

# Unit 176 Table Talk

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## Unit Pairs Game Winners

OPEN at VALLEY VIEW	
<b>August 14</b> 14 tables	A: Michael Hout - Marcus Poe Jr. B: Donna & William Garrard C: Nelda Holland - Johanna Pietsch
<b>Sept. 13</b> 11 tables	A: Barbara Nelson - Jeanine Wofford B: Martha Young - Bob Scallan C: Jean O'Neal - Nancy Gipp
<b>Oct. 9</b> 15 tables	A: Michael Hout - Marcus Poe Jr. B: Ann Berning - Pat Measley C: Gay Czikora—Bonnie Shea
0-999 at DORSEY'S	
<b>August 14</b> 15 tables	A: Suzanne Smith - Janet Bell B: Mark Hatten - Robert Razon C: Gay Schleicher - Jo Driscoll
<b>Sept. 13</b> 10 tables	A: Jo Ann Truitt - Ann Mouzon B: M.E. & T.K. Wiewiorowski C: Abu Qureshi - Susan Colby
<b>Oct. 9</b> 8 tables	A: Carla Guthrie - Susan Flick B: Ann Sims - Alma Johnson C: Sheila Patterson - Wendy Plant
0-299 at B A N D	
<b>August 14</b> 6 tables	A: Nancy Latner - Jennifer Rao B: Marsha Young - Barbara Ferm
<b>Sept. 13</b> 10 tables	A: Jon & Sheri Wolkenstein B: Jon & Lou Bauman C: Stanley Weinberg - Roy Elsner
<b>Oct. 9</b> 9 tables	A: Phyllis Spencer - Darrel Strelitz B: Frank Durante - Diana Chen C: Janice Trombello - Pat McNeil

Upcoming Unit Pairs Schedule, Sundays at 1:30 PM

11 December - Holiday Party

8 January

19 February \* date adjusted due to Arlington sectional

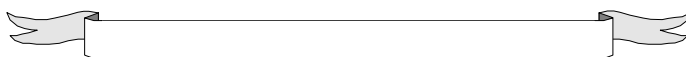


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### Welcome to Unit 176

**Fred W. Blackmun, Laurie Blackmun,  
Brandley Cantrill, Joan Chandler  
Gay Freeman, Ms. Alice A. Higgins,  
Ms. Terry S. Johnson, Faye Lancaster,  
Marcia B. Messinger, Vasant Ozarkar  
Dionne Rust, Adam Zehner**



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*Have you played at your local club lately? If not, why? See:*

[www.d16acbl.org/U176/clubcontact.html](http://www.d16acbl.org/U176/clubcontact.html)  
for schedules & contact information.

[www.dallasbridge.org](http://www.dallasbridge.org)

# Out & About



Double Ten Cup Tournament –August 20 & 21  
 This event at the Dallas Chinese Community Center in Richardson was a celebration of Taiwan’s (the Republic of China) one hundred year anniversary, a very special once in a lifetime opportunity. It was heavily subsidized by the DFW Chinese Community who believe that sharing their joys with friends would bring double, triple, and even more happiness for everybody. A total of \$6,000 in prize money was awarded during this tournament.

We thank you for your participation that made the event successful and wonderful.

Submitted by Donna Garrard



**First Place Open Flight** Pictured left to right:  
 Fred Hwang, Stephen & Nancy Kornegay, Colby Vernay,  
 Barry Shaffer, Craig Robinson, Donna Garrard, Charles Ku

## Talk from the Tables



### Would you like to use this Convention in your partnership?

Dealer: opens 2NT ....LHO: Pass....Responder: 3C....  
 Dealer: Alert.....RHO: What is your alert?.....

Dealer: responds “Pulpit Staymen”.....RHO: What is that!?!.....Dealer: Well, we’ve been having a really bad day, and my partner is praying that we do something right!



Contributor: Anonymous

### Who’s Your Favorite partner?????

D.K. observed Oswald Jacoby playing with a partner who D.K. considered to be at his own relatively novice level. D.K. approached Oswald and inquired, “Why don’t you play with me sometime?” Not long after, D.K. received an invitation from Oswald. The partnership did well, but Oswald and D.K. never partnered again. However, when Oswald would see D.K., Oswald would point to D.K. and state, “There’s D.K. He’s my second favorite partner.”

