asks who their partner is. Both arrive at the club, ready to play, and have fun. That positive bridge spirit, can only be commended and encouraged to all. Thank you to all who continue to advance our bridge patrons and club! I hope to see you at the table!

Melissa Plumb melissaplumb187@yahoo.com 361.944.1421

> **Unit 197** Lubbock

Anita Woodard



Unit 197 is now operating with all seven weekly games under the Unit Sanction. Our thanks to President Paula Park for her leadership through this transition and to Sue Myers for assuming Club Manager. Unit 197 owes both Paula and Sue our sincere thanks. This management model provides the Unit with more income and control of games, but players do not notice any difference. We also thank our dedicated directors Gary Blaiss, Gina Shultz, and Wanda Robinson, who is substituting for Bonta Thompson while she recovers from a recent illness.

Our players are glad to be playing Bridge again after an eight-day absence. Our eighteen-year-old air conditioners gave up the ghost simultaneously at the beginning of a long, hot, spell, causing us to shut the

Our sympathy goes to the family of Sandi Krahamer, long time contributor to the Scorecard, after the death of her husband John, April 4, 2018. John taught Contracts, Commercial Law, and Consumer Law at Texas Tech and provided legal assistance to the Bridge Center over the years. We love you Sandi and are pleased you are playing Bridge again.

Our condolences to the families of Faye Whitaker and Joyce Porter, both long time Bridge players. Faye, who died March 19, and her husband, Bob who recently passed, supported the Bridge Center for many years. Bob was a building contractor and Faye, his bookkeeper. Their daughter, Gwen Wright, continues to play at the club and we hope will soon be a director. Joyce was an older player when she began playing at the Bridge Center and was sharp as a tack until a few months before her death on May 4. Both these women are sorely missed.

Because of air conditioning problems we were unable to have the planned party for Margie Cowley. Some of her Bridge buddies took her to lunch and Gina Schultz made her a lovely cake. Happy 90th Birthday, Margie Cowley!!

Unit 197 plans to participate in the ACBL sponsored charity game, The Longest Day, in support of Alzheimer's on June 20. Pizza will be served prior to the game. We encourage all members to participate in this worthy event.

Players scoring 70% through May 25 include: Charlotte Blaiss, Gary Blaiss, Greg Loran, Robbie Butts, Sybil O'Banion, Bonta Thompson, Gina Schultz, Gini Reinier, Howie Huyuh, Norma Buchanan, Elizabeth Mackey, June Stanton, Sue Myers, and Will Anthony. Congratulations

We invite all District 16 members to attend our Summer Showers Sectional August 3-5 in Lubbock, Texas. Thanks to two new air conditioners the Bridge Center will be a welcome oasis from the heat. Our Bridge Center members provide the finest in West Texas hospitality. One need not go out to eat lunch or dinner when attending our Sectionals; we feed you! Breakfast is provided

Sunday morning prior to Swiss Team games. Sectional information will be in your email inbox soon.

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**Unit 201 Sabine Neches** Linda Briggs

The 2018 Neches River Tournament, April 9-13, culminated with the King's Luncheon Friday. King LXX Mark Smith, President Will Jenkins, and Social Director Gillian Jenkins were recognized at the 13 table event, a tradition beginning in the 80's. Members played 45.5 tables in pursuit of 24 trophies. During the week trophies were awarded to the winners and those in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Winning trophies were awarded to Marian Jones, Nancy Smalley, Lou Ida Rising, Carolyn Worsham, Phyllis Mann, Bill Delboy, John and Nancy Smalley, Sandra Allison, Paul Keedy, Edwina Landrum and Liz Mackenzie. Second place trophies went to Martha Sigler, Flo Gillispie, Pat Bell, Sylvia Street, Barney Hammer, Judy Dishman, Joan Hataway, Arline Meyers, Kay Hooper, Carol McGill, Mary Johnson and Juanita

Memorial Day, May 28 began with the traditional hot dog lunch followed by the game. President Carolyn Worsham gave tribute to the US military and the sacrifices throughout our history. The playing of "Taps" was particularly poignant. The game resulted in 1st - Sandra Allison and Tim Stelly; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sylvia Street and Jerry Heckman; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Dolores Belton and Pat Schwiart.

Players with 70% or above games in April/May were Bob and Carol McGill; Loretta Garv and Marv Mike Lemons and Johnson; Ed Rasmussen, Tim Stelly and Pat Bell; Phyllis Mann and Bill Delboy; James Walker and Thomas Comte. April mentor pairs placing:  $1^{st}$  – Sandra Allison, and Paul Keedy; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sylvia Street, and Pat Bell. April mentor teams placing: 1st - Jerry Gore, Dr. Aiyanadar Bharathi, Sylvia Street, and Pat Bell. May mentor pairs placing: 1st - Helen Williams and E.W. Sweeney; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Patricia Woods and Frankie Hall; 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sandra Allison and Liz Mackenzie. May mentor teams placing:  $1^{st}$  – Kay Hooper, Carol McGill, Nixie Lynch, and Susan

The highest monthly totals for April were Nancy Smalley, Liz Mackenzie and Flo Gillispie. Highest for May were Nancy Smalley, Flo Gillispie, and Martha Sigler. Nancy Smalley continued the series of lessons, Bridge Basics II, May 29 through June 6.

At the June 4 membership meeting, U201 board members were elected for June 2018-June 2019: Nixie Lynch Hanson, Patsy Pierce, and Carolyn Worsham, as well as new members Carolyn Oliver and Sylvia Street. Returning members are Linda Briggs, Kay Hooper, Liz Mackenzie, E. W. Sweeney, and Sandra Allison. Kris Cherry and Martha Oliver represent the Orange Community Bridge League.

The following received either the Ace of Clubs or Mini McKenney Awards: Ferguson, Judy Dishman, Nixie Lynch Hanson, Karen Jennings, Sandra Allison, Susan Gore, Carol McGill, and Arline Mevers. Both awards were earned by John Griffith, Jobie Irvine, Carolyn Oliver, Joe Kazmar, Marilyn Adams, Pat Bell, Dr. Aiyanadar Bharathi, Tim Stelly, Nancy Smalley, and Tipton Golias.

Carolyn Worsham was recognized for the Texas Star Award. Liz Mackenzie and Kris Cherry won the Goodwill Awards.

U201 lost the following members during the period June 2017- June 2018: Bill Lucas, Mary Lou Terry, Harriett Garth, Lela Wilson, Fred Rice, Ray Trahan, and Bob Gay.

Carolyn Worsham launched plans for The Longest Day fund raising activities by reminding members of the Alzheimer's Association fight against the disease. Member Judy Lofton shared her experience as a caregiver for 5 years and the help that the association gave her.

