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## Georgiana Gates and Pat Levy Second in LM Women's Pairs; Barbara Ferm Third in Women's Swiss; Louis Sachar and David Sokolow Third in the 0-10,000 Swiss



**David Sokolow**  
Senior NABC  
Correspondent

The Spring NABC in Kansas City was not kind to District 16 players, and I'm not just referring to the cold and snow. No wins, one second and two thirds—not exactly a banner tournament. The closest we came to a winner was Justin Lall, who won the Platinum Pairs for the second time. Unfortunately, he no longer lives in District 16, so his win doesn't count for the purposes of this article. Woe is me!

Houstonians Georgiana Gates and Pat Levy were second in the Life Master Women's Pairs. Georgiana has three NABC titles and three other seconds, but this is Pat's first foray into the national spotlight. Brava! Please join me in a round of applause. [Sound of clapping in the background.]

Barbara Ferm of Dallas came in third in the Women's Swiss Teams. Kudos! This year was the swan song for the Women's Swiss. The ACBL Board removed it from the NABC calendar, along with the Women's KO, because of declining participation in women's events. Whatever the reason, the Women's Board-a-Match is the only remaining national women's team event. Of course, all-women teams play in open events, too. In fact, an all-women team including Lynn Baker and Tobi Sokolow of Austin finished in the overalls of the Open Board-a-Match in Orlando and the Open Swiss in KC. Keep up the good work!

Louis Sachar of Austin and I were third in the 0-10,000 Swiss Teams. The highlight was playing against Bill Gates—twice! The good news: we won both battles. The bad news: we lost the war-- Bill's team won the event. Still, we had fun. The thing I enjoy most about playing with Louis (other than his play, of course), is watching his adoring fans ask for his autograph or a photo with him. Some are shy, others brash, but he makes everyone feel important. I heartily recommend his bridge-themed novel, The Card Turner. You, too, will want his autograph when you're through. I can get it for you wholesale!

A bevy of District 16 players had top-ten finishes in NABC events. Bart Bramley and Bob Hamman, Dallas, finished fifth/eighth in the Vanderbilt, and tenth in the Platinum Pairs. Coin-

identally, Hemant Lall, Plano, was fifth/eighth in the Vanderbilt, and tenth in the Open Swiss. Ellen Hessel, San Antonio, was sixth in the LM Women's Pairs. Mike Passell, Plano, and Chris Compton, Dallas, landed seventh in the Platinum Pairs. Geoff Booth and Robert Sandfield, Houston, took seventh in the IMP Pairs. In the NAOP Flight C, Kristen Onsgard, Dallas, and Stefanie Scott, Little Elm, placed seventh, while Sharon Dameron, Cedar Park, and Jarek Langer, Austin, ended up ninth. In the 0-10,000 Swiss, Virgil Massey, Driftwood, Charlene Sands, Pflugerville, Claudette Hartman, Austin, and James La Fountain, Temple, tied for eighth, while John Schwartz and Nancy Passell, Plano, and Jim Thurtell and Mark Bumgardner, Dallas, finished tenth. Lastly (but not leastly), Mark Feldman, Austin, was eighth in the Open Swiss. Well done, everyone!

The Summer NABC is July 20-30, 2017, in Toronto. Sensational weather (average high 80, average low 58), and the best exchange rate in years, make the decision to attend a no-brainer. Scenically located on Lake Ontario, Toronto is a dream: it's like LA, without the traffic or smog. If you're a baseball fan, the Blue Jays are home against the A's and Angels the week of July 24 (the stadium is a short walk from the tournament). If not, there are so many other wonderful things to do to. But remember: bring your passport! You'll need it to cross the border. As any upstanding Canadian might say, "Eh?"

**BALDWIN FLIGHT A NAP - 14.0 Tables / Based on 76 Tables**  
11 Bart Bramley, Dallas  
Ira Hessel, San Antonio

**NABC 10K SWISS TEAMS - 26 Tables / Based on 50 Tables**  
3 Louis Sachar-David Sokolow, Austin  
8/9 James La Fountain, Temple  
Claudette Hartman, Austin  
Virgil Massey, Driftwood  
Charlene Sands, Pflugerville  
10 John Schwartz-Nancy Passell, Plano  
James Thurtell-Mark Bumgardner, Dallas

**Lebhar IMP Pairs - 72.0 Tables / Based on 144 Tables**  
7 Geoff Booth-Robert Sandfield, Houston  
30 Michael Heymann, Fort Worth  
31 Jeff McKee, Nevada  
Jack Lacy, Lago Vista  
32 Jack LaVigne, Houston  
46 Dan Morse, Houston  
John Sutherlin, Dallas

**KAY PLATINUM PAIRS - 14.0 Tables / Based on 46 Tables**  
7 Mike Passell, Plano  
Chris Compton, Dallas  
10 Bart Bramley-Bob Hamman, Dallas

**LEVENTRITT SILVER RIBBON - 65.0 Tables / Based on 128 Tables**  
48 Dave Swarhout, San Antonio

**PRESIDENT'S CUP C NAP**

7 Kristen Onsgard, Dallas  
Stefanie Scott, Little Elm  
9 Sharon Dameron, Cedar Park  
Jarek Langer, Austin

**ROCKWELL MIXED PAIRS - 89.0 Tables / Based on 170 Tables**  
15 Mike Passell, Plano  
39 Joan Jackson - Norman Beck, Dallas  
50 Dave & Donna Swarhout, San Antonio

**SMITH LM WOMEN'S PAIRS - 18.0 Tables / Based on 36 Tables**  
2 Georgiana Gates - Pat Levy, Houston  
6 Ellen Hessel San Antonio

**SILODOR OPEN PAIRS - 78.0 Tables / Based on 146 Tables**  
25 Sam Dinkin, Austin

**Vanderbilt KO Teams - 63 Tables**  
5/8 Bart Bramley-Bob Hamman, Dallas  
6/8 Hemant Lall, Dallas

**NABC+ FAST PAIRS - 39.0 Tables / Based on 68 Tables**  
13 Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio

**JACOBY SWISS TEAMS - 54 Tables / Based on 75 Tables**  
8 Mark Feldman, Austin  
10 Hemant Lall, Dallas  
19 Eddie Wold, Houston  
23 Lynn Baker - Tobi Sokolow, Austin

**MACHLIN WOMEN'S SWISS - 8 Tables / Based on 10 Tables**  
3 Barbara Ferm, Dallas

188 players from District 16  
170.28 Bart Bramley, Dallas  
143.96 Bob Hamman, Dallas  
123.58 Eddie Wold, Houston  
120.58 Hemant Lall, Dallas  
100.68 Mike Passell, Plano  
87.37 Mark Feldman, Austin  
85.18 Chris Compton,  
61.53 Pat Levy, Houston  
61.53 Georgiana Gates, Houston  
46.02 Venkatrao Koneru  
44.72 Dan Morse, Houston  
44.43 Louis Sachar, Austin  
43.06 David Sokolow, Austin  
41.04 Ira Hessel, San Antonio  
40.02 John Sutherlin, Dallas  
39.44 Greg Hinze, San Antonio  
39.07 Lynn Baker, Austin  
37.07 Sam Dinkin, Austin  
34.35 Robert Sandfield, Houston  
34.35 Geoff Booth, Houston  
33.74 Swadesh Mahajan, Austin  
33.74 Kalpana Sutaria, Austin  
32.03 Ellen Hessel, San Antonio  
31.91 James La Fountain, Temple  
31.91 Claudette Hartman, Austin

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District 16  
National BOD



### Kansas City Report

District 15 hosted a very nice tournament in Kansas City with final attendance of 8691 tables well short of the initial 10,000 table estimate and the revised budget of 9500 which was approved at the Board meeting. The Westin and Sheraton hotels were connected by a covered walkway and have great playing spaces and reasonable food options, which was nice as the temperatures varied from the 70s to the 20s.

At President Bob Heller's initiative, the Board spent over 7 hours focusing on improving its structure, processes, relationships and behaviors, given the current size of 25 District Directors. Our objective is to be more effective while improving our partnership with management and our new CEO who is expected to be on board later this year. I recruited Mr. Paul Lotts a colleague from both Shell and Executive Service Corps Houston to design and facilitate the workshop. Paul has extensive experience in organizational effectiveness and design and graciously volunteered his time for this work. The Board is committed to spend time at each of our 2017 Board meetings to assess our progress,

provide feedback to each other, and encourage these changes.

The complete minutes are available on the ACBL website. Here are the highlights as I see them: The Budget for the year was approved with a forecast of \$62,479 of net income based on revenue of nearly \$18million. An agreement was reached with the United States Bridge Federation for it to contribute \$50,000 in 2017 towards the World Bridge Federation dues which are paid by ACBL. The intention is to negotiate a long-term agreement during the year.

A re-write of ACBL's Code of Disciplinary Regulations is underway and is led by League Counsel Linda Dunn and District 8 Director Georgia Heth, and is expected to be complete in 2017. Bart Bramley spoke to the Board for about 30 minutes and gave the views of the Ethical Oversight Committee (EOC) on the changes they would like to see. The EOC hears ethical cases and spent a great amount of time on the cheating cases in 2016. Bart chaired the EOC in 2016 and has served on it for over 20 years. Thank you, Bart!!!

Hall of Fame selection procedures were revised to increase the number of members inducted by allowing each elector the opportunity to vote either for or against every candidate nominated.

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## Four GNT Teams Head to Toronto

32 Teams played in Houston during the first weekend in April to determine 4 teams that would represent District 16 at the Toronto Summer Nationals. Three teams played in the Superflight, 5 in A, 16 in B and 8 in C. Last year there were 7 teams played in the Superflight, 4 in A, 5 in C and 16 in B. The winners were:

**Super Flight:** Eddie Wold, Bart Bramley, Mike Passell, and Chris Compton.

**Flight A:** Daniel Jackson, Mike Doyle, James Breihan, and Anton (Tony) Haddad

**Flight B:** Stan Pushkarsky, Sandy Potts, John Moore, and Roxann Swenson

**Flight C:** Gary Anderson, Jerry Barrett, Jarek Lange, and Julianne McKenna.

The Superflight played an all day round robin of Saturday to eliminate one team and the surviving 2 teams played a 48 board final on Sunday. The Wold team led by 9 IMPs at the half over Nancy and Steve Kornegay Kimmel Jones and Mark Bumgardner but pulled away

in the second half. This was the fourth second for the runnerups over the last 10 years. Kimmel had won twice before. The winners have well over 200,000 masterpoints and 55 national championships.

The other flights played a 2 session swiss to reduce to 4 teams Then a 24 board semi-final and final on Sunday. The leading team after the first reduction got to choose the team they wanted to play in the semi-final.

Daniel Jackson, Mike Doyle, and James Breihan won the Flight B National in 2014 and have other high places in the NAP and GNT as well. All of them and second place flight A team played in the superflight last year.

The flight B and C teams are from the Austin area which has also done quite well in the NAPS. Great job Austin.

The district helps defray expenses by subsidizing \$2000 to each team plus entries.

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**Flight A**  
James Breihan-Mike Doyle  
Tony Haddad-Daniel Jackson



**Flight B**  
Roxann Swenson-Sandy Potts  
John Moore-Stan Pushkarsky



**Flight C**  
Gary Anderson, Julianne McKenna,  
Jerry Barrett, Jarek Lange



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353 Wichita Falls	15			
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**Charlie Price 1942-2017**

Charlie Price passed away on March 31. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. It was during college and Navy days that Charles developed a lifelong love of duplicate bridge, which he played throughout the rest of his life. Charles received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education in May of 1970 and began working for Garland ISD that fall. He achieved a Master of Education degree in 1973, and a Doctor of Education degree in school administration in 1983. Charles was a school administrator for most of his 30+ year tenure with Garland ISD, and following his retirement there, he taught at Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant while living in the Sherman-Denison area.

Charlie's service to District 16 and Unit 176 was numerous. In the 90's, he chaired two of the most successful Dallas Regionals at the DFW airport hotel – and this was a challenging location! For the first of these, he gladly stepped in and took over at the last minute, successfully saving a tournament in trouble. Then in 1997, he was the Finance Chair for the Dallas Nationals, a very successful NABC. During this time, he served several terms on his Unit Board where he served as Vice-President, President and unit representative. At the District level he was 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd Vice President, Executive Secretary, President and Tournament Committee Chair.

Charlie taught bridge as a credit course at Austin College for many years and required his students to play in Dallas tournaments. This got many young players off to a successful start in duplicate and opened their eyes to the vitality of the bridge community. In 2015 he received the Oswald and James Jacoby service award. He was a diamond live master and represented district 16 in the Grand National teams twice. He will be deeply missed.

**DIRECTOR REFRESHER COURSE**

**Sunday, July 2**

Omni Hotel, 9821 Colonnade Blvd. San Antonio, Tx.



Continuing Education for Club Directors Presented by Tournament Director Scott Humphrey

Time: 9:00 A.M. to noon and 1-4:00 P.M. Cost: \$25.00

**Register early! Cut-off date is June 1<sup>st</sup>**  
A minimum of 10 is needed to have a class

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**NAP Cycle Begins in June**

held in conjunction with the 2018 Spring NABC in Philadelphia.

The games are flighted: (Flight eligibility is based on the June 2017 master-point cycle which is run May 6, 2017: A (Open): B (0 to 2,500) and C (0 to 500, NLM) Pairs who qualify at the District level qualify to attend the NABC in Philadelphia. Last year ACBL paid a stipend of \$700/per person for those who qualified 1st 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 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 addi-

tional subsidy in flights B & C, so support your clubs when they hold 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
- Unit level:** From September through December
- District level:** January 20-21, 2018, San Antonio
- National level:** At Spring 2017 NABC in Philadelphia, PA

For more details, go to [www.acbl.org/play/special-events-info.php#nap](http://www.acbl.org/play/special-events-info.php#nap)

Or contact Roxie Tom, D16 NAP Coordinator [rtom85@yahoo.com](mailto:rtom85@yahoo.com) or 210-508-4697

Roxie Tom



District 16 NAP Coordinator

Get ready for the new NAP cycle beginning in June! This year each District will have the opportunity to send 3 A pairs, 4 B pairs and 4 C pairs.

First you have the opportunity to earn half red/half black 100% sectional rated points at your own local club. During June, July, and August, each club is allowed to hold two NAP games per sanction per month. Although you only need to qualify once to advance to the next level, you can win extra points all summer long!

This prestigious event is staged in qualifying rounds at the club, unit, and district levels. It culminates in a final

**DEADLINES for July/August 2017 Issue**

- Announcements: June 1st
- Articles, Columns: June 6th
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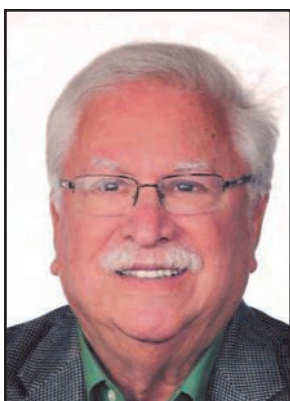
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**Dan Leightman New D16 Executive Treasurer**

After serving district 16 for 10 years Lew Levy has retired as district treasurer. Be sure to thank him for a great job. During the course of his work he received the Oswald and James Jacoby service award.

Dan Leightman is the new district 16 executive treasurer. His contact information is

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July 14 - 16, 2017

RUIDOSO HIGH SCHOOL

Enjoy Bridge in the Mountains of New Mexico

**Friday, July 14**

10 AM Dasher Stratified Open Pairs  
Dancer 299er Pairs

3 PM Rudolf KO's (round 1)  
Prancer Open Pairs  
Vixen 299er Pairs

**Saturday, July 15**

10 AM Rudolf KO's (round 2)  
Cupid Stratified Open Pairs  
Donder 299er Pairs

3 PM Rudolf KO's (round 3)  
Blitzen Stratified Open Pairs  
Frosty 299er Pairs

**Sunday, July 16**

10 AM & TBD Santa Stratified Swiss Teams  
Santa 299er Swiss Teams

**Stratified:** (A) 2000+ (B) 750-2000 (C) 0-750

Pairs and Teams stratified by average MPs of pair or team  
Top KO bracket may be handicapped

**Fees:** Pairs and KO's: \$12/ person / session  
Swiss Team: \$100. / team Sunday Lunch Included  
Non-ACBL or Unpaid Member add \$3.00 each session  
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**National Report from page 1** Score.

There were changes to Masterpoint awards, and I believe these were most significant. Club Masterpoint game awards were increased from 2.50 maximum to 4.00 maximum. Masterpoint awards for regional events at NABC tournaments will be increased by 15%. Masterpoint awards for 4 session open events other than Knockouts will be increased by 40%. These changes will be implemented on a schedule determined by management and are dependent upon revisions to ACBL

Both the Club and Tournament task forces met in Kansas City. We are gathering data and planning how we will address the issues. My next Scorecard article will be devoted to these topics.

Feel free to e-mail with questions or comments.  
([paulcuneo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:paulcuneo@sbcglobal.net)) I hope to see you at the tables.

Paul Cuneo

## 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 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.

## In Memoriam

- \* Billie H. Banks Valentine, Austin
- \* Mrs. Martha M. Black, Pearland
- \* Phil Brown, San Antonio
- \* Mrs. Charlye B. Combs, Missouri City
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- \* David L. Russell, Houston TX
- \* Mrs. Diane L. Schaffer, Frisco TX
- \* Davida Word, Kerrville TX
- \*Life Master

## Moving Up

Martha	Oliver	Orange	Life Master	Meriedith	Pfister	Denton	Silver Life Master
Stefanie	Scott	Little Elm	Life Master	G Thomas	Rush	Houston	Silver Life Master
Evan	Marti	Houston	Life Master	Beverley	Cheatham	Houston	Ruby Life Master
Eileen	Williamson	Granbury	Life Master	Buddy	Ellisor	Wimberley	Ruby Life Master
Elisabeth	Cabiness	Houston	Bronze Life Master	Nancy	Fellman	Dallas	Ruby Life Master
Susan	Cumming	Belair	Bronze Life Master	Vi	Ganeles	Dallas	Ruby Life Master
Sharon	Dameron	Cedar Park	Bronze Life Master	Karlyene	Hall	Tyler	Ruby Life Master
Nelle	Hixson	Arlington	Bronze Life Master	Richard	Langland	Irving	Ruby Life Master
Annie	Mason	Fort Worth	Bronze Life Master	Barbara	McMinn	Waxahachie	Ruby Life Master
Maureen	Viaclovsky	Friendswood	Bronze Life Master	Darlene	Moody	Houston	Ruby Life Master
Charles	Wobbeking	Southlake	Bronze Life Master	Jo	Neesvig	San Antonio	Ruby Life Master
Ron	Brown	Houston	Bronze Life Master	Jennifer	Rao	Dallas	Ruby Life Master
Arthur	Faulkner	Tyler	Bronze Life Master	Kitty	Wong	Pearland	Ruby Life Master
James	Moody	Austin	Bronze Life Master	Peggy	Wright	Nacogdoches	Ruby Life Master
Barry	Morgan	Houston	Bronze Life Master	Margaret	Hanneman	Rosenberg	Ruby Life Master
Kristen	Onsgard	Dallas	Bronze Life Master	Jean	Roach	Kaufman	Ruby Life Master
Roxann	Swenson	Austin	Bronze Life Master	Patricia	Sears	Fort Worth	Ruby Life Master
Meng-Chr	Tsai	Pearland	Bronze Life Master	Charles	Brown	Arlington	Gold Life Master
Carolyn	Worsham	Port Arthur	Bronze Life Master	Charles	Richards	Paris	Gold Life Master
Carole	Coates	Mansfield	Silver Life Master	Helen	Simonette	Salado	Gold Life Master
Sue	Ritschel	Tyler	Silver Life Master	Steve	Vaughn	Humble	Gold Life Master
Kathy	Sinkin-Amor	San Antonio	Silver Life Master	Carol	McConnell	Cedar Hill	Gold Life Master
Liane	Tsai	Plano	Silver Life Master	Robert	Patton	Abilene	Gold Life Master
Marilyn	Adams	Beaumont	Silver Life Master	George	Wieland	Houston	Gold Life Master
Steven	Andersen	Austin	Silver Life Master	Marilyn	Mac Donald	Corpus Christi	Sapphire Life Master
Wright	Barnebey	Rocksprings	Silver Life Master	Suzanne	Dorris	San Angelo	Sapphire Life Master
Nancy	Dean	Austin	Silver Life Master	Bobbi	Kauffman	Houston	Sapphire Life Master
Pamela	Gladysz	Fort Worth	Silver Life Master	Paul	Stereff	Pasadena	Sapphire Life Master
Mike	Goldberg	Houston	Silver Life Master	Ralda	St Pierre	Houston	Diamond Life Master
Dale	Grady	Pearland	Silver Life Master	Shirley	McKee	Houston	Emerald Life Master
Barbara	Jones	Cleburne	Silver Life Master	Virginia	Noelke	San Angelo	Emerald Life Master



<b>Unit 172</b> <b>San Antonio</b>	
Rebecca Brown	

We really lucked out this spring as we drove along I-10 to play in the Kerrville Spring in the Hills Sectional. The bluebonnets and other wild flowers were resplendent and the weather was gorgeous! Some of us even did well at the tournament!