Confirmed by Judy Jacoby and shared by Gayle Cowart

## Table Talk Needs Your Input!

Do you have a **photo** of DFW players in action, like the NAPs or an ‘away’ tournament? Can you share a bridge-related **story**, funny or not? Any content is always considered. Send items to Gayle [cowntcastle@att.net](mailto:cowntcastle@att.net)



## In Memoriam

Pam Aikman  
 Cordella Eubanks  
 Scott Alan Young

# Around the tables

## Unit Team Game Winners - September 22 at BAND

Unlimited - 5 teams

102.0 Jim Harp-Judith Lotridge-Mary McGinnis-Elda Kay Hampton

85.0 John & Beth Bromberg-Joan Jackson-Tomi Fitzgerald

499'er - 11 teams

95.0 John Pelletti-Michael McShane-Jane Kirby-Kate Hopkins

88.0 Ann Sims-Alma Johnson-Lynn & Barry Cooper



## Unit Team Game Winners - October 20 at Dorsey's

Unlimited - 9 teams

92.0 Marion Gebhardt-Gail Wells-Suresh Agrawal-Kevin Cline

81.0 Vernon Earl Hodge-George Burcham-Judy Corey Edmiston- Ann Sims



### 2011 Mini-Mac Final

\*Formulated from individual finishes during each Unit game

<b>0—100</b>	tie 1/2 M.E. Wiewiorowski	240.80
	tie 1/2 T.K Wiewiorowski	240.80
<b>100-200</b>	1. Alma Johnson	97.59
	2. Sally Lancaster	92.93
<b>200-300</b>	1. Travis Roten	155.66
	2. Jack Brennan	122.99
<b>300—1000</b>	1. Richard Langland	216.82
	tie 2. Paul Taylor	199.11
	tie 2. Robert Scrimale	199.11
<b>2500-4000</b>	1. Joseph Gill	228.41
	2. Donna Garrard	177.83
<b>2500-4000</b>	1. Michael Hout	359.44
	2. Suresh Agrawal	233.41
<b>4000+</b>	1. Hugh Hillaker	249.73
	2. John Spessard	197.61

Check out your Unit standing in the Mini-McKinney at:

<http://web2.acbl.org/As400/mpraces/unit/2011/mm176.htm>

### 2011 Ace of Clubs Standings as of 10-1-11

MP Group	Points won only in clubs	Points
0 to 5	Jerr Boschee	35.97
5 to 20	Brian C. Gelles	26.36
20 to 50	James Richman	88.55
50 to 100	Nancy Latner	53.82
100 to 200	Sally R. Lancaster	98.94
200 to 300	Mrs. Ann G. Sims	56.16
300 to 500	David Luzzatto	75.81
500 to 1000	Fonse Ragland	80.42
1000 to 2500	Mrs. Judith Lotridge	130.26
2500 to 5000	Bill Osborn	152.90
5000 to 7500	Mrs. Gail J. Wells	273.36
7500 to 10,000	Justin Lall	9.41
Over 10,000	Derrell Childs	36.09

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## Unit 176 President's Update:

I was asked to say a few "presidential" words for our new Table Talk and I am delighted to say YAY! Gayle Cowart and Sue Greims have added some spice and a whole new look to the usual results and stats. They've been on a treasure hunt for pictures and stories—just take a look at the pictures of Dorsey and Jim Jacoby this page, taken in 1986. Now that is a trip down Memory Lane! They are already working on a great idea for the next issue, but I'm betting you have some ideas as well. Share a story or a picture that you might have of our wonderful bridge community. I'm going to look for some pictures I have from the Dallas Nationals in 1997. See what you have (new or old) and let Gayle and Sue hear from you.

I'd also like to remind everyone that Unit 176 Board elections take place in January at the Winter Sectional. You can vote 30 minutes before each session and you can also vote absentee at the clubs. We'll be sending out an email soon with more information. PLEASE VOTE. Board members are the voice of our membership, so be sure you meet the candidates and know who speaks for you. — Tomi

On August 21, 2011, the American Contract Bridge League's President, Craig Robinson, visited BAND at 1:30 pm as part of his "100 Clubs in 100 Days" tour. ACBL has 3,200 affiliated bridge clubs. Mr. Robinson's special trip to 100 of those clubs was done as a way to say "thank you to all the clubs for helping make the ACBL the success we are today."



Pictured left to right: ACBL President Craig Robinson, Unit 176 President Tomi Fitzgerald, BAND owner Donna Compton, District 16 President DeWitt Hudson



## Tournaments

Election Sectional	January 19-22	Richardson Civic Center
Sectional	Mar 30– Apr 1	Richardson Civic Center
Sectional	May 24– 28	Richardson Civic Center



*Ye oldies yet  
goodies column*

1st Epsom Pair game held in June, 1986

Pictured left to right:

Bobby Wolff, Bill Cale, Jim Jacoby, B. J. Cale



The 1st Epsom Pair game was held at Dorsey's first bridge studio located in Plano, Tx. at the corner of Custer and Parker Rd.