**Unit 204 Fort Concho** 

**Larry Hettick** 



Happy summer from San Angelo! We'll start off our kudos this month for those who did well in the June STaC games. Masterpoint winners included Virginia Noelke and Louetta Green (with a 68.75% score) who came out on top on Monday afternoon, just edging out Betty Sue Henry and Joy Foster (who scored 65.28%.) Monday night, Barbara Wright and Dave Watson got top MP scores with a 71.76% game! Neal Perlman and Suzan Dorris earned top MP honors on Tuesday with 61.85, followed closely by Virginia Noelke and Carl McGill with a 61.48% game. On Thursday afternoon, Carol Diminnie and Mary Bloodworth scored second in A with a 63.43 % game. A super shout-out to Joy Foster who accrued 10.87 MPs over the course of the tournament. And while we're congratulating, a "well done" goes to Anna Thomas and Karl Wehner who recently had a (non-STaC) 73.81% game!

This month, we want to recognize Gloria Robertson as our featured club member. Gloria celebrated her 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday with us in June, and she has been playing bridge for 72 years. Gloria loves two pastimes- gold and bridge, noting that she took up bridge as a young bridge who decided that playing was necessary to become a successful Air Force wife.

Recalling her first game 72 years ago, she was asked what system she played- and Gloria responded she played "The Robertson System," but they still let her return to play. Gloria is also a recorded singing artist, and she has logged over 1100 hours or singing for the troops.

When asked what advice she gives to new players, Gloria says, "Take it seriously enough to learn the game, but they key is to enjoy the people you meet." She also takes her own advice when it comes to living: "Wake up happy and see the good in people and places." Gloria is a full of happiness and she brightens a room when she enters. We're very happy to have her as one of our members.

**Unit 207** Austin

Sue Caulfield

Greetings! I'm Sue Caulfield and am taking over the Scorecard responsibilities from Sandy Potts, who is now our Unit President. Congratulations, Sandy! Thank you also to Rachell Jackson for her service as President last year and who is now our Vice

I'm sure most of you know who I am by now. I moved from Colorado and started playing bridge in Austin only late last year. I have to say how lucky that was, because this is the BEST UNIT EVER!

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any news you would like to



### **Austin Fall Sectional** September 20-23, 2018



**Bridge Center of Austin** 6700 Middle Fiskville Road, Austin 512-300-2743

Thursday September 20—Saturday September 22

**Swiss Teams, Single Sessions** 10 am, 2:30 pm Stratified Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm 299er Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm

**Sunday September 23** 

Stratiflighted A/X & B/C/D Swiss 10 am & TBA

Stratifications (for all games based on average masterpoints)

Open Pairs: A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750 299er Pairs: A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100 (adjustable) Sunday Swiss: A: 3000+, X: 0-3000, B: 500-1500, C: 300-500, D: 0-300

> Director has discretion on A/X MP break **General Convention Chart Only Except Midchart for A/X Swiss Meal Served Between Sunday Sessions**

**ONLY** (Restaurants Within Walking Distance) Entries: \$12/session (\$16 non/unpaid mem-

bers) \$100/ team Sunday Swiss **Fragrance Free Event** 



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### **Suggested Hotels**

Habitat Suites, Doubletree, Crowne Plaza, Drury Inn and other hotels along I-35.

We recommend you use Priceline.com, Expedia.com or similar websites as they provide better rates than we are able to secure.

share, to notify me of any errors, or for revisions to previously published information. You can let me know at the club or email me at susiecc@comcast.net. I look forward to hearing from you.

**MILESTONES** (Good Job All!) **New Junior Masters**  $(5 - 20 \text{ Masterpoints})\square$ 

Jennifer Armstrong, Wimberley

Stefanie Reed, The Hills

Anthony Thompson, Austin

**New Club Masters** 

(20 - 50 Masterpoints) Roberta Kauffman, Austin Suzanne Miller, Georgetown Mary Jane Riedlinger, Georgetown Nancy Shiller, Austin Cindy Walthall, The Hills **New Regional Masters** (100 Masterpoints; 15 silver, 5 red or

Patricia DeGroot-Cowles, Lakeway

**New Bronze Life Masters** Gloria Bennett, Lakeway Paul Olstad, Georgetown **New Silver Life Masters** (1,000 - 1,500 Masterpoints; at least 200 silver, red, gold or platinum) Gary Anderson, Austin Bonnie Dennis, Georgetown



Esther Ellis, Kingsland

Those who attended the May Milestone game and lunch:

Front row left: Nancy Schiller, Roberta Kauffman, Tony Thompson, Bonnie Dennis

Back row left: Jenny Armstrong, Gloria Bennett, Esther Ellis, Gary

Thank you to Laurene Jacob for organizing the Milestone Lunch for the last 4 years. Taking over her responsibilities will be myself, Denise

Shade and Janet Bell.

**UPCOMING EVENTS** July Firecracker Regional

July 2 – 8, Doubletree Hotel, Austin Contact Pat Berry for Partnerships ppatberry@aol.com (512) 949-9444



### **American Bridge Association Summer Nationals**

July 26-August 4, Doubletree Hotel, Austin For more information go to:

http://www.ababridge.org

### A Passing to Note

A dear friend and longtime Austin bridge player, Vivian Collins has passed away. She was a very positive person who always brought joy and friendliness to the bridge table. She

**Bridge Tips from Bols Winners** 

Bols was a Dutch Distillery that sponsored a best bridge tips contest from 1974 to 1994. Here's the 1s winner:

1974 Terence Reese: Study the early discards and consider this point: from what holding would the defender most readily have made those discards?

### **Austin Spring Sectional**

May 10-13 2018 213 players.

1 26.53 Donna Swarthout

2 26.53 Dave Swarthout

3 25.46 Kenneth Schutze

4 24.21 Stephen Toplansky

5 20.02 Jerry Barrett 6 18.69 Bob Bockemuehl

7 18.65 Gary Anderson

8 17.88 Terry Richardson 9 17.33 Gary Powell

10 16.88 Nancy Joe

Thu Morn Open Pairs-21.0 Tables

Fri Morn Open Pairs-19.0 Tables
A1. Bob Bockemuehl-Anne La Cour
A2. Louis Sachar-David Sokolow
B1. Mark Craig-Brett Leach B2.
Terry Richardson Austin TX; Stan
Kurtzer C1. Blair Lapwing-James
Glathar C2. Steven Hollahan-Julie
Valentine

Fri Morn Swiss Teams-13 Tables

A1. Gary Powell-Marcia Powell-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey A2B1. Robert Tyler-Steven Andersen-Robin Tucker-Arthur Widen C2. Thomas Smith-Stan Pushkarsky-Augustyn Ortynski-Sharon Dameron C1. Hazel Medellin-Elisabeth Kay-Charlotte Schuepbach-Mike Vivian

Fri Aft Open Pairs-16.5 Tables A1. Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout A2. C David Mitchell-David Ticen B1. Stan Kurtzer-Terry Richardson B2. Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson C1. James Moody-David Robinson C2. A Ansari-Bharat Shrestha

Fri Aft Swiss Teams-16 Tables AB1. Stan Pushkarsky-Thomas Smith-Augustyn Ortynski-Sharon Dameron AB2C1. Elisabeth Kay-Hazel Medellin-Charlotte Schuepbach-Mike Vivian

Sat Morn Open Pairs-15.0 Tables A1. Lee Ohliger-Joyce Menezes A2. Louis Sachar-David Sokolow BC1. Roxann Swenson-John Moore BC2. Richard Clements-Barbara Clements Sat Aft Open Pairs-14.5 Tables A1. Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout A2. Kenneth Schutze-Stephen Toplansky B1. Kathleen Adams-Tod Pontius B2. Richard Clarke-Sharon Dameron C1. Jane Collins-Bonnie Dennis C2. Annette Ruth-Suzann Patterson

