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Four District 16 Players to Represent USA in World Championships in China









Lynn Baker

iors and mixed.

and are USA1.

members.

In May the USBF held trials to quali-

fy 6 teams in 4 categories to represent

the USA at the world Championships

in China. Teams were qualified in

four categories. Open, Women, sen-

In the Women's event, Lynn Baker is

on the USA1 team and Sally Wheeler,

playing with longtime D16 partner

Cindy Bernstein, will represent The

Dan Morse, playing with Gaylor

Kasle, and Bart Bramley, partnered by

Kit Woolsey, won the Seniors event

The teams first played round robins to

qualify teams for the KO rounds. In

the Open event there was only one

winner as the All 4 of the teams in the

Senior semifinals contained D16

USA on the USA 2 team.

Sally Wheeler

Bob Hamman, Bart Bramley, Babu

Koneru and Greg Hinze made it to the

quarterfinals before losing close

matches. A team that included Ham-

man and Bramley lost by 7 and those

interested could watch the match un-

fold on BridgeBase. One hand that

stood out was cold for 7 in three

strains. At 7 tables one had opened a

good hand with 55 in the black suits

1S and most got to 7S or 7C with no

interference. But Bart's partner opened an artificial club and the op-

ponent got to bid 2H with KJxxxx and

a side Q. Their partner was able to bid

4H jamming the auction so Bart and

Kit missed 7. I was surprised that

after the 1S opening no other N ven-

tured 3H. Preempts are a 2 edged

sword and Bart passed a hand with

AQJxxx of hearst, vulnerable, in the

seniors that had a better ending. The

opponents had to find the Q of spades

in a slam contract missing 4. When

there was a preempt they worked out

Bart Bramley

Dan Morse

Qxx in the other hand so Bart's silence earned a slam swing.

Three of the four finalists in the Seniors contained D16 members. The Morse-Bramley team defeated Mike Passell and Eddie Wold in the semifinals and Hemant Lall in the finals. Peggy Sutherlin lost in the USA 2 women's final.

Overall it was a outstanding showing for District 16.

Many of the match segments were shown on Bridge Base online and the championships will be held in Wuhan, China from September 14 to September 28. Times are 13 hours later than Texas but you can cheer your teams on Bridge Base during the hour of the wolf.

NAPS Continue in Summer by Roxie Tom

The NAP cycle began in June! This year each District will have the opportunity to send 3 A pairs, 4 B pairs and 4 C pairs to the national final. This prestigious event is staged in qualifying rounds at the club and district levels. It culminates in a final held in conjunction with the 2020 Spring NABC in Columbus, OH.

During June, July and August, you have the opportunity to earn half red/ half black 81.8% sectional rated points at your own local club. Each club is allowed to hold two NAP games per sanction per month. Although you only need to qualify once to advance to the district level, you can win extra points all summer long! This year the district board voted to allow everyone who qualifies at the club level to play in the district final held January 18 & 19 in San Antonio. District finals award gold points for section firsts and overalls. Flight C is 25% gold for overalls. Other masterpoints in all flights are red.

The games are flighted: (Flight eligibility is based on the June 2019 masterpoint cycle which is run May 6, 2019: A (Open): B (0 to 2,500) and C (0 to 500, NLM) Pairs who qualify at the District level are eligible to play in the NABC in Columbus. Last year ACBL paid a stipend of \$700/ per person for those who qualified lst in the District final and \$300/per person to the 2nd place qualifiers who played in the National event. In addition, there are no entry fees for the National event once you have qualifying games. We have won this extra subsidy in flight B several times in recent years, but we need more C tables in play in order to get the additional subsidy in C.

NAP Schedule is as follows:

Club level: June, July, August

District level: January 18-19, 2020, San Antonio National level: At Spring 2020 NABC in Columbus, OH



Who says watching can't be fun?! I had a blast watching the Vugraph presentations on BBO of the 2019 Open US Bridge Championships. As many of you already know, these team trials were held in Schaumberg, IL., from May 10-19. The event consisted generally of 120 board KO matches (played by teams in separate hotel rooms) to select Team USA2 for the 2109 Bermuda Bowl to be held in China in September. It is a big deal! The teams included the top players in the country, several of whom are from District 16. Those players included: Bart Bramley, Bob Hamman, Justin Lall, Mike Passell, Eddie Wold, Bob Morris (npc), Greg Hinze and Venkatrao "Babu" Koneru. The teams on which Hinze and Koneru were playing (Kranyak and Pratap, respectively) made it to the Quarter Finals. Well done!

Kudos to Dan Morse and Bart Bramley for winning the Senior USBC teams in a final round against other D16'ers Hemant Lall and Petra Hamman (npc). This event followed closely upon the USBC Open Trials and resulted in selecting USA 1 and USA2 to compete in the D'Orsi Senior Bowl in China in September.

Congratulations also to Lynn Baker and Sally Wheeler for qualifying to play in the women's event.

As has already been reported, we have four D16 teams heading to the Summer NABCs in Las Vegas to participate in the GNT finals. They are: Championship Flight--Dan Morse (Houston), Tom Peters (Grapeland), Ken Schutze (Austin), Ira Hessel (San Antonio), Phil Clayton (Frisco) and Nagy Kamel (Plano); Flight A—Hua Yang (Plano), Yan Song (Plano), James Zhan (Sugarland), Lunhui Lin (Dickinson); Flight B 1-Thomas Rush (Houston), Wes Peirce (The Woodlands) Pawel Hanus (Carrolton), Bill McCarty (San Antonio), Suvabrata Biswas (Katy) and Ari Sippola (Richardson); Flight B 2 –Robert Reichek (Houston), Arjune Bose (Houston), Herbert Kalman (Bellaire) and Michael Fagan (Rosharon); Flight C-Arvid Sharma (Southlake), Lynnie Sharma (Southlake), Ross Ramsey (Flower Mound) and Sharon Harbach (Argyle). Congratulations to them once again and good luck in Las Vegas. We will all be cheering for you!

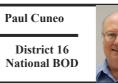
See you at the table!

helping them get integrated into the bridge community.

Data has shown that new member retention is linked to getting new members actively playing and winning masterpoints. Creating a friendly environment in the clubs, taking an interest in new players as individuals and encouraging them as they learn and progress is vitally important in my view.

Each of us can help! Together we can turn these unfavorable trends around!

Kristen Frederick has joined the ACBL Educational Foundation as Executive Director. She will be in Las Vegas and looking for opportunities to meet players from throughout ACBL. The past several months have been dedicated to getting our committee structure in place and I've been asked me to chair the Finance committee of the Board. In addition, I'm chairing our Liaison Committee which will have ACBL, ABTA (American Bridge Teachers' Association) and Ed Foundation members. We're looking forward to enhancing our



Summer is always a busy time with lots of tournaments, vacations and activities. The Summer NABC will be held in Las Vegas and promises to be a very large tournament and in my view has the best playing schedule for players that prefer the morning/afternoon schedule of

ACBL is doing well financially in 2019 due to higher than expected attendance in Memphis and lower costs at Headquarters. The outlook for the remainder of 2019 is also good.

However, there are some disturbing trends. The first is that membership continues to decline, down 1.6% from 2018 and new member recruitment is down 7.8% for the same period. When coupled with declines in regional tournament attendance of 6.7% and sectionals of 3.9%, versus 2018, our future is

qualified.

District 16 adds additional monies to each of the qualifying pairs. Qualifiers must play in the national event to receive the stipend.

ACBL awards the District with most tables in play at the club level an additional subsidy in flights B & C, so support your clubs when they hold For more details, go to www.acbl.org/play/special-eventsinfo.php#nap

Or contact Roxie Tom, D16 NAP Coordinator rtom85@yahoo.com

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not very rosy.

regional events.

New incentives for Teachers and Clubs to recruit and retain new members are being introduced and I hope we get a boost in new member recruitment. New members are our future and each of us has a role in welcoming the new players and partnerships as we work on our joint missions of having more people playing bridge.

I hope each of you have a great summer and look forward to seeing you at the tables

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George Rosenkranz 1916-2019

Long time District 16 stalwart George Rosenkranz, both an icon of duplicate bridge and steroid synthesis, passed away June 23.

Dr. Rosenkranz won 12 NABCs and was second 15 times. Many of those events he partnered with Eddie Wold. His wins include the Vanderbilt, Reisinger and the Blue Ribbon pairs.

George represented Mexico in 3 Olympiads and the USA in the Bermuda Bowl. He also wrote 12 books on bridge and created the Romex system and the Rosenkranz double and redouble.

Dr. Rosenkranz also pioneered chemistry both industrially and academically in Mexico. He and his company, Syntax, was notable for the synthesis of cortisone, progesterone and the development of the birth control pill.

Eddie Wold writes "This was truly a sad day for me, as I thought my friend, mentor, bridge partner, ski instructor, table tennis opponent, etc. would live forever. I had the great pleasure of meeting and partnering with George in 1977. We were constantly tinkering with our system and learning the game together. We went on to win many nationals and get to the semis of the Bermuda Bowl. George finished playing by winning 2 lara regional playing 4-handed when he was 90! He

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June 10 to June 16 2019 2351 players.1893 tables.

In Memoriam

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his second child who had cancer. I was lucky enough s 100th birthday party. The next day he went to Stanscientific achievement award named in his honor. He redible wife Edith will be remembered as two of the viduals ever to grace our game. "

*Life Master

Dewitt Hudson 1934-2019

Col. Dewitt Hudson of Arlington TX passed away on Apr. 7 After retiring from the U.S. Army in 1982 he devoted his time to bridge. He was Gold Life master with over 3000 masterpoints

Dewitt was president of Dis-

trict for three terms and also served in many other capacities. He was a member of the ACBL Board of Governors for 19 years.

Dewitt was Unit 183 Texas Star recipient in 2006 and received the Oswald and James Jacoby Service Award in 2007 It is District 16's premier service award. Dewitt is survived by wife Elizabeth and sons Tony and Eric.



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District 16 Bridge Teacher Reception for Robert Todd

Bridge teachers in Houston had a real treat at a American Bridge Teachers Association (ABTA) reception for Robert Todd on May 11, 2019. President, and Sandy Stevens, ABTA SW Dis-After a well-attended Workshop on Slam Bid- trict Representative. It included hors d'oeuvres ding at the Westside Bridge Academy, Robert and wine as well as door prizes: several books gave approximately 20 teachers a short introduc- donated by Robert Todd. Funding came from tion to Level-based Learning. This is a tool he District 16, Unit 174, the ABTA, and the ACBL developed to help teachers plan curriculums for Education Foundation. Approximately 20 teachsix different levels of students, ranging from raw ers and Unit 174 officials attended. All new beginner to expert. He explained that the full teachers were given a free one-year membership system was available on his website, to ABTA courtesy of the ACBL Education www.advinbridge.com, as well as lessons for Foundation. Robert is an energetic and entereach convention. There followed a lively discus- taining young man. It was a pleasure to be able sion that ranged from how to organize a yearly to interact with him so closely. curriculum to how to retain students.

The reception was hosted by Betty Starzec,







District 16 Supports the Longest Day

As The Longest Day's inaugural partner, the ACBL has raised more than \$4.7 million for the care, support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. From 2013 to 2018 .From sunrise to sunset, members across the country hosted tournaments to advance the cause. The Longest Day is not an ACBL Charity game and clubs must first register with the Alzheimer's Association. ACBL has a registration link, as well as detailed instructions, on their Longest Day website. Once a club has registered, it will show up as a Longest Day participant. All Alzheimer's games are eligible for upgraded masterpoints, 63.6% sectional-rated black.

Held during the week of June 21, 2019 – the longest day of the year - the event symbolizes the difficult journey of those

we receive them . g

"Fiesta Bridge Club raised a grand total of \$1800. Thanks to everyone for your very generous donations for the Raffle Tickets. Thanks to the experts who offered to play in a future game in order to raise money. Larry Levin very generously offered to play with all the people who put a ticket/tickets in his box. If you put a ticket in Larry's box, please see Larry to make arrangements to play some time with him. It may take a while for him to get to play with everyone. Fiesta Bridge Club donated a book of Free Plays. Because we exceeded our target, we are giving an extra 5 Free Plays to a second draw.

" Five of Unit 174's clubs participated in "The Longest Day" during the week including June 21, the longest day of the year: Apple DBC, Bridge Club of Houston, Clear Lake Bridge Club, Star DBC, and Westside Bridge Academy. Fundraising avenues included silent auctions for play with Pros and raffles for free play certificates. We are well aware of how fortunate we are in the Houston area to have SO MANY great bridge players, who donated their time for the Alzheimer's Foundation.

\$2,000. Clear Lake Bridge Club raised \$6,165 on its second participation in the event with two sessions and 41 tables, with many members donating time, supplies, food, and other non-cash items. Westside Bridge Academy had 51.5 tables spread over 3 sessions, an expert panel discussion, and dinner donated by B. Haznedar. They anticipate exceeding the \$10,000 they raised last year, with donations still coming in, thanks to the great help of 20+ Pros. Finally, at Apple DBC, club manager Paul Cuneo asked, "Is there anyone in the room who doesn't know somebody with Alzheimer's?" Not one person among the 25.5 tables (102 players) on 6/17 raised a hand.

"Unit 197 is excited to have participated in the Longest Day event, June 19, 2019. Bonnie George chaired the committee and the event was advertised in advance in our weekly Club Newsletter. Participants were encouraged to wear purple, bring a snack, and donate. The Unit increased playing fees an additional four dollars and the Chairman requested additional donations. Last year we collected \$680; this year \$1,140!! None of us were quite sure what we were doing last year but having participated gave us confidence this year. If your club hasn't hosted a Longest Day event, we highly encourage you to participate next year. We will!

their support with 12 teams. It was a great day for supporting Alzheimer's Association."

"2019 was a "scale-down" year for U201. As a participant in The Longest Day since ACBL's inaugural year in 2013, U201 has held silent auctions, sold lunches, named games for loved ones, partnered with our "pros," sold tickets for special items, played bridge games, and requested donations. Our efforts in 2013-2018 resulted in almost \$40,000 towards the potential prevention and/or cure of Alzheimer 's disease.

Our focus this year was on securing donations and enjoying a day of bridge. Due to the generosity of the members of our three clubs in Beaumont, Orange, and Rayburn Country, collected U201 over \$7,500! Considering our aging membership and reduced numbers due to relocations and illnesses, this was quite an accomplishment. Special thanks are extended to **Tipton** Golias who underwrote the pizza lunch that was enjoyed by members, Ed Rasmussen who donated his director's fees for games in Beaumont and Orange, Shanna Briggs who shared the story of her mom's struggle with a form of earlyonset Alzheimer's and inspired each of us to contribute to the cause, and Linda Briggs who made sure that all players had partners for the games. The Longest Day 2019 was a team effort for U201.

Improving Your Game. By Ira Hessel

This is the first in a series of articles to help improve your game. The enjoyment of bridge always increases as players get better. Most of the ideas come from questions and interactions from lectures I have given on "how to improve your game" given at regionals. We will include the following topics and others over the next few issues.

1/ Prepare. Keep your system to a minimum and build up. Good idea is to only play conventions that you have discussed the following bids of how to advance.

2/ Play. Try to play in stronger fields . You will be pleasantly surprised

3/ Reflect. Go over the hand records and see what different actions you could have taken. Consider table dynamics and how to deal with issues that affect your

living with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. Clubs, teachers, tournaments and players are invited to form fundraising teams and hold special games (upgraded masterpoints), teach lessons, conduct raffles and beyond. "

The ACBL is not just the top group in fund raising for The Longest Day, but contributes more to the Alzheimer's Association than the next nine groups combined. Over 250 groups from the ACBL give direct donations to the Alzheimer's Association and over 500 clubs run games to donate money to the cause.