With 228 tables in play (down 6 from 2016), Ed Rawlinson was the high masterpoint winner (31.10), followed by Dave Swarthout (25.24) and Hank Eng (23.22). Event results accompany this article. I especially want to give a "shout-out" to Carol Ramberg, my new partner in crime, who worked tirelessly as hospitality chair and who did a fabulous job--aided by Kerrville players Donna McBride and Jean Blilie, San Antonian Karen Filis, and lots of other volunteers. Thanks to you all for your hard work and tasty offerings!

Earlier in the year, the Unit held a GNT qualifier, coordinated by Jan Wingate. We had a great turnout (18 B and C flight teams) and who qualified to participate in the District finals in Houston. Flight B winners were Charles Walker, Richard Bragg, Forrest Gray and Fran Vanecko. Flight C winners were Tony Quiles, Paul Fafoutakis, Koko Malley, and Jim Seiders. Good show, y'all!

In early March, thanks to the encouragement of Ed Rawlinson and Hank Eng, the Unit hosted a new event: a 3-session KO (March 4-5), with open pairs for those who got knocked out. There were 24 teams participating, with winners in three flights: Terry and Carolyn Riely, Roxie Tom and Pat Prichard (A); Charlie Walker, Richard Bragg, Elaine Van Buren and Jeri Martin (B); Ann Perry, SK Sharma, PD Sharma and Jeanne Dawley (C). Winners of the Open Pairs: Chuck Jefferson and Forrest Gray. Congrats to all! We hope you enjoyed the event and would like your feedback. The Unit will offer another free team opportunity experience on June 17<sup>th</sup>---just in time to get ready for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Regional. Come out and play!

The NABCs were held in Kansas City in early March. Ira Hessel and his partner represented District 16 in the NAOPs. They finished honorably! Other San Antonio players who made the trek (notwithstanding bad weather): Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani, Ellen Hessel, Donna and Dave Swarthout, Venkatrao Koneru, Greg and Patty Hinze, Janise Saul, Kendall

Early and Judy and Steve Hoffman.

Table tidbits: One of the best things about the Kerrville tournament for me was getting to know Carol Ramberg! You will easily put name and face together when I tell you that she always wears a silk flower over her left ear. Picture her now? She grew up in Honolulu, Hawaii, of Chinese heritage, and went to the same private school as President Obama (though not during the same years.) She didn't adopt the Polynesian custom of wearing a flower until she left Hawaii, though. By the way, as you may know, a woman wears a flower on the left side to indicate she's married; women wear it on the right side to announce they are "available." Carol studied journalism and marketing at the University of Oregon and the University of Hawaii while working for Pan Am in the reservations department. She and her first husband (now deceased) lived in Hawaii and Baltimore, where she continued her work in the travel industry. She was a travel agency manager, a representative for a Mexican tour company, worked for Singapore Airlines and United Airlines (back in Hawaii), where she met her husband, Pete. When they retired, they decided to move to San Miguel de Allende in Mexico, where they built a house and lived for 9 years. They got homesick for the U.S. and in 2005 decided to relocate to San Antonio, a city they knew through their travels. While she played party bridge during college and later, she gave it up for almost 20 years, starting back in 2006, first with party bridge, then duplicate in Fair Oaks and Kerrville. She hadn't even joined the ACBL until one day, she and her partner played at BCSA and scored a 72% game. Rich Lampman made her join the ACBL on the spot! Wasting no time in getting more involved in the bridge world, Carol decided to start a sanctioned, bridge game in Boerne. The game is held every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Kronkosky Rainbow Senior Center in Boerne. Carol usually has 10 tables in play with \$5 entry fee per player. Check it out!

Milestones: Congrats to new Life Master: Jan Wingate; new Silver Life Masters Kathy Sinkin-Amor and Judith Hoffman; new Ruby Life Master: Jo Nesvig.

Upcoming: Awards Day (May 13/Fiesta); Summer Sectional (June 1-4/Fiesta); Unit 2-Session Swiss Teams (June 17/Fiesta); Regional (July 3-9/Omni Hotel)

SEE YOU AT THE TABLE!

### Kerrville Sectional

- Mar 23-26 2017  
172 players 228 tables.
- 1 31.10 Ed Rawlinson
  - 2 30.86 Linda Elmore
  - 3 30.86 Chris Compton
  - 4 25.24 Dave Swarthout
  - 5 23.22 Hank Eng
  - 6 23.10 Everette Lewis
  - 7 22.03 Gary Anziani
  - 8 20.99 Donna Swarthout
  - 9 19.64 Wright Barnebey
  - 10 16.53 Diane Olson

**Thursday Afternoon Swiss-25 Tables A1.** Everette Lewis- Art D'Entremont-Richard Lampman- Hank Eng  
2. Ed Rawlinson-Charles Jefferson-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout  
B1. Terri O'Brien- Laura Delfeld-Robert Crawford-Betty Schell B2C1.. Sisir Sharma-Debbie Schweiss-Ann Perry-Bob Steidel C2. Garry Hanson-JoAnn Hanson- S Hultquist-Bill Stillwell

**Thursday AM Open Pairs-18.5 Tables / Based on 23 Tables A1.** Chris Compton-Linda Elmore A2. Richard Lampman-Hank Eng B1. Tommy Latham-Patricia Latham B2. Karen Fillis-George Fillis C1. Donna Murray-Richard Murray Jr C2. Bob Steidel-Debbie Schweiss

**Thursday AM 499er Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1.** Barbara Layton-Felicia Davis AB2C1. Bill Stillwell-S Hultquist C2/3 Robert Craig-Coleman Driver C2/3 JoAnn Hanson-Garry Hanson

**Friday Afternoon Open Prs-29.0 Tables / Based on 33 Tables A1.** Chris Compton-Linda Elmore A2. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel B1. Eddy Rice-Verle Rice B2. Tommy Latham-Patricia Latham C1. Jeanne Dawley-James Cuccia C2. Betty Schell-Robert Crawford

**Friday Aft 499er Pairs-4.0 Tables A1.** Ann McMullan-Jim McMullan A2B1. Barbara Layton-Felicia Davis B2C1. Bill Stillwell-Dave Conley C2. Coleman Driver-Robert Craig

**Friday AM Open Pairs-28.0 Tables / Based on 33 Tables A1.** Bill Walker-Marilyn Arnold A2. Diane Olson-Everette Lewis B1. Lew Spurlock-Louis Ray B2. Karen Fillis-George Fillis C1. Toni Hurlbut-Linda Reichenau C2. Judy Carol Taquino-James Gardner

**Friday AM 499r Pairs-5.0 Tables A1.** Ann McMullan-Jim McMullan A2BC1. Robert Craig-Coleman Driver B2. Liz Jacobson-Suzanne Russell C2. Bill Stillwell-Dave Conley

**Friday Evening Fast Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1.** Laura Delfeld-Terri O'Brien AB2. K Voges-Susan Ohm

**Saturday AM Open Pairs-29.0 Tables / Based on 34 Tables AB1.** K Carpenter- Wright Barnebey A2. Chris Compton-Linda Elmore B2.

## FIESTA SUMMER SECTIONAL SAN ANTONIO



**JUNE 1 - 4 @ FIESTA BRIDGE CLUB**  
2112 NW MILITARY, SAN ANTONIO 78213

**Thursday, June 1**

- 10 am Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
- 2:30 pm Stratified Swiss Teams
- 2:30 pm Stratified 499'er Pairs

**Friday, June 2**

- 10 am Stratified Pairs
- 10 am Stratified 499'er Pairs
- 2:30 pm Stratified 499'er Pairs
- 2:30 pm KO Teams (1 of 3 sessions)

**Saturday, June 3**

- 10 am Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
- 10 am KO Teams (2 of 3)
- 2:30 pm Stratified Open Pair & 499'er Pairs
- 2:30 KO Teams (3 of 3)

**Sunday, June 4**

10 am & TBA Stratified Swiss Teams - Meal between Stratifications: **A 2500+ B 750-2500 C 0-750**

Average Masterpoints will be used in all events

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Card Fees: \$12/person/session \$108/Swiss Team  
Unpaid/non ACBL members add \$3

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Anyemarie Weaver-Dorothy Rippstein C1. Jim Roff-Evelyn Irene White C2. Earl Cutler-Richard Arnold

**Saturday AM 499er Pairs-5.0 Tables A1.** Ann McMullan-Jim McMullan A2BC1. Beverly Flannery-Ruth Eilene Sullivan B2. Felicia Davis-Barbara Layton C2. Valerie Katz-Luann Cohen

**Saturday Aft Open Pairs-29.0 Tables / Based on 31 Tables A1.** Ed Rawlinson-Gary Anziani A2/3

Forrest Gray-Diane Olson A2/3 Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel BC1. Gerald Irion-Janelle Miles B2. Jean Blilie-

Carol Ramberg C2. Betty Schell-Robert Crawford **Margaret Higgins Swiss-23 Tables A1.** Ed Rawlinson-Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout-Gary Anziani A2. Hank Eng-Roxie Tom-Janise Saul-Neal Perlman BC1. Wright Barnebey-Carol Ramberg-Evelyn Irene White-Jim Roff B2. Stephanie Stevens-Homer Stevens-Susan Hernandez-Andy Villastrigo

## KERRVILLE SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS



Thursday Morn, Friday Aft Open Pairs A  
Chris Compton, Linda Elmore



Thursday Aft Swiss Team A  
Art D'Entremont, Hank Eng,  
Everett Lewis, Rich Lampman



Friday Morn Open Pairs A  
Bill Walker, Marilyn Arnold



Friday Eve Fast Pairs  
Terri O'Brien, Laura Delfeld



Saturday Aft Open Pairs A  
Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A  
Kim Carpenter, Wright Barnebey



Sunday Swiss Team A  
Ed Rawlinson, Donna Swarthout  
Gary Anziani, Dave Swarthout

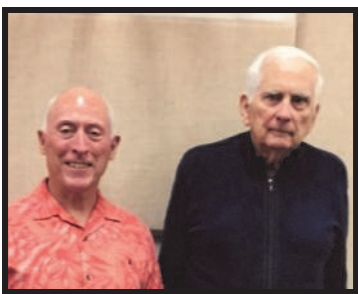


Thursday Aft Swiss Team B  
Robert Crawford, Terri O'Brien,  
Betty Schell, Laura Delfeld



Thursday Aft Swiss Team C  
SK Sharma, Ann Perry,  
Debbie Schweiss, Bob Steidel





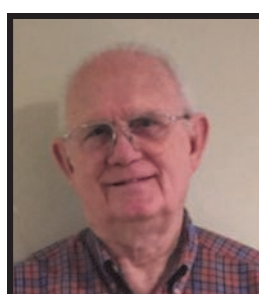
Friday Morn Pairs B  
Lew Spurlock, Louis Ray



Friday Morn Pairs C  
Toni Hurlburt, Linda Reichenau



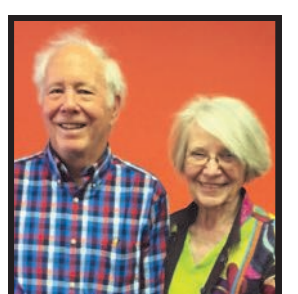
Friday Aft Pairs B  
James Cuccia, Jeanne Dawley



Saturday Aft Open Pairs B,C  
Gerald Irion



Sunday Swiss Team B,C  
Carol Rambert, Evelyn Irene White,  
Wright Barneby, Jim Roff



Friday & Saturday Morn 499ers  
Jim & Ann McMullan



Unit 174  
Houston

Carol Ann  
Wilson

**Unit News:** Our "Election Sectional" held April 7-9 broke all records with 750 tables! We continue to have great success with the Bracketed Swiss events, and players are having fun. The excellent team of **Dan Morse, Gil Micheletti, John Zilic, and Tom Peters** won Sunday's Stratiflighted A/X Swiss Team Event. District 16 held the qualifying events the **Grand National Teams** to be held in Toronto in July at the ACBL Summer National, and we have qualifying winners from Unit 174! **Eddie Wold's** team won the Championship Flight event, and they were the high MP winners with 36. The A Flight winning team was all from Unit 174: **Daniel Jackson, Mike Doyle, Jimmy Breihan, and Tony Haddad**, who won 30 MPs! We are so proud of these players and will be cheering for them at the nationals in Toronto. We are also proud of another team, all from Unit 174, who placed second in Flight B: **Tom Rush, Wes Peirce, Steve Vaughn, and Joseph Volanski**, for 19.5 MPs. We keep seeing their names all over winner reports, and they are formidable foes. Keep up the good work, everybody! We now

get ready for our "Nearly Summer" Sectional **June 9-11** at the Marriott Westchase. Cutoff for \$89 room rate is May 18. We hope to set the bar higher and break another record!

More big winners from Unit 174 in Big Events: **Pat Levy** and **Georgianna Gates** won second in the Smith LM Women's Pairs at the Spring Nationals in Kansas City for 57 Platinum MPs. Also at the Spring Nationals, **Geoff Booth** and **Robert Sandfield** finished 7th in the Lehar IMP Pairs. **Pat Levy** with **Anthony Bianchi** came in 7th in the Jim Hopkins Open Pairs at the Hawaii Regional in January. Our hearts swell for these Unit 174 players who make us so proud in national events. (It takes some amount of courage just to enter, doesn't it?)

**Success Stories from Unit 174:** **Bridge Club of Houston** is holding a 299er Tournament May 4-7, and they will have another September 7-10. On May 29 they are continuing their traditional "Hot Diggity Dog" Memorial Day game, with hot dogs and sides at 11 and game at 11:55. It's gotten to be such a popular event that reservations are required, so get yours in early. Their daytime mentor games are on the first Thursday of each month and the evening one is on the third Monday. **BCOH** and **Westside Bridge Academy** are both

enjoying success with their evening "8 Is Enough" Swiss Team nightly games. Players really like this event, where A players count 3, B players count 2, and C players count 1, and no team can have more than 8. **WBA** is holding regular MiniBridge events, and we hear that both adults and grandchildren are loving it! We are proud to help ACBL support this avenue to draw new players to the game. At the **Clear Lake DBC**, **Dave Glandorf** holds regular courses all year long, and all details are posted at the Club's Website. They have expanded with **Pat Harley** holding three "Fast Track" courses in conjunction with the Friendswood High School Adult Ed program. Pat Harley designed the course in response to requests for Short time commitments (5-7 sessions per module), a way to "try out" the game inexpensively, and a review for those returning to the game after many years away. Next courses begins August 20. We will be anxious to hear how that's going. **Apple DBC** held a *surprise* party on 2/24 for **Ed Groner** in recognition of his 15,000 MP accomplishment. It was a sellout, and unfortunately, late-comers did not get a seat. What a great tribute to a super player, teacher, coach, and fine human being!

**New 70% Milestones: TWO HUGE GAMES** (both in the same week) **AT WESTSIDE BRIDGE ACADEMY:**

**Bill Lease** and **Larry Laird** had a 75.24% game on 4/4 and **Pat Levy** and **Jolie Hess** posted 75.46% on 4/6. Also at WBA, on 3/8, **Dianne Watts** and **Carol Ince** posted a 72.22% game in I/N. At the **Kingwood DBC**, **Betsy Birkett** and **Gail Carter** posted a 76.52% game on 3/8. These great games will be reported in the *ACBL Bulletin*. **Bridge Club of Houston** reports that the very successful partnership of **Ted Bain** and **Jeff Kroll** posted *three* Big Games at their club: 73.72% on 2/24, 70.44% on 3/5, and 73.52% on 3/30! That kind of consistency rates a Big Wow! Also at BCOH, **Frank Zebedeo** and **George Mercurio** had a 73.70% game reported to us on 2/27. At **Clear Lake DBC**, a 70.37% game was posted by **Wayne Christensen Jr.** and **Joe Giovannangeli** on 3/9 in the Open Game, and in their 199er games, **Terrance Harris** and **Chuck Brom** posted a 72.22% game in on 3/22 and **Sandi Mills** and **Douglas Lilly** posted 77.80% on 2/13. **Spring Branch DBC** reported the following big games: **John Zilic** and **Dan Morse**, a 72.88 game on 3/23, and on 3/30 **Mary Pat Gentry** and **Victor Sitton** had a 70.25% game. And get this: on 2/3 there were *two* Big Games at Apple DBC held at Tracy Gee Community Center: **Clif Capen** and **Don White** won first with a 70.34%, while **Ed Groner** and **Vic Sitton** had to settle for second overall

with a 70.14% game! Both were sitting N-S in the same section. Can you imagine that? *Congratulations to all for these rare achievements!*

**Remembering Those Who Have Passed On:** **Martha Black**, a Gold LM, passed away on 1/15; we lost **Betty Daily**, who had been a long-time member of Unit 174 on 2/28; Silver LM **Dave Russell** left us on 3/17, and **David Graham Word**, a Gold LM who had formerly been a member of Unit 174, died on 3/22. They will all be missed.

Till next time . . .

**Election Sectional**

Houston  
Apr 07-09 2017  
802 players 750 tables.

- 1 49.04 Thomas Peters
- 2 49.04 John Zilic
- 3 49.04 Gil Micheletti Md
- 4 49.04 Dan Morse
- 5 40.17 Joe Quinn
- 6 37.48 Stephen Schwall
- 7 36.87 Ralda St Pierre
- 8 35.35 Nancy Boothe
- 9 31.78 Jack LaVigne
- 10 25.16 Nancy Passell
- 11 25.01 Barbara LaVigne
- 12 24.70 Tom Clarke
- 13 21.92 John Erickson

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**Lectures**

Friday at 2:30  
Saturday at 2:30

**Entry Fees**

Friday & Saturday .....\$10  
Sunday (lunch included!).....\$15

\$3 more for non- and unpaid members  
0-5 play for free on Friday and Saturday!