Saturday Swiss Bracket 1-7 Tables 1. Terry Richardson-Joe Black-Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson 2. Susan Kaplan-Alfred Fortier III-Harry Elliott-James Andre

Saturday Swiss Bracket 2-11 Tables 1. Becky Ellisor-Buddy Ellisor-R Harry Akin-June Mengden 2. Sandy Potts-Joyce Cooper-Tricia Kane-Steven Andersen
Sun A/X Swiss Teams-17 Tables /

Based on 28 Tables AX1. Dolores Aquino-Sheila Harrison-Flora Pettit-Bob Bockemuehl A2. Stephen Toplansky-Kenneth Schutze-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout X2. Jerry Barrett-Shawn Drenning-Richard Clarke-James Moody Sun 0-2000 Swiss Teams-11 Tables 1. Tod Pontius-Kathleen Adams-R Gary Marquart-Kyong Shuey 2. Bonnie Dennis-Rita Wiegenstein-William McIndoo Georgetown TX; Virginia Miller

### **Austin Spring NLM Regional**

May 10-13, 2018 130 players.

- 1 10.57 Spencer Ledlow, Austin2 10.57 David Mead, Austin
- 3 9.75 Lois Kertesz, San Marcos

- 4 9.75 Annetta Hughson, Kyle
- 5 8.72 Eric De Rouffignac, Austin6 8.72 Bob Allen, Austin
- 8.72 Bob Allen, Austin7.97 Marjorie Butler, Austin
- 8 7.93 Susan Jennings, AR
- 9 7.93 Steven Jennings AR
- 10 7.43 John Montgomery, Tomball11 7.43 Frederick Gregory, Houston

Thu Gold Rush - 24.0 Tables / Based on 21 Tables ABC1. Annetta Hughson, Kyle; Lois Kertesz, San Marcos ABC2. George Holmes -Pamela Holmes, Woodway AB3. Beth Peterson - Sheryl Miller, Horseshoe Bay AB4. W Kenneth Davis -Marjorie Butler, Austin AB5. Bob Allen - Eric De Rouffignac, Austin Fri Gold Rush Pairs - 25.5 Tables / Based on 23 Tables A1. Steven Jennings - Susan Jennings, Hot Springs AR A2. Genny Lemeshev -Yuri Lemeshev, Dallas A3. John Montgomery, Tomball; Frederick Gregory, Houston A4. Marjorie Butler - Michael Schwimmer, Austin A5B1. Bob Allen - Eric De Rouffignac, Austin B2/3C1. Ann Roe -Curt Wyman, Austin B2/3 Julie Burnet, Oakland CA; Barbara Yosses, Aurora CO B4. Cindy Johnson, Austin; Sue Alt, Sapphire NC B5. Rose Goodwin - David Goodwin, Leander C2. Marcy Wallace - Can-

Worley - Dennis Worley, Austin C4.Annetta Hughson, Kyle; Lois Kertesz, San Marcos C5. W Douglas Schuler - Rita Schuler, N Fort Myers Sat Gold Rush - 19.5 Tables / Based on 17 Tables A1. David Mead -Spencer Ledlow, Austin A2B1. Sue Alt, Sapphire NC; Cindy Walthall, The Hills A3B2. Cindy Bell - Tom Bell, Austin C4. John Montgomery, Tomball; Frederick Gregory, Houston A5B3C1. Susan Breeding -Marjorie Abell, Austin B4. Eugene Goldgar - Debbie Goldgar, Houston C2. Dorothy Foster - Nancy Schiller, Austin C3. Ann Roe - Michael Rainbird, Austin C4. Annetta Hughson, Kyle; Lois Kertesz, San Marcos Sunday Swiss Teams - 9 Tables A1. Jeff Skillin, Round Rock; Spencer Ledlow - David Mead - Blair Lapwing, Austin A2. Susan Breeding, Austin; Robert Sanders, Lakeway; Robert Babb - Laurie Hartline-Babb, Georgetown A3B1. Christopher Steele - Charlene Coor, Austin; Aaron Dewell, Coalville UT; Shannon Luck, Sandy UT A4. W Kenneth Davis - Robert Caldwell III, Austin; Cynthia Rivet, Lakeway; Larry Johnson, Pflugerville B2. Dorothy Foster - Ann Denton - Nancy Schiller - Susan Thompson

dace Jacobson, Austin C3. Sandy

### AUSTIN MAY SECTIONAL WINNERS



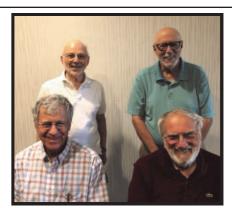
Saturday SwissTeams Brkt 1 Gary Anderson, Joe Black, Jerry Barrett, Terry Richardson,



Thursday Aft Swiss Teams Flt A Rebecca Parmentier, Mickey Goldwater, Lazaro Brener, Ray Borrego



Sunday Swiss Team Flt A Dolores Aquino, Sheila Harrison Flora Pettit, Bob Bockemuehl



Thursday Morn Swiss Teams Flts A,B Marvin Schrager, Ken Rochlen, Larry Smith, David Warner



Saturday Aft Open Pairs Flt A Dave & Donna Swarthout



Thursday Aft Open Pairs Flt A Steve Toplansky, Claudette Hartman



Saturday Morning OpenPairs Flt A Lee Ohliger & Joyce Menezes



Thursday Morn Open Pairs Flt A Jim Hilton, Kenneth Schutze



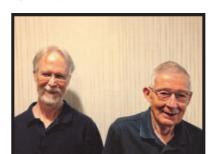
Thursday Aft Open Pairs Flt B Becky & Buddy Ellisor



Thu Morn Open Pairs Flts B,C Aqeel Ansari, Jim Glathar



Saturday Morn Open Pairs Flts B,C John Moore & Roxann Swenson



FridayMorn Open Pairs Flt C Blair Lapwing, Jim Glathar



Friday Morn Swiss Teams Flt C Mike Vivian, Elizabeth Kay, Charlotte Schuepbach, Hazel Medelin





Sat Bkt SwissTeams Brkt 2 Buddy Ellisor, Harry Akin Becky Ellisor, June Mengden



Saturday Aft Open Pairs Flt B Kate Adams & Tod Pontius



Sun 0-2000 Bkt Swiss Brkt 2 Tod Pontius, Gary Marquart, Kathleen Adams, Kyong Shuey



Friday NLM GoldRush Flt B Eric De Rouffignac, Bob Allen



Friday NLM Gold Rush Flt C Curt Wyman, Ann Roe



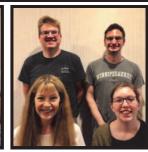
Saturday Aft NLM Pairs Flt A David Mead, Spencer Ledlow



Saturday NLM Gold Rush Flt C Margie Abell & Sue Breeding



Sunday NLM Swiss Teams Flt A Blair Lapwing, Spencer Ledlow, Jeff Skillin, David Mead



Sunday NLMS wissTeams Flt B Aaron Dewell, Chris Steele, Charlene Coor, Shannon Luck,

**Unit 205** Amistad Western Mexico



The rainy season is upon us once again, and what a relief after some unusually warm weather in April and May. Showers morning and evening, cooler temperatures, and lush green hillsides make the lakeside area beautiful this time of year. In fact, it's a great time to visit! With our winter visitors now safely returned to their home countries, the Puerto Vallarta, San Jose Cabo, and Mazatlan clubs are on hiatus until the snowbirds return in October and November. But the Lake Chapala DBC maintains its regular year-round playing schedule for the rest of us to enjoy.