We have received communication from several clubs and units. It looks like this year our clubs and Units have done a wonderful job to contribute. We will include the actual information we received. We will include several more as

Donations are still coming in, but it looks like the total raised by Unit 174 will be more than \$20,000! Bridge Club of Houston held an Open and a Novice game on 6/19 with both a raffle and silent auction for plays with pros. They raised \$2,090 and were visited by a member of the Alzheimer's Association. Star Duplicate Bridge Club held its game at Pebble Creek Country Club in College Station and raised

"Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek participated in the Longest Day. They had the most successful fundraiser yet. They raised a whopping \$7260! It was a fun-filled day of Bridge, food, and a live auction. Gloria, the director, said she was so proud of the players and

Carolyn Worsham, Chairman 2013-2019 "

game

4/ Discuss. Many better players will be glad to answer specific questions.

5/ Read a/ A few books will be recommended. b/ ACBL Bulletin c/ Bridge world

6/ Watch. Kibitzing the best players can often give insight. Not only on technical issues but when to take pause. Most errors are just playing too quickly.

You can always watch some great bridge on Bridge Base Online. They often have great tournaments.

District 16 players will be competing at the World championships in Wuhan China. Watch Dan Morse, Sally Wheeler, Bart Bramley and Lynn on Bridge base Sept 14 through 28.



Beaumont Gusher Regional September 23-29, 2019



MCM Eleganté Hotel & Conference Center, 2355 IH-10S, Beaumont, TX 409-842-3600

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Entry Fees

\$13/person/session Mon-Fri; \$120/team Sun \$14/person/session Sat (w/Texas NACB surcharge) \$4 more/session for unpaid ACBL members \$10/person/session for players with 0-20 MPs

Don't Miss These Golden Opportunities!!!

Three 5-Session Side Game Series

Six 2-Session Gold Rush Pairs Six 2-Session Strati-Flighted Open Pairs Two 4-Session Bracketed KO Teams Seven 2-Session Bracketed Swiss Teams



Awards

Section Top Awards for Pairs and First Place Teams

Stratification

Stratification is based on average MPs for each pair/team; however, for Strati-Flighted events, flight qualification is determined by the highest MP holding of any player on that pair/team. Top bracket may be handicapped.
Stratified Events: A (2000+), B (750-2000), C (0-750)
299ers – A (200-300), B (100-200), C (0-100)
Strati-Flighted Events: Flight A (3000+), AXY (0-3000).
Flights A and AXY play together. Flight B (300-750), C (0-300). Flights B and C play together.

Schedule of Events (continued)

Tuesday, Sep 24

| Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
|---|------------------|
| 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed KO #1 Teams (1 of 4) | 7:30p |
| Evening Single Session Swiss Teams | 7:30p |
| Three Side Game Series/299er Pairs* | 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p |

Wednesday, Sep 25

| Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
|---|--------------------|
| 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a <i>,</i> 2p |
| Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions) | 9:30a <i>,</i> 2p |
| Bracketed KO #1 Teams (2 of 4) | 7:30p |
| Evening Single Session Swiss Teams | 7:30p |
| Side Game Series/299er Pairs* | . 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p |
| Thursday, Sep 26 | |

| Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
|---|------------------|
| 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed KO #1 Teams (3 of 4) | 7:30p |
| Bracketed KO #2 Teams (1 of 4) | 7:30p |
| Evening Single Session Swiss Teams | 7:30p |
| Side Game Series/299er Pairs* | 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p |
| Friday, Sep 27 | |

| Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
|---|--------------------|
| 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed KO #1 Teams (4 of 4) | 7:30p |
| Bracketed KO #2 Teams (2 of 4) | 7:30p |
| Evening Single Session Swiss Teams | 7:30p |
| Side Game Series/299er Pairs* | . 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p |
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Saturday, Sep 28

| Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
|---|--------------------|
| 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Bracketed KO #2 Teams (3, 4 of 4) | 9:30a, 2p |
| Evening Single Session Swiss Teams | 7:30p |
| Side Game Series/299er Pairs* | . 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p |
| Sunday, Sep 29 | |



Schedule of Events

Monday, Sep 23

| Strati-Flighted Open Pairs (2 Sessions) | . 2p, 7:30p |
|---|-------------|
| 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions) | . 2p, 7:30p |
| Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 sessions) | . 2p, 7:30p |
| Side Game Series (Single Sessions)* | . 2p, 7:30p |

Rev Date: 10/23/2018

| Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams | 9:30a, TBD |
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| 0-2500 Gold Rush Bracketed Swiss Teams | 9:30a, TBD |
| Stratified Open Pairs (Two Sessions) | 9:30a, TBD |

*Side Game Series/299er Games (Tue-Sat)

| Morning Side Game Series | 9:30a | | | |
|---|------------------|--|--|--|
| Afternoon Side Game Series | 2p | | | |
| Evening Side Game Series | 7:30p | | | |
| 299er Pairs (Single Sessions) | 9:30a, 2p, 7:30p | | | |
| Overall: Best two scores in each Side Game Series | | | | |



Lew Spurlock

The Kerrville Sectional Tournament was held at the beginning of May. It's always a beautiful time to play bridge in the Hill Country of Texas. Despite an hour delay on the I-10 freeway one day of the tournament, everyone's nerves finally settled down enough to have a great time at the bridge table. Because of scheduling problems, the tournament was changed to May this year but will return to the usual March schedule next year.

I spoke with Greg Hinze at the tournament and congratulated him on coming in third/fourth in the Vanderbilt KO's at the NABC Memphis nationals. I asked him what the difference was in playing at that level as opposed to club events, and he replied that everyone knows exactly what they are doing so that the play is at the highest possible level. He said that is what he lives for in playing bridge.

That reminds me of a quote from Michelle Segar, a behavioral scientist at the University of Michigan. She said, "Athletes who exercise to lose weight...do not always drop the pounds, leading them to give up. I also wonder how beneficial it can be to exercise in such a negative way where you're constantly thinking, *T'm not good enough, and I do not like my body.' Who wants to keep that up?''* This is a theme for all of us at bridge which is inherently a difficult game and one that takes years to master. The rest of us not at the level of players like Greg Hinze need to focus on the positives of our game and enjoy the progress we make, not just the results on any given day. It is impossible to keep playing if we constantly think we are not good enough.

This month I thought I'd introduce you to the story of Yesh (pronounced Yash) Singh, who can be recognized at the Fiesta Bridge club by his constant smile and warmth. Yesh was born on the family farm in a small village, where there was only a hand pump for water and no electricity. Yesh was the first among all his ancestors to live outside his village, not just the first to go to college.

After placing first among his peers in middle school and high school, he studied engineering in college. Prior to his entry, Indians were not al-

lowed to attend college, only the British colonists. The practices of the British were still carried on when he was in college so that everyone had to dress for dinner and all students were required to have a servant.

Of all the students in his class, Yesh came in second in his final exams. A few years after graduation, he was contracted for 5 years to work in the USSR. Upon completion of his contract, he migrated to the US where he got his PhD in mathematics.

After quitting industry, he joined UTSA as an associate professor and became the chair of the department. He retired in 2012 and is the first emeritus professor of mechanical engineering and the first Fellow of the American Academy of Mechanical Engineers at UTSA.

Yesh started playing party bridge while he was at UTSA and tried duplicate for the first time at the Regional tournament(!) in 2017.

The thing he likes best about bridge is the nice people he meets while playing. He has a lot of fun at the bridge table and at the club. But the thing he likes least is the bad plays he makes. They sometimes keep him awake at nights, a condition which I'm sure all of us have had at one time or another.

Please make sure you say hello to Yesh the next time you see him at the club.

Kerrville Spring **Sectional** May 02-05 2019 163 players 191 tables.

1 39.25 Ed Rawlinson

- 2 38.93 Donna Swarthout
- 3 37.45 Dave Swarthout 4 34.14 Gary Anziani
- 5 33.47 Diane Olson
- 6 31.45 Larry Levin
- 7 28.69 Rosemary Kelley
- 8 20.94 Bill Walker
- 9 17.42 Venkatrao Koneru
- 10 17.42 David Johnson Jr

Thu Morn Open Pairs-15.0 Tables / Based on 19 Tables A1. Catherine Rauschuber-Richard Curtin A2. Flo Curry-Gene Gammill B2C1. Mary Harrington-Gerald Irion C2. Jon Pack-Anni Pack Thu Morn 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables

ABC1. Bill Stillwell-Connie Conley AB2. Marcy Wallace-Candace Jacobson C2. Salli Grissom-Blanche Roddick

Thu Aft Swiss-18 Tables / Based on 22 Tables A1. David Johnson JrLarry Levin-Diane Olson-Venkatrao Koneru A2. Jean Blilie-Gene Gammill-Eugene Lux-Flo Curry B1. K Voges-Susan Ohm-Kay Rice-Jeane Crumpler B2. Terri O'Brien -Sandy Potts-Laura Delfeld-Jerry Barrett C1. Elisabeth Kay-Cindy Cummins-Ann Kuehler-Mike Vivian Thu Aft 299er Pairs-3.5 Tables A1. Linda Christian-Jeanie Webb A2. Candace Jacobson-Marcy Wallace BC2. Carolee Moss-Claire Lee Fri Bracketed Swiss-1-7 Tables 1. Rosemary Kelley-Carole Lee O'Connor-Diane Olson-Thomas Trudeau 2. Gary Anziani-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout -Ed Rawlinson Fri Bracketed Swiss-2-7 Tables 1. Kathrvn Bailev-Dianne Ebert-Leigh Primerano-Stewart Windeler 2. Stephanie Stevens-Homer Stevens-Bob Otis-Beth Gale Fri Bracketed Swiss-3-7 Tables 1.

Carol Hall-Richard Day-Robert Thornton- Michael Luckenbach 2. S Hultquist-Bill Stillwell-David Conley-Connie Conley Fri Morn 299er Pairs-5.0 Tables

ABC1. Al Fulton-Paul Drexel ABC2. Liz Williams-Rita Odom Fri Aft 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables AB1. Susan Breeding-Patricia Angelides AB2. Barbara Pittenger-Fran Shelton C1. Liz Williams-Rita Odom C2. Julius Grossenbacher-Richard Lynch Sat Morn Open Pairs-24.5 Tables / 31 Tables A1. Terry Riely-Carolyn Riely A2/3 Larry Levin-Jerrold Harrington 2/3 Neal Perlman-Janise Saul B1 Dianne Ebert-Kathryn Bailey B2. Jeanne Dawley-Tessa Bodnar C1. Robert & Laurie Hartline-Babb C2. Mary Harrington-Gerald Irion Sat Morn 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables A1. Tom Bell-Cindy Bell A2B1. Candace Jacobson-Marcy Wallace B2. Fran Shelton-Barbara Pittenger C1. Karl Beach-Barbara Beach C2. Dianne Roberson-Shannon Burdett Sat Aft Open Pairs-20.5 Tables / Based on 30 Tables ABC1. David Goodwin-Rose Goodwin A2. Ed Rawlinson-Donna Swarthout B2. Rodney McCullough-Doug Boswell B2. Richard Arnold-Earl Cutler Sat Aft 299er Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Karl Beach-Barbara Beach AB2. Robert Thornton-Richard Day Sun Bracketed Swiss-1-7 Tables A1. Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout-Gary Anziani-Ed Rawlinson A2. Patty & Greg Hinze-Ellen & Ira Hessel Sun Bracketed Swiss-2-7 Tables 1. Stan Pushkarsky-John Moore-Roxann Swenson-Anita Albert 2. Susan Ohm-Forrest Gray-Linda Lawrence-K Voges Sun Bracketed Swiss-3-7 Tables 1. David Goodwin-Rose Goodwin-Tom

Bell-Cindy Bell 2/3 Bill Stillwell-S Hultquist-David Conley-Connie



Sept 5-8, 2019 **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 5th

10:00 am Stratified Pairs 3:00 pm Stratified Swiss Teams

Friday, September 6th

10:00 am Stratified Pairs 3:00 pm Stratified Pairs

Saturday, September 7th

10:00 am Stratified Pairs 3: 00 pm Stratified Pairs

Sunday, September 8th

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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Thursday Morn Pairs A&B Rich Curtin, Cathy Rauschuber



Friday Aft 299ers Trish Angelides, Sue Breeding



Friday Swiss Bkt 1 Rosemary Kelley, Diane Olson, Carole O'Conner. Tom Trudeau



Thursday Aft Swiss Team A Dave Johnson, Babu Koneru, Diane Olson, Larry Levin



Saturday Aft Pairs A, B&C Rose & David Goodwin



Friday Swiss Bkt 2 Kathryn Bailey, Leigh Primerano, Dianne Ebert, Stewart Windeler



Saturday Morn Pairs C Bob & Laurie Babb



Sunday Swiss Bkt 1 Ed Rawlinson, Donna Swarthout, Gary Anziani, Dave Swarthout



Thursday Morn Pairs C Mary Harrington, Gerald Irion



Thursday Aft Swiss Team B

Sue Ohm, Kay Rice,

Jeane Crumpler

Sunday Swiss Bkt 2 Roxann Swenson, Anita Albert. John Moore, Stan Pushkarsky



Sunday Swiss Bkt 3 Rose & David Goodwin Tom & Cindy Bell



Thursday Aft Swiss Team C Ann Kuehler, Cindy Cummins, Elisabeth Kay, Mike Vivian

Fiesta Summer Sectional San Antonio May 30-Jun 02 2019 196 players. 228 tables.

- 1 43 51 Ira Hessel 2 26.38 Ellen Hessel 3 25.25 Gary Anziani 4 25.25 Ed Rawlinson
- 5 25.15 Kenneth Schutze
- 6 20.42 Donna Swarthout 7 20.42 Dave Swarthout
- 8 19.03 Stephen Toplansky
- 9 18.69 Thomas Trudeau
- 10 18.13 Bill Walker

Thu Morn Open Pairs-21.5 Tables / Based on 30 Tables A1. Bill Walker-Stephen Toplansky A2. Larry Levin-Diane Olson B1. Karen Fillis-George Fillis B2. Rebecca McCutcheonDebbie Schweiss C1. Mary Harrington-Gerald Irion C2. Leigh Primerano -Stewart Windeler Thu Morn 499er Pairs-8.0 Tables AB1. Robert Christophel-Rosalind Brazda AB2.C1. Albert Fulton-Paul Drexel C2. Julius Grossenbacher-Sharon Evans Thu Aft Open Swiss-22 Tables A1. Ed Rawlinson-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout-Gary Anziani A2/3 Beverly Santos-Charles Jefferson-Everette Lewis-Richard Lampman A2/3 Marilyn Arnold-Patty Hinze-

Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel B1. Richard Curtin-Kay Laird-Joe Ramirez-Phyllis Giffin B2. Roxi Raaf-Roxanne King-Rebecca McCutcheon-Debbie Schweiss C1/2 James Cuccia Schertz ; Helen King-Earl Cutler-Pat Baker C1/2 Ann Kuehler-Hazel Medellin-Jan Wingate-Cindy Cummins Thu Aft 499er Pairs-8.0 Tables A1. Robert Christophel-Rosalind Brazda

A2BC1. Albert Fulton-Paul Drexel BC2. David Groepler-Yao-Hui Hsiau Fri Morn Open Pairs-23.5 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. Gary Anziani -Ed Rawlinson A2. Thomas Trudeau-David Ticen B1. Rand Schmidt-Rebecca McCutcheon B2. Roxana Tom-Nancy Tom C1.Roxi Raaf-Roxanne King C2. Mary Harrington-Lynn (Ann) Pierson Fri Morn 499er Pairs-8.0 Tables

ABC1. David Conley-Connie Conley ABC2. Michael Beldon-Louise Beldon

Fri Aft Open Pairs-22.0 Tables / Based on 31 Tables AB1. Philip Duterme-Evan Marti AB2. Susan Hernandez- Beth Gale B1. James Cuccia-Georgia Baron B2. Debbie Schweiss-Yesh Singh

Fri Aft 499er Pairs-9.0 Tables AB1. Beverly Flannery-June Eubank AB2. Paul Fafoutakis-Gerald Irion C1. Yao -Hui Hsiau-Beverly Poth C2. David