**Host Hotel**

**Houston Marriott Westchase**  
2900 Briarpark Dr, Houston, TX  
713-978-7400

Room Rate \$89; Cutoff date May 18

**Nearly Summer  
Sectional  
June 9-11, 2017**

**Stratification**

**Stratified Open Events**

A:2500+ B:750-2500 C:0-750

**Stratified 299r Events**

A:200-300 B:100-200 C:0-100

**Stratified 49r Events**

A:20-50 B:5-20 C:0-5

**Strati-Flighted Swiss**

A:4000+ Ax:0-4000 A, Ax play together  
B:0-2500 Bracketed

No one with over 2500 masterpoints may play in the B flight.

**Bracketed Swiss**

Teams bracketed into groups of 7-9 by total master point holding.  
Teams will play within their bracket

Team or pair average master points used for all stratified events and within Strati-Flighted events

Strats may vary at the directors' discretion.

**Event Schedule**

**Friday, June 9**

10:00 am

- Stratified Open Pairs (Session 1 of 2)
- Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)
- Stratified 299r Pairs
- Stratified 49r Pairs
- Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 of 2)

3:00 pm

- Stratified Open Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
- Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)
- Stratified 299r Pairs
- Stratified 49r Pairs
- Bracketed Swiss (Session 2 of 2)

**Saturday, June 10**

10:00 am

- Stratified Open Pairs (Session 1 Of 2)
- Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)
- Stratified 299r Pairs
- Stratified 49r Pairs
- Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 of 2)

3:00 pm

- Stratified Open Pairs (Session 2 of 2)
- Stratified Side Pairs (Single Session)
- Stratified 299r Pairs
- Stratified 49r Pairs
- Bracketed Swiss (Session 2 of 2)

**Sunday, June 11**

10:00 am & TBA

- Strati-Flighted Swiss (Double Session)
- Stratified Open Pairs (Double Session)
- Stratified Side Pairs (Single Sessions)



14 21.28 Donald White  
 15 21.28 Clif Capen  
 16 20.22 Linda McReynolds  
 17 20.22 David Wicks  
 18 19.98 Lily Andre  
 19 19.98 James Andre  
 20 19.98 Harry Elliott  
 21 19.98 David Goldfarb  
 22 19.92 John Du Bose Jr  
 23 19.22 Pat McMullin  
 24 18.59 Yin Choo Sugar  
 25 18.17 Catherine Prasad

**Friday Aft Side Pairs-9.0 Tables**

A1. Phillip Grothus-Vinh Tran A2B1. Nancy Fellman-Chris Anderson B2C1. James Rider-Cheryl Rider C2. Sandra Jackson-Richard Jackson

**Friday Aft 299er Pairs-16.0 Tables**  
 AB1. Cindy Hillman-Julie Stewart AB2. Darlyn Dusek-Bebe Walker C1. Robert Lee-Robert Moll C2. Mark Incerto-Douglas Lilly

**Friday Aft 49er Pairs-5.0 Tables**  
 A1. Patricia Freeman-William Forkner A2B1. Gigi White-Mark Levy B2. Janet Burroughs-Rupa Shah

**Saturday Morn Side Pairs-6.5 Tables**  
 A1. Max Levit-Ariel Leibovitz A2BC1. Giovanna Spiker-Kryisia Walker B2. Jo Graves-Billie Graves C2. Sharon Campbell-Richard Arnold

**Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-15.0 Tables**  
 A1. Julia Thompson-Myra Marsh A2/3BC1. Ede Weiner-Bruce Weiner A2/3 Barbara Chappell-Richard Chappell A2. Kenneth Sever-Harriet Brown B2. Patricia Wood-Carolyn Keeble

**Saturday Morn 49er Pairs-4.0 Tables**  
 1. Leslie Brewer-Joan Slayden 2. Johara Nour-Robert Boshara

**Friday Morn Side Pairs-9.5 Tables**  
 AB1. Lynn Shapiro-Phyllis Hink AB2C1. Phil Bellan-C Tsai C2. Raymond Prizler-Frank Mitchum

**Friday Morn 299er Pairs-19.5 Tables**  
 AB1. Marvin Meistrich-Edmund Gehan AB2C1. Linda McCasland-Charlotte Howell C2. Margaret Thomson-Susan Silvey

**Friday Morn 49er Pairs-5.5 Tables**  
 A1. Rose Cullivan Hock-Leon Gertsch A2. Mary Bryan-Ann Dahn B1. Betty Westbrook-Barbara Craven B2. Jay Evert-Yandell Rogers Jr

**Friday Open Pairs-25.0 Tables / Based on 50 Tables .** Stephen Schwall-Ralda St Pierre A2. Jack

LaVigne-Quinn B2C1. Elisabeth Kay Spring Branch-Ann Kuehler C2. Willie Jo Schaefer-Gail Gillespie

**Friday Swiss Bracket 1-7 Tables**  
 1. Dan Morse-John Zilic-Gil Micheletti Md-Thomas Peters 2/3 Nancy Passell -Mike Passell Plano ; Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay 2/3 Eric Snow-Chuck Gillis-Nancy Boothe-Pat McMullin

**Friday Swiss Bracket 2-7 Tables**  
 1. David Goldfarb-Lily Andre-James Andre-Harry Elliott  
 2. Sherry Withers-Debi Balter-John Du Bose Jr-Jack Balter

**Friday Swiss Bracket 3-7 Tables**  
 1. William Daniel III-Karen Fireman-Wally Klugiewicz-Pamela White 2. Debra Bellan-Marilyn Joyner-Kyle Lueders-Audley Karrasch

**Friday Swiss Bracket 4-7 Tables 1/2**  
 Shih-Ming Yang-Shou Chao Houston ; Yin Choo-Gordon Yee 1/2 Linda McReynolds-David Wicks-Elton Lipnick-Ming Su

**Friday Swiss Bracket 5-7 Tables**  
 1. William Kibikas-Ronald Kautz-William Houck-David Bradt 2. Catherine Brown-Carol Jewett-Marcella Thomas-Daksha Adhia

**Friday Swiss Bracket 6-7 Tables**  
 1. Mike Goldberg Houston ; Wayne Miller Baytown ; Evvie Gilbert Seabrook ; Sylvia Thomas Alvin 2. Judi Sulzbach-Barbara Atkins-Debra Alexander-Nancy Carlin

**Friday Swiss Bracket 7-7 Tables**  
 1. Sherry Greisen-Sandi Mills-Vicki Dailey-Irene Baker 2. Kathy Hughes Missouri City ; Judy Carter Rosenberg ; Rekha Parekh-Sharon Campbell

**Friday Swiss Bracket 8-7 Tables**  
 1. Genie Hayden-Betty Jean Reeves-Kathy Sinkin-Amor-Donna Hrachovy 2. Mary Ann Polk-Bernice McElwain-Hick-Vivian Cyprus Houston ; Jabeen Farooki

**Friday Swiss Bracket 10-7 Tables**  
 1. Ann Gibbs-Jane Joplin-Marilyn Leiman-Beverly Fanarof 1 2. Norma Porter-Chie Yen-Cathy Chen-Sophie Chen

**Friday Swiss Bracket 11-7 Tables**  
 1. Susan Mandel-Sandra Maalouf-Norma Lampkin-Janice Walker 2/3 Hillel Weinbaum-Barbara Glass Sugar Land ; Elizabeth Jackson-Chris Whiteloni 2/3 George Nelson-Julian

Martin-Mary Nelson-Joanne Graham  
**Friday Swiss Bracket 12-12 Tables**  
 1. Geri Noel-Laura McWilliams-Jeanie Connell-Sharon Gerson 2. Francis Gay-Paula Gay-Susan Smith-Dinah Weems

**Friday Swiss Bracket 9-7 Tables**  
 1. Thomas Romz-Bert Sheldon-Evelyn James-Keith Ritter 2. Jack Mander-scheid-Patricia Bunn-Owen Bunn-B J Renshaw

**Saturday Open Pairs-19.0 Tables / Based on 38 Tables**  
 A1. Clif Capen-Donald White A2B1. Mark Meigs-Mack Meigs B2. Sandra Clark-Rick Barrett C1. Christian Liipfert-Tekin Kunt C2. Richard Jackson-Sandra Jackson

**Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-13.0 Tables**  
 AB1. W Clingo-B Clingo AB2C1. Carol Gore-Ann Konikowski C2. Pushpa Bharani-Anil Bharani

**Saturday Aft 49er Pairs-4.0 Tables**  
 A1. Carol McCord Hockley-Jane Lawson A2B1. Gigi White -Mark Levy B2. Sara Crabtree-Sue Mahaffie

**Saturday Aft Side Pairs-3.0 Tables**  
 1. Bernice McElwain-Hick-Theron Lindsey . Julialee O'Shea-Carol Montague

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 1-7 Tables**  
 1. Shawn Quinn-Joe Quinn-Tom Clarke-Nancy Passell 2. John Zilic-Gil Micheletti Md-Dan Morse-Thomas Peters

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 2-7 Tables**  
 1. David Goldfarb-Harry Elliott-Lily Andre-James Andre 2/4 Charles Collins-Barbara Phillips-Arthur Giovannangeli-Wayne Christensen Jr 2/4 Thomas Martinsen-Linda Martinsen Bellaire ; Bill Riley-Nancy Riley 2/4 Phyllis Timko-Mimi Hagedorn-Dolores Aquino-Donald Timko

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 3-7 Tables**  
 1. Victoria Ornowski-Connie Robichaux-Jessie Schoppe-Joyce Park 2. Gordon Yee-Yin Choo-Karen Tabak Nussbaum-Roger Marlatt

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 4-7 Tables**  
 1. Ashok Shingavi-Abid Mumtaz-Victor Tong-Nandlal Khatri 2. Nelson Brown Jr-Dana Brown-Geri McKallip -Elisabeth Cabiness

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 5-7 Tables**  
 1. David Wicks-Linda McReynolds-Susan McLaurin-Terry Harrison 2. Hugh Humphries-Kay Humphries-Beverly Fanarof-Ming Su

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 6-7 Tables**  
 1. Gary Winston-Shari Winston-Bill Kiehnhoff-Shyam Bhatia 2. Robert Crawford-Betty Schell-Norma Becker -Marilyn Frazier

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 7-7 Tables**  
 1. Carolyn Campbell-Laura McWilliams-Charlotte Johns-Lotte Optekamp 2. Gayle Longmire-Edna Earle Mattei-Darlene Moody-Nan Fulweber

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 8-7 Tables**  
 1. John (Jack) Dean Jr-Jeanette Dean-James Ochsner-Allison Ochsner 2. Thomas Romz-Bert Sheldon-Evelyn James-Keith Ritter

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 9-7 Tables**  
 1. Judy Carter-Glenda Faragher-Linda Albright-Debra Bray 2. Barry Morgan-James Cauble-Azam Khan-Alok Bhargava

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 10-7 Tables**  
 1. Jill Spence-Toni Roesler-Helen Wren-Rita Hanlin 2. Andrew Remson -Scherry Sprague-Jerry Hoffman-Clydene Jones

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 11-11 Tables**  
 1. Dennis Beckman Houston ; John Hagedorn Saint Louis MO; David Petkus Kemah ; Ronnie Martin 2/3 Suzie Wilson-Vivian Parker-Suzanne Musgrove-Joanne Graham 2/3 Ann Wales-Louise Howell-Dale Miller-Ann Trammell

**Sunday Morn 299er Pairs-5.5 Tables**  
 ABC1. Bruce Weiner-Ede Weiner A2. Barbara Chappell-Richard Chappell BC2. Yandell Rogers Jr-Jay Evert

**Sunday Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 13 Tables**  
 AB1. Joan Sitton Sugar Land ; Sharon Campbell AB2. Phillip Jaeger Thomas Hackenberg C1. Stephen Lavoot-Karen Jennings C2. Carl Estes-William Bonham

**Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-30 Tables / Based on 92 Tables**  
 A1. Thomas Peters Grapeland ; Dan Morse-Gil Micheletti Md-John Zilic A 2. Nancy Boothe-Ann Brinker Schwall-Stephen Schwall-Carolyne Fox Martha Young-Jay Gibson-Bob Friz-Eric Diamond X1/2 Christoph Eick-John Du Bose Jr-Shatrugna Prasad-Catherine Prasad X1/2 Ron Brown-Judy Brown Houston ; Judy Robert-son-Joyce Clarke

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 1-7 Tables**  
 1. Edwin Zwald-Abid Mumtaz-Richard Polunsky-Nandlal Khatri 2. Shi-Lin Yeh Sugar Land ; Carolyn Campbell-Lotte Optekamp-Ann McDougal

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 2-7 Tables**  
 1. Jeff Dater-Kristen Onsgard-Stefanie Scott-Pawel Hanus Carrollton 2. Tim Stelly-Robert Kacher Jr-Patricia Bell-Linda Briggs

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 3-7 Tables**  
 1. Rhonda Bryant-Carolyn Lanier-Carol Wilson-Jeffery Parker 2. Gary Winston-Shari Winston-Yvonne Strangmeyer-Joyce Gore

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 4-7 Tables**  
 Rank Names Score 1. David Wicks-Linda McReynolds-George Nelson-Mary Nelson 2. Jon Wolkenstein-Sheri Wolkenstein-Ann Parker-Ginger Morgan

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 5-7 Tables**  
 1. Walter Freitag Georgetown ; Goldie Rose-Lynne Andress-Roxanne King 2. John Montgomery-Carol Lombardino-Sam Khayatt-Frederick Gregory

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 6-7 Tables**  
 1. Ann Sinclair-Lesly Van Dame-Mary Cris Emmons-Connie Conover 2. Rosalind Kokolis-Gail Wood-John Caudill-Carol Jewett

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 7-7 Tables**  
 1. Gayle Longmire-Edna Earle Mattei-Constance Grant-Titia Smulders 2. James Morgan-Brenda Metze-Ethel Black-Joseph Ford

**Sunday B Swiss Bracket 8-13 Tables**  
 1. Russell Chandler-Jeannie Stone-Laura Chandler-Donald Bell 2. Bharat Shrestha-Baijanti Shrestha-Barbara Abney-Sandra Dickinson

**June 21 The Longest Day**

**Check Your Local Clubs for Games**

**HOUSTON ELECTION SECTIONAL WINNERS**



Friday Open Pairs A  
 Ralda St Pierre, Stephen Schwall



Friday Swiss Bkt1  
 Sunday Swiss A  
 Tom Peters, John Zilic,  
 Gil Micheletti, Dan Morse



Saturday Swiss Team Bkt 1  
 Nancy Passell, Tom Clarke,  
 Shawn & Joe Quinn



Sunday Open Pairs A  
 Joan Sitton, Sharon Campbell



Friday Open Pairs B  
 Joan Sitton, Catherine Prasad



Friday Open Pairs C  
 Elisabeth Kay, Ann Kuehler



Friday & Saturday Swiss Bkt 2  
 David Goldfarb, Lily Andre  
 Harry Elliott, Jim Andre



Friday Swiss Bkt 3  
 William Daniel III, Pamela White,  
 Karen Fireman



Friday Swiss Bkt 4  
 Ming Su, Linda McReynolds,  
 David Wicks



Friday Swiss Bkt 4  
 Yin Choo, Shou Chao,  
 Gordon Yee, Shih, Ming Yang



Friday Swiss Bkt 5  
 William Houck, David Bradt,  
 William Kibikas, Ronald Kautz



Friday Swiss Bkt 7  
 Sherry Greisen, Vicki Dailey,  
 Irene Baker, Sandi Mills



Friday Swiss Bkt 8  
 Genie Hayden, Kathy Sinkin-Amor,  
 Betty Jean Reeves, Donna Hrachovy



Friday Swiss Bkt 10  
 Ann Gibbs, Ann Gibbs,  
 Marilyn Leiman



Saturday Open Pairs B  
 Mack Meigs, Mark Meigs

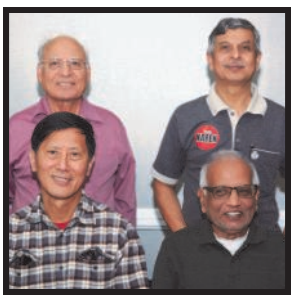


Saturday Open Pairs C  
 Tekin Kunt, Christian Liipfert





Saturday Swiss Bkt 3  
Victoria Ornowski, Jessie Schoppe,  
Connie Robichaux, Joyce Park



Saturday Swiss Bkt 4  
Nandlal Khatri, Abid Mumtaz,  
Victor Tong, Ashok Shingavi



Saturday Swiss Bkt 8  
Allison Ochsner, Jeanette Dean,  
James Ochsner, John (Jack) Dean



Saturday Swiss Bkt 10  
Jill Spence, Helen Wren,  
Toni Roesler, Rita Hanlin



Sunday Swiss X  
Judy Robertson, Joyce Clarke,  
Ron & Judy Brown



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 1  
Abid Mumtaz, Nandlal Khatri,  
Edwin Zwald, Richard Polunsky



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 2  
Kristen Onsgard, Pawel Hanus,  
Jeff Dater, Stefanie Scott



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 3  
Carol Wilson, Rhonda Bryant,  
Carolyn Lanier, Jeffery Parker



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 4  
George Nelson, David Wicks,  
Mary Nelson, Linda McReynolds



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 5  
Goldie Rose, Lynne Andress,  
Roxanne King



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 6  
Lesly Van Dame, Connie Conover,  
Mary Cris Emmons, Ann Sinclair



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 8  
Jeannie Stone, Laura Chandler,  
Donald Bell, Russell Chandler



Friday Aft 299ers  
Cindy Hillman, Julie Stewart



Friday Aft Side Pairs A  
Vinh Tran, Phillip Grothus



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 7  
Letitia Smulders, Edna Earl Mattei,  
Constance Grant, Gayle Longmire

**Unit 176  
Dallas**

Mary Jane  
McGinnis



Mar 02-05 2017  
535 players 549 tables.