Unit News. It's time to start making your plans to attend the Puerto Vallarta Regional at the Westin Resort & Spa in beautiful Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Dates are November 5–11. This is a great tournament and always lots of fun. And you'll be home in plenty of time for Thanksgiving or to attend the National in Hawaii. Puerto Vallarta provides beautiful beaches and fine dining. Hospitality and prizes are always abundant at our tournament. We look forward to seeing you there. For more information and a complete schedule, visit our tournament website at www.pvregional.com, or the ACBL tournament site.

And while you're making your travel plans, don't forget our Mexican sectionals: January 17-21 we'll be playing at the beach in Mazatlan. Then it's on to picturesque San Miguel de Allende from February 7-10. And we'll be back lakeside for the Ajijic Valentine sectional from February 14 -17. Your dollars go a long way in Mexico, so why not join us for one or all? Check out a rental on Airbnb and stay awhile. But don't wait too long to book your lodging. Places fill up quickly, especially in Lake Chapala!

Congratulations to our Unit members who advanced their ACBL ranking. Joy Wilson advanced to Regional Master, and Deborah Camp-Simpson and John Howard advanced to Club Master. Way to go!

Club News. The following players posted 70% games in April and May: Jim Burgess and John Olsen scored 70.98% on April 3 (15½ tables). Jeane Treloar and Mike Roney posted 70.83% on April 13 (4½ tables). Dagmar Rettberg and Jimmy Revnolds soared to 72.45% on May 3 (10 tables). Jimmy Reynolds hit the 70% mark again on May 14 playing with Mary Ann White (5 tables). And in our restricted point count games, Nancy Segall and Martha Heffron scored 70% in the 299r game on April 27 (5 tables), while Robert Johnson and Dave Davies posted 70.63% in the 499r game on May 7 (4 tables). Congratulations to all.

And here's a shout out to one of the unsung heroes of our bridge club: Charles Chartier. Charles has been spearheading several improvement projects at the Lake Chapala Club and the results have been amazing. We have enclosed storage space, new cabinets and countertops in the kitchen, new faucets in kitchen and bathrooms, increased water pressure, new bulletin boards, artwork, and more. The place looks great and we appreciate all the time Charles puts in to schedule and supervise these improvements. And we also appreciate the Club and Unit boards for approving these much-needed projects.

> **Unit 224** Fort Phantom

**Bette Byrd** 



We now have new carpet to go with our roof and ceiling and it looks great. Thanks again to everyone involved in the renovation. If you

have not been playing lately, come look and enjoy.

We held the World Wide Master point games on June 1st and June 2nd. Winners on Friday were Glynda Groves and Bob Young, 2nd Coleen Grisham and Bette Byrd, 3rd Ed Grant and Beverly Walker, 4th Jo Smith and Mike Sadler, with Gwen Riggs and Barbara Bridges 1st in B. I was disappointed in these games as the format has changed and now eight games are held, which we were not informed about previously. Hopefully the Instant Match point game will not be changed as well. There are two games advertised, but the one in the fall seems to be the same as always; Watch your bulletin for information. World Wide Charity Game in April was won by Darla Mawson and Rue Ford.

Looking Back: 1998

John Stearns, husband of Dee was nice enough to come down and work on the ice maker which had stopped up and quit working. Nia Paterick had the honor of being the youngest player in Unit 224 at the age of 11. She is the daughter of Gary Paterick. Top average in the STaC games was turned in by Vance McCracken and Robert Patton with 59.26%, but they played only one game. Jo Smith who played seven games had an average of 58.40%.

The 2/1 lessons given by Coleen Grisham are going well. We have three tables most of the time and Robert Patton, Barbara Bridges, Bob Young and I have helped to be sure the play is going as it is supposed to. If you are not attending, you are missing an opportunity to learn and improve your game. The lessons are free and end before dark. She is about ready for the actual 2/1 bid as 1NT forcing has been practiced for two weeks now. Some of you who need the second bid need these lessons. Improve your game!

We will have had the STAC games by the time you receive this Scorecard. I hope all of you played and picked up Silver points the week of June 11 - 17. We are also holding the "Longest Day on June 21, We hope this will be fun and everyone support it with 3 different games held. Morning open for party bridge (bring your group), regular game held at 12:30 and a limited game held at 6:30. Charity is Alzheimers.

Some of our players decided to remodel their kitchens and repaint and we hope they are finished and ready to play bridge. I am sure they are beautiful and this kind of thing has to be done now and then. We have missed Darla especially.

I know it is summer and everyone is busy with company and travel. Enjoy yourselves, but play bridge when you

Unit 225 **East Texas** 

**Greg Cooley** 

70% Games

Nell Velvin & Judy Adams had a 77.5% game on 5/21/18 and Peggy and Cled Painter had a 72% game on 5/8/18 at the DPDBC in Athens. On April 25th at the ACBL International Charity Game held at The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek Lake, Gloria Rowland and Betty Wilkinson, with a 70.49% game, placed 3rd ACBLwide and earned 11.25 masterpoints. Congratulations! The Longview DBC reported that seventy percent games were attained by Charlie & Margie Kemp, 70.83 percent; Mike Graham & Edwyna Testerman, 70.09 percent; & Diane Duncan & Beth Hankins, 70.24 percent. On April 4th Brenda Baker and Mary Bartley had 71.35% game at the Rose City DBC.

Longview DBC

The LDBC hosted a Life Master Party honoring Judy Kelley on Saturday, April 28, with 11.5 tables in attendance. Judy was presented with a plaque, memory book, gold charm & a special poem written for her by LDBC director, Mike Graham. Janie Wolaver was hostess for the event, and provided the spring themed decor. Winners were first, Richard Bryant & Mike Graham; second, Diane Dunn & Marilyn Chionsini; and third, Nelda Avent & Dorothy McCasland.

Congratulations to Beth Hankins in attaining the rank of Ruby Life Master on May 24 at the LDBC.

The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek

Gloria Rowland's youngest greatgranddaughter, Adora Joy, at only 4 months old had heart surgery early in March. Her parents asked the bridge players to wear "Pink and Pray" on the day of the surgery. Gloria played in Canton that day & most of the players had on PINK...even the men! The surgery was a success and we are very grateful.