Conley-Connie Conley Sat Morn Open Pairs-25.0 Tables / Based on 31 Tables A1. Ira Hessel-Kenneth Schutze A2BC1. Debbie Schweiss-Leigh Primerano B2. Evan Marti-Philip Duterme C2. Leslie Tramer-Jonathan Tramer Sat Morn 499er Pairs-6.0 Tables ABC1. Aaron Denton-Lilly Justman A2/3B2. Rosalind Brazda-Robert Christophel Driver-Robert Craig C2. Marjorie Tucker-Diana Kellerman % Sat Aft Open Pairs-20.5 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. Kenneth Schutze-Ira Hessel A2. Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout B1. Bob Otis-Beth Gale B2. Brian Bankler-Hank Eng C1. Diana Drenner-Don Mahoney C2. Yesh Singh-Janice Fletcher

Sat Aft 499er Pairs-8.0 Tables A1. Robert Craig-Coleman Driver A2B1. Susan Breeding-Cheri Gross B2C1. .Jill Held-Cynthia Crawford C2/3

Lelia Jackson-Nancy Tom C2/3 Marjorie Tucker-Diana Kellerman Sun Open Swiss-19 Tables / Based on 23 Tables A1. Charles Jefferson-Thomas Trudeau-Rebecca Brown-Jerrold Harrington A2. Kenneth Schutze-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel-Stephen Toplansky B1. Tessa Bodnar -Ann Perry-Sisir Sharma-Roxana Tom B2. Ann Kuehler-Everette Lewis-Cindy Cummins-Richard Lampman C1/2 Lew Spurlock-Robert Craig-Coleman Driver-Yesh Singh C1/2 Susan Hernandez-Stewart Windeler-Andy Villastrigo-Leigh Primerano

Sun 0-750 Swiss-4 Tables A1. Barbara Haley-Louise Day-Barnet Bursack-Wayne Tindall B1. Lynn (Ann) Pierson-Lelia Jackson-Nancy Tom-Roxi Raaf

SAN ANTONIO SUMMER SECTIONAL WINNERS



Stephen Toplansky, Bill Walker Thursday Morn Pairs A



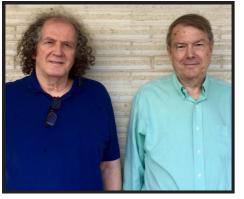
Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani, Donna & Dave Swarthout Thursday Aft Swiss A



Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani Friday Morn Pairs A



Philip Duterme, Evan Marti Friday Aft Pairs A&B



Ira Hessel, Ken Schutze Saturday Morn & Aft Pairs A



Rebecca Brown, Chuck Jefferson, Jerry Harrington, Tom Trudeau Sunday Open Swiss A



Joe Ramirez, Phyllis Giffin, Rich Curtain, Kay Laird Thursday Aft Swiss B



George & Karen Fillis Thursday Morn Pairs B



Rebecca McCutcheon

Friday Morn Pairs B



Beth Gale, Bob Otis Saturday Aft Pairs B



eigh Primerano, Debbie Schweiss Saturday Morn Pairs B&C



Tessa Bodnar, Ann Perry, Roxanna Tom, S.K. Sharma Sunday Open Swiss B



Gerald Irion, Mary Harrington Thursday Morn Pairs C



Roxanne King, Roxi Raaf Friday Morn Pairs C



Georgia Baron, Jim Cuccia Friday Aft Pairs C



Leigh Primerano, Susan Hernandez, Stewart Windeler, Andy Villastrigo Sunday Open Swiss C















Rosalid Brazda, Bob Christophel Thurs Morn & Aft 499ers



Connie & Dave Conley Friday Morn 499ers



Beverly Plannery, June Eubank Friday Aft 499ers

Coleman Driver, Bob Craig Saturday Aft 499ers



Lilly Justman, Aaron Denton Saturday Morn 499ers



Barney Bursack Barbara Haley, Louise Day Sunday 0-750 Swiss



HUGE KUDOS to our Sally Wheeler, who will be playing on the USA2 Women's Team for the Venice Cup, and to Dan Morse, who will be playing on the USA1 Senior Team for the D'Orsi Cup, at the 2019 World Team Championships in Wuhan, China, September 14-28! The World Bridge Federation (www.worldbridge.org) and the Chinese Contract Bridge Association co-sponsor

the event, which occurs biennially in the odd-numbered years. This World Championship event is at the top of all world bridge championships, and is comprised of the Bermuda Bowl for open teams, the Venice Cup for women's teams, the D'Orsi Senior Bowl for senior teams, and the new Mixed National Teams. Imagine what it takes just to get there! Sally is one of those outstanding bridge players who regularly give back to the game by helping others to improve their game. Dan has served the ACBL in offices all the way up the line, including President of the ACBL. We will

be watching on BBO or elsewhere and rooting them on to victory!

We have just completed our "Nearly Summer Sectional," June 7-9, and it was another great success. Tournament cochairs Shervl Thomas and Kathleen Malcolmson were well prepared and everything went smoothly. With **Tom** Martinsen handling Partnership, **Cindy Cox** the I/N events, and **Debra Bellan** and **Kyle Lueders** in charge of our famous Hospitality, we had lots of happy customers. We especially thank our Tourspeakers Betsy nament

DuBose on "Opening Leads" and Julie Halperin on "Reverse Drury." We love the Marriott Westchase, the great restaurants nearby, and the easy-to-find location. We are more and more loving the 10 and 2:30 schedule that leaves us time to explore Houston's outstanding food, and we always love renewing acquaintances, friendships, and bridge competitors at the Unit 174 tournaments.

Upcoming Sectionals: August 8-11 is our "Awesome August" Sectional, again at the Marriott Westchase (713-978-7400); and Nov. 1-3 is our Fall Sectional, which will be at Gardens (888-Moody $388 \square 8484$) in Galveston! The special \$149 hotel rate is good through October 10 (ID code \Box ACBL 112019). Come one and all!

News from Unit 174 Clubs

Apple II Duplicate Bridge Club hosted a Gold Life Master Party on May 10 for Harry Selldin, with 29 tables! Congrats to Harry and to Club Manager Brigitte Sandifer for a great event!

Clear Lake Bridge Club reports through Evvie Gil-



bert that they recently held a luncheon and "MasterPoint Milestone" party to recognize new Life Masters and other LM achievements. They recognized 9 new Life Masters, 2 new Bronze LMs, 1 Silver LM, 3 Gold LMs, and 3 Sapphire LMs, in addition to the milestone ranks below LM. For pictures see https:// acblunit174.org/clearlak/ clean□blue□working/

clubscene.html. CLBC is also working hard to surpass last year's \$4,500 raised for "The Longest Day." In May a contingent of 11 CLBC regulars traveled to the Hot Springs Regional and all successfully "Mined for Gold"! Finally, CLBC's reawakened Mentor/ Mentee program is moving along nicely, thanks to the efforts of Cindy Cox and Bob Dowlen. It lets the club membership get to know each other and unites the lower□level players with those who play in the open games.

Lone Star Bridge Cub, www.lonestarbridgeclub.org_is well into its second year and the Club honored 4 of its champions on May 6: Jeane Crumpler, Pat Horsley, Mavis Warren, and Mary McDonald. The Club's Webmaster, Doug Boswell, created a "Honoree Photo Gallery" at the Club's site for them and future honorees. Games are Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 10:30 am at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Conroe. Jeff Kroll gives a free lesson on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m., and the Club supports several of the church's charity projects.

raising projects for the Alzheimer's Association. The Club's two monthly Mentor-Mentee Games and the monthly "8 Is Enough" are giving plenty of novices the opportunity to play with experienced players, and game improvement always results.

Bridge Club of Houston (www.bridgeclubofhouston.co m) is especially proud of Sally Wheeler, a regular at BCoH, for earning her spot on the women's team for the 44th World Team Championships in September and held a special party for her on May 223 after it was announced. On Thursday, July 4, the Club will host its famous "Hot Diggity Dog Day"at 11 a.m., and its many great cooks will bring sides and desserts. BCoH continues to record success with its many classes and its Ambassador Program.

New 70% Accomplishments: In Westside Bridge Academy's Open Games, Ede and Bruce Weiner posted a 72.19% on 4/14; Joe and Shawn Quinn scored 74.28% on 4/29; Joe Quinn and Bill St. Clair had a 71.53% on 5/13; Raymond Alexanian and David Hen**ke** posted 71.13% on 5/20; **Joe** Quinn and Joe Gittelman scored 70.99% on 5/23; on 5/26 Jimmy Breihan and Phillip Grothus had a whopping 76.78%; and on 5/27 Karen Nimmons and Philip Grothus had a 71.52% game! (Wow! Have you picked up on the clues that Joe Quinn is enjoying his retirement?) In the I/N games, **Mark Levy** and Gigi White had 70% on 4/3; Moira Morris and Geraldine Woolf had a 70.43% on 4/11; and Meiling Zhong and Maggie Fleming posted 70% on 4/17. From BCoH, Buddy Hanby and Sally Wheeler posted a 70.73% on 5/27. Clear Lake Bridge Club reports that Edith Reid and Mark Meigs had a 70.88% in the Open Game on 5/11. Lone Star Bridge

Club's Anita Rothfuss and Mary McDonald had a 71.35% game on 4/29. Congratulations to all!

In Remembrance: Wayne Christensen, a director at Clear Lake BC and Gold LM, passed away May 30. Our prayers are with his family and friends.

Till next time

Nearly Summer Sectional

Houston Jun 07-09 2019 636 players. : 618 tables. 1 34.28 Tom Breed 2 30.17 Ira Hessel 3 30.15 Joe Quinn 4 28.76 Dan Morse 5 27.68 Daniel Jackson 6 25.92 Marilyn Adams 7 25.92 James Breihan 8 25.92 Carole Samuels 9 25.92 Anton (Tony) Haddad 10 23.91 Pat Levy 11 23.46 Jack LaVigne 12 23.07 Nancy Reader 13 23.07 Anne Gorry 14 21.64 W Lease Richmond 15 21.55 Syed R Naqvi 16 21.38 Ralda St Pierre 17 21.29 Sally Wheeler

Friday Swiss Bracket-1-9 Tables 1. Daniel Jackson-Shatrugna Prasad-Ralda St Pierre-Syed R Naqvi 2. Joe Quinn-Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel-Peters-Dan Thomas Morse-Tom Breed

Friday Swiss Bracket-2-9 Tables 1. Laura Jones-Timucin Erkoc-Jane Boozalis-Gail Wood 2. Debra Bellan-Kyle Lueders-Nancy Reader-Anne Gorry

Friday Swiss Bracket-3-9 Tables 1. Ming Su-Chie Yen-Elton Lipnick-Hau-Ran Wang 2/3 Gary Winston-Shari Winston-Evan Marti ; Philip Duterme 2/3 David Wicks-Linda McReynolds-Carol Jewett-Dianne Kraft

Friday Swiss Bracket-4-9 Tables 1/2 Thomas Jahnke-Gregory Andrews-James Sells-Steven Gordon 1/2 Tom Nobis-Carolyn Wedel-Robert Crawford-Betty Schell

Friday Swiss Bracket-5-9 Tables 1. Linwood Olson-Laura McWilliams-Judith Smith-Lynn Luster 2. Mary Cris Emmons-Connie Conover -Linda Martinsen-Thomas Martinsen

Friday Swiss Bracket-6-9 Tables 1. Jack Manderscheid-Jerry McNeely-Jerry Hoffman-Andrew Remson 2. Paul Horvitz-Alan Holzberg-Herbert Kalman-Diane Kaminsky

Friday Swiss Bracket-7-14 Tables 1. Gayle Longmire-Edna Earle Mattei-Titia Smulders-Renata Frutiger 2. Karen Winston-Paula Daly-Jane Vansanten-Phyllis Maddox

Morn 299er Pairs-18.0 Saturday Tables ABC1. Johara Nour-Robert Boshara A2. Patricia Cantu -Alberto Fernandez B2. Betty Cartmell-Robert Dennis C2. John Doyle-James Moore Saturday Morn Side Pairs-7.0 Tables A1. Alan Zane-Betty Freedman A2B1. Brenda Solovitz-Mary Watters B2. Audley Karrasch-Frank Mitchum C1. Sara Rowe-Marion Beeler C2. Stephen Banks-Carol Banks Saturday Open Pairs-23.5 Tables / Based on 42 Tables A1. Georgiana Gates-Pat Levy A2. Jack LaVigne-W Lease B1. Raymond Alexanian-Ralph Herz B2C1, Linda Brodie-Carol Ehrman 2. Michael Alsup-Douglas Richardson

Reader-Anne Gorry 2. Eric Sandberg-Janice Sandberg-Raleigh Williamson-Harold Copeland

Saturday Swiss Bracket-3-9 Tables 1. Kathryn Bailey-Mercedes Barker-Dianne Ebert-Liga Byrne 2. Ming Su-Chie Yen-Elton Lipnick-Hau-Ran Wang

Saturday Swiss Bracket-4-9 Tables 1. James Ochsner-Allison Ochsner-Jack Dean-Jeanette Dean 2. David Wicks-Linda McReynolds-Gary Winston-Shari Winston

Saturday Swiss Bracket-5-9 Tables 1. Mary Jane Kinnebrew-Alannah Hallas-James Sells-Steven Gordon 2. Thomas Romz-Bert Sheldon-Evelyn James-Keith Ritter

Saturday Swiss Bracket-6-9 Tables 1. Donald Bell-Laura Chandler-Jeannie Stone-Russell Chandler 2. Sue Geller-Carolyn Wedel-Jerry Hoffman-Jerry McNeely

Saturday Swiss Bracket-7-14 Tables 1. Paddy Fiorino-Carol Teufel-Linda McCasland-Charlotte Howell 2. Cindy Cox-George Rosen-Robyn Williams-Arvis Williams

Sun Morn Open Pairs-12.5 Tables / Based on 18 Tables A1. Mary Pat Gentry-Kitty Wong A2. Pat Levy-Ariel Leibovitz B1. John Moore-Roxann Swenson B2. Roger Marlatt-Karen Tabak Nussbaum C1. Julia Thompson-Myra Marsh C2. Mary Wells-Michael Wells

Sunday Morn 299er Pairs-5.5 Tables ABC1. Ronald Perkowski-Brian Dudley Sharon AB2. Kirkland Henrietta Sasser C2. Roberta Martinez Garza Garcia Mexico; Monica Gutierrez Sunday Aft Open Pairs-11.0 Tables / Based on 14 Tables AB1. Chris Curran-Mary Lou Fowler A2. Nancy Boothe-Pat McMullin B2.. William Van Dame-Lesly Van Dame C1. Cheryl Smith-Charles Dalton C2. Ann Van Volkenburgh-Martha Wallace Sunday Aft 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1. Sharon KirklandHenrietta Sasser AB2. Johara Nour-Robert Boshara Sunday Swiss Bracket-1-9 Tables 1. Joe Quinn- Tom Breed- Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel- Dan Morse 2. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby- Daniel Jackson- Mike Dovle Sunday Swiss Bracket-2-9 Tables 1. James Breihan-Carole Samuels-Anton (Tony) Haddad- Marilyn Adams 2. Hugh Humphries-Kay Humphries-Catherine Miller-Hugh Miller Sunday Swiss Bracket-3-9 Tables 1. John Heath-Shou Chao-Shih-Ming Yang-Daksha Adhia 2. Lucy Hofmann-Donna Mann-Barbara Pope-Bonnie Terrell Sunday Swiss Bracket-4-9 Tables 1. Susan Belding-Daad Rodgers-Connie Conover-Mary Cris Emmons 2. Ming

Westside Bridge Academy, westsidebridgeacademy.com, had a sellout game on Memorial Day with 50 tables of players and other tables full of food! A great time was had by all and many MPs were awarded, We will have already passed "The Longest Day" by the time of this issue, but Westside plans to exceed the \$10,000+ it raised last year with 5 fund-