- 1 63.66 Mark Bumgardner
- 2 63.45 Nagy Kamel
- 3 48.57 Milton Neher
- 4 47.78 Stephen Kornegay
- 5 47.78 Nancy Kornegay
- 6 47.78 Dan Morse
- 7 31.91 John Schwartz
- 8 28.97 Petra Hamman
- 9 28.97 Nancy Passell
- 10 28.88 Bill Staats
- 11 27.73 Jeff McKee
- 12 27.73 Greg Resz
- 13 26.13 Hemant Lall
- 14 25.09 Tomi Storey
- 15 22.57 Bart Bramley
- 16 20.10 Peggy Sutherland
- 17 19.88 Gerry McKim
- 18 19.61 Bryan Storey
- 19 18.95 James Thurtell
- 20 18.92 Eileen Smith
- 21 18.12 Eric Diamond
- 22 18.02 Kristen Onsgard
- 23 17.57 Barbara Ferm
- 24 17.49 Gail Wells
- 25 17.33 Barry Schaffer

**Thursday Morn Open Pairs**-14.5 Tables / Based on 43 Tables ABC1. Catherine Tucker-Barbara Ferm AB2. Milton Neher-James Bauer C2. Zemie Iedema-Stuart Iedema

**Thursday Morn 1499er Pair**-10.0 Tables AB1. Joe Cameron-G Brantz AB2. Elizabeth Donner-Lynell Pinion C1. William Driscoll-Terence Harley C2. Jack Schober-Nancy Young

**Thursday Aft Open Pairs**-10.0 Tables / Based on 38 Tables A1. John Bromberg-Beth Bromberg A2. John Spessard-Stephen Sinclair B1. Joe Cameron-Bob Scallan B2. David Nurenberg-Bill Osborn C1. George Burcham-Sidney Perutz C2. J Terence Wolfe-William Driscoll

**Thursday Aft 1499er Pairs**-9.0 Tables AB1. John Pelletti-Michael McShane A2. Nancy Jipp-Barbara Lively B2C1. Carla Joiner-Martha Ward C2. Jack Schober-Nancy Young

**Thursday Aft 299er Pairs**-19.0 Tables A1. Ramon Nelson II-Robert Alfors A2B1. John York-John Kalb B2. Pat Glaser-Judy Duval C1. Deanna Davis-Linda Cerf C2. William Blackstone-Paramjeet Ahluwalia

**Thursday Eve 299er Pairs**-4.0 Tables A1. Susan Jennings-Steven

Jennings A2BC1. Paramjeet Ahluwalia-Randall Wilson

**Thursday Eve Open Pairs**-5.0 Tables / Based on 9 Tables AB1. Larry White-Mike Peiffer BC2. Robert Schmidt Ari Sippola

**Thursday Swiss Bracket 1-7 Tables** 1. Bill Staats-Barry Schaffer-Bryan Storey-Mark Bumgardner 2. Dan Morse-Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Nagy Kamel

**Thursday Swiss Bracket 2-7 Tables** 1. Eric Diamond-Judith Lotridge-Eileen Smith-Bob Butterfield-Stephen Birnbaum

2. Bruce Harbour-Barbara Grantham-Bonnie Shea-Gay Anderson

**Thursday Swiss Bracket 3-8 Tables** 1. Donna Jordan-David Sterner-Liane Tsai-Christopher Tsai 2. Nancy Latner-Jim Farmer-Lynn Cooper-Barry Cooper

**Friday Morn Open Pairs**-16.5 Tables / Based on 46 Tables AB1/2 Leonard Schauen-Bob McNeill AB1/2C1. Richard Page-Edward Yetter C2. Chuck Eastin-Richard Gordon

**Friday Morn 1499er Pairs**-14.0 Tables ABC1. Martha Ward-Sharon Ward ABC2. Darrel Strelitz-Hellen Revelle

**Friday Morn 299er Pairs**-15 Tables A1. Arvind Shah-Harivadan Shah A2/4 Irene Pence-Franci Moses B1/2C1. Anne Goodman-Antina Maher A2/4B1/2 Carolyn New-Alice Ogle

**Friday Aft Open Pairs**-18.0 Tables / Based on 49 Tables A1. Jeff McKee-Greg Resz A2BC1. Eloise Meachum-Leslie Conant C2/3 Judith Lotridge-Marcia Hutchison C2/3 Eileen Smith-James McCommons C2. Carolyn Motes Jr-Vernon Earl Hodge

**Friday Aft 1499er Pairs**-11.0 Tables ABC1. Rebecca Elder-Lynda Cross ABC2. Betty & Dan Woodward

**Friday Aft 299er Pairs**-16.5 Tables AB1. Louise Shanley-Pat Glaser A2. Linda Lindley-Carol Murray B2. Debrah Chockley-Judy Bouska C1. Eileen Smith-Paulette Armstrong C2. Linda Harley-Terence Harley

**Friday Aft 49er Pairs**-3.0 Tables AB1. Jeanne Kelley-Jeanne Edwards A2. Amy Schumacher-Linda Schubert B2. Mary Kolb-Janice Thompson

**Saturday Morn Open Pairs**-17.0 Tables / Based on 48 Tables AB1. David Pearlman-Milton Neher A2/3 Mark Bumgardner-Nagy Kamel A2/3B2C1. Jimmy Justice-Paula Justice C2. Lue Waddle-Carol Nicoud

**Saturday Morn 1499er Pair**-13.0 Tables ABC1. Grace Daddario-Liz Castioni AB2. Richard Page-Rebecca Page C2. Andi Gordon-Renee Levy

**Saturday Morn 299er Pairs**-15.0 Tables ABC1. Linda Harley-Terence Harley AB2. Karen Marie Yarbrough-Julienne Moore C2. Keith Hansen-Bruce Barlow Plano 55.83%

**Saturday Morn 49er Pairs**-3.0 Tables AB1. Jeanne Kelley-Jeanne Edwards A2. Amy Schumacher-Linda Schubert B2. Mary Kolb-Janice Thompson

**Saturday Aft Open Pairs**-19.0 Tables / Based on 52 Tables A1. Jeff McKee-Greg Resz A2BC1. Elaine Wood-Messerschmidt B2. John Schwartz-Gerry McKim C2. Carol Nicoud-Lue Waddle

**Saturday Aft 1499er Pairs**-10.5 Tables ABC1. Mary Lynn Trentham-Judy Duval ABC2. Betty Woodward-Dan Woodward

**Saturday Aft 299er Pairs**-17.5 Tables AB1. Sherra Kay Read-David Croissant BC2. James Huth-M Susan Tucker C1. Linda Harley-Terence Harley C2. Ronald Peterson-Ginny Peterson

**Saturday Aft 49er Pairs**-5.0 Tables AB1. Mary Kolb-Janice Thompson A2. Wanda Benjamin-Diane Brown B2C1. Frank Gill-Tom Tiernan C2. Robert Bugbee-Kurt Smith

**Saturday Eve Open Pairs**-3.5 Tables A1. Gail Wells-Suresh Agrawal A2B1. T Madden-Mike Carter B2. Mark Dumdei-Paulette Armstrong

**Saturday Morn Swiss Teams**-4 Tables AB1. Gay Nell Ball-Linda Downey-Betty Peterson-Cathy Tolliver

**Saturday Swiss Bracket 1-7 Tables** 1. Hemant Lall-Mark Bumgardner; Petra Hamman-Nancy Passell 2. Milton Neher-Bob Wilkin-Tomi Storey-Pawel Hanus

**Friday Swiss Bracket 2-7 Tables** 1. R Randall Smith-Mark Hatkoff-Joseph Gill-Adrienne Feuer 2. T Jean Kidd-Martin Hester-Karen Caton-Caron Peck

**Friday Swiss Bracket 3-7 Tables** 1. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr-Nixon-Jim Nixon 2. Connie Van Patter-Karen Roland-E J Nowak-Jackie Hertweck

**Saturday Morn Open Pairs**-17.0 Tables / Based on 48 Tables AB1. David Pearlman-Milton Neher A2/3 Mark Bumgardner-Nagy Kamel A2/3B2C1. Jimmy Justice-Paula Justice C2. Lue Waddle-Carol Nicoud

**Saturday Morn 1499er Pair**-13.0 Tables ABC1. Grace Daddario-Liz Castioni AB2. Richard Page-Rebecca Page C2. Andi Gordon-Renee Levy

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**Saturday Aft 1499er Pairs**-10.5 Tables ABC1. Mary Lynn Trentham-Judy Duval ABC2. Betty Woodward-Dan Woodward

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**Saturday Aft 49er Pairs**-5.0 Tables AB1. Mary Kolb-Janice Thompson A2. Wanda Benjamin-Diane Brown B2C1. Frank Gill-Tom Tiernan C2. Robert Bugbee-Kurt Smith

Here is another State of the Unit Address from your new scribe of 176. The old and new members of the board continue to work hard for the benefit of our unit. The board routinely makes visits to all the clubs in Unit 176, and the first visit of the year to the McKinney Bridge Club was a big success thanks to Vi Ganelles. Between board members and the usual patrons, McKinney had 18 tables on March 23rd. What a nice welcome! Two more visits are scheduled: one on April 11th in Rockwall at 10:30 a.m. and another on May 4th in Sherman at 6:30 p.m. Get a partner and join us!

Many thanks to Donna Compton for hosting the great sectional on March 2-5. Good food and friendly players made for a very pleasant tournament. On Sunday, Cathy Tucker gave out the awards for the many McKinney and the Ace of Clubs winners. Congratulations to all who received one. You make us look good! Also congratulations to Eileen Smith Davidoff on winning the Texas Star Award for Unit 176.

It saddens me to report the deaths of two of our most esteemed players. Charlie Price's memorial service was March 13th. Charlie served on the board for six years and worked tirelessly for our unit. He was presented the Oswald and James Jacoby Service Award for 2015 by District 16 for his outstanding contribution to the promotion of bridge. Diane Schaffer died February 23rd with a memorial service on March 13th. As her bridge friends, I know we shall all remember her dearness through all these many years. I extend heartfelt condolences to family and friends.

Don't forget the local clubs have the new rosters and the Unit 176 calendar of events. Please share any information you would like reported in The Scorecard with me and remember to play more bridge! See you at the table.

**March Sectional**  
Richardson



# MARCH DALLAS SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Thurs BKT Swiss #3  
Donna Jordan, Liane Tsai  
David Sterner, Chris Tsai



Thurs Aft 1500er Prs AB  
John Pelletti, Michael McShane



Thurs Morn 1500er Prs AB  
Joe Cameron, Gary Brantz



Fri Eve BKT Swiss #2  
Randy Smith, Adrienne Feuer  
Mark Hatkoff, Joseph Gill



Thurs Aft 1500er Prs C  
Martha Ward, Carla Joiner



Fri Eve BKT Swiss #3  
Judy Nixon, Charles Mogged  
Jim Nixon, Jan Mogged



Thurs BKT Swiss #1  
Mark Bumgardner, Bill Staats  
Barry Schaffer, Bryan Storey



Thurs Morn Open Prs A  
Barbara Fern, Catherine Tucker



Thurs Aft Open Prs A  
Beth & John Bromberg



Thurs Eve Open Prs AB  
Larry White, Mike Peiffer



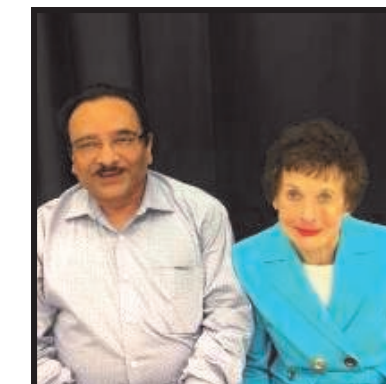
Fri Eve BKT Swiss #1  
Mark Bumgardner, Petra Hamman  
Nancy Passell, Hemant Lall



Fri Eve Open Prs AB  
Robert Schmidt, Ari Sippola



Fri Morn Open Prs 1/2  
Edward Yetter, Richard Page



Sat Eve Open Prs A  
Suresh Agrawal, Gail Wells



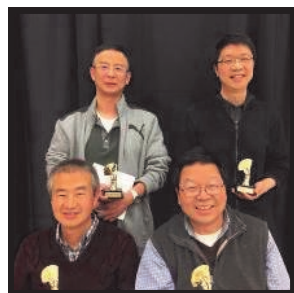
Sat BKT Swiss #1  
Sunday Swiss A  
Nagy Kamel, Nancy Kornegay,  
Stephen Kornegay, Dan Morse



Thurs BKT Swiss #2  
Judy Lotridge, Stephen Birnbaum  
Eric Diamond, Eileen Smith  
(NP) Bob Butterfield



Sat BKT Swiss #2  
Jeff Dater, Tomi Storey  
Milton Neher, Eric Diamond



Sat BKT Swiss #3  
Jianbo Chen, Jin Chu  
Pingshan Wen, Jonathan Wang



Sat Eve Open Prs B  
Tammy Madden, Mike Carter



Sat Aft Open Prs BC  
Elaine Wood, Betsy Messerschmidt



Sat Aft 1500er Prs ABC  
Mary Lynn Trentham, Judy Duval



Sat Morn Swiss AB  
Gay Ball, Linda Downey



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 1  
Susan Flick, Frank Durante  
Nancy Latner, Rosalind Smith



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 2  
Kate Hopkins, John Pelletti  
Michael McShane, Jane Kirby



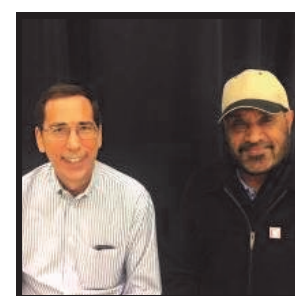
Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 3  
Rick & Leah Margerison  
Sam Norvell, David Notewell



Sun BCD Swiss Bkt 4  
Sherra Kay Reed, Debrah Chockley  
David Croissant, Michael Chockley



Thurs Eve 299ers  
Steven & Susan Jennings



Thurs Eve 299ers  
Randy Wilson, P Ahluwalia



Thurs Aft 299ers  
Ramon Nelson, Robert Alfors



Thurs Aft 299ers  
Deanna Davis, Linda Cerf



Fri Eve 299ers  
Sat Aft 299ers  
Mary Kolb, Janice Thompson



Fri Morn 299er A  
Arvind Shah, Harivadan Shah



Fri Aft 299er Prs C  
Paulette Armstrong, Eileen Smith



Fri Morn 299ers  
Anne Goodman, Antina Maher



Fri Morn 1500er Prs  
Sharon Ward, Martha Ward



Sat Aft 299ers  
David Croissant, Sherra Kay Read



Sat Aft & Morn 299ers  
Terence & Linda Harley



Sat Aft 49ers  
Tom Tierman, Frank Gill



Sat Morn 49ers  
Jeanne Edwards, Jeanne Kelley



**Unit 183  
Fort Worth**

**Bill Walker**

In his iconic book "Five Lessons, the Modern Fundamentals of Golf," Ben Hogan has advice not only for golfers, but his words, with a little paraphrasing, also apply to bridge. In the preface Hogan says (the paraphrasing and italics are mine), "I have a tendency to remember my poor bids and plays a shade more vividly than the good ones—the one or two per round, seldom more, which come off exactly as I intend they should."

As far as winning bridge goes, the great Edgar Kaplan once said, "You don't win at bridge by being brilliant, you win by not making mistakes." Or taking it further, someone else said, "I'd rather be lucky a thousand times than be brilliant once."

Be this as it may, in my opinion to have a really great game (seventy-plus percent) requires a modicum of mistakes, a good deal of luck, and more than a few grains of brilliance. In the past few weeks the following have had seventy percent games:

Lynn Gafford and Cornelia Blake, 70.07%

Don Reynolds and Joe Harbour, Fort Worth, 70.01%

Tom McCraw and Stan Carr, Fort Worth, 70.00%

Also, Buck Buchanan became a Gold Life Master and, Eileen Williamson and Gail Rutledge are new Life Masters.

On another note, our President, David Pearlman has been elected Executive Secretary of District 16. Congratulations, David.

I think there may be many more seventy percent games and outstanding achievements in Unit 183. Why aren't they listed here? Because I don't know about them. So, I ask each one of you to contact me, when you play a seventy plus game, reach a new milestone, or do anything else interesting. That's [undbl@att.net](mailto:undbl@att.net) or 817-361-1699 - leave a message.

Have you ever noticed that certain holidays seem conducive to bridge games? One of these is Valentine's Day. The studio is decked out in hearts, pastel garlands, cupids, etc. A time to relax and enjoy. This year Valentine fell on Kay Jones' Tuesday afternoon game. And Kay was equal to the task. It started with an outstanding Italian lunch, as Ginger Kennedy and Susan Pratt presided at the aluminum lasagna trays. After lunch Kay awarded three gifts to some of her, and our, special people.

First up was Linda Spangler. Linda is well known for her extraordinary bridge skills and her administrative and leadership ability. But few of us know she is an excellent gardener. In honor of this ability, she received a steel plant shaped somewhat like an oversized artichoke. Kay explained the utility of the plant is its resistant to drought,

bugs, and fungi.

Next was Buck Buchanan, who was once asked when he would make Gold Life Master. Buck replied, "I'll get there when a pig flies". Buck has done it, and his reward was a cast iron winged pig. No one requested a trial flight just in case it lost altitude and crash landed on a foot.

The final award was to one of our special angels, Darlene Shirey. If she is in town and the studio is open, Darlene is there. And she almost always brings one of her famous southwestern dishes that would make Bobby Flay envious. Her award was a cuddly rag doll named Angel.

Then we played bridge. The winners were:

N/S

1A1B1C G. Morey and Stephen Bennett, A2 Steve Shirey and Donna Rosz, A3 Barbara Butler and Mary Alice Giordano, A4 Margot Hirsch and Barbara Traphagen, A5 Linda Spangler and Charlie Brown, B2 Winnie Simon and Jane Hopkins, B3 Carolyn Powell and Ellen Dutcher.

E/W

A1B1 Don Reynolds and Joe Harbour, A2 Susan O'Neil and Bill Ream, A3B2 Jim and Jane Walker, A4B3 Millie Williams and Jane Larimore, A5B4C1 Ivan Uys and Ginger Kennedy, C2 Tom Nute and Randy Eads.

Unit 183's eight is enough most recent tournament had 21 tables in play. Winners by strata were:

A (tied): J'Neane Huey, Margot Hirsch, Michael Blanchard, and Wayne Williams.

A1 (tied) Charles Burke, Richard Langland, Caron Peck, and Karen Caton. Team Burke also won strata B. C: Laura Nash, Jean Helmers, Kathy Coleman, and Janet Jordan.

Finally, don't forget to sign up for J'neane Huey's Unit 183 weekly newsletter at [jeannehuey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jeannehuey@sbcglobal.net).

**Fort Western Spring**

Mar 31-Apr 02 2017  
277 players 249 tables.