Pictured: Dorsey, Allen Shaw



"PASS IT FORWARD"



## Courtesy

Did You Know? Winning a lawsuit filed in 1984 by Jillian Blanchard, a two-time world champion, allowed women to play in what were once exclusively men's pairs events.

2012 Candidates for Unit 176 Board:

*Cheryl Clark, Dion Dubois, Joseph Gill,*

*David Greims, Judith Lotridge, James Thurtell*

**Vote at the January 19-22, 2012 Election Sectional.**

# Make Plans to Attend: Unit 176 Christmas Party

*Where:* BAND, Dorsey's, Valley View

*When:* Sunday, Dec. 11, 2011 \* Dinner will be served about 30 minutes prior to the 1:30 p.m. game, so arrive early.

*What:* The Unit will supply the meat. Please bring your favorite veggie, salad, or dessert to share.



## Santa Claus is Coming to Town

Unit 176 has committed, as in previous years, to support the Network Santa Program.

Please bring to the Unit 176 Christmas parties an unwrapped toy: games, balls, books, dolls, art supplies, etc. are great.

No weapons, food, or "rolling stock" (bikes or skateboards) due to the liability issues.



*'Twas the night before.....*

I'm giving up bridge- Tonight's my last night  
It's amen to Staymen, I give up the fight.  
The insults and muddles are giving me troubles  
And I can't sleep at night for thinking of doubles.

My cards are all rotten and I have forgotten  
Who's played and what's trumps and what's gone on my right!  
So for now it's all over- I'm off to the back wood  
I'm bidding good-bye to Gerber and Blackwood

I can't stand the hassle, I can't stand the pain  
I'm getting those bad cards again and again.  
So I'm giving up bridge- Tonight's a bad night.  
Declarer is horrid and nothing's going right.

My partner's a dope and I'm losing all hope.  
And when s/he says "double" I know we're in trouble.  
My points are not high and I'm wondering why  
S/he kept on bidding right up to the sky.

We're in seven spades and all my hope fades  
When surprise, surprise, the high bidding pays!  
We're winning all tricks, the defenders feel sick,  
And I have to admit my partner's a brick

But I'm giving up bridge- Tonight's my last night!  
Farewell to conventions- I give up the fight?  
So I leave with few words but some that are true,  
Bridge is a game- not for me but for you.

So be kind to your partners and don't mind their cheek.  
For it's only a game- Oh! Yes. I'll see you next week

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## Classified Ads

**BRIDGE LESSONS:** For group or private lessons with ACBL Certified instructor Mike Davis, contact him at 972-238-0908 or 214-632-7398 or by email Davis\_Michal@yahoo.com

**WANTED:** Unwrapped toys such as games, balls, books, dolls, art supplies, etc. to donate to support the Network Santa Program. (no skateboards, bikes, or anything that could be considered a weapon.) Please bring your donation to Unit 176 Christmas Parties to be held on Sun, Dec 11th at BAND, Dorsey's, and Valley View.

### Get a classified ad listed - FREE!

If you own a business or would like to advertise free, this above space is yours.

Email Gayle at: [cowartcastle@att.net](mailto:cowartcastle@att.net)

Bridge Academy of Dallas:

A 10 Table 71.55% Game



Mike Sutterfield - Jerry H Hess  
71.55%  
Wednesday Afternoon Open Pairs  
October 28, 2011

A special thank you to the following people who contributed pictures/statistics/names which were used in this edition of Table Talk: Kathy Bumgardner, Marion Gebhardt, Carol Rieger, Dorsey Shaw

## Feeling Lucky ?



What: Jackpot Bridge Game

Director: Shaun Chooi

Where: Dallas Chinese Community Center

400 N. Greenville Ave., #12, Richardson, TX 75081

972-480-0311

When: Sat. November 19, 6 p.m.

Dinner starts at 5:40 p.m.

Sat. December 17, *same times as above*

**NOTE:** This is not a ACBL sanctioned event. Come, enjoy many of the same friendly people you see at the clubs, and maybe meet a new favorite partner.

## Happy Jackpot Winners:



Sat. April 23:

1st: Steve & Nancy Kornegay

2nd: Bob Friz & Brady Allen

Wed. May 11:

1st: Stephen Sinclair & Mike Hout

2nd: Jonathan Wang & Daniel Miaw

Sat. June 4:

1st: William & Donna Garrard

2nd: Jonathan Wang & Daniel Miaw

Tues. July 5:

1st: Lucky Snyder & Tom Whiteside

2nd: Marri Jo & Hugh Hillaker

Sat. Sept. 24:

1st: Steve & Nancy Kornegay

2nd: Stephen Sinclair & Thomas Leberman

## Table Talk

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