18 21.29 Buddy Hanby 19 20.84 Ming Su 20 20.41 Georgiana Gates 21 19.19 Ellen Hessel 22 18.60 Stephen Reichek 23 17.92 Clif Rice 24 16.84 Shawn Quinn 25 16.63 Chuck Gillis

Friday Morn 299er Pairs-16.5 Tables ABC1. Pat Chichakli-Linda Crum A2. Alberto Fernandez-Patricia Cantu B2. Phyllis Dillard-Joan Slayden C2. Thomas Russell-Betty Westbrook

Friday Morn Side Pairs-11.0 Tables ABC1. Susan Morrow- James Kelly A2. John Lindsey-Theron Lindsey BC2. Bob Chiang-Robert Wang Friday Open Pairs-23.0 Tables Based on 39 Tables A1. Stephen Reichek-Shawn Quinn A2B1. Dolores Aquino-Clif Rice B2. Dave Becker-Charles Hilding C1. Sara Rowe-Marion Beeler C2. Francis Gay -Paula Gay

Friday Aft 299er Pairs-13.0 Tables ABC1. Barbara Brown-Patricia Freeman A2. Gregory May-David Badertscher Galveston B2 David Hull-Stormy Hull C2. Harry Bick-Sarah Springer

Friday Aft Side Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1. Phyllis Timko-Donald Timko AB2. Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer

Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-16.0 Tables A1. Madhu Moza-Vera Annen-kova A2BC1. David Feuerbacher-Jean Mills

Saturday Aft Side Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Phyllis Timko-Donald Timko A2. Daniel Leightman-Mildred Breed B2. Eric Watson-Lourdes Fletcher Saturday Swiss Bracket-1-9 Tables 1. James Breihan-Carole Samuels-Anton (Tony) Haddad-Marilyn Adams 2. Joe Quinn- Tom Breed- Dan Morse-Thomas Peters-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel

Saturday Swiss Bracket-2-9 Tables 1. Carol Winograd-Yin Choo-Nancy Su-Victor Tong-Marilyn Leiman-Beverly Fanarof Sunday Swiss Bracket-5-9 Tables 1.. Richard Polunsky-Carol Wilson-Janet Siefert- Kristy Garrison-Zach Garrison 2. Jack Rawitscher-Alan Zane-Sid Weiss-Robert Crawford

Sunday Swiss Bracket-6-9 Tables 1 Jeannie Stone-Russell Chandler-Laura Chandler-Donald Bell 2. Marguerite Crowl-Gerry Earnest-Jean Jardine-Cissy Wortham

Sunday Swiss Bracket-7-11 Tables 1. Mary Vagnoni -William Turner-Herma Lathum-Angela Hester 2. Robyn Williams-Arvis Williams-Cindy Cox-Pamela Vincent

UNIT 174 NEARLY SUMMER SECTIONAL **CHAMPS**





Saturday Morn 299ers Johara Nour

Sunday Morn 299ers Ronald Perkwoski, Brian Dudley



Friday Open Pairs A Stephen Reichek, Shawn Quinn



Friday Swiss Bkt 1 Syed R Naqvi, Shatrugna Prasad, Daniel Jackson



Saturday Swiss Bkt 1 Sunday Swiss Bkt 2 Marilyn Adams, James Berihan, Tony Haddad, Carol Samuels



Sunday Swiss Bkt 1 Ellen Hessel, Tom Breed, Joe Quinn, Ira Hessel, Dan Morse



Sunday Morn Open Pairs A Kitty Wong, Mary Pat Gentry



Sunday Aft Open Pairs A Mary Lou Fowler, Chris Curan



Friday Swiss Bkt 2 Gail Wood, Jane Boozalis, Laura Jones, Timucin Erkoc



Fridav Swiss Bkt 3 Chie Yen, Ming Su, Hau-Ran Wang, Elton Lipnick



Friday Swiss Bkt 4 Betty Schell, Tom Nobis Robert Crawford, Carolyn Wedel



Friday Swiss Bkt 5 Linwood Olson, Judith Smith, Lynn Luster, Laura McWilliams



Andrew Remson, Jack Mandersheid,



Friday Open Pairs B Delores Aquino, Clif Rice



Friday Swiss Bkt 7 Renata Frutiger, Titia Smulders, Edna Earle Mattei, Gayle Longmire



Saturday Swiss Bkt 2 Yin Choo, Nancy Reader, Carol Winograd, Anne Gorry



Dianne Ebert, Mercedes Barker, Liga Bryne, Kathryn Bailey





Sunday Swiss Bkt 5 Carol Wilson, Richard Polunsky, Janet Siefert, Zach Garrison,



Saturday Swiss Bkt 5 Alannah Hallas, Mary Jane Kinnebrew, James Sells, Steven Gordon



Friday Aft 299ers Patricia Freeman, Barbara Brown



Saturday & Sunday Swiss Bkt 6 Laura Chandler, Jeannie Stone Russell Chandler, Donald Bell



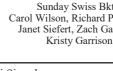
Saturday Swiss Bkt 7 Paddy Fiorino, Charlotte Howell, Carol Teufel, Linda McCasland



Sunday Swiss Bkt 3 Kaksha Adhia, Shou Chao. Shih-Ming Yang, John Heath



Sunday Swiss Bkt 4 Daad Rogers, Connie Conover, Susan Belding, Mary Cris Emmons





bles ABC1. John Saylor-Gail Wingfield AB2. Eileen Smith-Marjory



ney on May 14th and Carol Riegert's game in Rockwall on June 3rd. Our

Regional Tournament coming up August 27-September 2.

We are so

13 32.41 Ari Sippola 14 31.29 Petra Hamman

Saturday Swiss Bkt 3

Well, with the arrival of June, the heat is once more upon us. And, of course to accompany the heat, we have the impromptu thunderstorms. I arrived home after the unit game on June 9th to find my chimney on the roof, trees down, the kitchen under water, and no electricity. To add insult to injury, it was my birthday. Oh well, live and learn. I hope you all were safe during the storm since many were without power for days.

It's great that we can stay inside and play bridge during STaC week. District 16 held STaC week at all the local clubs from June10-16. Also, from June 1-30 was the qualifying round for the North American Pairs (NAP) at the clubs. I hope you got plenty of bridge in during the month of June.

The unit has been making visitations to all the clubs. We visited McKin-

unit President, Eileen Smith, brought fresh fruit and cookies for both clubs. They were so very welcoming to all of us and a good time was had by all. Many thanks to them. We have upcoming visits to Ennis and Waxahachie. Get a partner and join us in Ennis at 1:00 on July 12th and Waxahachie at 6:30 on August 20th.

I hope you all enjoyed the May Scorecard publication that is now online. If you want to print it, I am sure that Joe Gill or Ed Yetter will give you tips. By going digital with this, the unit has saved over \$3000 a year.

Many thanks to Dorsey Shaw for a delightful Memorial Day tournament on May 23-27. As usual Dorsey's food and decorations were wonderful. Dorsey always has something complimentary and reverent to say about our troops and veterans on Memorial Day. This year, Kathie Carr's 10 year old granddaughter, Jessie Prince sang The Star Spangled Banner. The food, decorations and song made the tournament a real hit. Thanks Dorsey!

Remember we have our Labor Day

fortunate to have Ed Yetter and Tomi Storey returning as our cochairs. This dynamic duo orchestrated a record breaking Regional last year and with kindness and grace since it is a labor intensive feat. Susan Colby is in charge of our IN reception for all 0-499ers. Kevin Perkins is our director in charge, and Lynn and Mike Davis are chairing partnership. Thanks to all. Be sure and put these on your calendars and of course, I'll see you at the table.

Dallas Memorial Day Sectional

Richardson TX May 23-27 2019 549 players.: 642 tables.

1 62.52 Mark Bumgardner 2 59.22 Kimmel Jones 3 49.46 Marion Gebhardt 4 44.68 Nagy Kamel 5 43.24 Dan Morse 6 42.24 Bill Staats 7 36.90 Stephen Kornegay 8 36.90 Nancy Kornegay 9 35.71 Tomi Storev 10 34.01 Jack Borenstein 11 32.77 Hugh Hillaker 12 32.41 Pawel Hanus

15 31.29 Hemant Lall 16 30.16 Phil Clayton 17 30.05 Milton Neher 18 28.57 Michael Penick 19 28.30 Norman Beck 20 28.25 Bart Bramley 21 26.27 Jerry Derby 22 23.33 Linda Spangler 23 22.84 Stan Pushkarsky 24 21.63 Robert Buchanan 25 20.65 Thomas Smith 26 20.65 Sharon Dameron

Thu Morn Strat Open Pairs-30.0 Tables / Based on 45 Tables A1. Marion Gebhardt-Marcia Hutchison A2B1. Connie Martin-Jo England B2C1. Betty Woodward-Dan Woodward B2. Susan Bates-Floyd Gerwig Thur Morn Strat 299er Prs-14.5 Tables AB1. Leslie Collins-Chuck Thomas AB2C1. Kay Irwin-Nicole Hansard C2. Sharon Welsh-Jim Larose

Thu Aft Strat Open Pairs-22.5 Tables / Based on 37 Tables A1. John Spessard-Nancy Peterson A2. S Kohan-Milton Neher B1. Jon Browne-Adrianne Feuer B2. Eileen Davidoff-Lue Waddle C1. Mark Dumdei-Deanna Davis C2. Larica Taylor-Rodger Gruenwald Thur Aft Strat 299er Prs-14.0 Ta-

Myers C2. Tony Arthur-Carol Arthur Fri Morn Strat Open Pairs-27.0 Tables / Based on 43 Tables A1. Marion Gebhardt-Jack Borenstein A2B1. Bonnie Kay Yetter-Alice Hendry B2. Marvin Migdol-Randolph Worsham C1. Frank Mazzucco-Sue Mazzucco C2. Carla Guthrie-Clint Pruett Fri Morn Strat 299er Prs-16.0 Tables AB1. Feza Buyukdura-Randall Wilson AB2C1. Nina Watkins-Ansel Goldgar C2. Beverly Winchester-Calvin Winchester Mc Kinney 58.56%

Thu Bracketed Swiss 1-7 Tables 1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Dan Morse-Nagy Kamel 2. Rich Brandenburg-Robert Holliday-J Terrence Wolfe-William Driscoll Thu Bracketed Swiss 2-7 Tables 5.30 1 Robert Bender-Sharon Ward-Carla Guthrie-Clint Pruett 2. Roslyn Miller-Joe Fletcher-Elise Sher-Clint Schuhmacher Thu Bracketed Swiss 3-11 Tables 1. Marcia Messinger-Margie Portela-Judy Zipkes-Judy Bouska 2. Diana Chen-Rathnam Vasanthkumar-Nand Kuloor-Sivareddy Mukkamall Fri Aft Strat Open Pairs-19.5 Tables / Based on 33 Tables A1. Bart Bramley-Dave Westfall A2B1. Jennifer Rao-Nancy Fellman B2. Marilyn Foote-Nancy Jipp C1. Pat Glaser-Susan Colby C2. Franci Moses-Jean Hoffman

Fri Aft Strat 299er Prs-13.0 Tables ABC1. Marsha Murray-Jana Mueller AB2. Lynda Pillans-Phil Pillans C2. Tony Arthur-Carol Arthur Friday Bracketed Swiss-1-7 Tables 1. Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman-Nancy Passell-Phil Clayton 2. Mark Bumgardner-Michael Penick-Bill Staats-Kimmel Jones

Friday Bracketed Swiss-2-7 Tables 1. James Rider-Cheryl Rider-Bruce Harbour-Fonse Ragland 2. David Greims-Eileen Davidoff-Lue Waddle -Nancy Harralson

Friday Bracketed Swiss-3-7 Tables 1. Sandra Fedro-Linda Jimmerson-Betty Wheeler-Tommie Anglemyer 2. Mary Lynn Genovesi-Connie Van Patter-Karen Cohen-Michael Chockley Friday Bracketed Swiss-4-12 Tables 1. Joni Antweil-Janice Trombello-Joyce Norton-Marjorie Norton 2. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr-Darrel VanDyke-Carolyn Henderson Sat Morn Strat Open Pairs-25.0

Tables / Based on 37 Tables A1. Robert Buchanan-Tomi Storev A2. Michael Schreiber-Amy Downing B1. Nancy Fellman-Elaine Wood B2. Bob Butterfield-Elda Kay Hampton C1. Genny Lemeshev-Yuri Lemeshev C2. Michael Chockley-Jack Schober Sat Morn Strat 299er Prs-11.0 Tables ABC1. Nina Watkins-Ansel Goldgar A2. Melanie Munnell-Cordelia Cottingim B2/ Sandy Clapp-Theresa Smith C2. Anne McCann-Mvra Hammond

Sat Bracketed Swiss 1-5 Tables 1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay Mark Bumgardner-Kimmel Jones 2. Dan Morse-Pawel Hanus-Ari Sippola -Nagy Kamel

Sat Bracketed Swiss 2-7 Tables 1. Stan Pushkarsky-Anita Albert-Thomas Smith-Sharon Dameron 2. Jim Harp-Mary McGinnis-David Salem-Rebekah Hahn

Sat Bracketed Swiss 3-7 Tables 1. Mary Lynn Genovesi-Rosalind Smith -Carol Casey-Carol Murray 2. Fred Curtis Jr-Janet Borg-David Greims-Linda Harlev Sat Bracketed Swiss 4 1. Bill

Brooks-Kenneth Melvin-Victoria Sublette-Stuart Nelan 2. William Eads-Cynthia Benton-Wayne Williams-Michael Blanchard Sat Aft Strat Open Pairs-20.5 Tables / Based on 34 Tables A1. Bob Hamman-Barbara Hamman A2. Jerry Derby-Thomas Leberman B1. Roxann Swenson-John Moore B2. Jack Rollier-Ann Lewis C1. Robert Dixon--Wilton Crocker C2. Jerry Myers-Marilyn Schrameck Sat Aft Strat 299er Prs-14.0 Tables A1. Alice Ogle-Carolyn New A2. Allan Chernov-Ruth Viola B2C1. Debor Cassen-John Saylor Sun Morn Strat Open Pairs-21.0

Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1. Linda Spangler-Jerry Derby A2. Marion Gebhardt - Jack Borenstein B1. Marian Maley-Mark Till B2. Susan S Doe-Tom Whitesides C1. Joyce Armstrong-Grace Daddario C2. Floyd Gerwig-Susan Bates

Sun Morn Strat 299er Prs-6.5 Tables AB1. Leslie Collins-Chuck Thomas AB2. Judy Zipkes-Julia Tidwell C1. June Kiley-Robert Kiley C2. Ansel Goldgar-Nina Watkins

Sun Aft Strat Open Pairs-19.0 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. Marion Gebhardt-Jack Borenstein A2. Bob Friz-Michael Hout BC1. Joyce Armstrong-Grace Daddario B2. Phyllis Gravitz-Barbara Ferm C2. Linda Walton-Charlotte Tunnell

Sun AFT Strat 299er Prs-13.0 Tables AB1. Jason Glatzer-Harold Mall A2. Alice Ogle-Carolyn New B2. Robert Kiley-June Kiley C1. Len Bourland-Vicki Campbell C2. Cheryl Bradford-Linda Appel

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-1-7 Tables 1. Dan Morse-Pawel Hanus-Ari Sippola-Nagy Kamel 2. Mark Bumgardner-Bill Staats-Kimmel Jones-Hugh Hillaker

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-2-7 Tables 1. Stan Pushkarsky-Anita Albert-Thomas Smith-Sharon Dameron 2. Alma Farley-Robert Clarke-Judy Etchison-J Scott Etchison