We are so pleased that some of our newer players were honored at the annual Unit 225 Awards Luncheon. For the Ace of Clubs race, in the 0-5 category, Barry Daniels placed 3rd; 5 -20 category, Howard Hopkins was 1st and Phil Pillans was 2nd; 20-50 category, John Hamilton was 1st & Glenda Hamilton was 2nd. For the Mini McKenney race, Phil Pillans came in 2nd in the 5-20 points category and John & Glenda Hamilton came in 1st & 3rd, respectively, in the 20-50 point category. Many of our other players were in the top three in the higher categories & we are proud of them all!

We are looking forward to our Annual 2-session Swiss Team event for The Alzheimer's Association that will be played on June 22nd. We appreciate the opportunity to support this worthy charity while at the same spending a whole day playing bridge and having fellowship with our

Dottie Pirkle's Duplicate Bridge Club

A big thanks goes to Charles Ford for his tireless effort to get new bridge players. His last class was invited to greet and meet the current Novice players and fish fry. Twenty eight attended and had a great time.

Thank you Susan Ford for coming in early and making the coffee and staying late to help clean up and to Jimmy Parker for helping with keeping fresh coffee on hand

Rose City DBC May Club Masterpoint Race

1st. Mary Bartley 2nd. Shirley Matthews

Non-Lifemasters

1st. Sandra O'Bannon

2nd. Colleen O'Neal

3rd. Cheryl Landers

**Unit 209** Permian Basin

**Ann Parish** 

Our Thursday night games draw a combination of experienced players and novice players. Thursday night is also party night! April opened with an Easter party on April 5, with nine tables in play. We had lots of food, including egg casserole and deviled eggs, and two people won free games. North/South winners were **Linda** Scarpelli and Ann Servatius, 1st in



### **LAKE COUNTRY** SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

September 28, 29, & 30, 2018

Hosted by Pittsburg Duplicate BC and Lake Cypress Springs BC

Holiday Inn-Longview 330 Tuttle Circle, Longview, TX 75605 Ph:903-663-64 3rid Rate \$89.00 Reserve by September 7th: use code I CS for special rate

### Friday - September 28th

Stratified 500 NLM Pairs 10:00AM & 2:30PM Stratified Open Pairs 10:00AM & 2:30PM

### Saturday - September 29th

Stratified 500 NLM Pairs 10:00AM & 2:30PM Stratified Open Pairs 10:00AM & 2:30PM Stratifications (Based on average master points of pairs/teams) Open Pairs: A 2000+, B 750-2000, C: 0-750 500NLM Pairs A: 300-500, B: 100-300, C: 0-100

### Sunday -September 30th Swiss Teams at 10:00AM

Bracketed Swiss Teams - 2 Sessions 10:00AM and TBA (lunch provided)

### **Tournament Chairpersons**

Linda Harrison 903-855-9227 <u>IsharrisonPhowie-cass.com</u> Janie Wolaver 903-777-4889 wolaverjftetex.net

> **Entry Fees: \$13.00/ACBL members** \$16.00 Non/unpaid ACBL members Sunday Swiss Teams \$128.00 **Sunday Lunch Provided for Swiss Teams**

> > FRAGRANCE FREE PLEASE

A; Dorothy Brenneman and Paula **Baggett**, 2<sup>nd</sup> in A; Georgia Temple and **Phyllis Maxwell**, 3<sup>rd</sup> in A, 2<sup>nd</sup> in B, 1<sup>st</sup> in C; Marlene Blumentritt and **Dianne Anderson**, 4<sup>th</sup> in A and 3<sup>rd</sup> in B; Pat Lawrence and Dorothy **Blair** 2<sup>nd</sup> in C. East /West winners were Greg Keys and David Hudson, 1<sup>st</sup> in A, B, and C; **Deborah** Brookins and Nancy Braskett, 2<sup>nd</sup> in A and B; Gloria Jackson and Stew**art Doreen**, 3<sup>rd</sup> in A and B, 2<sup>nd</sup> in C; Sonya Hopkins and Ann Parish, 4th in A and B; Ann Brooks and Mary

**Tift**, 3<sup>rd</sup> in C. In May we celebrated Ann Servatius' 85<sup>th</sup> birthday with another big party. We had eleven tables in play, and we ate everything from barbeque to lasagna, with lot of side dishes and desserts. North/South winners 1<sup>st</sup> in A, B, and C were Marlene Blumentritt and Linda Farrar; 2<sup>nd</sup> in A were Jean Pistole (welcome back, Jean!) and Scott Vaughn; 3rd in A and 2<sup>nd</sup> in B were **Dorothy** Brenneman and Paula Baggett; 4<sup>th</sup> in A, 3<sup>rd</sup> in B, and 2<sup>nd</sup> in C were Sarana Savage and Marty Massie; 4th in B were Lonnie Yee and Barbara Miles. East-West winners 1st in A and B were Belle Harris and Manessa **Smith**; 2<sup>nd</sup> in A and B and 1<sup>st</sup> in C were Debra Jones and Phyllis Maxwell; tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> in A were Charlie Grimes and Linda Buzan along with Gloria Jackson and Kay Sewell; and 4th in B were Patti Heard and Tommie Strack.

We ended May with a Memorial Day party. We had only 5 1/2 tables in play, but we munched on hamburgers and had fun playing bridge. Winners were 1st in A and B, Belle Harris and **Sarana Savage**; 2<sup>nd</sup> in A and B, Tommie Strack and Kay Sewell; 3rd in A and B Marlene Blumentritt and **Marilyn Higgins**; 4<sup>th</sup> in A and B, Shirley Davenport and Debra Jones; 1<sup>st</sup> in C Linda Scarpelli and Greg Keys; 2<sup>nd</sup> in C Linda Buzan and Betty Moore.

Kay Sewell, a Midland director, has been working with other experienced players to teach Junior Bridge to young players. The sixth-grade students in Mrs. Adame's class at James R. Brooks Middle School in Greenwood concluded their yearlong inschool bridge lessons with a six-table mini-tournament on Wednesday, May 9. The event was held at the Allison Bridge Center in Midland. Twentythree students and Mrs. Adame played under the watchful eyes of volunteer bridge club members. In addition to the competition, everyone enjoyed a hot dog lunch and cupcakes at the clubhouse.

The first place winners with a 74.44% game were Zane Henderson and Dante Lerma. Second place was earned by Kaden Barron and Mckenzie Delarosa with a 62.22% game. In third place were McKayla Paredes and Saraiah Heller with their 58.89% game. All the students who placed received a trophy provided by ACBL.

Stewart Doreen, editor and bridge player, as well as a photographer from the Midland Reporter Telegram came, watched, and took pictures. Reports of the event appeared twice in the local newspaper. Kay offered a huge THANK YOU to the "regulars" who taught the classes with her all year: Dorothy Blair, Ann Brooks, Bill Brooks, and Patti Heard. We were also thrilled to have help from Linda Buzan, Belle Harris, Betty Moore, Sarana Savage, and Linda Aaron (all the way from Houston!). Everyone so enjoyed working with the students. We had a large number of players

earn 70% or better in April and May. In Midland:

April 2, Audie Brooks and Marlene Blumentritt, 70% April 12, Ann Servatius and Sonya

Hopkins, 71.92% April 22, Flo Curry and KC Evans,

May 3, Paula Baggett and Dorothy

Brenneman, 72.60% May 4, Jim Hawkins and Bob Ba-

con, 72.62% May 7, Sonya Hopkins and Lonnie

Yee, 71.88% May 11, Bob Bacon and Jim Hawkins, 75%

May 16, Paula Baggett and Dorothy

In Odessa: April 2, Jim Hawkins and Gloria Jackson, 72%

April 14, Bob Bacon and Jim Hawkins, 70.83 %

April 16, Helen Davis and Brenda Leonard, 73% April 30, Jim Hawkins and Gloria

**Jackson**, 78.75% May 4, Jim Hawkins and Gloria Jackson, 74%

I want to thank the "reporters" who sent me information for this column: Belle Harris, Marlene Blumentritt, Kay Sewell, and Shirley Davenport. That's all, folks! Stay cool!

