

It's 2024!

May the closeness of your loved ones, family, and friends fill your heart with joy.

Happy New Year!

NOW LET'S WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Brandon Buchanan

Carol Cooley

Sarah McCormick

Myron McKinney

Dale Muldrow

Maanushri Obalapuram

Laura Odom

RANK ADVANCEMENTS:

GOLD LIFE MASTER:

Lorraine Little

LIFE MASTER:

Pamala Pickrell

Harley Puff

REGIONAL MASTER:

Robert Stevens

CLUB MASTER:

Kaaran Corbin

Nola Shrum

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

UNIT 183 for Officers for 2024

PRESIDENT- Cynthia Benton

VICE-PRESIDENT- Steve Shirey

SECRETARY- Diane Dillman

TREASURER- Ann LeFevre

-The District 16 Goodwill Award honors players who exhibit a spirit of courtesy, kindness and tact at the bridge table. They are our ambassadors of goodwill to other players. The award goes to 2 people each year, and this year's winners are Melody Gann and Brenda Martin. Congratulations, ladies!

-Only one Star Award is given in each unit and it honors a volunteer who works steadfastly and diligently at the Unit level to promote bridge and to further Unit activities. The selection is made by the Board of each unit, and this year's recipient is MB Howard. Congratulations, MB!

-Newcomer game in FW (0-20 mps.) meets Mondays at 12:00. The game runs concurrently with Docia's limited game. Cost is \$5.00 and 12 boards are played. Call Diane Dillman if you plan to play or if you need a partner. 817 291-8462

-The Flower Mound game has moved to 12:30 on Mondays!

-On 1 September 2023 the Granbury Bridge Club got a new manager/director. Dave Lemasters took over the club on that date. Dave can be reached at 225-933-4074 and email <davidlemasters30@yahoo.com>. The location of the game also changed to the Acton

Methodist Church at 3433 Fall Creek Hwy, Granbury, TX 76049. The game time remains 12:00 on Mondays.

-The Colleyville game will finally resume in early February!

#### BIG GAMES:

ADBC: Steve & Nancy Kornegay - 74.16% - Wed Dec 6

#### TOURNAMENTS:

It's not too early to plan games for area February sectionals. Fort Worth is having one at the studio 2/9-11. Space is limited, so tourn. chair Randy Eads asks that you email (eadswr@icloud.com) or call him to reserve a space. Denton is having a local sectional at their studio 2/29-3/2. They also ask you to pre-register at dentonbridgestudio@gmail.com.

#### NORTH AMERICAN DISTRICT 16 FINALS:

The NAP D16 Finals are in San Antonio January 13-14\*. Unit-level qualification is no longer required. If you Q'ed in any club, you can play, and it need not be with any partner you played with locally. Qualifiers from San Antonio get subsidized travel to the national finals at the Louisville NABC. <schedule> <conditions of contest> <qualifiers> (\*if 16 or fewer pairs enter any of the 3 events, that event will be 2 sessions Saturday only)

#### SUNSHINE CORNER:

Deborah Sanders passed away November 14, in Granbury TX. She enjoyed playing at several of our clubs, including Granbury and Fort Worth. Our condolences to all her family and bridge friends.

Jerry Gladysz passed away December 22. Jerry played with us at the FW studio. Our deep condolences to his wife Pam and all his family and bridge friends.

Keith McCall passed away December 27. Keith directed in Fort Worth for many years. We send our condolences to his family and all his bridge friends.

Winnie Simon, a regular player at the FW studio, passed away suddenly on January 3. We send our deep condolences to her husband Dick and all her family and 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.

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](http://www.d16acbl.org/U183) Arlington Bridge Studio: <https://d16acbl.org/U176/ABC/index.html> Denton Bridge Studio [www.dentonbridgestudio.com](http://www.dentonbridgestudio.com)

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

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