Sunday Bracketed Swiss-3-7 Tables 1 Mary Lynn Genovesi-Karen Cohen -Carol Murray-Linda Lindley 2 Sandie Walser -Betty Mastick-David Luzzatto-Betsy Goldsmith Sunday Bracketed Swiss-4-11 Tables 1. Wayne Evans-William Driscoll-Terence Harley-Linda Harley 2. Robert Kayser -Barbara Taylor-Gretchen Cash-Fred Carver Mon Aft Strat Open Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1. Sidney Perutz-Randolph Worsham AB2. Catherine Tucker-James Wilson C1. Andrea Hagar-Dean Gilmore C2. David Noteware-Sam Norvell

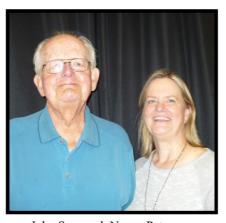
Monday A/AX Swiss Teams-14 Tables / Based on 54 Tables A1. Bart Bramley-Peggy Sutherlin-Joan Jackson-Norman Beck A2. Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman-Phil Clayton-Mark Bumgardner X1. Milton Neher-Tomi Storey-Jimmy Reynolds-Kim Brink-

man X2. Hua Yang-Yan Song-Tiger King-Danny Feng Monday B/C/D Swiss Teams-40 Tables BC1. Tom Lang-Reg Watt-Janet Borg-Maria Gregorat BC2. Brian Gelles-Janet Gelles-Stuart Nelan-Robert Bender D1. Jovce Anderson-Mary Ellen Little-Al Mince-Barry Malone D2. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr -Darrel VanDyke-Carolyn Henderson

UNIT 176 MEMORIAL DAY CHAMPIONS



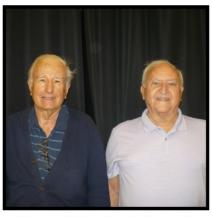
Marcie Hutchison, Marion Gebhardt Thursday AM Pairs A



John Spessard, Nancy Peterson Thursday Aft Pairs A



Nancy Passell, Petra Hamman, Hemant Lall, Phil Clayton Friday Swiss Bkt 1



Marion Gebhardt, Jack Borenstein Friday AM Open Pairs Sunday Open Pairs



Buck Buchanan, Tomi Storey Saturday, Open Pairs - A



Ari Sippola, Pawel Hanus, Nagy Kamel, Dan Morse Sunday Swiss Bkt 1



Peggy Sutherlin, Bart Bramley, Norman Beck, Joan Jackson Monday Swiss Team Flt A



Judy Zipkes, Judy Bourka. Margie Portela, Marcia Messinger Swiss 3rd BKT, Thursday



Sandy Fedro, Linda Jimmerson Tommie Anglemyer, Betty Sue Wheeler Friday Swiss BKT 3



Joni Antweil, Jan Trombello Margie Norton, Joyce Norton Swiss - Friday - BKT 4



Bill Brooks, Kenneth Melvin. Victoria Sublette, Stuart Nelan Saturday Swiss Bkt 4



Stan Pushkarsky, Tom Smith, Anita Albert, Sharon Dameron Sunday Swiss Bkt 2



Linda Lindley, Karen Cohen. Carol Murray, Mary Lynn Genovesi Sunday Swiss, BKT 3



Bill Driscoll, Wayne Evans, Terry Harley, Linda Harley Sunday Swiss Bkt 4



Tomi Storey, Kim Brinkman, Milt Heher, Jimmy Reynolds Monday Swiss Flt X



Reg Watt, Tom Lang, Janet Borg, Maria Gregorat Monday BCD Swiss



Leslie Collins, Chuck Thomas Thursday Morn 299ers



Marsha Murray, Jana Mueller Friday Aft 299ers



Jason Glatzer, Harold Mall Sunday Aft 299ers



Ed Note. Many thanks to Bill Walker for his many fine columns. And welcome Chuck.

In my first Unit 183 column, I am pleased to report on the newest Club in our Unit, BAFLAC. NOT the

insurance company, the Bridge Academy of Flower Mound, Lewisville and Coppell (BAFLAC) was started in November 2018 by co-owners Darrell VanDyke and Carol Hender-Darrell says, "My love for son. bridge led to starting this club, which is focused on providing both a warm and challenging atmosphere for bridge players of all skill levels." Games are every Monday, Friday, and Saturday at 11:30 am at the Lewisville location at 2488 Meadowglen Dr. Several social bridge players have advanced to ACBL play with

this Club. Bridge lessons - both individual and group - are available upon request. The BAFLAC website is https://baflac.com/. Come on out and play if you get the chance!

The Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club had a very successful Longest Day on June 19th, with the funds raised to promote Alheimer's research. Tom and Dorothy Moore coordinated three sessions: a morning Breakfast Pairs, an afternoon Bracketed Swiss Team event, and an evening Mentor Game. Two days following this exciting event, the Arlington Club then hosted a 3-day Sectional Tournament in Grapevine – what a week!

Some have asked why our clubs hold so many NAP games during June, July, and August.

Per Steve Shirey, the short answer is Alice Wright and Sharon Harbach! Each District gets three qualifiers for the trip to the NABC. BUT, that is 75 pairs, and 78 are needed for a 3section, 13-table movement. So, three Districts get a fourth qualifier. Those 3 Districts get them based on

attendance at the club and Unit level. Last year, D16 was one of the three to get a 4th qualifier in Flights B & C.

The 4th place pair in C, the NLM event, was our very own Alice & Sharon

That won't happen every year, but we want our District to get every possible entrant to the only grassroots pair event on the NABC calendar.

Chuck Mogged 1217 Tuscany Drive Colleyville, TX 75034 (817) 851-6408

Heart o\f the **Metroplex** Grapevine

Jun 21-23 2019 262 players. 237 tables.

- 1 27.62 Hugh Hillaker
- 2 24.38 Stephen Kornegay 3 24.38 Nancy Kornegay
- 4 22.22 Mark Bumgardner
- 5 22.22 Bill Staats
- 6 19.08 Tom Edwards 7 17.61 Linda Spangler
- 8 16.95 Kim Brinkman
- 9 16.89 Pat Cassidy
- 10 16.89 Jerry Derby

Fri Br Swiss Teams-1-7 Tables 1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Tom Edwards-Bryan Storey 2. Mi-

chael Penick-Mark Bumgardner-Bill Staats-Kimmel Jones Fri Br Swiss Teams-2-7 Tables 1. Rich Brandenburg-Robert Holliday-Robert Bender-William Driscoll 2. Michael Tiernan-Kathy Coleman-Janet Jordan-Laura Nash

Fri Br Swiss Teams-3-7 Tables 1. Joyce Anderson-Mary Ellen Little-Barry Malone-Al Mince 2. Tawana Arnett-Judy Crabtree-Fran Howard-**Dolores McCuistian**

Fri Morn Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 22 Tables AB1. Penny Mixon-Marlene Round A2. Milton Neher-Marion Gebhardt B2. James Willson-Margot Hirsch C1. Chris Kelly-G Schroers C2. Darrick Chee-Nancy Alvarado

Fri Morn 499er Pairs-10.0 Tables AB1. Lawrence Fritz-Charles Hill AB2. Karen Cook-Tracy Stanley C1. Wayne Corbett-Jan Agee C2. Martha Jungman-Sandra Funkhouser Denton 44.05%

Fri Aft Open Pairs-9.0 Tables / Based on 20 Tables AB1. William Garrard-Donna Garrard A2. Billy Leeper-Bill Ream B2C1. Darrick Chee-Nancy Alvarad C2. Robert Scrimale-Paul Taylor

Fri Aft 499er Pairs-11.0 Tables AB1. Lawrence Fritz-Charles Hill A2. T R Sartor-Harold Schulz B2C1. Nutan Saraiya-Barbara Blake C2. Martha Jungman-Sandra Funkhouser Sat Morn Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 24 Tables ABC1. Khalifa Ahmed-Fred Seipp AB2. Martin Hester-Kim Brinkman C2. Frank Mazzucco-Sue Mazzucco

Sat Morn 499er Pairs-12.0 Tables AB1. Charles Hill-Bill Jernigan AB2C1 .Lawrence Fritz-Anne Fritz C2. Edna Riek-Robert Pitts Sat Br Swiss Teams-1-7 Tables 1. Linda Spangler-; Hugh Hillaker-Pat Cassidy-Jerry Derby 2. Bart Bramley-Joan Jackson-Peggy Sutherlin-Norman Beck

Sat Br Swiss Teams-2-7 Tables 1. Scott Nason-Alexander Wiles-Robert Bender-Stuart Nelan 2. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr-Letty Garek-Rosalee Hacker

Sat Br Swiss Teams-3-9 Tables 1. Joyce Anderson-Mary Ellen Little-Al Mince-Barry Malone 2. Jeff Newman -Kimberly Dorsey-Newman-Robert Dixon-Gloria Schuford

Sat Aft 499er Pairs-11.5 Tables ABC1. Charles Hill-Bill Jernigan AB2. Cheryl Dollar-James Bishop Sat Aft Open Pairs-13.0 Tables / Based on 25 Tables A1. Mary Orock-Greg Resz A2 . Bob Friz-Michael

Hout B1.. Eric Diamond-Judith Lotridge B2C1. Cyrus Sabharwal-Kapil Sabharwal C2 Mike Peiffer-Diane Kohsmann

Sun AX Swiss-11 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. Mark Bumgardner-Bill Staats-Melody Euler-Hugh Hillaker A2X1. Martin Hester-Kim Brinkman-Laura Onsgard-Kristen Onsgard X2. Dana Osburn-Dan Osburn-Bob Jones-Missy Coy

Sun BCD Swiss-18 Tables B1. Frank Durante-Nancy Latner-Rosalind Smith-Jo England B2C1. . Mickey Tryon-Stephen Hibbard-Jeanette McDonald-Stephen Bennett Tom Moore-Dorothy Moore-Wilma Hill-Betty McCauley D1.. Betty Mastick-Wilton Crocker-Sandie Walser-Carol Buchanan D2. Linda Farish-Roger Farish-Darrel VanDyke-Marge Metcalf

GRAPEVINE SECTIONAL WINNERS



Friday 2 Session Swiss Bkt 1 Brian Storey, Steve Kornegay, Nancy Kornegay



Friday Morn Stratified Open Pairs Marlene Round, Penny Mixon



Friday Aft Stratified Open Donna Garrard, Bill Garrard



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A,B&C Fred Seipp, Khalifa Ahmed



Saturday 2 Session Swiss Bkt 1 Jerry Derby, Pat Cassidy, Linda Spangler



Sunday 2 Session Swiss Flt A Mark Bumgardner, Bill Staats, Hugh Hillaker



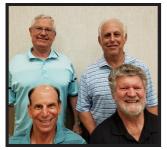
Friday 2 Session Swiss Bkt 2 Bill Driscoll, Bob Holliday, Rich Brandenburg, Bob Bender



Friday & Saturday Swiss Bkt 3 Barry Malone, Al Mince Joyce Anderson, Mary Ellen Little



Sunday 2 Session Swiss Flt Ax Kim Brinkman, Martin Hester, Kristen Onsgard, Laura Onsgard



Saturday 2 Session Swiss Bkt 2 Alex Wiles, Stu Nelan, Bob Bender, Scott Nason



Sunday 2 Session Swiss Flt B Roz Smith, Jo England, Frank Durante, Nancy Latner



Sunday 2 Session Swiss Flt C Betty Mastick, Carol Buchanan, Sandie Walser



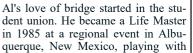
Friday Morn & Aft 499ers Larry Fritz, Chuck Hill

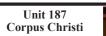


Friday Morn 499ers Tracy Stanley, Karen Cook



Saturday Morn 499ers Chuck Hill, Bill Jernigan





are Tiny Beckham and Bill Whittle.

Ray High School jersey!

should come to the club wearing a -Melissa Plumb



Greetings beloved bridge patrons. As the summer is upon us, playing bridge seems to be the best option to stay out of our infamous heat! With NAP. STaC, and the Longest Day games, colored points were made during the month of June.

The Longest Day campaign to raise money for Alzheimer's was a success. The Rockport Bridge Club raised \$1,835.00! The winners of the session were Marion Beeler and Sally Rowe. The South Texas Bridge Association raised \$2,855.00! Winners of the first session were Marilyn German and Marth De Cou and second session were Bob Gerberich and Melissa Plumb. Congratulations! With extreme gratitude, Unit 187 thanks all who participated in the game and all contributors.

Unit 187 would like to congratulate Kathe & Russ Powers and Melissa Plumb for becoming bronze life masters. Also joining the life masters club

games will continue through out the summer. Be sure to visit our website for detailed information. A special thanks to Ron Francey for his maintenance of our website.

Barb Estes, a very special director, bridge teacher, and friend to many has passed. Unit 187 expresses our deepest condolences to her husband Bev Estes, family, and friends. Barb is truly missed. She is loved by many.

South Texas Bridge Association was fortunate to gain a new bridge player to our club. Bill Samelson was born in New Orleans to Jerry and Chris Samelson. As a child, his family moved to Louisville, Mississippi. In 1943, being the son of a sailor, they relocated to Corpus Christi. Bill's grandparents and uncles followed. The Samelson's also lived in North Carolina, Virginia, and California.

Bill attended elementary and middle school here in Corpus Christi. He then graduated from W.B. Ray High School in 1960. When speaking of his childhood, Bill felt it was important to mention he was on the Ray Texans football team in 1959. This is the only year, the Texans have won the football state championship. I suggest he

Bill Samelson joined the Navy He then went to college and earned a degree in electronics technology. In 1986, he started a computer software company using some of the first webbased software. Once he retired, Bill's son continued to run the business until he sold out to a large international company.

After living in Pennsylvania and southern New Jersey, Bill returned to Corpus Christi nine years ago. Chris, Bill's mother, was an excellent bridge player. She asked him if he was interested in rubber bridge. This is where his bridge journey began. They had frequent games in her home. Bill was extremely impressed by his mother's play. One day he asker her about her ability to remember the conventions and method of keeping track of cards. Her response was "Pay attention".

In addition to playing bridge, Bill likes to garden, travel, and attend baseball games.

He says that we have very nice club. Well, the club is very luck to have added a very nice player!

I look forward to seeing you at the table!



Longest Day

ACBL is an inaugural partner with the Alzheimer's Association, and sponsors the Longest Day. Unit 197 participated last year and will again June 19, 2019. We're all wearing purple, bringing a snack, and encouraging donations. Playing fees are increased for this game but proceeds will be sent to the Alzheimer's Association.

Summer Showers Sectional

Unit 197 is looking forward to seeing YOU at our sectional tournament, August 2-4. 2019. Come for the hospitality, the food, great Bridge, and a 299er game each day except Sunday.

Condolences

With much sadness we report the deaths of three of our members: Al Postar, Ava Huddleston, and Lynda McBride.

his friend, Mark Lair. His goal was to be a Diamond Life Master; he was only 37 points away from that when his health declined and kept him away from the table. Al was a retired Optometrist who loved to travel with his wife Marsha.

Ava was a longtime member of our Unit and served us in many capacities. She volunteered to take over directing the Tuesday night game so those who worked would have a chance to play. She co-chaired one Regional and was chairman of several sectionals. She told me on many occasions that she did not want to go into an assistant living facility but wanted to stay in her own home as long as possible. She had cared for her mom and wanted to be able to live also in her own home. She missed her husband, Darvin, and told me several times that she knew he was waiting for her and how peaceful it was where he was. She had been in ill health for a long time; when many people would have given up she just kept on truckin' and played Bridge almost till the end of her life. She got her final wish and was still living alone in her own home when she died. She will be greatly missed. Our sympathy goes

Melissa Plumb

out to her family and to her many friends. Written by Sandy Krahmer

Dr. Lynda McBride was a retired professor of Women's Studies at Texas Tech and had recently moved to the El Paso area. Lynda was a daughter, sister, mother, friend, professor, mentor, and inspiration to all. Her sudden death was a shock to family and friends.