### **Midland**

Jun 08-10, 2018 86 players. 106 tables.

- 1 22.89 Neal Perlman,
- 2 20.76 Kathryn Evans, 3 19.51 Joe Black,
- 4 19.51 Howard Huynh,
- 5 16.20 Betty Sue Henry,
- 6 15.09 Debbie Conly, 7 12.24 Gene Gammill,
- 8 12.24 Flo Curry,
- 9 10.87 Carl McGill, 10 10.29 Paula Baggett,

Fri Aft Open Pairs-11.5 Tables / Based on 15 Tables ABC1. Paula Baggett-Elizabeth Smith AB2. Kathryn Evans-Debbie Conly C2. La Doyce Lambert-Janet Stoltz Fri Aft 199er Pairs-3.0 Tables 1 Dennis Anderson- Wayne Corbett

Fri Eve Open Pairs-10.0 Tables / Based on 14 Tables A1. Howard Huynh-Joe Black A2. Gene Gammill-Flo Curry C1. Pamela Erskine-Amanda Shaw BC2. Linda Buzan-Betty Moore

Fri Eve 199er Pairs-4.0 Tables ABC1. Michael Houston-Steve Houston AB2. Lonnie Yee-Linda McDonald C2. Sandy Hill-Debra Conner Sat Morn Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 16 Tables A1. Neal Perlman -Betty Sue Henry A2B1. Kathryn Evans-Debbie Conly B2C1. Gregory Keys-G David Hudson C2. David McAfee-Jerre McAfee

Sat Morn 199er Pairs-4.0 Tables ABC1. Dennis Anderson-Wayne Corbett ABC2. Michael Houston-Steve Houston

Sat Aft Open Paris-14.5 Tables / Based on 17 Tables ABC1. Richard Pike-Alan Wakefield A2. Norma

Walker-Suzanne Dorris B2. Wright Barnebey-Richard Hamm C2. P Scott Vaughan-Shirley Davenport

Sat Aft 199er Pairs-2.5 Tables 1/2 Ginny Smith-Brenda Harrison 1/2 Lonnie Yee-Sonya Hopkins

Sat Eve Open Pairs-10.0 Tables A1. Howard Huynh-Joe Black A2. Neal Perlman-Carl McGill BC1. Marilyn Higgins-Georgia Temple B2. Belle Harris-A Kay Sewell C2. Bill Brooks-Audie Brooks

Sun Swiss Teams-17 Tables A1. Howard Huynh-Joe Black-Carl McGill-Neal Perlman A2B1 Robert Bacon-James Hawkins Jr-Debbie Conly-Kathryn Evans B2. Marlene Blumentritt-Tommie Strack-Brenda Leonard-Patti Witt, C1. Amanda Shaw -Pamela Erskine- Shirley Davenport-P Scott Vaughan- 2 Belle Harris-Sarana Savage-Marty Massie- Mike Robinson



Friday Aft 199ers Saturday Morn 199ers Wayne Corbett, Dennis Anderson



Friday Eve 199ers Michael Houston, Steve Houston

### MIDLAND SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS



Friday Morn Open Pairs A Sue Henry, Neal Perlman



Friday Aft Open Pairs A,B, C Ann Smith, Paula Baggett



Saturday Aft Open Pairs A,B,C Richard Pike, Alan Wakefield



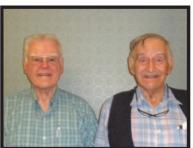
Friday Eve Open Pairs A Saturday Eve Open Pairs A Howie Huynh, Joe Black



Sunday Swiss Team Flt C Amanda Shaw, Pamela Erskine, Shirley Davenport, Scott Vaughan



Friday Eve Open Pairs B, C Amanda Shaw, Pamela Erskine



Saturday Morn Open Pairs C Gregory Keys, David Hudson



Saturday Eve Open Pairs B,C Georgia Temple, Marilyn Higgins



Saturday Morn Open Pairs B K.C. Evans, Debbie Conly



Sunday Swiss Flt A Joe Black, Howie Huynh, Carl McGill, Neal Perlman



Sunday Swiss Team Flt B K.C. Evans, Jim Hawkins, Debbie Conly, Bob Bacon



### Waco Sectional August 10-12, 2018

Waco Convention Center—Ranger Room 100 Washington Avenue On the Brazos Waco, TX 76701

### Unit 233 **Central Texas**

**Mary Adams** 

One of the most frequent discussions in our ACBL world involves the recruitment of new duplicate players/ACBL members. One of the best practical solutions to this dilemma happened when Carole Hardeman and Joan Cation decided to turn their Waco Monday afternoon social bridge club into a 0-299 club called the Slammers. With some initial trepidation Joan did her "diligent duty" and studied for, sook, and passed the Director's Test. Carole was the cheerleader ("We can do this!") in the backgrou8nd who helped the club's transformation. That club has since become open to all and on many weeks has the highest number of tables in our unit. Very sad for all of us has been Carole's recent death. As a Special Education teacher in her "real career," she transformed the lives of so many children---"you can do this!". The testimonials are a tremendous legacy. In her bridge life, she brought this same spirit to those of us discovering new

adventures and challenges.

Another Waco bridge stalwart---Dr. Tom Davis--- also died recently. The first time I ever visited Sul Ross to play bridge in Waco, I saw this man in tennis shoes who jumped up after each round or break to go downstairs to the "gym" to walk as many laps possible before the next round was called. As we read and celebrate the cognitive and social benefits of bridge, there is no escaping the fact that it involves a lot of---sitting! Tom's lesson by example certainly preceded the Fitbit world we live in today, but he was on to something! Our sympathies to his widow Jeanne Davis who has dedicated so much of her life to Central Texas bridge.

If you live in or travel through Central Texas, you know of our concrete Monster, otherwise called I-35. Of course, it is a nightmare to navigate and a nuisance, but it also has been a major factor in discouraging the cross-fraternization among bridge players from Georgetown, Sun City, Temple, Salado, Killeen, Waco, and other surrounding communities. A recent exception was the large group who drove to Temple to for the

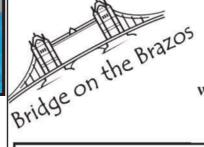
Rolling Hills game to celebrate the 90th birthday of our very own Lennie Wilkins! She has served several times on the Unit Board, has received the Texas Star, Goodwill, and Hospitality awards, has chaired the Temple Tournament food committeeand she is one of my favorite bridge partners! We need her for at least 90 more years!

