Welcome to what I'm sure will be another typically blustery March. You think it's all gorgeous outside and then, whoops, it did it again!

Now let's WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Julie Bertolino Jane Conlon Danny Lee Norma Slocum Greg Faherty (transfer)

RANK ADVANCEMENTS:

ADVANCED NABC MASTER Kamal Das

NABC MASTER Deborah Gireenslade Ann O'Kelley

REGIONAL MASTER Mary Debusk

SECTIONAL MASTER Robert Muldrow Nola Schrum

CLUB MASTER Diane Brundage

JUNIOR MASTER Kenton Hefley Barbara Ryon

Mentor/Mentee Game

Please join us for the second Mentor game on Sunday **April 6, 2025**. We will have a talk at 1:30 p.m. game time 2:00 p.m. The first one was a considerable success with 8 tables!

Snacks and coffee will be available --

The cost is \$8 for mentees, mentors play free. Please call or text *Mary Jane 817-729-3115* *Lorraine 817-304-0890* if you are a mentee or mentor. If you already have a partnership – and want to play just let us know.

AWARDS DAY AND UNIT GAME:

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, April 12, for our annual Unit Awards Day. We will be handing out our Ace of Clubs, Mini-McKinney, and other awards that day. Lunch will be at noon, awards at 12:30, and game at 1:00.

NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT DAVID BRANCH:

Many of you have now played at the expanded Fort Worth studio. My great thanks to Lynn Long for adding her interior design expertise to make the colors, arrangements, and wall art much more appealing for our enjoyment. She has worked very hard to make the best of the original space and again as it opened to the larger one. We are fortunate to have such talented and devoted members. Further thanks to the many others who showed up multiple times to move tables, supplies, and furniture.

REMINDER FOR CURRENT AND NEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Our **BOARD MEETINGS** are on the **4TH WEDNESDAY** of each month after the game. This is a new date after many years of meeting on Tuesdays.

SUNSHINE CORNER/IN MEMORIAM:

Dwight Hill passed away February 15. He played mostly in Arlington but also in FW. We send our deep condolences to all his bridge friends for their loss.

On February 23, Patsy Walters's son passed away. We are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers, Patsy. Our deepest condolences.

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There will be a gathering at the Stayton at 2:00 this Wed on the 11th floor.

Also there will be a service at Greenwood on Mar. 12 at 2:30.

Ann LeFevre, who has been our club's bookkeeper for many years... and still is!, fell and broke her kneecap and her shoulder. She's in rehab in Hillsboro and should be coming back to FW this week.

Now, my turn-- with great sadness I announce Jim Long passed away February 25. He and I were married 41 years, before our divorce in 2022. While I am now remarried, my current husband and I were his caregivers for two years, and he continued to live with us through that period.

SUNSHINE CORNER HAS A NEW CHAIRPERSON

If you need to pass on information about a member of our group who is going through a difficult time health-wise, please notify Linda Spangler. Her contact info: spanglerl@sbcglobal.net Phone: 682.224.4307

FREE YEAR OF ACBL MEMBERSHIP OFFER

This is a program offered by some insurance plans to encourage folks to stay fit mentally. Bridge qualifies as good mental exercise. Check out this website and you might find some good news: acbl.org/grouper (NOTE this is NOT the same email we posted recently. That one was incorrect. This one is not)

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.

Robson Ranch Denton Duplicate Bridge Club. rrdentonbridge@gmail.com. They are an open club and everyone is welcome to play.

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: <u>www.d16acbl.org/U183</u> Arlington Bridge Studio: <u>https://d16acbl.org/U176/ABC/index.html</u> Denton Bridge Studio (NEW phone #945-257-7901) www.dentonbridgestudio.com

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

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