Lynda McBride



Ava-Huddleston



Al Postar



The 2019 Neches River Tournament, April 8-12, culminated with the King's Luncheon Friday. King LXXI Keith Giblin,

President Lan Phelan, and Social Director Michelle Smith were recognized at the 13 table event, a tradition beginning in the 1960's. Heading up the hosting duties were Linda Briggs, Kay Hooper, Carolyn Worsham, Patsy Pierce, and Nixie Hanson Members played 48 tables competing for 24 trophies. During the week trophies were awarded to the winners and those in 2nd place. Winning trophies were awarded to Martha Sigler, Flo Gillispie, Helen Williams, Norma Crane, Frances Price, Nat Hallmark, Nixie Hanson, Thomas Comte. and twice John and Nancy Smalley. Second place \ trophies went to Ed Rasmussen, Marianna Carpenter, Bill Delboy, Glenda Bass, Jim Ferguson, Patti Salter, Susan Pennington, Carol McGill, Flo Ferguson, Jerry Gore, Lynn Adamchik and John Kacher. Betty and Dick Poindexter, along with Carolyn Worsham, hosted the Memorial Day, May 27 traditional hot dog lunch followed by the game. President Carolyn Worsham gave a poetic tribute to the US military, noting the 75th anniversary of D-Day. Members enjoyed visiting with guests, including Ron Niederstadt, a WWII veteran. Players stopped the game as a memorial tribute with a minute of national silence at 3p.m. along with the nation. The 13-table game resulted in 1st -Edwina Landrum and Nancy Smalley; 2nd - Susan Gore and Pat Bell; 3rd - John Smalley and Aiyanadar Bharathi.

McGill, John and Nancy Smalley.

April mentor pairs placing: 1st -Thomas Comte and Nixie Hanson; 2 nd - Flo Ferguson and Jerry Gore. Norma Crane and Patsy 3rd – Pierce. April mentor teams placing: 1 st - Jim and Flo Ferguson and Jerry and Susan Gore; 2nd - Judy Dishman, Nadine Pearce, June Eddingston and Pat Bell; 3rd – Carolyn Oliver, Jobie Irvine, Tim Stelly and Arline Meyers. May mentor pairs placing: 1st - Joe Kazmar and Carol McGill; 2nd – Sylvia Street and Pat Bell; 3rd - Flo Ferguson and Susan Gore. May mentor teams placing: 1st Carolyn Oliver, Jobie Irvine, Tim Stelly and Arline Meyers. 2nd – Lou Ida Rising, Glenda Bass, Carolyn Worsham, and Pat Bell. 3rd -Kay Hooper, Susan Pennington, Carol McGill, and Martha Oliver. The highest monthly totals for April were Dr. Aiyanadar Bharathi, Nancy and John Smalley. Highest for

Aiyanadar Bharathi, Arline Meyers , and Flo Gillispie. U201 is especially grateful to Don Moss who has continued to teach new players bridge basics followed by arranging the mentoring of these play-

May were Dr.

ers in the mentor games.

At the June 3 membership meeting, U201 board members were elected for June 2019-June 2020: two-year terms, Linda Briggs, Kay Hooper, Flo Ferguson, E. W. Sweeney, and Val Townley-Smith. Jerry Heckman was elected to serve a one-year term. Returning board members are Patsy Pierce, Carolyn Worsham, Carolyn Oliver, and Sylvia Street. Kris Cherry and Martha Oliver represent the Orange Community Bridge League, and Marianna Carpenter represents the Rayburn Country Duplicate Bridge Club. Outgoing board members Nixie Hanson, Liz MacKenzie, and Sandra Allison were thanked for their service and leadership.

The following received both the Ace of Clubs and Mini McKinney Masterpoint Awards: Susan Pennington (0-5), Jenny Shuffield (5-20), Jobie Irvine (20-50), James Ferguson (50-100), Carolyn Oliver (100-200), Michael Lemons (200-300), Nixie Hanson (300-500), Tim Stelly (1500-2500), Carol McGill (2500-3500), Martha Sigler (3500-5000), and Tipton Golias (over 10,000). The following received the Ace of Clubs Award: Susan Gore (500-1000), Pat Bell (1000-1500), and Dr. A Bhara-thi (5000-7500). The following re-ceived the Mini McKinney Award: Linda Briggs (500-100), Marilyn Adams (1000-1500), and Nancy Smalley (5000-7500). E.W. Sweeney was recognized for the District Star Award. Don and Juinez Moss won the Goodwill Awards. U201 lost the following members during the period June 2018- June 2019: Anna Smith, Gertrude Cherry, Ralph Barrientos, Blanche Sibley, Harriet Garth, Mary Lou Terry, and Thelma Stockdale. President Carolyn Worsham has worked hard promoting The Longest Day fund-raising campaign set for Wednesday,

June 19 at the Beaumont location and June 18 in Orange. She also is busy planning the Beaumont Gusher Regional Tournament at the Beaumont Elegante Hotel September 23-29. More information on each of these events are available on http:// u201.org/.

turned to their home countries, the Puerto Vallarta, San Jose Cabo, and Mazatlan clubs are on hiatus until October when our winter friends return. 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 4-10. 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 San Francisco. 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 these other Mexican highlights: San Miguel de Allende will be hosting its sectional from January 30-February 2, 2020. San Miguel is such a beautiful city, and I look forward to going there every year. Then, we'll be lakeside for the Ajijic Valentine sectional from February 20-23. That's the cookie tournament for those who haven't heardwe serve dozens of home-baked goodies at every session. It's not to be missed. Follow that up with a regional tournament back in San Miguel from March 3-8. 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!

Club News. The following Unit 205 players posted 70% games this spring: At the Lake Chapala Club, Clint Smith and Mary Ann White scored 77% on April 26 (3 tables), while Diane van Brocklin and Mike Roney posted 70% on April 29 (3 tables). In Puerto Vallarta, Carol Ann Halliday and Shirley King scored 70.93% on February 26 (18 tables). At the Mazatlan Club, it was Harvey Bush and Chuck Burton who hit the mark with 71.36% on February 6 (101/2 tables), and Buz Trevor and Marnie Heuston who scored big with 76.62% on February 27 (11 tables). The Baja Bridge Club had several big games lately. Jan and Philip Coulson scored 75.40% on April 25 (4 tables) and 74.25% on March 17 (5 tables). Ellen Jenkins posted 73.08% on March 26 playing with Suzette Bahar (71/2 tables), and 77.44% playing with Gert Balfe on February 19 (6 tables). Congratulations to all.

In Memoriam. The Lake Chapala Club bids farewell to several longtime friends. Gordon Cowan passed away on April 21. Gordon loved to play cards, and especially enjoyed the Friday morning games directed by Stephen Segall. Micki Wilson also left us in April. Micki was a classy lady both at and away from the bridge table. She leaves behind many friends in Lake Chapala. And finally, we lost Elsa Wasserman on May 14. Elsa was a highly accomplished woman with a doctorate in Education. Following a very successful career, she spent most of the last 15 years in Ajijic. We will miss her gentle soul.

AL More info on unit special games and tourneys can be found on Unit 207's website

(http://www.austinbridge.org/) and BCA's (http:// the on www.bridgecenteraustin.com).

MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENTS More members have reached new levels. Congrats to all!

MARCH ACHIEVEMENTS

Club Master: Susanna Busico, Adrianne Charlton, Jim Comeskey, Judith Coroneos, Tim Elsea, Martin Hrachovy, Mary Fran Pena, Thomas Sears, Margaret Travis, Robert Travis, Dave Young, Sectional Master: Glenn Rudd, Nancy Schiller, Regional Master, Joseph Barry, Maureen Barry, Charlene Coor, Kevin Orr, NABC Master: Eric De Rouffignac, Michael Luckenbach, Elliott Turley, Adv NABC Master: Peter Naimoli, Simone Scumpia Bronze Life Master: Marion Segger. Silver Life Master: Jane Collins, Jackie Franz. Roxann Swenson, Gold Life Master: Raymond Borrego

APRIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Club Master: Bob Green, Diane Hamilton, Sectional Master: Michael Martin, **Regional Master:** Richard Day, Charlotte Gates, Lue Harden, NABC Master: Janet Bullock, Curt Wyman, Life Master: Robert Babb, Bronze Life Master: Janet Hawk, Silver Life Master: Nell Sanders, Ruby Life Master: Gary Anderson

Here's a picture of those who attended the lunch in May:



From Left: Dwight Silver, Nell

Sanders, Curt Wyman, Gary An-

derson

BOLS BRIDGE TIP FROM TIM SERES (1974)

Tim Seres was an Australian bridge player, generally considered among the best to represent his country internationally. He was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 1988 for his services to bridge.

His Tip: GIVE DECLARER ENOUGH ROPE

"When you can see that declarer is bound to succeed by normal play, look for a chance to give him a losing option. It stands to reason that if you consistently give your opponent a chance to go wrong, he/she will sometimes take it."

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO **READ IN THE SCORECARD?**

There's never a better time than now to suggest new topics. Email me those suggestions or talk to me at the Bridge Center. Your thoughts make newsletter better! our susiecc@comcast.net

Here's a picture of a few who attended the Milestone Lunch:



Austin Spring Sectional

May 16-19 2019 265 players. 299 tables.

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11 18.94 Kathryn Bailey Thu Morn Open Pairs-20.0 Tables / Al Charlen

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Players with 70% or above games in April/May were Dr. Aiyanadar Bharathi and Tipton Golias, Bob and Carol



The rainy season is upon us once again, and what a relief after some very warm weather in April and May. My mention of the rainy season might conjure up images of torrential downpours, washed-out roads, and giant mosquitoes. I know it did for me before moving to Mexico. Quite the contrary, our summer usually brings gentle showers morning and evening, sunny afternoons, pleasant temperatures with highs ranging from 74-78 degrees, and lush green hillsides. The lakeside area is really quite lovely this time of year. In fact, it's a great time to visit! (Okay, there are a few mosquitoes. But we love it anyway, and so would you.)

With our snowbirds now safely re-



Did you go to the Vegas Nationals? Well, I did and I took pictures. If I saw you there, you just might end up in the next Scorecard or at least on the website. If not, I hope you've had a wonderful summer and did a lot of fun things.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND GAMES August: NAP QUALIFYING CON-**TINUES**. Check the website for dates August 3: DOG DAYS UNIT CHAMPIONSHIP OPEN PAIRS August 17-19: 0-200 SECTIONAL August 24: LECTURE - Charlene Sands

Sept 14: LECTURE - Beth Tobias September 19-22: OPEN SECTION-AL

September 19-22: NLM REGION-

Sands-Virgil Massey A2. R Harry Akin--Jack Lacy B1. Mark Rosen-Peter Naimoli B2C1. Marc Levin-Karen Oberling C2. Peter Peca Jr-Liz Ashby

Thu Morn 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables A1. Marjorie Abell-Larry Johnson A2B1. Charlene Coor-Kevin Orr B2C1. Linda Gaston-Terrie Kolvoord C2. Sue Carter-Susie Flynn Thu Morn Swiss-14 Tables ABC1. Robert Caldwell III-Orlin Johnson-Ann Roe-W Kenneth Davis A2. Kathryn Bailey-Mercedes Barker--Marilyn Sharratt-Lucerne Bunch B2. Margaret Bennett-Laurene Jacob-Melinda Simmen-Jo Dee Bowen C2. Robin Tucker-Michele Abriol-Sally Disanza-Barbara Rodriguez Thu Aft Open Pairs-13.0 Tables / Based on 19 Tables A1. Louis Sachar -David Sokolow A2. Tobi Sokolow-Claudette Hartman B1. Mark Rosen-Peter Naimoli B2C1. Marc Levin-Karen Oberling C2. Peter Peca Jr-Liz Ashby Thu Aft 299er Pairs-5.5 Tables A1. Linda Gurasich-John Gurasich A2B1. Karen O'Shea-Daniela De Falco B2.

Charlene Coor-Kevin Orr C1. Jim

Charlton-Terrie Kolvoord

Comeskey-Ellen Comeskey C2. Tom

Thu Aft Swiss-17 Tables A1. Donna

Friday Morn Swiss-13 Tables A1. Bob Bockemuehl-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey-Jack Lacy A2. James La Fountain-Richard Ware-Wiley McMinn III-Lysa Nguyen B1. Arthur Widen-Joseph Giordano-Robin Tucker-Steven Andersen B2. Mercedes Barker-Kathryn Bailey-Ken Mac-Morran-Sharon MacMorran C1. Richard Clements-Barbara Clements-Melinda Simmen-Jo Dee Bowen Fri Aft Open Pairs-14.0 Tables / Based on 22 Tables A1. Hank Eng-Everette Lewis A2BC1. Peter Peca Jr -Liz Ashby BC2. Marc Levin-Eugene Jackson III Sat Morn Open Pairs-12.5 Tables / Based on 21 Tables A1. Tobi Sokolow-Claudette Hartman A2. Elizabeth Tobias-Ron LaCour B1. Stephen Wood-Simone Scumpia B2. James Glathar-A Ansari C1. Richard Clements-Barbara Clements C2. Peter Peca Ir-Liz Ashby Sat Morn 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables AB1. Charlene Coor-Kevin Orr A2. Linda Gaston-Elizabeth McDaniel B2C1. Sheila Moser-Sandra Searls C2 .J Patrick Finnigan-John Adams Sat Morn Swiss-21 Tables A1. Jack Lacy-Jim Hilton-Robert Whitcher-Gary King A2B1. Dean Truair-Ralph Simon-Steven Andersen-Robert Tyler

B2. Kathryn Bailey-Mercedes Barker -Lucerne Bunch-Marilyn Sharratt C1/2 Mark Alpert-Judy Alpert-Jean Durocher-Earnestine Broyles C1/2 Patricia Webb-Michele Abriol-Robin Tucker-Laurene Jacob Fri Aft Swiss-8.0 Tables ABC1. Aaron Denton-Lilly Justman A2. Michael Rainbird-Ann Roe B2/3C2. Mary Fran Pena-Nancy Labastida B2/3 Ken Wolf-Daniela De Falco Fri Aft Swiss Teams-16 Tables A1. Anne LaCour-Pam LaShelle-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout A2B1. Marilyn Sharratt-Nell Sanders-David McCarron-Mary McCarron A2. Thomas Smith-Sandy Potts-Daniel Rothwell-John Guth B1. Cheri Gross -Sandra Harris-Susan Breeding-Edward Kim B2. Cynthia Rivet-Deborah Carver-Melinda Simmen-Jo Dee Bowen Sat Aft Open Pairs-13.0 Tables /

Based on 22 Tables A1. Louis Sachar-David Sokolow A2. Tobi Sokolow-Claudette Hartman B1. James Moody-Jarek Langer B2C1. Bob Green-Dionne Green C2. Peter Peca Jr-Liz Ashby El Paso TX 51.44%

Sat Aft 299er Pairs-8.5 Tables AB1. Charlene Coor-Kevin Orr A2. Michael Rainbird-Curt Wyman B2. Earnestine Broyles-Jean Durocher C1. Mary Fran Pena-Nancy Labastida Tim Elsea-Charlotte Gates Sat Aft Swiss-18 Tables AB1. Kathryn Bailey-Mercedes Barker-Lucerne Bunch-Marilyn Sharratt A2. Laura Jones-Tom Breed-Nancy Boothe-Pat McMullin B2. Rita Wiegenstein-Arthur Herriott-Louis Fogleman-Jo McDaniel C1. Nell Sanders-Rachell Jackson-Leilani Rose-Lisa Holzgrafe Sun B/C/D Swiss-18 Tables B1.