- 1 40.58 Stephen Kornegay
- 2 40.58 Nancy Kornegay
- 3 40.58 Nagy Kamel
- 4 40.58 Mark Bumgardner
- 5 32.94 Bill Staats
- 6 27.97 Marc Levine
- 7 27.97 Chris Compton
- 8 27.97 Bryan Storey
- 9 20.53 Petra Hamman
- 10 20.53 Hemant Lall

**Fri Aft Open Pairs-16.5 Tables /** Based on 24 Tables A1. Marion Gebhardt-David Pearlman A2B1. Barbara Yates-Vesta Snider C1. Carl Fluke-Harold Schulz C2 John Moore-Roxann Swenson

**Fri Aft 299er Pairs-7.5 Tables ABC1.** Joyce Anderson-Paul Schaefer AB2. Sue Ragsdale-Harley Puff C1. Jan Agee-Wayne Corbett C2.. Richard Schleier-Sue Schleier

**Fri Bracketed Swiss 1-7 Tables 1.** Chris Compton- Marc Levine- Barry Schaffer-Bryan Storey 2. Hemant Lall-

Michael Penick- Bill Staats- Petra Hamman

**Fri Bracketed Swiss 2-7 Tables 1/2** Scott Nason- Rich Brandenburg- Milton Neher- Tomi Storey 1/2 Larry White- Mike Peiffe-Charles Brown-Sue Gilbreath

**Fri Bracketed Swiss 3-8 Tables 1** Ginger Morgan-Ann Parker- Tsai-Christopher Tsai 2 Wayne Williams-Susan Dodson-Donald Dodson- Michael Blanchard

**Fri Eve Open Pairs-10.5 Tables /** Based on 13 Tables A1. Mary Orock-Greg Resz A2. John Bromberg-Beth Bromberg BC1. Mark Dumdei-Paulette Armstrong B2. Ginger Kennedy-Ivan Uys C2. John Moore-Roxann Swenson

**Fri Eve 299er Pairs-4.0 Table AB1.** Pamala Pickrell-Connie Chamberlain A2. Joyce Anderson-Paul Schaefer B2. Ellen Lane- Joanne Croft

**Sat Morn Open Pairs-15.5 Tables /** Based on 25 Tables A1. Jeff McKee-Greg Resz A2B1. Joyce Zachry- Carol McConnell B2. Nancy Peterson-Ruth Bracken C1. Deborah Triolo-Rajasekhar Menon C2. Cornelia Friedman-Dana Pickett

**Sat Morn 299er Pairs-9.5 Tables A1.** Joyce Anderson- Mary Ellen Little A2B1. Paula Pennington-Carlene Stewart B2C1. David Croissant-Jeff Lyon C2. John Falke-Sue Economy

**Sat Aft Open Pairs-12.0 Tables /** Based on 20 Tables ABC1. John Moore-Roxann Swenson A2. John Bromberg-Beth Bromberg B2. Elaine Wood-Nancy Fellman C2 Cynthia Benton-Sandie Conner

**Sat Aft 299er Pairs-7.5 Tables ABC1.** David Croissant-Jeff Lyon ABC2. Robert Pitts-Edna Riek

**Sat Bracketed Swiss 1-7 Tables 1.** Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Mark Bumgardner- Nagy Kamel 2. Linda Spangler-Billy Leeper- Bill Staats- Hugh Hillaker

**Sat Bracketed Swiss 2-7 Tables 1.** Patricia Sears-Nancy Anderson- Barbara Yates- Lauren Brown 2/3 Milton Neher- Tomi Storey- Jeff Dater-Scott Nason 2/3 Jon & Sheri Wolkenstein-Joyce Gautier-Norman Gautier

**Sat Bracketed Swiss 3-7 Tables 1.** Mickey Tryon-Charles Gibson Jr- Robert Bever- Betty Boring 2. Charles Brown-Sue Gilbreath-Larry White-Mike Peiffer C-; Anne Williams

**Sat Bracketed Swiss 4-9 Tables 1.** Ginger Morgan Gordonville ; Ann Parker Liane Tsai-Christopher Tsai 2. Craig Briney-Mary Ann Briney-Carol Segreti-Joyce Armstrong

**Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-13 Tables /** Based on 31 Tables 1. Mark Bumgardner- Nagy Kamel- Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay A2. Chris Compton- Kimmel Jones- Marc Levine - Bryan Storey X1. Hua Yang-Yan Song-Tiger King-Danny Feng

**Sunday B/C/D Swiss Teams-18 Tables B1.** Patricia Sears-Jane Larimore - Virginia Reinier-Barbara Jones B2C1. Carol Black-Cynthia Bohnenblust-Virginia Farley-Tom Moore C2. Julie O'Neill-Lorraine Little-Audrey Wright -Ruth Bracken D1. Pamela Williams-Maureen Hull-Marylin Hicks-Don Greer

**Heart of the Metroplex  
Arlington Sectional  
June 23-25, 2017**

Grapevine Convention Center 1209 South Main, Grapevine, TX 76051  
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**Friday, June 23**

- \*Stratified Open/500/0-50 Newcomer Pairs (single sessions) \* 1:30 & 7:00 pm
- \*\*Bracketed Swiss Teams (Sessions I & II) 1:30 & 7:00 pm
- Swiss Teams (Single session) 7:00 pm

**Saturday, June 24**

- \*Stratified Open/500/0-50 Newcomer Pairs (single sessions) 10:00 am & 3:00 pm
- \*\*Bracketed Swiss Teams (Two sessions) 10:00 am & 3:00 pm

**Sunday, June 26**

- \*Stratified Open Pairs (Single sessions) 10:00 am & TBA
- \*\*Bracketed Swiss Teams B, C, D (Two sessions) 10:00 am & TBA
- \*A & AX Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams (2 sessions) 10:00 am & TBA
- Meal Between Swiss Sessions (4 tickets/team/ extra meal tickets \$10 each)

- \*Separate limited games, provided there is adequate table count
- \*\*Format for Swiss may change

**Stratifications**

Pair Events are stratified by Average  
Open Pairs: A: 2000+ B: 750-2000 C: 0-750  
499er Pairs/Teams: A: 300-500 B: 100-300 C: 0-100  
Newcomer Pairs: 0-50

**Strati-Flighted Swiss Teams**

A: Teams with any player over 4000  
AX: Teams with all players under 4000; A/AX play together

**Bracketed Swiss Teams**

B: 3000 C: 1500 D: 500 (B/C/D play together)  
No player over 3000

**Entry Fees**

0-50 Newcomers \$8  
Pair & Swiss Events: \$12 per player/session  
Sunday Swiss \$120/Team – HOT lunch included!  
Unpaid/Non-ACBL members: additional \$3 per session

**Speaker Program: Saturday 2:15 pm**

**Host Hotel**

Super 8 Hotel 817-329-7222 Rate: \$79 Double or King  
250 East Hwy 1114, Grapevine, TX 76051  
Free Airport & Convention Center Shuttle  
Free Local Calls, Complimentary Breakfast, Free Internet  
Reservations by June 1 for preferred bridge rate

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Sue Kay Reeder, Anne Ward Williams

**Partnership Chair:**

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General Convention Chart Only Except Mid-chart for A/AX Swiss Teams-  
**Map & Results:** <http://d16acbl.org/UI176/ABC/adbc.htm>



Sunday Swiss Team A  
Nagy Kamel, Steve Kornegay,  
Mark Bumgardner, Nancy Kornegay



Saturday Aft Pairs A,B,C  
John Moore, Roxann Swenson



Friday Bkt Swiss 2  
Scott Nason, Rich Branderburg,  
Tomi Storey, Milt Heher



Sunday Swiss Teams C  
Carol Black, Virginia Farley,  
Cynthia Bohnenblust, Tom Moore



Friday Eve 299ers  
Pam Pickrell, Connie Chamberlain



Friday Eve Open Pairs B  
Paulette Armstrong, Mark Dubdei



Saturday Bkt Swiss 3  
Betty Boring, Mikey Tyrone,  
Bill Gibson, Robert Beyer



Saturday Bkt Swiss 4  
Liane Tsai, Ginger Morgan,  
Chris Tsai, Ann Parker



Sunday Swiss Team B  
Barbara Jones, Pat Sears,  
Jane Larimore, Ginny Ranier



Saturday Morn 299ers  
Mary Ellen Little, Joyce Anderson



Saturday Bkt Swiss 2  
Lauren Brown, Pat Sears,  
BJ Yates, Nancy Anderson



Friday Aft 299ers  
Paul Schaefer, Joyce Anderson

**UNIT 187 GRAPVINE SECTIONAL WINNERS**



**Unit 187**  
**Corpus Christi**



**Linda Medina**

Our club hosted two Eight-is Enough Swiss Team games in as many months. These events were well attended & enjoyed. The opportunity to pair players of differing levels in these games resulted in some interesting auctions. In one auction, West opened the bidding at 1 NT. East held 9 clubs, 2 hearts, 2 diamonds, & a void in spades, with 9 HCP's. West bid 5 clubs hoping to end the auction at game in minors. West took the bid as a high-level Stayman bid, & responded 5 hearts. The auction ended at 6 NT, down 3. After much laughter & teasing, the pair dubbed this as the "Texas-Stayman" convention. Not legal, but not to be forgotten by this pair & their opponents.

Please meet Rebecca (Becky) Landon, our newest Unit Board Member. Becky was born in Daytona Beach, Florida She wound up living in Columbus, Ohio after her parents divorced, & after her mother remarried. Seven more children were a result of this re-marriage. Becky & her family lived in what she describes as a "haunted" 17-room Victorian house in the inner city. Becky's High School was very diverse so she was privileged to learn from many different cultures. Her first mentor was a Chinese woman named Jen Jay, who she visited every time she flew home to visit her mother in Ohio. Becky describes Mrs. Jay as a brilliant, hilariously funny, ruthless, & tireless woman but who she never wants to make mad! She adored Mrs. Jay as much as she did her mother.

Becky attended Ohio State University & started out as a journalism major. She was a work-study student & worked at the school paper the first two years of college. Becoming disillusioned with the paper business, Becky changed her major to philosophy & went to work at the University Hospital as a ward clerk. Working at the hospital, she discovered she had a knack for medicine & quickly rose in rank from a ward clerk to photographer for the College of Medicine at the University. Becky had to present her slides to students while the professors lectured. This led to skills in proofreading & indexing medical textbooks.

Becky loved two places above all others: Texas & Alaska. After several trips to Southeastern Alaska, she ultimately decided the day-long darkness in winter was too depressing to live there year-round. Becky came to Texas for the first time in 1968 to visit relatives in San Antonio for HemisFair. On a tour of her uncle's deer lease in Blanco County, Becky fell in love with South & Central Texas. She went back to Ohio with the intention of learning Spanish & moving to Texas. But instead, she wound up marrying "Mr. Wrong" and became a student wife. She put her husband through college & relied on "pep pills" to help her juggle working at the hospital, studying for her degree, & being a "Betty Crocker" wife at the same time. Becky shared that she is thankful to have put her dependence on "pep pills" behind her. Becky moved to San Antonio in 1974 where she worked as a medical transcriptionist..This was not her original plan but there was no medical school in San Antonio at that time, & she didn't want a clerical job; or to wait

tables for a living. So she went to the Texas Employment Commission & was sent to the Santa Rosa hospital to transcribe medical records when they learned that she knew about medicine. Thus began her main career which is one she never expected. She soon found that she was ill-suited to too much sitting & isolation. So she became a "gym rat", keeping herself active with the added benefit of being around people daily. She was grateful for the work & studied hard in the medical library to advance her knowledge of surgery ,pediatrics, & OB/GYN. This extra effort served her well & led to a medical transcription service.

By 1979, Becky was divorced & in love with a man from Corpus Christi, which led to her move to our city. The relationship eventually ended. In Corpus Christi she worked at Memorial Hospital in the transcription department which led to extra work on the side typing for doctors. Becky successfully converted her skills & experience to owning & running her own small business employing 8 contractors. Because of changing laws that hurt small business, Becky closed her business of 20 years & networked into a middle management job for a nationwide transcription service until it was sold within two weeks of the stock market crash in 2008. These events also hurt her stock market & real estate investments so Becky decided to retire & work part time at home as a medical transcriptionist to support herself. She continues to do this today.

These days she enjoys the game of bridge & plays as often as she can. She first learned to play duplicate bridge in 1970 in Grandview Ohio. Attaining the rank of Life Master has been on her bucket list since then. Becky also enjoys the arts, loves visiting exhibits at the Art Museum, & attending live stream video of the Met & Bolshoi Ballet at the Cinema. She is a "Silver Sneakers" gym rat, & has finally learned to cook now that she has the time.

Becky was recently reunited with a long lost & good friend (S.K. Sharma) from San Antonio who was married to her cousin. Becky's cousin had passed away several years ago & was the only blood relative she had left in Texas. The reunion happened after she mentioned his name to a visiting couple at the bridge club. They went home & told him about having met Becky. He was excited to hear about Becky & called a couple of our club directors to get her number. They met at the Rockport Sectional. Becky is still basking in her joy at having re-connected with the only family she has in Texas & no longer feels like an orphan!

**Rockport Beach Sectional**

Feb 17-19 2017  
122 players 150 tables.

- 1 28.32 Ed Rawlinson
- 2 26.36 Donna Swarthout
- 3 23.72 Gary Anziani
- 4 21.76 Dave Swarthout
- 5 14.93 Marilyn German
- 6 14.89 Nancy Strohmer
- 7 13.99 Dee Schade
- 8 13.61 Penny Snow
- 9 12.27 Sandra Parker
- 10 11.53 Marilyn Mac Donald
- 11 11.53 Bill Mac Donald

**Fri Aft Open Pairs-27.5 Tables A1.** Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout A2. K Voges-Betty Marriett B1. Milton Birmingham-Eric Rasmussen

B2C1.. John Dover-Ernest Politte C2. Donald Lang-Marilyn Lang  
**Fri Eve Charity Pairs-22.0 Tables A1.** Mary Ross-Dee Schade A2. Ed Rawlinson-Gary Anziani B1. Terry Peterson-Martha De Cou B2. Anne Schock-Karen Land C1. Beula Mae Pearce-Linda Beauchamp B2. Diana Drenner-Don Mahoney  
**Sat AM Open Pairs-25.0 Tables A1.** Marilyn Mac Donald-Bill Mac Donald A2. Penny Snow-Terry Peterson B1. Anne Schock-Karen Land B2C1. Susan Wheeler-Pat Roeh C2. Donald Lang-Marilyn Lang  
**Sat Aft Open Pairs-25.0 Tables A1.** Donna Swarthout-Ed Rawlinson A2. Kim Cox-Marilyn German B1. Sisir Sharma-Ann Perry B2. Dee Schade-Rebecca Landon C1. Karen Leber-M Frances Schmidt C2. Sandra Musser-Judy Schrupp  
**Sunday Swiss Teams-25 Tables A1.** Gary Anziani-Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout-Ed Rawlinson A2. David Goldfarb-Harry Elliott- Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel B1. Eric Rasmussen-Jo Ann Robertson-Penny Smith-Milton Birmingham B2C1. Felicia Davis-Tomme Actkinson-Sara Rowe-Elizabeth Smith C2. Patricia Webb-Laurene Jacob-Sally Disanza-Barbara Rodriguez

**Unit 197**  
**Lubbock**



**Sandi Krahmer**

Hi Everybody!

Boy, did we have a ton of 70% games. Gary Blaiss and Greg Loran had 2 as did Howie Huynh and Will Anthony. Betty Lowmiller and Al Postar also had one. Just in now--Gary and Greg had a 75% game recently.

Can't thank Marsha Postar for a wonderful tournament. Julie and Marsha worked the kitchen and Betsy did partnership. Everyone worked very hard, and we even made a little money with the small crowd.

Plan to play in Bonta's Scramble. Draw a Life Master partner, make a new friend, learn some Bridge, and eat some great food! All this will take place July 29 in Bonta's regular Saturday game. The next one will be in September.

I talked to Charlotte Blaiss recently, and she was so appreciative of the card the Bridge Center sent. She is out of the hospital and waiting for more test results to see what treatments need to be pursued. Also, Sharon says that Wanda Wilson is doing well and able to stay by herself. We are glad to see Sharon back playing with us. Al Postar is recovering well from a recent heart attack and back playing--so happy to see that.

I don't really have a lot of news. Thanks to Julie for seeing to the building and the yard maintenance.

Norma Buchanan is chairman of the nominating committee for new board members. Nominees will be asked by Norma and either serve or decide not to. I know Norma and her committee will get us a good slate for our consideration. Hope to see you at the table. Sandi Krahmer

**Unit 201**  
**Sabine Neches**



**Linda Briggs**

The Spindletop Sectional, March 2-5, co-chaired by **Patsy Pierce** and **Martha Oliver**, attracted 155 players. **Martha Sigler's** 17.94 earned points was the highest in U201, followed by **John Kacher, Tim Stelly, Martha Oliver, Nancy Smalley, and Patsy Pierce**. Open Pair winners from U201 included **Gail Griffith** and **Martha Oliver**; **Tim Stelly** and **John Kacher** (twice); **Ed Rasmussen** and **Mary Johnson**; **Susan Gore** and **Pat Bell**; **Joan Hataway** and **Arline Meyers**; **Gail Griffith** and **Jerry Triggs**; **Dee Payne** and **Ruby Collins**. 299'er winners from U201 were **Ferrel Ashby** and **Bobbie Carson** (twice); **Lynda Jones** and **Phyllis Mann** (twice) Swiss Team winners in C were **Jack Evans, Steve Gerhard, Tim Stelly, and John Kacher**. **Dr. Aiyannadar Bharathi** and **Tipton Golias** underwrote two events, adding to the generous hospitality of the 4-day tournament.

District 16 Teacher of the Year, **Nancy Smalley**, began lessons in March to continue through May. A special feature story of Nancy's dedication to teaching bridge was written in the VIP Magazine of Southeast Texas and the Southeast Texas Events Book by its Editor-in-Chief **Shelly Vitanza**, daughter of U201members **Ernie** and **Betty Schluter**. The two-page article was good publicity for the Bridge Studio.

Members dressed in Black and White carried out the theme for the Gold Life Master Party for Arline Meyers, April 1. Arline's accomplishment is particularly impressive since she earned 100% of her 2,500 points in Beaumont. After enjoying a barbecue meal and a short program, players competed. Placing 1<sup>st</sup> - **Patsy Pierce** and **Kaz Bell** 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Dr. Aiyannadar Bharathi** and **Tipton Golias**; 3<sup>rd</sup> - **Liz Mackenzie** and **Jack Evans**. Players with 70% or above games in Feb./March were **Ed Rasmussen** and **Cynthia Stueber**; **Jerry Triggs** and **Gail Griffith**; **Bob** and **Carol McGill**; **Jerry Triggs** and **Gail Griffith**.

February mentor pairs placing: 1<sup>st</sup> - **Martha Oliver** and **June Eddingston**; 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Helen Williams** and **Tim Stelly**; 3<sup>rd</sup> - **Lou Rising** and **Carolyn Worsham**. February mentor teams placing: 1<sup>st</sup> - **Martha Oliver, June Eddingston, Sylvia Street, and Pat Bell**; tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Kay Hooper, Paul Aguillard, Bob and Carol McGill, E.W. Sweeney, Tim Stelly, Sandra Allison, and Liz Mackenzie**. March mentor pairs placing: 1<sup>st</sup> - **Reggie Cox** and **Marian Jones**; 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Helen Williams, and Tim Stelly**. March mentor teams placing: 1<sup>st</sup> - **Betty Kirwin, Cynthia Stueber, Norma Crain, and E.W. Sweeney**. 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Sylvia Street, Pat Bell, Susan Gore, and Dr. Aiyannadar Bharathi**; 3<sup>rd</sup> - **Sandra Allison, Anna Smith, Carolyn Oliver, and Tim Stelly**. The highest monthly totals for February were **Dr. A. Bharathi, Martha Sigler and Pat Bell**; March - **Martha Sigler, Tim Stelly, and Cynthia Stueber**.

ACBL - wide Senior Pairs winners March 27 were **Patsy Pierce** and **Cynthia Stueber**; 2<sup>nd</sup> - **John Smalley** and **Dr. Aiyannadar Bharathi**; 3<sup>rd</sup> - **Kaz Bell** and **June Eddingston**.

Plans are also underway for The Longest Day, June 21, chaired by **Carolyn Worsham**.

**Spindletop Sectional Top 20 Scorers:** Wilbur Dahlquist, and Verna Dahlquist, Martha Sigler, John Kacher, Jr, Tim Stelly, Martha Oliver, Nancy Smalley, Patsy Pierce, Phillip Grothus, Mildred Breed, Flora Gillispie, Edward Rasmussen, Dr.

Aiyannadar Bharathi, Gail Griffith, Ronald Randleman, Jody Henry, Arline Meyers, Cynthia Stueber, Joan Hataway, and Marilyn Adams.

**Beaumont Spindletop**

Mar 02-05 2017  
127 players 149 tables.