There are so many milestones, successes, contributions, and ideas to celebrate:

--- Ila Bates has crossed the 2500 masterpoint threshold! Just after that she and her partner Janis Macintosh came in 2nd in District 16 in the Friday afternoon STaC game! She is the perennial chair of the Waco Tournament, Manager and Director of Sul Ross Bridge Club, and joined the world of duplicate bridge without ever playing social bridge! She just "jumped right in" as she puts it.

---Gene Thompson continues to quietly and unselfishly reveal why he is a Texas Star recipient. He deals hands and provides hand records for so many Unit events and recently hosted the 0-500 tournament

---So happy that Stephen Olson is out of the hospital after many



10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. Swiss Teams (single sessions) Stratified pairs (single sessions) 299er pair game

(MPS for pairs and teams are averaged)

### SATURDAY, August 11

FRIDAY, August 10

10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. Swiss Team (single session) Stratified pairs (single sessions) 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. 299er pair game 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m.

(MPS for pairs and teams are averaged)

SUNDAY, August 12 Stratiflighted Swiss Teams

10 a.m & TBA

Meal provided between sessions

Swiss format may be changed by agreement of Tournament Chair and Director In Charge

### Stratifications

Pairs: A: 2000+

Swiss: A: 2500+ X: 0-2500 (To be Determined by DIC)

B: 750-2000

C: 0-750

(Play together) 750-2000 C: 100-750 D: 0-100 (Play together)

**Tournament Chair** Ila Bates 254.732.3602

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**Tournament Hotel** 

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Entry Fees

ACBL Members \$ 12.00/Session Unpaid Members \$16.00/Session Students-\$7.00

Sunday Swiss Team \$120.00/Team (includes lunch)

SNACKS

### WICHITA FALLS TEXAS SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 21 - 23, 2018

WICHITA FALLS BRIDGE CENTER 4701 SOUTHWEST PARKWAY, SUITE 16 WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS 76310

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FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS 6:00 PM 1:00 PM STRATIFIED 299ER PAIRS 1:00 PM 6:00 PM BRACKETED KNOCKOUT TEAMS (SESSION 1 OF 3) 6:00 PM

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS 3:00 PM 10:00 AM STRATIFIED 299ER PAIRS 10:00 AM 3:00 PM BRACKETED KNOCKOUT TEAMS (SESSION 2 & 3 OF 3) 3:00 PM 10:00 AM SWISS (SINGLE SESSION) 3:00 PM

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

PAIRS & KNOCKOUTS - \$12.00/PERSON (\$16.00/PERSON FOR UNPAID MEMBERS)

SWISS TEAMS (STRATIFIED)

**ENTRY FEES** 

10:00 AM TBA LUNCH PROVIDED BETWEEN SESSIONS FOR ALL SUNDAY ENTRANTS

SUNDAY SWISS - \$104/TEAM (INCLUDES 4 MEALS, \$10.00 ADDITIONAL MEMBERS) STRATS:

OPEN PAIRS: A = 2000+, B = 750 - 2000, C = 0 - 750 299ER: D = 100 - 300, E = 50 - 100, F = 0 - 50

KNOCKOUTS BY ATTENDANCE STRATIFIED SWISS: A = 2000+, B = 750 - 2000, C = 0 - 750

KO EVENTS MAY BE HANDICAPPED

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we celebrated the 70th Wedding Anniversary of Leon and Annetta Vaccarella. We are grateful for the return of Marsha May to the bridge table after femur surgery, as well as, Leon & Annetta Vaccarella, Amy Conley, and Ray Barnes. Our deepest sympathy goes to Dub Ryle's family. He will be missed as he was a long time

Our Bridge-A-Gap Club Championship Charity Game raised money for the Humane Society. The winners on April 3, 2018 were Martha Keller and Marsha May with 61.3, Wanda Gaynor and Faye Morrison with 58.99. The winners on April 17, 2018 were Bernie Lange and Nell Lister with 64.22, Nancy Purcell and

The Unit Game Winners for May 6 were Margaret Kirkland and Kathleen Brown with 63.20; Dee McKinley

Leaders for April were Kathleen Brown with 2.68 master points; Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog with 1.75 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for April were Margaret Kirkland and Kathleen Brown with 65.63; Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog with 61.11. Bridge Paradise Masterpoint Leaders for May were Kathleen Brown and Margaret Kirkland with 2.21; Wanda Hughes and Bennie Young with 2.04 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for May were Margaret Kirkland and Kathleen Brown with 65.17 and 64.50; Bennie Young and Wanda Hughes with 64.13.

The Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for April were Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog with 2.83; Lois Roberson with 2.63; and Trudy Downey with 2.31 masterpoints. High Percentage Leaders for April were Lois Roberson and Faye Morrison with 69.44; Dee McKinley and Margaret Kirkland with 65.97. Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for May were Nancy Purcell with 2.14; Tomie Johnson and David Hertzog with 1.93 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for May were Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog with 67.75; Gladys Barley and Nancy Purcell with 63.02; Gail Simpson and Margie Brown with 60.12.

The Vernon Duplicate Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for April were Carole Green with 10.96; Susan Couch with 9.71; Carole Tucker and Ruth Streit both with 4.45 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for April were Carrol Green and Boyd Green with 72.50; Carrol Green and Susan Couch with 70.00. Masterpoint Leaders for May were Carrol Green with 23.12 and Susan Couch with 22.34 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for May were Carrol Green and Susan Couch with 80.00; Jan Hartin and Arvella Storrs with

The Bridge-A-Gap Masterpoint Leaders for April were Nell Lister with 4.33; Martha Keller and Marsha May with 3.26 masterpoints. The High Percentage Games for April were Bernie Lange and Nell Lister with 64.22; Nancy Purcell and Marilyn Waggoner with 62.11. The Bridge-A-Gap Masterpoint Leaders for May were Tomie Johnson and David Hertzog with 3.09; Wanda Gaynor and Faye Morrison with 2.63 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for May were Bernie Lange and Lois Roberson with 64.29; Gladys Barley and Trudy Downey with 62.32; Wanda Hughes and Kathleen Brown with 62.14.

The Suite 16 Bridge Masterpoint Leaders for April were Gladys Barley with 3.52; Nancy Purcell with 2.51; and Kathleen Brown with 2.21 master points. The High Percentage Games for April were Pat Robinson and Martha Keller with 67.50; Gladys Barley and Marsha May with 66.67. The Suite 16 Bridge Masterpoint Leaders for May were Susanne Sosa with 2.83; Shirley Bond with 2.69; Nancy Purcell with 2.63 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for May were Clay Abrams and Margaret Kirkland with 61.81; Lois Roberson and Shirley Bond with 60.42 and

### BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP IN DALLAS **AUGUST 27-28**

The Best Practices Teacher Workshop will take place just prior to the start of the Dallas Labor Day Regional at the Dallas Richardson Hotel. The workshop is the centerpiece of the updated Teacher Accreditation Program. It implements best practices recommended and validated by more than 400 teachers. The focus is training on how to teach rather than what to teach.