AUSTIN MAY SECTIONAL WINNERS

Peter Peca Jr-Liz Ashby-Orlin Johnson-R Gary Marquart B2. Nora Fallon-Elizabeth Ling-Linda Griffith-Robert Tyler C1. Robert Babb-Laurie Hartline-Babb-Marie Russiello-Emil Russiello C2/3D1. Mark Alpert-Judy Alpert-Sally Sassen-Ron Sassen C2/3 Augustyn Ortynski-Ken Hanson-Curt Wyman-Ronald Kunkel D2. Dorothy Foster-Mary Jaggers-Nancy Schiller-Marcy Wallace Sunday AX Swiss-14 Tables / Based on 32 Tables AX1. Nancy Joe-Lee Stokes Hilton-Kalyan Venkat-Bob Bockemuehl A2/3 Hanan Lushkov-David Sokolow-Tobi Sokolow-Anne LaCour-Ron LaCour A2/3 Kenneth Schutze-Jim Hilton-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel X2. Daniel Baker-Joyce Cooper-Paul Johnston-Alick Einav



September 19-22

OPEN SECTIONAL CONCURRENT WITH NLM REGIONAL NOTE: This Open Sectional will receive credit for simultaneous ta-

bles played in Pair and Swiss events from the NLM Regional. Single-session sectional events are credited with 65% of the tables from the NLM regional held in the same session for the purpose of calculating the overall award. Two-session sectional events are credited with all of the tables from the NLM regional, up to a maximum

of three times the number of tables in the sectional event

Thursday, Sept. 19th

Stratified Swiss Teams, single session 10am & 2:30pm Stratified Open Pairs, single session 10am & 2:30pm

Friday, Sept. 20th

Stratified Swiss Teams, single session 10am & 2:30pm Stratified Open Pairs, single session 10am & 2:30pm

Saturday, Sept. 21st

Two-Session Bracketed Swiss Teams 10am & 2:30pm Stratified Open Pairs, single session 10am & 2:30pm

Sunday, Sept. 22nd

(Sunday Teams are 2-Session Events) Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams (A/X=0-3000) 10am & TBA Bracketed Swiss Teams (0-2000) 10am & TBA Lunch provided between Sunday sessions.

Stratifications (pair and team games based on average MPs)
Open Pairs and Stratified Swiss:
A: 3000+, B: 1500-3000, C: 0-1500
Sunday Swiss Director has discretion on the A/X break;
7 teams/bracket NOTE: For the Bracketed Swiss, no team member may have more than 2000 MPs.

Entry Fees \$12 per session (\$16 for unpaid members, ACBL requirement) \$120 Sunday Swiss Teams(includes lunch) Pictures of section winners posted at austinbridge.org.

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Fri AM Open Pairs Flt A Alexander Labry, Nancy Joe



Fri AM Swiss Teams Flt A Charlene Sands, Bob Bockemuehl, Virgil Massey, Jack Lacy



Fri PM Swiss Teams Flt A Pam LaShelle, Donna Swarthout, Anne La Cour, Dave Swarthout



Fri PM Open Pairs Flt A Hank Eng, Everette Lewis

Thurs AM Swiss Teams Flt A, B, C W Kenneth Davis, Robert Caldwell III, Orlin Johnson, Ann Roe



Thurs AM Open Pairs Flt A

Charlene Sands, Virgil Massey

Thurs PM & Sat PM Open Pairs Flt A David Sokolow, Louis Sachar



Thurs PM Swiss Teams Flt A Anne La Cour, Donna Swarthout, Ron La Cour, Dave Swarthout



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A Tobi Sokolow, Claudette Hartman



Sat PM Swiss Teams Flt A, B Marilyn Sharratt, Lucerne Bunch, Kathryn Bailey, Mercedes Barker



Sun AX Swiss Flt A Nancy Joe, Lee Stokes Hilton, Kalyan Venkat, Bob Bockemuehl



Thurs PM Swiss Teams Flt B James Glathar, Rebecca Parmentier, Mickey Goldwater, A Ansari



Fri AM Open Pairs Flt B, C Eugene Jackson III, Marc Levin



Fri PM Open Pairs Flt B, C Peter Peca Jr, Liz Ashby

Sat AM Open Pairs Flt B Stephen Wood, Simone Scumpia



Thurs PM Swiss Teams Flt C David Davis, Simone Scumpia, Linda Gaston, W Kenneth Davis



Sat AM Swiss Teams Flt C (tie) Mark & Judy Alpert, Jean Durocher, Earnestine Broyles



Thurs AM Open Pairs Flt C Karen Oberling, Marc Levin



Sun BCD Swiss Flt C Robert Babb, Laurie Hartline-Babb, Marie & Emil Russiello



Fri PM Swiss Teams Flt C Cheri Gross, Susan Breeding, Sandra Harris



Thurs AM 299er Pairs Larry Johnson, Marjorie Abell



Sat AM Swiss Teams Flt B Ralph Simon, Dean Truair, Steven Andersen, Robert Tyler



Thurs AM 299er Pairs Linda Gaston, Terrie Kolvoord



Sat AM Swiss Teams Flt C (tie) Patricia Webb, Robin Tucker, Michele Abriol, Laurene Jacob



Thurs AM, Sat AM & PM 299er Pairs Kevin Orr, Charlene Coor



Sun BCD Swiss Flt B Peter Peca Jr., Liz Ashby, Orlin Johnson, R Gary Marquart



Fri PM 299er Pairs Lilly Justman, Aaron Denton



Midland and Odessa held several parties in April and May (what a surprise!) On April 18, Midland hosted an Easter Game with eight tables in play. North/South winners first in A and B were Deborah Brookins and LaDoyce Lambert. Second in A were Scott Vaughn and Jean Pistole. Third in A and 2^{nd} in B were Marilyn Higgins and Georgia Temple. East/ West winners 1st in A, B, and C were **Bill Huebner** and **Nancy Ward**, 2nd in A and B were Linda Buzan and Marty Massie, and 3rd in A and B were Bill Brooks and Debbie Conner.

Ninety-four candles would not fit on the cake when the Odessa Saturday club celebrated the birthday of Jean Pistole on April 27 (her real birthday is April 30). Lunch was provided by the members, and then they all played a little bridge. Winners were 1st in A-Flo Curry and Marlene Blumentritt; 1st in B—KC Evans and Scott Vaughn; 2nd in A—Jean Pis-tole and Deborah Brookins; and 2nd in B-Brenda Leonard and David Hudson.

On Thursday, May 9, Midland hosted an Eight Is Enough Swiss team game in preparation for the Midland Sectional Tournament. Some of our players had never participated in a team game, so we had a practice that included ten tables. We started with a pizza party and moved on to dessert and bridge. First place winners were Marty Massie, Kay Sewell, Ann Servatius, and Paula Bayley. Second place winners were Marilyn Higgins, Georgia Temple, Sonya Hopkins, and Ann Parish. Third place winners were Greg Keys, David Hudson, Dorothy Brenneman, and Paula Baggett.

On May 27, we had 6 1/2 tables for a Memorial Day celebration. Hamburgers and hotdogs were donated by Charlie Grimes and Lonnie Yee, and 4/05: Debbie Conly and KC Evans 72% 4/03: Flo Curry and Marlene Blumentritt 70.83%

4/19: Ann Servatius and LaDoyce Lambert 71.88% 4/28: KC Evans and Debra Jones

70% 5/07: Patricia Lawrence and Toya

Bell 75% 5/08: Flo Curry and Marlene Blumentritt 73.96%

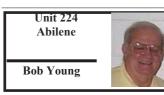
5/08: Charlie Grimes and Ann Servatius 71.88%

5/19: KC Evans and Debbie Conly 71%

5/20: Charlie Grimes and Ann Servatius 72.17%

For the last couple of months, Belle Harris has been bringing her new students for a Newcomer side game concurrent with the Tuesday afternoon Open game. It has proven to be a great experience for both groups. Finally, we want to offer sympathy to the family of Linda Farrar. She was a regular player on Thursday nights, and she always had a great time. Her cancer had already spread by the time she discovered it, and then she had only a few months to live. Linda, we hope you find lots of bling, wherever you are now!

I want to thank Belle Harris, Marlene Blumentritt, Lonnie Yee, and Shirley Davenport for their contributions to this column.



Our new board has elected officers and the new president is Jo Smith. Robert Patton continues longtime service as vice president and tournament chairmen. Secretary is Pat Ramsey and treasurer is new board member Richard Pike. Carol Whitten is also new to the board, and Jerry Riggs and Tiffany Wagstaff continue are in the second year of their terms.

accommodations along I20 or the Winters Freeway (West side). Call your correspondent, Bob Young 936 870-5904 for information.



<u>70% Games</u> Don & Mary Bartley -- 74.4% on 3/1 at Rose City DBC Cliff & Kathy Smith -- 73% on 3/22 at Pittsburg DBC Ron & Joyce Austin - 71% on 4/23 at Dottie Pirkle's DBC Pat Westbrook & Susan Ford 77.05% on 5/21 at Dottie Pirkle's DBC

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WHAT ARE THE ODDS ?? .00000011111%

What are the odds of partners getting all the face cards in the deck on one hand?

Marilyn Chionsini and Annette Crawford were partners with this amazing hand!!

furnish lunch and the players will bring appetizers and desserts. Prizes will be given to the team which brings in the largest cash donations. At lunch, there will be an auction of donated items, raising even more money for the worthy charity. Sandy Hilliard, one of our directors, was honored by the Van Zandt County Child Welfare Board upon her retirement after 26 years of volunteer service. County Judge Don Kirkpatrick presented her a proclamation proclaiming May 21, 2019 "Sandy Hilliard Special Volunteer Day". In 2012 she was named Volunteer of the Year by the Texas Council of Child Welfare Boards as well as Region 4 Volunteer of the Year. She has won many other awards and the last 3 years has lobbied the State Legislature regarding child welfare concerns. Sandy has definitely been a "hands on" volunteer, many times stopping what she was doing to personally take care of the emergency needs of children. She is a welcomed speaker at community meetings, informing them of the dire needs of Texas children. Congratulations, Sandy, from all of your duplicate bridge friends!

Dottie Pirkle DBC (Athens) --Charles Ford, a Certified Best Practices Teacher, is proposing bridge lessons for various conventions to be taught in future weeks or months. These lessons are comprehensive in nature.

Congratulations to Susan Ford for reaching the masterpoint milestone of Master. Life

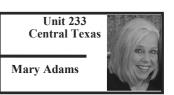
Longview DBC Congratulations to Shirley Matthews & Nick France for attaining the top score (69.44 %) in District 16 in the ACBL Wide Charity Game on April 3. They won 10 red points for their win.

The Steve Lawrence Award is presented to the Unit 225 player who won the most masterpoints at the East Texas Regional. The recipient of this award was Mike Graham. He also won this award in 2015.

starting at 10AM. Our goal is to meet or beat last years' record attendance and to match the 35 Swiss Teams we had last year! So get your partner or teams and head to Tyler for lots of fun and warm East Texas hospitality! Contact Rathnam at 903-363-2811 if you need help with partnerships or teams!

Preparations for August General Meeting and Board Elections:

Our annual Unit 225 General Meeting will be held, Saturday, August,10 at 11.30AM at the Tyler Senior Citizen's Bldg. Awards will be presented and board member elections will take place. For 2019-2020 Unit 225's slate of nominees includes: 1) returning Board members Linda Harrison, Mary Ramsey, Phyllis Alvarez, Carol Kinsey; 2) new nominees are Jo Ellen Wade and John Hamilton.



I hope all of you are

enjoying summer---and especially staying inside and playing more bridge! For those of you, like me, who have friends and family members who do not share my "love of the game," I have a suggestion: The Waco Bridge on the Brazos Tournament will be held at the Waco Convention Center August 2, 3, 4. I hope you will join me in inviting bridge friends to come and bring their nonbridge-playing family and friends to join in all of activities available in Waco. I was amazed looking at Trip Advisor as well as Waco web sites to see all of the activities and tours available---such as Magnolia, Baylor tours, history tours, sports museums, and so much more. These are great 'dog days of summer" opportunities for people to be together while also "doing their own thing,"

the rest of us brought side dishes and the fixings. Winners were 1st in A, Deborah Brookins and Marilyn Matthews; 2nd in A, Ann Servatius and Charlie Grimes; 3rd in A and 1st in B, Kay Sewell and Greg Keys; 4th in A, 2nd in B, and 1st in C were Linda Buzan and Betty Moore.

President Lonnie Yee of Midland reported that the Midland players are working on ways to bring new people to duplicate bridge. Beginner and Intermediate classes are still being offered by Deborah Brookins and Ann Servatius. Belle Harris taught a special class in "Etiquette in Duplicate Bridge," aimed at the party bridge players. The class helped party bridge players be exposed to the bidding boxes, the boards, the bridge pads, and getting comfortable playing in a duplicate game. We also set up a booth during Community Day at Midland College to gather interest and invite students to a special "Ten (Lessons) for \$10" set of lessons taught by **Belle Harris**. We are also reaching out to Manor Park, the Senior Center, schools, and the community to promote duplicate bridge. A number of pairs had 70%+ games in April and May:

Plans for this year include a sectional tournament at the unit building in September.

Our unit has its own building which we built years ago in the city's Rose Park and deeded to the city. Last year after considerable negotiation, ably led by Dan Smith and Robert Patton, the city replaced our roof, carpeting and ceiling. A new lease was signed, and we are making regular set asides for future maintenance and repairs. Thanks to Robert and Dan (Jo's husband) for their perseverance and patient leadership. We are all more comfortable and enjoying the flexibility of having a dedicated building for our use under the aegis of the City of Abilene!

For those of you who might be venturing West in the future, Abilene is a good place to stay when you are on Interstate 20. We have games on Monday night (6pm), Tuesday (12pm), Wednesday (1pm), and Thursday (Open game at 12; novice game at 6:30) and Friday afternoon (1pm). You will find a warm welcome at the bridge center, and we play for the bargain price of \$5. There are convenient, comfortable

Annette had 14 points and Marilyn Linda had 26 points. 7NT was a lay down! Unit

Van Zandt DBC -- Sandy Hilliard reported, "On Mon., 4/22, we had the end of the year Bridge Tournament at Canton Intermediate School. Each child received certificate and ACBL: backpack. The 1st and 2nd place winners N/S and E/W received a trophy from ACBL. Thanks to all my assistant teachers and helpers: Assistant teachers and helpers were Charles Ford, Manuel Alvarez, Cary Hilliard and Barbara Bradford.

The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek—

Our congratulations to Jo Booth for attaining silver life master. We appreciate your participation in our club and it is a pleasure playing at your table!

On June 21^{st} we will have a 2 session Swiss charity game to benefit The Alzheimer's Assoc. We have observed ACBL's "The Longest Day" since its inception. Our club really comes together to make this day a very special one. The studio will

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Units Awards Luncheon and Game was held Saturday, April 6 in Tyler, TX.- The 2018 top three winners in each master point category for Ace of Clubs and Mini McKinney were recognized and awarded certifi-cates. Following the lunch and awards program, the recipients and all Unit 225 members enjoyed the monthly unit game with 22.5 tables in play!

Unit 225 Tyler Tournament of Roses July 26-28.

We need lots of players to come to Tyler and win Silver points. The tournament is at our usual location, Holiday Inn, 5701 S. Broadway, Tyler (903-561-5800). The hotel is conveniently located to lots of restaurants and shopping opportunities. The hotel bridge rate is \$89.00 and includes a nice breakfast buffet. Deadline to get the bridge rate is July 12^t so call soon and make your reservation. Friday and Saturday offer pair games at 10AM and 2:30PM each day and Swiss Teams on Sunday,

As a reminder to all of us, the tournament details are: Friday and Saturday have 10 and 2:30 single session Stratified Pairs and Swiss Teams events for \$12 per player. Sunday schedule is a two session Swiss Team game including lunch for \$120 per team. Chairpersons are Ethel and Tom Corlett; Partnership Desk is handled by Peggi Kenny and Lenora Parrish. Melody Euler will again be our Director.