- 1 20.48 Wilbur Dahlquist
- 2 20.48 Verna Dahlquist
- 3 17.94 Martha Sigler
- 4 16.58 Tim Stelly
- 5 16.58 Robert Kacher Jr
- 6 15.15 Martha Oliver
- 7 14.92 Nancy Smalley
- 8 14.48 Patsy Pierce
- 9 13.53 Phillip Grothus
- 10 13.53 Mildred Breed

**Stratified Open Pairs-15.5 Tables /** Based on 21 Tables A1. Verna Dahlquist-Wilbur Dahlquist A2. Patsy Pierce-Kazue Bell B1/2 Robert Kacher Jr-Tim Stelly B1/2 Ruby Collins-Dee Payne C1. Madhu Moza-Janie Turner C2. James Meade-Carol Meade

**299er Pairs-5.0 Tables ABC1.** Ferrel Ashby-Bobbie Carson AB2. Kimberly Goodson-Regina Cox C.2 Russell Chandler-Ronnie Martin

**Stratified Open Pairs-12.5 Tables /** Based on 18 Tables ABC1. Lois Gail Griffith-Martha Oliver A2. Marilyn Adams-Martha Sigler BC2. Michael Lemons-Joseph Kazmar

**299er Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1.** Pearl Younger-Darlyn Dusek AB2. Lucille Armintor-Patricia Woods C1. Ferrel Ashby-Bobbie Carson C2. Ronnie Martin-Russell Chandler

**Stratified Open Pairs-16.0 Tables /** Based on 21 Tables A1. Edward Rasmussen-Mary Johnson A2. Verna Dahlquist-Wilbur Dahlquist B1. Tim Stelly-Robert Kacher Jr C2/3 Courtney Coffman-; Steven Bell B2/3C1. Susan Gore-Patricia Bell C2. Marianna Carpenter-Melba Lee

**299er Pairs-5.0 Tables AB1.** Lynda Jones -Phyllis Mann AB2. Pearl Younger-Darlyn Dusek C1. Russell Chandler-; Ronnie Martin C2/3 Lucille Armintor-Patricia Woods C2/3 Nathalie Hallmark-Frances Price

**Stratified Open Pairs-21.5 Tables /** Based on 25 Tables A1. Joan Hataway-Arline Meyers A2. Martha Sigler -Flora Gillispie BC1. Janice Walker-Norma Lampkin B2. Robert Kacher Jr-Tim Stelly C2. Laura Chandler-Jeannie Stone

**299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1.** Sally Knight-Troy Knight AB2. Kimberly Goodson-Regina Cox

**Stratified Open Pairs-15.0 Tables /** Based on 20 Tables A1. Patsy Pierce-Cynthia Stueber A2. Mildred Breed-Phillip Grothus B1. Lois Gail Griffith -Jerry Triggs B2. Tim Stelly-Robert Kacher Jr C1. David Petkus-Nancy Guthrie C2. Susan Gore-; Janis Williams

**299er Pairs-5.0 Tables ABC1.** Sharon Kirkland Livingston TX; Henrietta Sasser sb2. Robert Hood-Joseph Kazmar 2 Judy Dishman-Sue Harris

**Stratified Open Pairs-17.5 Tables /** Based on 22 Tables ABC1. Jody Henry-Ronald Randleman ABC2. Martha Oliver-Wayne Outlaw

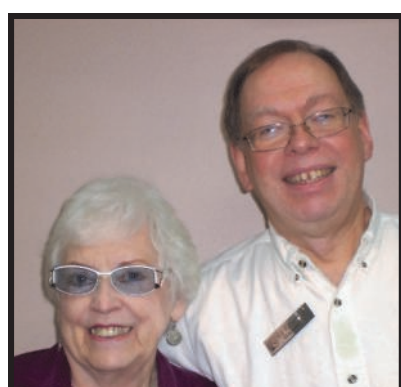
**299er Pairs-4.0 Tables A1.** Phyllis Mann-Lynda Jones AB2. Sharon Kirkland-Henrietta Sasser

**Stratified Swiss Teams-12 Tables A1.** George Fox-Mildred Breed-Phillip Grothus-Vic Sowers A2. David Goldfarb-David Henke-Joyce Ryan-Harry Elliott B1. Jack Evans-Robert Kacher Jr-Steve Gerhard-Tim Stelly C2. Gerry Earnest-Marguerite Crowl-Ronald Randleman-Jody Henry C1. Sally Knight-Sandi Mills-Nancy Guthrie-David Petkus

**BEAUMONT SPINDLETOP SECTIONAL WINNERS**



Thursday Morn Open Pairs A,B,C  
Gail Griffith, Martha Oliver



Thursday Aft Open Pairs A  
Mary Johnson, Ed Rasmussen



Friday Aft Open Pairs A  
Joan Hataway, Arline Meyers



Friday Morn Open Pairs A  
Verna and Wilbur Dahlquist





Saturday Morn Open Pairs A  
Patsy Pierce and Cynthia Stueber



Saturday Aft Open Pairs A,B,C  
Ronald Randleman, Jody Henry



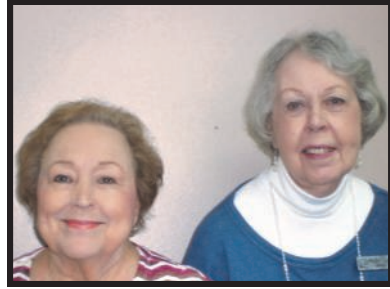
Sunday Swiss Team A  
Vic Sowers, Phillip Grothus,  
George Fox, Mildred Breed



Thursday Aft, Friday Morn Open Pairs B  
-John Kacher and Tim Stelly



Thursday Aft Open Pairs C  
Pat Bell, Susan Gore



Thursday Morn Open Pairs B  
Dee Payne, Ruby Collins



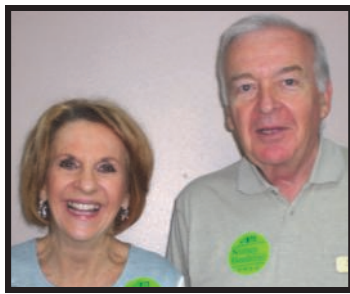
Friday Aft Open Pairs B,C  
Janice Walker, Norma Lampkin



Friday Morn Open Pairs C  
Madhu Moza, Janie Turner



Saturday Morn Open Pairs B  
Gail Griffith, Jerry Triggs



Saturday Morn Open Pairs C  
Nancy Guthrie, David Petkus



Sunday Swiss Team B  
Tim Stelly, John Kacher,  
Jack Evans, Steve Gerhard



Sunday Swiss Team C  
Nancy Guthrie, Sally Knight,  
David Petkus, Sandi Mills



Thursday Morn 299ers  
Pearl Younger, Darlyn Dusek



Thursday Aft 299ers  
Russell Chandler, Ronnie Martin



Thursday & Friday Morn 299ers  
Ferrel Ashby, Bobbie Carson



Thursday & Saturday Aft 299ers  
Lynda Jones and Phyllis Mann



Friday Aft 299ers  
Troy and Sally Knight



Saturday Morn 299ers  
Henrietta Sasser, Sharon Kirkland

**Unit 204  
Fort Concho**



Neal Perlman

A send-off celebration was held 3/6/17 for Leigh Broadway who is moving to Chattanooga, Tennessee. Good solid turnout to wish her well! A great mix of smiles and long faces.

High game was enjoyed by Debbie Farr 69% in early March with a pickup partner.

Congrats go out to Jerre McAfee for hitting the Bronze status. Way to go, keep going!

San Angelo's annual Texas Independence sectional was another good time and photo results should be in this edition. We appreciate the support of all those who attended and we had visitors from all directions. It was great to see Bob Bennett come back from Jonesboro, Arkansas, to play. Winners circle was spread around to many players. Pat Bitner sent out an e-mail of gratitude. Thanks goes out to Norma Walker, Tournament Chair

and Linda Cole, Partnerships for the many preparations. Good results come from strong planning and follow up. There was a fantastic spread of goodies for our hospitality table from Patsy Rogers, Earl Mulley (Halfmann's Cake Cottage), Charlotte Sisco, Sue Henry, Iris Warren, Suzanne Dorris, Betty Horne, Barbara Wright, Vicki Fisher, Brenda Chapman, Peggy Jackson and apologies to the other bakers, shoppers and helpers. Thanks to the caddies, camera guy and all others. Director Tom Marsh is greatly appreciated. The Sunday Swiss was proclaimed as George Finley Memorial Swiss game in his honor and MJ McCord constructed a board with several photos of George with his bridge buds in their natural environment at the Sue Barber Bridge Center. There were also many husbands and extended family helping to restore order to the playing site Sunday afternoon. Mary Jane McCord posted pics on the Facebook page that she manages for Unit 204. Special thanks goes out to Norma Walker who has been tournament chairman for 20+ years; Norma has done a fantastic job of organizing the 204 sectional.

March 11, Saturday, 1:30 pm Unit Championship – 1 A- Suzanne Dorris and Ginny Noelke; 1 B- Toni Hurlbut and Linda Reichenau

March 20, Monday Afternoon, 1:30 pm District 16 Grass Roots Fund – 1A Peggy Jackson and Judy Matthews

March 27, Monday Afternoon, 1:30 pm ACBL-Wide Senior Pairs 1A- Louetta Green and Ginny Noelke and 1B- Charlotte Sisco and Kathy Dickson

March 28, Tuesday Evening, 6:30 pm District 16 Charity Fund – 1A- Sharon Haney and Sue Henry

Congratulations to all participants and winners for supporting all these events.

It was good to see Fran Grogan and Carolyn Reed-Jones back in the club. Very good to know you are moving forward.

That's it for this 204 Fort Concho edition of the Scorecard which covers San Angelo and surrounding areas!

**Texas Independence**

San Angelo TX  
Feb 10-12 2017  
103 players. 136 tables.

- 1 29.13 Donna Swarthout
- 2 29.13 Dave Swarthout
- 3 22.28 Virginia Noelke
- 4 21.47 Neal Perlman
- 5 19.57 Venkatrao Koneru
- 6 17.17 Janise Saul
- 7 13.91 Suzanne Dorris
- 8 13.34 Carl McGill
- 9 12.85 Norma Walker
- 10 10.99 Barbara Wright

**Friday Morning Open Prs** 11.0  
Tables A1. Norma Walker Suzanne Dorris A2BC1. Toni Hurlbut Alberta Birk B2. Jerry Riggs James Alvis  
**Friday Evening Open Pairs** 15.0  
Tables A1. Dave Swarthout Donna Swarthout A2. Neal Perlman Marcie Perlman B1. Eddy Rice Verle Rice B2. Robert Young Edward Grant C1. David Watson-John Osborne C2.  
**Friday Afternoon Pairs** 18.5 Tables A1. Donna Swarthout Dave Swarthout A2. Venkatrao Koneru-Virginia Noelke B1. Patsy Rogers Betty Horne B2. Mary Hildebrand

Helen Lauderdale C1. Charlotte Sisco -L Dale Harris Jr C2. Karen Voight Dave Holbrook  
**Saturday Morning Open Prs** 15.5  
Tables A1. Vicky Fisher Judy Wilde A2. Dave Swarthout Donna Swarthout  
B1. Eddy Rice Verle Rice B2. Wright Barnebey-Richard Hamm C1. Carol Diminnie Anna Thomas C2. Toni Hurlbut Alberta Birk  
**Saturday Afternoon Open** 23.0  
Tables A1. Neal Perlman-Janise Saul A2. Charles Grimes-David Watson BC1. Linda Scarpelli-Mike Robinson BC2. Charlotte Sisco- Larry Hettick  
**Saturday Evening Open Prs** 14.5  
Tables AB1. Barbara Wright Peggy Jackson A2. Dave Swarthout Donna Swarthout B2. C1. Jerre McAfee David McAfee C2. Michele Hester Mary Bloodworth  
**George Finley Swiss Teams** 19 Tables A1. Virginia Noelke-Venkatrao Koneru Dave Swarthout Donna Swarthout A2. Carl McGill Neal Perlman-Jo Smith-Janise Saul B1. Helen Lauderdale Mary Hildebrand Howard Huynh- David Johnson Jr B2C1. David Watson Marifrances Watson-John Osborne-Linda Reichenau C2. David McAfee Jerre McAfee Judy Matthews-Glynda Groves

**SAN ANGELO TEXAS INDEPENENCE SECTIONAL WINNERS**



Friday Morn Open Pairs A  
Norma Walker, Suzanne Dorris



Friday Aft & Eve Open Pairs A  
Dave & Donna Swarthout



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A  
Judy Wilde, Vicky Fisher



Saturday Eve Open Pairs A  
Peggy Jackson, Barbara Wright





Saturday Aft Open Pairs A  
Neal Perlman, Janise Saul



Sunday Swiss Team A]  
Dave Swarhout, Babu Koneru  
Virginia Noelke, Donna Swarhout



Friday Morn Pairs B  
Toni Hurlbut, Alberta Birk



Friday Aft Pairs B  
Patsy Rogers, Betty Horne



Friday Eve & Saturday Morn  
Pairs B  
Verle & Eddy Rice



Saturday Aft Pairs B&C  
Linda Scarpelli, Mike Robinson



Sunday Swiss Team B  
Howard Huynh, David Johnson  
Helen Lauderdale, Mary Hildebrand



Friday Eve Pairs C  
Dave Watson, John Osborne



Friday Aft Pairs C  
Charlotte Sisco, Larry Hettick



Saturday Morn Pairs C  
Carol Diminnie, Anna Thomas



Sunday Swiss Team C  
Dave Watson, John Osborn  
Marifrances Watson, Linda Reichenau

**Unit 205  
Amistad  
Western Mexico**



**Mary Ann White**

Unit 205 has been very busy during February and March, hosting its annual Valentine Sectional Tournament, as well as numerous special games at both the Unit and Club levels, and a farewell party for our Snowbird friends in Lake Chapala.

The Ajijic Valentine Sectional was a great success. The tournament was held from February 9-12 at the Real de Chapala Hotel in Ajijic. For those who have never been to this tournament, the sectional in Ajijic features great hospitality and lots of prizes. Over 80 dozen home-baked cookies were served, and Saturday night featured appetizers from Taco Rey, along with margaritas and beer. The hotel's buffet lunch for the Sunday Swiss was spectacular as usual. Red Valentine-themed coffee mugs were given as prizes—so cute! Thanks to everyone who helped organize and run this wonderful event.

The overall tournament winner was Patricia Herrera (Mexico, DF), who picked up 23.16 points. Patricia won the Thursday evening Open Pairs with partner Gerry Marshall, as well as the Sunday Swiss, with teammates Gerry Marshall, Gonzalo Herrera, Miriam Rosenberg, and Alberto Cohen. Also playing an outstanding tournament were Diane van Brocklin

and David Hoogenberg, who won the 2-session Saturday Open Pairs and finished first in B in the Friday afternoon Open Pairs. Mary Ann White and Jimmy Reynolds won the Friday morning Open Pairs and finished second in the Sunday Swiss with teammates Ken and Rosemarie Masson. Others whose names crept into the winners' circle included Ed Bissell and Doris Denny (Flight A), Louise and Michael Creaghan (Flight C), Helen Malcolm and John Olsen (Flight C), Aurora de Gonzalez and Margarita Dolera (Flight C), and Lew and Trudy Crippen (Flight C). The Canadian team of Gary and Pat Morris, Roger Buckland, and Huguette Joly claimed victory in the Sunday Swiss for flights B and C—good going! Big winners in the 0-750 games included Guy and Titi Limelette, Mary Sue Torres and Laura Kelly, John Garrett and Jim Burgess, and Peter and Marilyn Miller. Congratulations to all of our winners.

Unit 205 also hosted three Unit Championship Games in February and March. The game on February 9 was won by Alain Turcotte and Louise Menard with 65.37% (15 tables). Mary Ann White and Jimmy Reynolds crossed the finish line first on February 25 (66.37%; 7 tables), while Tom Gillett and Charles Chartier snagged the victory on March 25 (60.86%; 7 tables).

Congratulations to our Unit 205 players who achieved milestones recently, including new Club Master Judy Brickman (Ajijic, JA); new Sectional

Masters Joy Wilson (Sechelt, BC) and Olga Kaplounenko (Ajijic, JA); new Regional Master Mary Ann Waite (Ajijic, JA); and new NABC Master Jeane Treloar (Ajijic, JA). Way to go!

**Club News.** Kudos to the following players who posted 70% games in February and March: At the Los Cabos Bridge Club—Judy Haid and Ellen Jenkins posted 73.01% on March 15 (7½ tables). At the Puerto Vallarta Bridge Club—It was Don Anderson and David Rose who hit the mark with a 74.14% game on March 1 (10 tables) and another 71.03% game on March 22 (9 tables); and Carolyn and Emmanuel Likou who posted 71.13% on March 7 (19 tables). At the Baja Bridge Club—Malcolm Hudson and Shirley Lane scored 70.14% on February 2 (5 tables); Carolyn and Jan Coulson posted 71.11% on February 14 (12 tables); Karen Lynn Higgins and Dawna Dias Patton made their mark with 71.67% on February 23 (6 tables); Suzette Bahar and Gert Balfe scored 71.03% on March 2 (7 tables); Suzette Bahar (again), playing with Judy Haid, posted 75% on March 7 (6 tables); and finally Carl Froebel and William Edwards had a nice 70.63% game on March 14 (7 tables). At the Lake Chapala DBC—Alain Turcotte and Louise Menard hit it big with 73.33% on February 17 (6 tables); Mac McCarthy and Bob Schulz posted a 71.63% on February 24 in the 299r game (11½ tables); and Norinne and Dick Nelson turned in 70.33% on March 28 (15½ tables).

That's a lot of good bridge!

Lake Chapala also hosted an 8-is-Enough Charity Swiss on February 24, and it was a tie! The team of Helen Malcolm, Mike Roney, Catherine Gonzales, and Sharon Merits fought head to head with Tom Gillett, Louise Morel, David Hoogenberg, and Bily Heim. The club also held a Stratified Charity Swiss on March 24, which was won by Ken and Rosemarie Masson playing with Alain Turcotte and Louise Menard. Alain and Louise also won the ACBL-Wide Senior Pairs on March 27.

The Lake Chapala DBC hosted three ACBL Membership games in March. Overall winners were Mary Anderson and Olga Kaplounenko with 62.15% on March 13 (7½ tables); Mary Ann White and Jimmy Reynolds with 63.92% on March 14 (22½ tables); and Mike Roney and Stephen Segall with 67.82% on March 16 (16½ tables).

Several Lake Chapala DBC members attended the Regional tournament in San Miguel de Allende. Charles Chartier, Diane Van Brocklin, Jimmy Reynolds, and Mary Ann White won the Tuesday afternoon Swiss, while Tom Henson, David Hoogenberg, and Billy Heim, playing with William Palmer, were first in B. Alain Turcotte, Louise Menard, Norinne and Dick Nelson won the Thursday afternoon Swiss. Alain and Louise, this time playing with Enrico Pagani and Mauricio Smid, also won the Friday afternoon Swiss. The Friday Compact

KO was won by Norinne and Dick Nelson, with partners Bruce Blakely and Chuck Wong. John Olsen, playing with Diane Livingstone, Linda Smith, and Nancy Spencer won the Tues/Wed KO Bracket 2. And from the Puerto Vallarta Bridge Club, Edwin Glickman, Myrlen Ann Knafelc, Maxine Webb, and Linda Lake finished first in B in the Thursday afternoon Swiss. Nice work!