In order to attend the workshop you must register and pass a qualifying pretest. After attending the workshop you can opt to earn an ACBL Best Practices Teacher Certification by completing a Proficiency Demonstration after the workshop. See more about this new program and the advantages of completing the Proficiency Demonstration in the article in this Quarterly.

**DATES AND TIMES: BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP** 

Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> – 1 p.m. – 9 p.m. with dinner break

Tuesday, August 28th - 8:00 a.m. - Noon

**BEST PRACTICES PROFICIENCY DEMONSTRATIONS** 

Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> - 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 29th - 8:00 a.m. - Noon (Demo's will be scheduled 20 minutes apart)

COST: **BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP - \$50** 

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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 6** 

months and back directing and playing! Likewise for David Pennington who has two heart surgeries! Stay well, guys! You mean so much as players and friends.

---While the BULLETIN recognizes only 75% games and above, we are very proud of our 70% games in our unit: Tom Corlett and Asa Waterman at Stilwell, Tom and Ethel Corlett at Sul Ross, and Wanda Carter and Ann Fulcher at Temple Duplicate Club!

---Many, many thanks to Helen Simonette who has been our SCORE-CARD reporter for the last few years. She has also contributed so much to our unit in volunteering for almost every event and serving as Unit Treasurer.

We hope to see all of you and your friends at the Waco Tournament August 10-12 at the Waco Convention Center. The crowd last year was one of the best in recent years, and we hope to continue that trend!



The hot days of summer have arrived in Wichita Falls as we have already experienced 100 degree temperatures! Thankfully, playing bridge is one way to stay inside on these warm days. Our club would like to acknowledge the game directors who work to keep our bridge games going: Wanda Gaynor, Barbara Cunningham, Susan Crouch, Kathleen Brown, Pat Robinson, and Dave Hertzog. These people, as well as, Marsha May, Jan Hartin from Vernon, and the members of the board all spend extra time and energy at our bridge centers and are truly appreciated.

We have much to be thankful for as duplicate bridge player.

Congratulations to Bernie Lange who is our newest Silver Life Master.

Marilyn Waggoner with 62.11.

and Wanda Hughes with 63.10.

The Bridge Paradise Masterpoint

Workshop continued from page 1

It implements the best practices recommended and validated by more than 400 teachers. To be eligible to attend the workshop, you must pass a fundamental bridge knowledge test which will be sent to you to complete and return prior to the start of the workshop.

After completing the class, participants may opt to demonstrate their proficiency in these best practices with a 10-minute presentation of their choice and earn a certification as an ACBL Best Practices Teacher. As a recipient of the ACBL Best Practices Teacher Certification you will receive a special Best Practices Teacher pin, be entitled to place the BP Teacher logo on marketing literature, have access to special marketing templates, and be distinguished as a Best Practices Teacher in the online teacher di-

District 16 is subsidizing the cost of bringing this program to the Dallas regional and participants will only pay \$50 for the program. Proficiency demonstrations will be assessed \$25. (Don't' forget the cost for this program at an NABC is \$125!) To register for the workshop contact Eileen Davidoff, eileen\_s@hotmail.com and check out the announcement in this issue of the Scorecard for dates and times. Come join the fun!

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# Tuesday, August 28

Tues-Thurs Aft Stratified Side Game Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) Bracketed Swiss (1st Session) Series\* 2:30

Stratified Open Pairs (2nd Session) Tues-Thurs Evening Stratified Side Bracketed Swiss (2nd Session Game Series\* 7:30

## Wednesday, August 29

Single Session Swiss

2:30 7:30 Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd session) Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) Wed-Sun Morning Stratified Side GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Bracketed Swiss (1st Session) Game Series\* 10:00 2:30

**Tues-Thurs Aft Stratified Side Game** Stratified Open Pairs (2nd session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) KO 1 (1 of 3) Series\*

**Tues-Thurs Evening Stratified Side** Single Session Swiss Teams Game Series'

7:30

### Thursday, August 30

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd session) Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st session) Stratified Open Pairs (1st Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Wed-Sun Morning Stratified Side Game Series\* 10:00 2:30

Tues-Thurs Aft Stratified Side Game Stratified Open Pairs (2nd session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Series\*

7:30

# 299er Pairs Schedule

10:00, 2:30 & 7:30 2:30pm & 7:30pm There will be a separate 0-49 game each session daily (If attendance warrants) Strats A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100 10:00 & TBA Wednesday - Sunday: Tuesday: Monday

0-5 PLAY FOR FREE ON Friday!

# Thursday, August 30 (Continued)

7:30

Single Session Board-A-Match Teams Tues-Thurs Evening Stratified Side Game Series\* KO 1 (2 of 3)

### August 31 Friday, 10:00

Wed-Sun Morning Stratified Side Game Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st session) Stratified Open Pairs (1st session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session)

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd session) Series\*

Fri-Sun Evening Stratified Side Game Stratified Open Pairs (2nd session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Fri-Sun Aft. Stratified Side Game Single Session Swiss KO 1 (3 of 3) Series

### MIDNIGHT MADNESS ZIP KO Series\*

11:00

# Saturday, September 1 10:00 Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st session)

Wed-Sun Morning Stratified Side Game Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd session) Stratified Open Pairs (1st session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session Series\*

2:30

Fri-Sun Evening Stratified Side Game Stratified Open Pairs (2nd session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Fri-Sun Aft Stratified Side Game KO 2 (1 of 3, continues Saturday) Single Session Swiss Teams

# MIDNIGHT MADNESS ZIP KO

11:00

SATURDAY NIGHT

**BRIDGE FEVER!** 

7:30pr

\$10 fee, door prizes, free plays and more

# **Gold Rush Pairs**

0-750 Play for Gold

5 Events:

Wednesday - Sunday

@10:00 & 2:30

2:30

### Please join us for our //N Reception

7:30

on Friday

between

Afternoon & Evening Session

All 0-499 players are Welcome

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# Sunday, September 2

Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st

Stratified Open Pairs (1st session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Wed-Sunday Morning Stratified Side Game Series\*

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd KO 2 (2 of 3) session)

Stratified Open Pairs (2nd session)

GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Fri-Sun Aft Stratified Side Game Series

Single Session Board- A- Match Fri-Sun Evening Stratified Side Game Series KO 2 (3 of 3) **Feams** 

### Monday, September 3

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

Teams (0-3000) (2 session play

(Sandwiches and snacks availa ble for purchase)

Stratified Open Pairs (single session

Stratified Open Pairs (single

session)

1:30

combined for overall awards. You may play \*Side Game Series are open to single session entries. Your two best games will be with different partners

## **Gold Rush Monday**

**Bracketed Swiss** 

8 teams per bracket

Top 3 teams in each bracket win GOLD

### **Entry fees:** \$13 + \$4/session for non-members/unpaid

members

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# Stratifications and Flighting

### Stratified Events:

A: 3000+, B: 1000-3000, C: 0-1000

Strati-Flighted Swiss: A: 5000+, AX: 0-5000

(A and AX play together)

brackets by masterpoints; a minimum KO's and single sessions team events may be handicapped at the discretion of the Director-in-Charge. of 3 teams in each bracket win GOLD B: 0-3000 Bracketed (7-9 team

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

KO and single session events may be handicapped at the discretion of the Director-in-Charge.