

Happy April to all and welcome to spring!!

AND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS-

Janice Paul

Larry Sayre

R. Michael Hayes (transfer)

John Luebke (transfer)

Jimmy Wright (transfer)

John Zaleskie (transfer)

RANK ADVANCEMENTS:

GOLD LIFE MASTER

Mike Peiffer

BRONZE LIFE MASTER

Pamela Bland

Darrel VanDyke

ADVANCED NABC MASTER

John Fee

REGIONAL MASTER

Kamal Das

Brenda Schrader

SECTIONAL MASTER

Tim Baris

Cheri Gross

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

STaC RESULTS:

Unit 183 players did very well in the District Sectional Tournament at Clubs in March. Pat Cassidy made the top 10 with 16.99, followed closely by Nancy Peterson with 16.55. Mike Frederick was the top U183 NLM with 12.20 - 3.05 of that GOLD since this was a Royal STaC. Full results <https://tournaments.acbl.org/schedule.php?sanction=2403504#schedule>

STARDUST WEEK:

April 22-28 is Stardust week, where ACBL allows GOLD points to be given, except Wed 4/24, which is an ACBL-wide charity game. Check with your favorite club to see if they are running these games - entry fees likely will be higher.

FORT WORTH REGIONAL COMING MAY 13-19:

Speaking of gold MPs, regional tournaments are the best place to win them. It's only one month until Unit 183 holds its bi-annual regional tournament at the the DFW Hyatt. It's not too early to be making partnerships; don't let your favorite pard get booked by someone else. Tournament Chair Randy Eads is also looking for caddies for the Swiss Teams, let him know if you know someone wanting to make a little cash (\$30 per session, which is \$60/day for full day). Flyer available <https://www.d16acbl.org/U183/events-pdfs/FortWestern2024Flyer.pdf>

AWARDS DAY MAY 4:

It's not too early to make plans for the Unit game at the FW studio May 4th. This is the annual game where we honor 2024's new Life Masters, as well as the Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs winners. Lunch served at noon (Unit provides entree, your sides & desserts appreciated) awards at 12:30, Unit-rated game at 1.

UPDATE ON UNIT 183 LEASED FACILITY:

We found out this month that our present location will not be available for renewal after our lease expires. We didn't hold much hope for it but we wanted to give it a shot. In the meantime another property very close to us has opened up and we have started negotiations there. We have eliminated some original properties that were further west on Camp Bowie. We are still talking with 2 other sites that we've been dealing with for a few weeks. We're very excited about our possibilities and are sure we will find the right one soon. Stay tuned :)

BIG GAMES:

ADBC - Wed 3/13, Steve & Nancy Kornegay - 71.48%; Fri 3/15, Pat Cassidy/Melody Gann - 72.32%

Fort Worth - Thurs 3/14, Billy Leeper/Mary Jane Orock - 71.50%; Tues 3/19, Jane Larimore/Jacque Montgomery - 71.90%; Thurs 3/21, Alan Copeland/Jimmy Justice - 75%; Fri 3/22 - Bill Ream/Billy Leeper - 73.69%

SUNSHINE CORNER/IN MEMORIAM:

Letty Garek, a long-time player in FW, Arlington, and Colleyville, passed away February 25.

We offer our sincere condolences to her family and all her bridge friends.

John Wickham, of Arlington TX, passed away October 25, 2023. Apologies for the late news of this. This info was just received. Condolences to his former bridge friends and family.

Charles Raines passed away on March 21 [Obituary]. Charlie was a frequent ADBC open pairs for many years. Our condolences go out to his family and all his bridge friends.

Corrine Easley passed away March 5. She was an avid player at ADBC and our condolences go out to her family and all her bridge friends.

WHERE TO PLAY IN UNIT 183:

We have in-person games open in various locations throughout the Unit and we surely hope

you'll join us. Our principal locations are Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club (ADBC), Denton Bridge Studio (DBS), and the Fort Worth Studio. All have websites which provide information about location, game schedules, game results, and special activities. Weekly games are also held in various facilities throughout.....Burleson, Coppell, Flower Mound, Granbury, Lewisville, and Mansfield.

Colleyville game is at their Senior Center, 2512 Glade Rd.

Granbury Bridge Club is in Acton Methodist Church. Director is David Lemasters.

Please see the Unit 183 website for these game locations and contact information. The Unit website also provides the Fort Worth game schedule.

Website addresses: Unit 183 and Fort Worth Studio games: www.d16acbl.org/U183 Arlington Bridge Studio: <https://d16acbl.org/U176/ABC/index.html> Denton Bridge Studio www.dentonbridgestudio.com

Please email me if you have something critical that must be included in our newsletter- Thank you!

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