In other Club news, the Wednesday Supervised Bridge lesson and game concluded another successful season in March. Special thanks to Catherine Gonzales for providing this opportunity for newer players to learn and improve their game. Helpers this year included Louise Morel, Mary Ann White, Tom Henson, Helen Malcolm, and John Olsen. It takes a village to raise a child—and also to raise a bridge player! Many thanks to all who contributed their time.

And, finally, it's time to bid adieu once again to our Snowbird friends from up north. The LCDBC held its annual farewell party at Los Telares Restaurant on March 22. Dinner and dancing were the main events. (Boy, that Janet Mitchell sure can dance!) Wishing everyone safe travels and good health until we meet again. If you're lucky, you'll arrive back home just in time for your welcome home party! Thanks to Mary Ann Waite for organizing such a fun time.

## AJIJIC SECTIONAL WINNERS



Patricia Herrera, Gerry Marshall  
Thursday Eve Open Pairs A



Doris Denny, Ed Bissell  
Friday Aft Open Pairs A



Diane van Brocklin, David Hoogenberg  
Saturday Open Pairs A,  
Friday Aft Open Pairs B



Mary Ann White, Jimmy Reynolds  
Friday AM Open Pairs A



Trudy & Lew Crippen  
Friday Aft Open Pairs C



Helen Malcolm, John Olsen  
Friday AM Open Pairs C



Margarita Dolera, Aurora de Gonzalez  
Saturday Open Pairs C



Gary Morris, Huguette Joly,  
Pat Morris, Roger Buckland  
Sunday Swiss B



Marilyn & Peter Miller  
Friday AM 0-750 Pairs



Mary Sue Torres, Laura Kelly  
Saturday 0-750 Pairs



**Unit 207  
Austin**



**Sandy Potts**

**Upcoming events: May 4-7, 2017 Austin Sectional**, hosted by Unit 207 at the Bridge Center of Austin. Dean Truair and Sandy Potts are co-chairs and Pat Berry is the partnership chair. We look forward to hosting a fine tournament and hope you will attend!

**Non-life Master Regional tournament: August 24-27, 2017.** If you are not a Life Master and you have fewer than 750 master points, come and get some gold points. Sally Sassen and Tracy Bruce will co-chair this tournament.

The following folks were elected to serve on the Unit Board: Tracy Bruce, Rachell Jackson, Julie McKenna, and George Watkins. Wish we could have elected each volunteer, but we have many opportunities for assistance in our active bridge community. Please join us in the pursuit of fine tournaments and active educational endeavors. Many thanks to Joyce Cooper and Hutch Hutchinson for serving on the Unit Board for many years. We appreciate the dedication and experience each shared during their tenures. Also, thanks to Bob Tyler for your service!

The newly elected officers for the 2017-2018 year: Rachell Jackson (president), Sandy Potts (vice-president), Julie McKenna (secretary), and Jo Dee Bowen (treasurer). Others with responsibilities include: Dean Truair (supplies), Tracy Bruce (education and membership), Harry Ingham (publicity), George Watkins (hospitality), Jerry Barrett (GNT coordinator), Rick Clements (NAP coordinator), and Ken MacMorran (webmaster extraordinaire).

**Milestones:** 200 Points: Leilani Rose; New Life Masters: Congratulations to Gary Anderson; **Bronze Life Master:** Walter Freitag and Thomas Smith; **Silver Life Master:** Thomas Hackenberg, Ronald Trimmer and Sanae Zaveloff; **Ruby Life Master:** Greg Kania; **Gold Life Master:** Harry Ingham. I remember meeting Gary Anderson when he had LONG hair and Sanae when she was first starting duplicate. Happy for each of you and your achievements! Tom, you helped me get my first really big gold point win and I'm forever grateful to you, Phil Jaeger and Linda Griffith!

Ever hear of a **New Life Master party**? Well, neither had I until Pam LaShelle concocted the idea for our

Unit. In 2016 we had 19 new Life Masters, so Pam made a party. Those attending the celebration were: Mark Anderson, Jean Marsh, Julie McKenna, Diane Davis, Michele Abriol, James Moody, Barbara Clements, Gloria Bennett, Lisa Holzgraf, Marilyn Holmes and Margaret Bennett. Also, receiving Life Master Status last year were: Richard Ryan, Thomas Smith, Posy Stielow, Nancy Ring, Jerry Barrett, Sharon Dameron and Sandra Dayton. A fun time was had by all, and I am proud to say I was playing with Pam LaShelle when she received her gold life master. I didn't have a clue how great an achievement that was and now she's a diamond life master! What I like best about this is how her enthusiasm for the game and the achievers has not taken a back seat. She made everyone proud of their award and the Unit provided a new life master pin to each winner. Free games were given to the honorees in attendance, and we all ate well that day!

Had the opportunity to meet two Houston visitors. The BCA has a free dinner on Wednesday nights. They were most impressed with the display of goodies. A big thank you to the two ladies who serve our club: Flora Pettit and Barbara Ververne. We all know about Flora's delicious meals, cakes and cookies. What many may not know is her partner in delivery/clean-up/smiles is Barbara Ververne. I always felt if someone cooks for me, I better help clean up! Barbara does both and in such a quiet way that she may not be as noticed. She's a pleasant lady at the table too! Thanks to each of you.

Ever notice the set-up for a game or another event? I never did before I helped the first time! The tables, bidding boxes, trashcans, and food is there and I didn't think a thing about it. What I later learned is that lots of planning, writing flyers, arranging the dates, booking the directors/caddies gets done behind the scenes. The last BCA sectional was a nice success and the "food fairies" this time were Karen O'Shea and Daniela Falco. Kudos and thanks to the various chairs that made this event a fun one.

Ever heard of a bridge director getting rich from a directing job? Amazing how much cleaning up your table, pushing in your chair, washing a few dishes can be so helpful. I see Kyong Shuey wiping down restroom counters and the refrigerator, Stan Pushkarsky closing blinds, Dan Baker stepping in to help a brand-new director with a movement and Mark Anderson collecting boards. Each task is a tiny job but overall it makes a difference in adding to one's involvement. The little bits add to making our clubs friendly and fun! Isn't that what it's

all about? Thanks to each of you for the extras you do. I might even mention your name sometime!

**Winners of Unit 207 Mini-McKenney District 16 for 2016:** Jaroslaw Langer (5-20), Sharon Dameron (100-200), James Moody (300-500). Also, winning Unit 207 Mini-McKenney awards: Karen Oberling (0-5), Sue Alt (50-100), Jerry Barrett (200-300), Nancy Joe (1500-2500), Joe Black (2500-3500), Charlene Sands (3500-5000), and Tobi Sokolow (10,000+). Many races were hotly contested and each category was challenging.

**Winners of Unit 207 Helen Shambrom Ace of Clubs Masterpoint Race District 16 for 2016:** Sharon Dameron (100-200). Also, winning Unit 207 Helen Shambrom Ace of Clubs awards: Karen Oberling (0-5), Simone Scumpia (5-20), John Whittaker (20-50), Jerry Barrett (200-300), Thomas Smith (300-500), Geoff Blandy (1500-2500), Bob Bockemuehl (2500-3500), George Watkins (3500-5000), Marilou Powell (5000-7500), Jack Lacy (7500-10,000) and Tobi Sokolow (10,000+). Congratulations to each of you!

**Deceased: Ellie Robinson.** Ellie was a player who I seemed to know before I met her. Leona Rieger would share stories about her infamous partner when I was in early bridge classes. Humor, friendship, and the go-get-'em spirit were part of Ellie's makeup. She will be missed.

**Deceased: Bill Hammond.** Bill was a man I met when I was brand new to bridge, much less duplicate bridge. He used to tell me that he "wasn't any good and was having a hard day." Then, to the cleaners I would go. I gave him a 7NT hat and he wore it to many SSAC games. I will miss his pleasantries and sly smile. He was a good guy!

**Austin February Sectional**  
Austin TX  
Feb 23-26 2017  
303 players 311 tables.

- 1 26.45 Paul Tobias
- 2 24.60 Pam Lashelle
- 3 21.05 Jack Lacy
- 4 20.00 Jim Hilton
- 5 19.91 Robert Donathan
- 6 19.18 Virgil Massey
- 7 19.18 Charlene Sands
- 8 17.57 James La Fountain
- 9 17.29 Tom Breed
- 10 17.11 Donna Swarthout
- 11 17.11 Dave Swarthout

**Thursday Morn Open Pairs-22.5**

Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1. Pam Lashelle-Geoff Blandy A2. Laura Delfeld- Tom Breed B1. Steven Andersen- Jane Collins B2C1. R Gary Marquart-Bruce Mansbridge C2. Glenn Zauber-Bonnie Dennis  
**Thursday Morn 299er Pairs-5.5** Tables A1. Larry Johnson- Marjorie Abell A2B1. Bama Hill- Eva Dee Pollock B2. Robert Sanders- John Foley  
**Thursday Aft Open Pairs-20.5** Tables / Based on 25 Tables A1. Kenneth Schutze-Jim Hilton A2. Paul Tobias-Elizabeth Tobias B1.. Sharon MacMorran-Ken MacMorran B2C1.. Nancy Ring-Nancy Miller C2. Juanita Painter-Diana Whitfield  
**Thursday Aft 299er Pairs-4.5** Tables AB1. Simone Scumpia-J Patrick Finnigan 2. Keith Rosenthal-Carol Rosenthal B2. Claire Smith-Lynnda Carter  
**Thursday Morn Swiss Teams-11** Tables 1. James La Fountain- Claudette Hartman- Charlene Sands- Virgil Massey A2BC1.. Sharon Dameron-Laura Craft-Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson C2. Wiley McMinn III-Joe Black-David Warner-Larry Smith C2.. Charles Auffill-Danna Redford-Shirley Holland-Leona Rieger  
**Thursday Aft Swiss Teams-15** Tables AB1. Anita Albert-Steven Andersen-Martha Norman-Jane Collins A2. Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn-Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny B2C1. Sharon Dameron-Laura Craft-Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson C2. Barbara Ververne-Thomas Smith-Marjorie Butler-Rachell Jackson Austin TX 45.00  
**Friday Morn Open Pairs-26.5** Tables / Based on 35 Tables A1 Raymond Borrego-Sharon Brown A2. Terry Richardson-Wiley McMinn III B1. Robert Tyler-Lysa Nguyen B2. Marilyn Sharratt-June Beck  
**Friday Morn Swiss Teams-11** Tables A1/2 Donald Varvel-Eleanor Sherwyn-Sharon Hoger-Mark Craig A1/2 Gary Powell-Marcia Powell-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey B1. Rebecca Parmentier-Julianne McKenna-Bobbie Gruhlkey-Betty Daniel B2C1. Sharon Dameron-Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson-Jaroslaw Langer C2. Barbara Ververne-Patricia Berry-Mickey Goldwater-Lucerne Bunch  
**Friday Aft Open Pairs-22.5** Tables / Based on 27 Tables ABC1. John Moore-Roxann Swenson A2. Jack Lacy-Tom Breed B2. John Burgoin-Cheryl Macintosh C2. Curtis Hitt-Marvin Schragger  
**Friday Morn 299er Pairs-8.0** Tables A1. Larry Johnson-Marjorie Abell A2B1. Bama Hill-Eva Dee Pollock B2C1. Marcy Wallace-Mary Jagers C2. John Foley-Robert Sanders  
**Friday Aft Swiss Teams-12** Tables A1. John Schwartz-Gerry McKim-James La Fountain-Pam Lashelle A2. Gary Powell-C G Bell-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey B1. Jennifer

Stocker-Diana Rogers-June Mengden --R Harry Akin B2C1. Simone Scumpia-W Kenneth Davis-Tracy Bruce-J Patrick Finnigan C2. Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson-Jaroslaw Langer-Sharon Dameron  
**Friday Aft 299er Pairs-4.5** Tables A1. David Goodwin-Michael Rainbird A2B1. Mark Alpert-Judy Alpert B2. Sue Alt-Cindy Johnson  
**Saturday Morn Open Pairs-22.0** Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. Pam Lashelle-Paul Tobias A2. Linda Anthony-George Watkins BC1. John Moore-Roxann Swenson B2. Sharon MacMorran-Ken MacMorranC2. R Gary Marquart-Bruce Mansbridge  
**Saturday Morn 299er Pairs-6.5** Tables ABC1. Marie Russiello-Kathie Lewis A2. Carolyn Olivent-Preston Olivent BC2. John Foley-Robert Sanders  
**Saturday Morn Swiss Teams-12** Tables AB1. Bobbie Gruhlkey-Wendy Marks-Mickey Goldwater-Kay Johnson AB2. Daniel Baker-Joyce Cooper-Paul Johnston-Alick Einav C1. Sharon Dameron-Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson-Jaroslaw Langer C2. Lucerne Bunch-Patricia Berry-Marlene Golden-Melinda Simmen  
**Saturday Aft Open Pairs-17.5** Tables / Based on 23 Tables A1. Tobi Sokolow-David Sokolow A2. Robert Whitcher-Phillip Grothus B1. Terry Richardson-Greg Schepens B2. Thomas Smith-Stan Pushkarsky C1. John Moore-Roxann Swenson C2. Glenn Zauber-Bonnie Dennis  
**Saturday Aft 299er Pairs-5.0** Tables A1. Preston Olivent-Carolyn Olivent A2/3B1. Tom Bell-Cindy Bell B2/3 Julie Johnson-Marjorie Butler C2. Claudia Lakey-Kathleen Golden  
**Saturday Aft Swiss Teams-16** Tables A1. Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel-Mark Craig-Sharon Hoger A2. James La Fountain- Richard Ware-Virgil Massey-Charlene Sands A1/2 R Harry Akin- June Mengden-Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny A1/2B1. Catherine Supple- Steven Andersen-Robin Tucker-Lisa Holzgrafe C2. James Moody-Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson-Sharon Dameron  
**Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-20** Tables / Based on 34 Tables A1. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan-Kalpana Sutaria-Swadesh Mahajan A2. Jack Lacy-Alexander Labry-Hua Yang-Yan Song X1. Yaoguang Zhu- Bob Bockemuehl-George Fillis-Karen Fillis X2. Eleanor Sherwyn-Donald Varvel-Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny  
**Sunday B/C/D Swiss Teams-14** Tables BC1. Patricia Webb-Laurene Jacob-Michele Abriol-Robin Tucker B2. Robert Burton-Dolline Burton-Rita Wiegenstein-William McIndoo C2. Rachell Jackson-Mark McAllister-Harriett James-Barbara Sterling D1. Robert Babb-Laurie Hartline-Babb-Michael Edwards-Sherlene Edwards

**AUSTIN FEBRUARY SECTIONAL WINNERS**



Thursday Morning Pairs A  
Geoff Blandy, Pam LaShelle



Thursday Morning Swiss Teams A  
Claudette Hartman, Jimmy La Fountain,  
Charlene Sands, Virgil Massey



Thursday Aft Swiss Teams A & B  
Steve Andersen, Jane Collins,  
Martha Norman, Anita Albert



Thursday Afternoon Pairs A  
Ken Schutze, Jim Hilton



Friday Morning Pairs A & B  
Sharon Brown, Ray Borrego



Friday Afternoon Pairs A, B & C  
Saturday Afternoon Pairs C  
Roxann Swenson, John Moore



Friday Afternoon Swiss Teams A  
Jimmy La Fountain, Pam LaShelle,  
John Schwartz, Gerry McKim



Saturday Morning Pairs A  
Pam LaShelle, Paul Tobias



Saturday Morning 299ers  
Kathy Lewis, Marie Russiello





Saturday Morning Swiss Teams A & B  
Bobbie Gruhlkey, Mickey Goldwater,  
Wendy Marks, Kay Johnson



Saturday Aft Swiss Teams A  
Mark Craig, Sharon Hoger,  
Eleanor Sherwyn, Donald Varvel



Sunday Swiss Teams A  
Larry Davis, Robert Donathan,  
Swadesh Mahajan, Kalpana Sutaria



Thursday Morning Pairs B  
Steve Andersen, Jane Collins



Thursday Afternoon Pairs B  
Ken & Sharon MacMorran



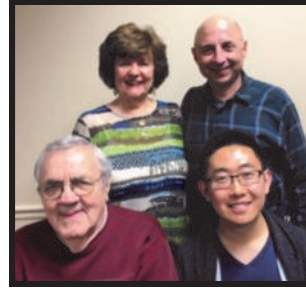
Thursday Morning Pairs C  
Gary Marquart, Bruce Mansbridge



Friday Morning Swiss Teams B  
Becky Parmentier, Julie McKenna,  
Bobbie Gruhlkey, Betty Daniel



Saturday Morning Swiss Teams C  
Jarek Langer, Sharon Dameron,  
Gary Anderson, Jerry Barrett



Sunday Swiss Teams X  
Karen & George Fillis,  
Bob Bockemuehl, Yaoguang Zhu



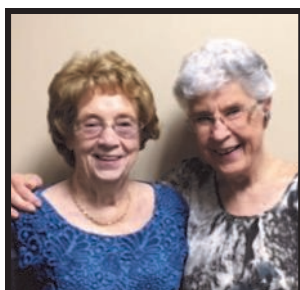
Sun BCD Swiss Teams B & C  
Laurene Jacob, Patty Webb,  
Robin Tucker, Michele Abriol



Thursday Morning 299er Pairs  
Larry Johnson, Marjorie Abell



Thursday Afternoon 299ers  
Simone Scumpia, Patrick Finnigan



Thursday & Friday Morn 299ers  
Bama Hill, Eva Dee Pollock



Friday Morning 299ers  
Mary Jagers, Marcy Wallace



Friday Afternoon 299ers  
Judy & Mark Alpert



Friday Afternoon 299ers  
Michael Rainbird, David Goodwin



Saturday Afternoon 299ers  
Carolyn & Preston Olivent

## MIDLAND TALL CITY SECTIONAL

JUNE 9 – 11 2017  
MIDLAND COLLEGE 3600 N. GARFIELD  
CARRASCO ROOM  
MIDLAND, TEXAS

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Marty Massie

### Friday, June 9, 2017

Stratified Pairs Single Session 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm  
199er Side Game (3 tables Minimum) 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm

### Saturday, June 10, 2017

Stratified Pairs Single Session 9:30 am & 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm  
199er Side Game (3 tables Minimum) 9:30 am & 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm

### Sunday, June 11, 2017

Stratified Swiss 10:00 am & TBA  
Donuts and coffee available before this game

### HOST HOTEL

Quality Suites 4706 North Garfield  
Rate \$79.00 single \$89 double+ taxes  
Ask for bridge rate.  
432-620-9191 or 432-620-9292



STRATS: A (2000+) B (750-2000) C (0-750)

All Strats determined by average master points  
Non-smoking with breaks  
Director: Scott Humphrey



Entry Fee \$10.00/ SWISS \$80.00 per Team + \$5 meal ticket per person  
**\$3.00 additional per session for non and unpaid ACBL members**  
Lunch between sessions on Sunday Free coffee & refreshments

Unit 209  
Permian Basin

Ann Parish



Midland players have started a bridge class at Greenwood Elementary!

Greenwood is a small nearby community, and **Bill Brooks** had already implemented a very successful chess program at the elementary school. He then facilitated the contact for the bridge club, and we now have twelve third- and fourth-graders learning bridge. Bill procured the tables, and he sets up and helps with the lessons

every week. We give Bill a big gold star! **Patti Heard, Linda Buzan**, and other players are teaching and helping with the Thursday afternoon classes. Odessa Duplicate Club celebrated with a Valentine's Day party on February 13. Congratulations to **Les Neal** and **John Seymour** on coming in first with a 70% game. Second were **Helen Davis** and **Scott Vaughan**. Midland also had parties to celebrate Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day.