Speaking of Melody, she will be coming to Waco after serving as the Assistant in Charge for the Las Vegas Summer NABC and overseeing staffing for all events. The tournament will be held at the Cosmopolitan Hotel July 18-28 with over 13,000 tables expected to be in play. The Las Vegas tournament is reportedly the largest for ACBL. Sooo, there is still time for you to go join the fun. I want to put in my own recommendation for attending National Tournaments. Why do I value them? 1) The stratifications in the KO team games are so narrow or tight---whatever--that I was competing against only people who had Masterpoints very close to my own; 2) I got to hear some fabulous lectures; 3) I got to play only when I wanted to play; 4) I

met some life-long friends; 5) and as a novice and intermediate player, a player can get all of the required gold points before competing against "the experts." "the gurus," or whatever we call them!!!

We are all sad to hear about the death of Bob Maske. He had a very full life---including an outstanding military career with the U.S. Air Force. He was an enthusiastic member of our Unit Board and served as Vice-President. Bob was eager to continue his service until his illness precluded that possibility. Still, he played bridge as often as he could. My last memory of him was at the bridge table just a few months ago. We miss him!

So much of our time in the bridge world is spent trying to recruit new players, and I applaud these ongoing efforts. I also, however, am so inspired by the efforts to celebrate current and "just-previous" players in Waco! After someone at a bridge game at Sul Ross asked to identify a player, the wonderful idea arose to photograph and hang pictures of current players! Why not? Other places such as banks, colleges/institutions, boards, and government have their walls filled with former and current leaders---so, why not bridge clubs?! Bill Parrish stepped in! He photographed each player and hung the pictures at Sul Ross. This is an excellent idea for all of us! I may even dare to be photographed "as is"!

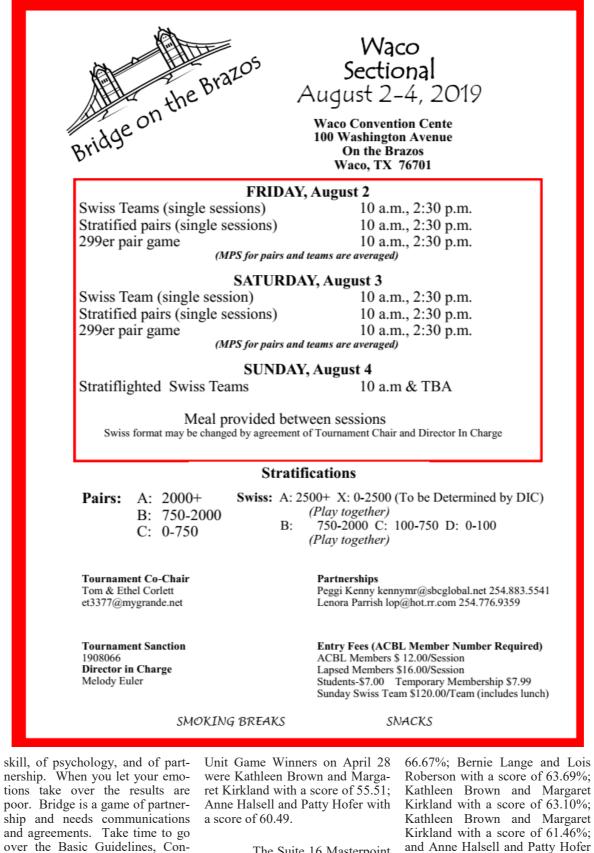
I am a bit late offering more specific reasons to applaud Joan Cation. The newest release from her had this news: I will begin the Monday lessons for the Slammers Club at 10:30 for all who are interested. All students who stay for the game that day (NAP qualifying) will pay only \$4. These lessons are for people who have been playing a little but want to improve their game. We will be using "Easybridge Book 2" by Edith McMullin. If you do not have it, I do have a supply. The books cost \$12. I also have the materials used in the last lessons. The first lesson for this session is "leads against notrump con-tracts," Thank you again, Joan.

70+ games to celebrate include: Bill Parrish and Tom Corlett 72.92 as well as Pat Kelly and Gloria Stanton with 72.68 at Waco Slammers; Asa Waterman and Tom Corlett with 70.14 at Stilwell; Bill Parrish and Trudi Lamendola with 71.88 as well as Janis McIntosh and Tom Corlett with 70.8 at Sul Ross. Congratulations! I don't think I have ever seen my name on such a list, so I am truly in awe!!

See you in Waco!



We have had a late spring in North Texas with moderate temperatures and rain as a prelude to hot summer months the ahead. Hope everyone has refreshed themself with time spent outdoors, planting flowers, enjoying the shade under a tree. drinking lemonade, or reading a book. We always need to find a way to make some quiet time for ourselves, to contemplate the simple joys of life, and to renew our spirits. Remember to treat yourself to a movie, a nice meal, or an evening walk. Appreciating the little things is what makes life pleasurable!



The Suite 16 Masterpoint Leaders for April were Patty Hofer with 3.94 masterpoints; Lois Roberson with 2.92 masterpoints; Gladys Barley with 2.90 masterpoints; Margaret Kirkland with 2.90 masterpoints; Kathleen with 2.44 master-Brown points. High Percentage Games for April were Lois Roberson and Patty Hofer with a score of

Roberson with a score of 63.69%; Kathleen Brown and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 63.10%; Kathleen Brown and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 61.46%; and Anne Halsell and Patty Hofer with a score of 61.01%.

The Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for April were David Hertzog with 3.15 masterpoints; Tomie Johnson with 3.15 masterpoints; Dee McKinley with 2.38 masterpoints; Margaret Kirkland with 2.33 masterpoints; Betsy Smith with 2.33 master-

points. High Percentage Games for April were Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 63.50%; Martha Keller and Marsha May with a score of 63.89%; Dee McKinley and Betsy Smith with a score of 63.66%; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 63.50%; Martin Blecha and Gina Inman with a score of 61.25%.

The Unit Game Winners on May 5 were Martin Blecha and Gina Inman with a score of 57.44%; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 56.55%. The Unit Game Winners on May 26 were Kathleen Brown and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 57.86%; and Anne Halsell and Patty Hofer with a score of 57.09%.

The Suite 16 Masterpoint Leaders for May were Anne Halsell with 4.95 masterpoints; Margaret Kirkland with 4.76 masterpoints; Kathleen Brown with 4.20 masterpoints; Wanda Hughes with 3.02 masterpoints; and Clay Abrams with 3.02 master-The High Percentage points. Games for May were Patty Hofer and Lois Roberson with a score of 68.00%; Bernie Lange and Nancy Purcell with a score of 66.07%; Trudy Downey and Cathy Zinn with a score of 65.00%; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 64.50%; Kathleen Brown and Anne Halsell with a score of 64.06%.

The Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for May were Bernie Lange with 2.25 masterpoints; Nancy Purcell with 1.95 masterpoints; Lois Roberson with 1.90 masterpoints; Gladys Barley with 1.89 masterpoints; and David Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with 1.86 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for May were Nancy Purcell and Marilyn Waggoner with a score of 66.67%; Anne Halsell and Judy Lucas with a score of 63.89; Martha Keller and Marsha May with a score of 61.00%; Bernie Lange and Lois Robinson with a score of 60.42%; Anne Halsell and Patty Hofer with a score of 59.38%.

2018 Table Count D16 Clubs

| | Club | | Unit | Tables |
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| 1 | Westside Bridge Academy | Houston | 174 | 9728.5 |
| 2 | Bridge Academy of North Dallas | | | 9326 |
| 3 | Bridge Center of Austin | Austin | 207 | 6485.5 |
| 4 | Clear Lake Bridge Club | Houston | 174 | 5175 |
| 5 | Fiesta DBC | San Antonio | 172 | 5164.5 |
| 6 | Bridge Club of Houston | Spring | 174 | 4326 |
| 7 | Arlington DBC Inc | Arlington | 183 | 3637.8 |
| 8 | Dorsey's Bridge Studio | Richardson | 176 | 2691 |
| 9 | Lake Chapala DBC | Riberas Del Pil | 205 | 2423.5 |
| 10 | Beaumont Bridge Studio | Beaumont | 201 | 1999.6 |
| 11 | Llano Estacado Unit 197 | Lubbock | 197 | 1754 |
| 12 | The Bridge Studio Of SMA | San Miguel De A | 254 | 1721 |
| 13 | Apple II DBC | Houston | 174 | 1667.5 |
| 14 | Spring Branch Duplicate | Houston | 174 | 1569 |
| 15 | Valley View Bridge Club | Dallas | 176 | 1415.5 |
| 16 | Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek | Gun Barrel City | 225 | 1280.5 |
| 17 | Friendly Bridge Club | Plano | 176 | 1234.5 |
| 18 | Denton Bridge Studio | Denton | 183 | 1170 |
| 19 | South Texas Unit 187 | Corpus Christi | 187 | 1142 |
| 20 | Apple DBC | Houston | 174 | 1108 |
| 21 | Sun City Georgetown DBC | Georgetown | 207 | 1073 |
| 22 | Southwest DBC | Bellaire | 174 | 1001 |
| 23 | Rose City Duplicate Bridge Clu | Tyler | 225 | 978 |
| 24 | Rockport Duplicate Club | Rockport | 187 | 917.5 |
| 25 | McKinney Duplicate Bridge Club | Mc Kinney | 176 | 889.5 |
| 26 | Longview Duplicate Club | Longview | 225 | 861 |
| 27 | Star DBC | Bryan | 174 | 856 |
| 28 | Puerto Vallarta Bridge Club | Puerto Vallarta | 205 | 819 |
| 29 | Highland Lakes Duplicate Club | Kingsland | 207 | 784 |
| 30 | Lone Star Bridge Club | Conroe | 174 | 778 |

I read a quote about bridge recently by Robert S. Todd, "If you focus on playing good bridge then good results will come. If you focus on trying to get good results then you won't play good bridge." Oh, how we like to see our names at the top of the bridge percentages but the only way to do that is to keep playing good bridge and not worry about the outcome. One hand at a time, putting down a bid, making contracts, playing your cards, winning tricks, playing good bridge and not worrying about the outcome – is the only way to be successful. It is a thoughtful process, a game of

bridge after suffering a stroke, Bernie Lange as he goes through medical procedures, and our prayers are with David Hertzog as he recovers from surgery. We will continue to pray for Margie Brown during her surgery and recuperation, and for Faye Morrison as her body heals a broken wrist. Sadly, we lost another bridge friend, Nita Morris, and our sympathies go to her family.

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your partners. Try to stay in the

boundaries of your personal part-

nership agreement as you have

made a pledge to your partner that

you will do this. And of course,

offer forgiveness when your part-

ner breaks an agreement as this

sometimes happens when you

have an unusual hand. You will

build trust, a foundation of confidence, and a successful outcome

Our thoughts and prayers contin-

ue to be with Pat Robinson, Whit-

tie Rainwater, and Shirley Bond in

the loss of their husbands. We are

happy to see Shirley Bond back at

will result.

We are also grateful for the commitment of our bridge players to come play bridge at the center. Because of their loyalty we are able to meet the expenses of the bridge center. The continued commitment of everyone that provides food and refreshments is also greatly appreciated. The generous food offering is always delicious and enjoyed by everyone.

The Unit Game Winners on April 14 were Wanda Hughes and Bennie Young with a score of 55.95; Margaret Kirkland and Nancy Purcell with a score of 60.42. The

A Unit 207 Event AUSTIN SEPTEMBER GOLD RUSH NIN REGIONAL

Plan to Play!!







September 19th – 22nd

Stratifications Based on Average Pair or Team Masterpoints A: 300-750, B: 100-300, C: 0-100

Note: No player may have more than 750 MPs. Life Masters are not eligible to play.

Entry Fees

\$12 per session Thursday - Friday

\$13 per session Saturday (includes NABC Surcharge)

\$120 per Team for Sunday Swiss (includes lunch)

\$4 additional per session for unpaid ACBL members

Thursday, Sept. 19th – Saturday, Sept. 21st **GOLD RUSH PAIRS** 10am and 2:30pm

33% Gold 67% Red

awarded for section top in flight A & overall in flight A

You are not required to play in both sessions, but you maximize your chances of winning Gold by playing in both.

Sunday, Sept. 22nd **BRACKETED SWISS TEAMS** 10am and TBA

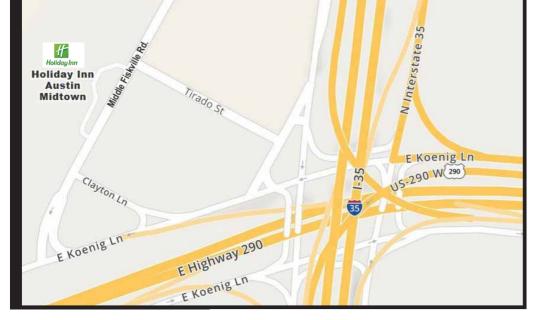
33% Gold 67% Red

awarded to top 3 teams in each bracket Note: You must play in both sessions Lunch provided between Sunday sessions Pictures of section winners will be posted at austinbridge.org

NOTE: This NLM Regional is being held concurrently with an Open Sectional.

Chair: Rachell Jackson (rachellann.tx@gmail.com) (512) 351-1060 NLM Regional Partnerships: Rachell Jackson (rachellann.tx@gmail.com) (512)351-1060 Director: Scott Humphrey (scott.humphrey1961@att.net) (512) 836-5984

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hursday, August 29 (Continued)

Single Session Board-A-Match Teams Tues-Thurs Evening Stratified Side Game Series* KO 1 (2 of 3) 30

riday, August 30 00:0

- Wed-Sun Morning Stratified Side Game Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st session) Stratified Open Pairs (1st session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Series^{*}
 - Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd session) Stratified Open Pairs (2nd session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) Fri-Sun Aft. Stratified Side Game Series^{*} 30
 - Fri-Sun Evening Stratified Side Game Single Session Swiss KO 1 (3 of 3) Series^{*} 30
 - MIDNIGHT MADNESS ZIP KO 1:00
- Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st session) Stratified Open Pairs (1st session) Saturday, August 31 0:00

welcome!

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- SATURDAY NIGHT **BRIDGE FEVER!**

7:30pm

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

0-750 Play for Gold **Gold Rush Pairs**

5 Events:

Wednesday - Sunday

@10:00 & 2:30

Please join us for our **Annual I/N Reception** All 0-499 players are afternoon session. following the on Friday

Director In Charge: Kevin Perkins dallasbridgepartnerships@gmail.com 214-632-7398 skeeter303@yahoo.com 214-244-8333 Tournament Co-Chairs: eyetter@sbcglobal.net Mike and Lyn Davis Partnerships: 214-250-9087 **Fomi Storey** Ed Yetter

available after August 24th. Please Partnerships by email will not be contact the Partnership Desk on site after that date.

Stratified Open Pairs (2nd session) Stratified Open Pairs (1st session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (2nd Session) GOLD RUSH Pairs (1st Session) Wed-Sunday Morning Stratified Bracketed Swiss Teams (2nd Bracketed Swiss Teams (1st Fri-Sun Aft Stratified Side Side Game Series* KO 2 (2 of 3) Sunday, September 1 10:00 Bracketed session) session)

2:30

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

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Strati-Flighted AX Swiss Teams (2-session play-thru) Monday, September 2 10:00 Strati-Flighte

Game Series*

Teams (2 session play thru) Strati-Flighted BCD Swiss

Stratified Open Pairs (single session)

are available for purchase. Sandwiches and snacks

Stratified Open Pairs (single session)

1:30

Side Game Series*

best games will be combined for overall awards. You may play with different partners. session entries. Your two Games are open to single

Prizes: Section Tops in pairs Entry fees: \$13 + \$4/session for non-members/unpaid members

in KOs and Swiss

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A: 3000+, B: 1250-3000, C: 0-1250 **Stratifications and Flighting Strati-Flighted Swiss: Stratified Events:**

A: 5000+, X: 0-5000

Strati-Flighted BCD Swiss: (A and X play together)

B: 1500-3000, C: 500-1500, D: 0-500

(B, C & D play together)

Note: Stratification is based on

qualification to play in a given flight is However, for Strati-Flighted events, average MPs for each pair/team.

holding for any player on that pair/team.

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KO's and single sessions team events

may be handicapped at the discretion

of the Director-in-Charge.

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