On March 3, Ricki Perry hosted a birthday party at the Midland Country Club game in honor of their director, **Bob Bacon**. Bob turned 96! Drinks and quesadillas were provided, and Bob and his partner **Betty Dickerson** came in first. Congratulations, Bob!

On March 5, we had another birthday party in honor of **Charlie Grimes**. Charlie and his partner, **Ann Servatius**, came in first.

On March 22, **Charlie Grimes** provided hamburgers for the Wednesday night game. **Chuck Mundy** did the cooking. We had five and a half tables, a nice turnout for a Wednesday night in West Texas. **Belle Harris** and **Ann Parish** came in first.

On February 25-26, Midland held a Non-Life-Master sectional for players with less than 500 points. Complete results are printed elsewhere, but we want to congratulate the first-place winners. On Saturday morning, first place N/S winners were **Marty Massie** and **David Hudson**, and E/W were **LaDoyce Lambert** and **Paula Baggett**. On Saturday afternoon, first place N/S were **Ann Smith** and **Paula Baggett**, and E/W were **Kay Arrell** and **Patti Heard**. On Sunday, Swiss first-place winners were the team of **Ann Smith, LaDoyce Lambert, Scott Vaughan**, and **Paula Baggett**.

Our "Awards" game was held in Midland on March 12. We honored **Joan LaFond** from Big Spring as our Texas Star. **Patti Heard** from Midland and **Scott Vaughan** from Odessa received the Goodwill Ambassador Awards, and we also handed out all of the Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs awards. The game winners were **Marilyn Matthews** and **Debbie Conly** first and **Joan LaFond** and **Beverly Taylor** second.

In the ACBL Senior game on March 27, we had six tables. **Lena Nichols** and **Jean Pistole** came in first with a 66% game, and **Ricki Perry** and **Tommie Strack** were second with a 62% game.

Other high scorers in March were **Scott Vaughan** and **Jean Pistole** with 70.42% on March 9, **Paula Baggett** and **Dorothy Brenneman** with 81% on March 13, and **Charlie Grimes** and **Ann Servatius** with 70% on March 29.

Odessa sent a caravan to San Angelo for the Texas Independence Day Sectional on February 10-12. Attending were **Shirley Davenport, Pamela Erskine, David Hudson, Debra Jones, Jean Pistole, Mike Robinson, Mike Schlueter**, and **Scott Vaughan**. Everyone came home with some silver points, so the trip was deemed a success.

Finally we are saddened to report the death of **Bob Baker**. Bob was an avid bridge player, and we offer our sympathy to his family, friends, and partners. So have a nice spring, and may all your hands be biddable!

Unit 224  
Fort Phantom

Bette Byrd



Bob Young, the president of our unit is outdoing himself to fix problems and make the unit work smoothly again. We have had building problems and the new committee is diligently trying to make everything better. We appreciate the time you are giving to this project Jerry Riggs, Ed Grant and Jeff Lewis. You are truly making a difference.

We held a St Patrick's day party with pot luck, many green dishes, and more food than the five and a half tables could eat, but believe me, we tried. This was the presentation of the Mini-McKinney and the Ace of Clubs awards and the winners were: Mini-McKinney - Mike Sadler, Jackie Batjer, Bill Johnson, Beverly Joosten, Jeff Lewis, Jim Alvis, Sue Patton, Glynda Groves, Darla Mawson, Bob Young, Peggy Ford, Dee Steans and Jo Smith. Ace of Clubs - Mike Sadler, Linda Scarborough, Bill Johnson, Beverly Joosten, Jeff Lewis, Jim Alvis Sue Patton, Glynda Groves, Darla Mawson, Ed Grant, Betty Henderson, Dee Stearns and Jo Smith.

Congratulations to all of you. Carol Whitten and Ed Grant were the winners in the Party Game. The ACBL wide Senior Game was held with 6 tables and the winners of that game were Peggy Ford and Betty Henderson.

Coleen Grisham and Bette Byrd had a 70.80% game at Bridge etc. on February 2, with five tables. Bob Young and Ed Grant had a 70.54 game on April 4 at Bridge etc. with seven tables.

The International Fund Game was held and the winners were Lera Lewis - Edward Grant tied with Michael Sadler - Robert Patton.

Attending the San Angelo tournament, which by the way was fabulous, were Jo Smith winning 10.17 points, Bob Young and Ed Grant winning 8.45, Pat Ramsey and Beverly Walker winning 5.99, Bette Byrd winning 5.18, Glynda Groves winning 5.16, Gwen Riggs winning 3.44, Jerry Riggs winning 3.36, Jim Alvis winning 2.71, Coleen Grisham winning 2.66, Barbara Bridges winning .92, Alan Wakefield winning .65, and Robert Patton and Mike Sadler winning .60. Jerry Riggs and Jim Alvis attended the Lubbock NLM and picked up 1.95. Pat Ramsey attended the Richardson Sectional and won 1.16 and Jim Alvis and Coyita Bowker went to Lubbock and brought home 1.31 points.

Looking Back: 1997.

Abilene Big Country Sectional closed with a total of 204 tables playing the 3 days. Pat Ramsey and Jeane Britain did the organizational work. Some of the 0 - 299 players winning points at the sectional were Jeanie Tucker and Carol Williams; Bobbie Grier and Billye Stoval; Hazel Nunn and Donna Adkins; Myron and Evelyn Woltjen. In July, 1997 Nina Peebles and Sam Wellhausen were honored with the Texas Star Award. Betsy Duncan and Mary Tecson had a 72.69% game. Jo Smith and Pat Wilson had a 69.84% game. Graveside services were held Saturday, May 31 for "Mom" Jay.

One of our special players, Robin A. Julian, was born July 10, 1924 in Greenwood, S. C. He graduated from Clemson University. Robin



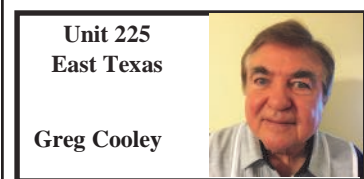
joined the Army Air Corps and the U S Air Force in September of 1949. serving thirty-one years. He flew combat in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam receiving the Air Force Accommodation Metal, Meritorious Service Metal, Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Metal and nine clusters, American Defense, United Nations, European Theater, National Defense and the Korean Presidential Citation. He retired at Dyess AFB in 1977.

Robin then attended ACU, worked at General Dynamics and taught at Cisco Junior College for 14 years. Robin is married to Ruthie, who is also a bridge player and they have three children, one granddaughter and two great grandchildren. Their granddaughter serves in the Air Force and is currently stationed in Qatar after serving two tours in Iraq.

Robin was in the Lions Club and was a Mason and a Shriner. Robin started playing Duplicate Bridge when lessons were offered and has remained a dedicated player.

Remember our IN Tournament August 12 - 13 at the Bridge Center. All Silver Seekers Alert!

Thanks, Bette Byrd



70 % GAMES

Curtis Bourland and Fredye Alford had a 71.67% game at Lake Cypress Springs Bridge Club on Sunday, March 5th. Brent McDaniel & S. V. Ramathnam had 77.50% & Helen Stevens & Betsy Smith had a 74.48% game at DPDBC. A big game was recorded by Shirley Matthews & Shirley Shelton on Thursday, March 9. They had a 76.25% game at the Longview Club.

LAKE CYPRESS SPRINGS BC (LCSBC)- Congratulations to Jeff Brown and Kathryn Young who had a 64.26% game at our LCSBC Sat, Feb 4th, ACBL Wide International Fund game! There were 105 tables participating ACBL wide and Jeff and Kathryn got 5 MP extra for placing ACBL/District 16 wide!

On Monday, March 27th LCSBC hosted a Special Events game-ACBL Wide Seniors- We had 6 tables with the winners eligible for extra MP if they place ACBL wide/District 16. Printed hand analyses by Barry Rigal were provided following the game.

LONGVIEW DBC The Piney Woods Sectional in Longview was held February 16 to 18 at the brand new Infinity Event Center at the Holiday Inn. Attendance was up 20% over 2016 which made the tourney a big success.

Top masterpoint winners were tournament co-chairs Mike Graham & Shirley Shelton.

Proceeds for the tournament were used to buy new boards, additional table side stands, and a new sign for the studio exterior.

PITTSBURG DBC (PDBC)- On Tuesday, March 28th PDBC held a Special District 16 Wide Fund game. Winners are eligible for extra MP if they place District 16 wide.

Thanks to the generous support of our players at both clubs, we recently purchased a Dealer 4 Plus machine.

Our players are reaping the benefits of playing challenging computer generated hands, then reviewing the hands, leads and results that are all posted on the ACBL website shortly after each game.

NACOGDOCHES BRIDGE CLUB Peggy Wright just made Ruby Life Master and Hilda Hahn made Life Master at the Houston Regional.

CEDAR CREEK LAKE BRIDGE CLUB The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek once again whole-heartedly supported the

semi-annual charity bridge tournament for The Library at Cedar Creek held in Tool, Tx. This event is well attended by area library supporters in the spring and fall of each year. This spring there were 13 duplicate tables for a sanctioned ACBL charity game, directed by Gloria Rowland, club manager, providing extra points for her players. Vickie Bell & Joy Roberts from Ennis won 1st overall. Sarah Niemann & Dale Molander placed 2nd, Norma & Lee Lunsford were 3rd, Deanna Drab & Barbara Austin came in 4th, Jimmy Wright & Chester Neel were 5th, and Barbara McMinn & Larry Laudig were 6th. There were also 13 tables of party bridge players. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all. Vickie Bell won the raffle for a \$100 Walmart gift card and the tournament winners had a wide selection of donated gifts from which to choose. The duplicate side had 2 slam winners: Vona Nason & Wanda Prokop made 6 NT and Dale Molander & Sarah Niemann made 6NT doubled. What fun! Over the years, over \$60,000 has been raised by area bridge players for the library which offers a wide variety of programs to the Cedar Creek Lake community.

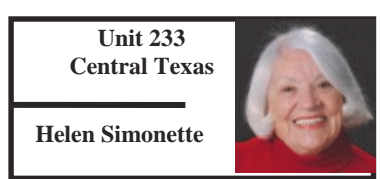
Gloria held two pro/am draw-for-teams Swiss games in March which were well attended. Each was a charity game with extra points for each winning match.

Frances Sanders, Carole Shearer, Sandy Hilliard & Barbara Williams won the first Swiss which had 13 teams competing. The next Swiss game was held on

Friday, St. Patrick's Day. Vona Nason, Wanda Prokop, Jo Ellen Wade & Sarah

Niemann had the "luck of the Irish"...no, it was skill...and came in firstplace out of 10 teams.

Ned & Kathy Weaver with teammates Sandy Hilliard & Mary Priest did very well in the Longview Sectional in February. The team placed 2nd in the Saturday Bracketed Swiss.



When we enjoy an especially great game at the bridge table we frequently credit the card "gods" for our good fortune. Those of us who reside in District 16 who enjoy the blessings of springtime in Texas can be thankful to the "wildflower gods" for our good fortune to live in such a special place.

Our annual Heart of Texas Tournament (also known as the best Sectional Tournament in Texas) was held February 17-19. We had excellent attendance in spite a major construction project widening Interstate 35 between Temple and Waco. Reaching the Cultural Activity Center in Temple involved having to navigate a

maze of streets and service roads.

Winners of Friday events were for AM Swiss, Jan and Charles Mogged, and Judy and Jim Nixon. PM Swiss winners were Robert Adams, Steve Shirey, Herbert Fallin and LaQuitta Talbot. Judy and Ron Brown won both the morning and afternoon Open Pairs games. Saturday Knockout winners were David Pearlman, Pam Lashelle, James LaFountain and Richard Ware. Saturday AM Open Pairs winners were Puddin Barnes and James Evans. Saturday evening Open Pair winners were Larry White and Charles Brown. Saturday 299er Pairs winners were Nancy Clements and Sue Morgan; Bill and Linda Markert; Thomas McMillin and Raydell O'Neil; Ginny Russell and Karen Cook. Sunday AX Swiss winners were Mike Bukala, Hugh Hillaker, John Schwartz and James Thurtell. BCD Swiss winners were Sharon Dameron, Laura Craft, Jerry Barrett and Jaroslaw Langer.

Once again Unit 233 is mourning the loss of one of our own. It is not easy to describe this delightful man named Paul Rothaus, who proudly spoke with his Brooklyn accent. He seemed to possess the wit of an Oscar Wilde combined with the genius of an Einstein. He avidly pursued the game of bridge as he also professed his great love of chess. He was noted for his ability to challenge one for a chess game in which he would defeat them playing blindfolded. Quite a feat! Paul received his PhD in Clinical Psychology from the University of Texas. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn of Temple, one son, three daughters and five grandchildren. We extend our sincere condolences to his family.

Make plans now to play in the Waco Sectional (also known as the best sectional in Texas) to be held at the Waco Convention Center on August 11,12 &13. Information is available on the ACBL.org website for hotel and partnerships. Ila Bates who has chaired this event for a number of years has been ailing. We send our prayers for her speedy recovery.



As I look out of my office study I observe the freshness of spring green abounding on the branches of the mesquite trees across the road. The rancher beside us has bulldozed them at a fancy price. But I know in about two years the same ones will be sprouting above the ground again. Mesquites have a tap root system of about 30 to 60 ft into the earth. They provided food for early settlers. They called it "manna". The bark even helped to relieve headaches. It seems our roots for the love of ACBL is just as deep. No matter if we win or lose we always come back for more. I think our group is the friendliest in North Texas. Of course that is only my opinion.

We have been grieved over the passing of Cula Burch. She will be sorely missed. She always had a friendly greeting for all who came to her table to play. She was a very accomplished player.

We have many ailing players and we pray for their quick recovery. Margie Brown has been in the hospital and in the recovery center. Annetta ha had a toe removed and Va has been taking good care of her. Dub Ryle has been in the hospital. Carole Tucker from the Vernon group has had knee surgery and she reports that her sweet



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**Friday -July 21, 2017**

Stratified 499er Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 and 7:00  
Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 1:30 and 7:00

**Saturday – July 22, 2017**

Stratified 499er Pairs (single sessions) 9:30, 1:30, 7:00  
Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions) 9:30, 1:30, 7:00

Open Pairs: A: 2000+, B: 750-2000, C: 0-750  
499ers (0-500 Non-LM)

**Sunday – July 23, 2017**

JUDGE BILL & ANN STEGER SWISS TEAMS  
BRACKETED SWISS 10:00 and TBA

**Entry Fees:** \$13.00 per session for ACBL members, \$16.00 for non/unpaid members \$136.00 per Swiss Team - Complimentary Full Buffet Lunch

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husband has taken wonderful care of her. She is such a dear and always brings some delicious from her kitchen for us to enjoy. Prayers are going up to all for a quick recovery.

Our sister group in Vernon celebrated a birthday party for Ruth Streit. She is deeply loved there. She was 95 on Feb. 28th and she wore printed bridge leggings and a black blouse with cards printed on the shoulder of the blouse. Her granddaughter gave it to her for the celebration. They took many good pictures to mark the event. I am told that she is quite an accomplished pianist and seamstress. Go girl, go!!! Many more happy birthday celebrations for you ,Ruth.

Our sympathy goes out to our former member Rose Van Meter who lost her husband , retired Col. Ronald Edward Van Meter who passed away Mar. 1,2017.

We celebrated on Mar. 12,2017 awards given for Mini-McKenney and Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs Awards. They were Jo Ella Rice,0-5 Teri McCormick, 5-20, Marsha May, 20-50, Suzanne Sosa, 100-200, Robert Phillips, 200-300, Carole Tucker, 300-500, Ruth Streit, 500-1000, Carrol Green,1000-1500, and Margaret Kirkland,1000-1500, Cula Burch 1500-2500, and David Hertzog, 1500-2500, Tomie Johnson, 3500-5000 in both, and Susan Couch,3500-5000 in both. Congratu-

lations to all.

At Bridge Paradise Masterpoint Leaders were Patty Hofer, 0.50, Tomie Johnson,0.50, Joan Paradeis, 0.50, and Nancy Purcell, 0.50. High Percentage Game Leaders were Tommie Johnson and Joan Paradeis, 61.00. Unit game leaders were Margie Brown and Patty Hofer, 58.93, and Tomie Johnson and Dave Hertzog, 58.63. Bridge Center Master Point Leaders were Trudy Downey, 2.41, Dave Hertzog,2.36 and Tomie Johnson, 2.36. High Percentage Game Leaders were Trudy Downey and Barbara Cunningham, 68.50 and Robert Phillips and Leon Vaccarella, 61.07. Vernon Masterpoint Leaders were Susan Couch,4.43. Anne Halsell, 4.08, and Carole Tucker,3.53. High Percentage Leaders were Barbara Quinby and Donna Provence 69.79, and Susan Couch and Anne Halsell,68.25. Bridge-A-Gap Masterpoint Leaders were Dave Hertzog,1.60, Tomie Johnson,1.60 and Margie Brown 1,12, and Helen Cash 1.12 and Gail Simpson,1.12. High Percentage Leaders were Faye Morrison and Trudy Downey, 63.99 and Bernie Lange and Helen Cash, 63.69. Suite 16 Bridge Masterpoint Leaders were Nancy Purcell 3.27, Patty Hofer, 3.18 and Gladys Barley, 2.67. High Percentage Leaders were Patty Hofer and Julia Lucas, 69.35 and Margaret Kirkland and Kathleen Brown, 63.88. Thank you all for your efforts and congratulations.



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Contact Judy Hoffman (210) 326-3504 for more information.  
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**2-Session Pair Games – Win Gold!**

Strati-Flighted A/X/Y (2 Session)	Mon 1:30 & 7:00	TWTFS 9:30 & 2:30
*Gold Rush (2 Session)	Mon 1:30 & 7:00	TWTFS 9:30 & 2:30
Stratified Pairs (2 Session)	T&W, Th&F 7:00	

**Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session)**

Tues	9:30 & 2:30
Thurs	9:30 & 2:30
Fri	2:30 & 7:00
Sat	2:30 & 7:00

**KO Games**

KO#1 Mon	1:30 & 7:00	Tue 9:30 & 2:30
KO#2 Wed – Thur	9:30 & 2:30	
KO#3 Fri – Sat	9:30 & 2:30	
KO#4 Sat	9:30, 2:30 & 7:00	

*All KO events are handicapped except teams with 5000+ average.*

**Side Game Series**

Morning	9:30	TWTFS
Afternoon	1:30	Monday
Afternoon	2:30	TWTFS
Evening	7:00	MTWTFS

**Stratified Swiss teams (1 Session)**

Mon	7:00
Thur	7:00

**Stratified Swiss teams (2 Session)**

Tues & Wed	7:00
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**Board-A-Match Teams**

BAM (1 Session)	Wed 2:30
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**Sunday Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Swiss Teams & Gold Rush Bracketed Swiss**

Swiss Teams	9:30 & TBA	2 Session
*Gold Rush Bracketed Swiss	9:30 & TBA	2 Session

Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Swiss: A=3000+; X=1500-3000; Y=0-1500  
Top 3 in each bracket will win



**STRATIFICATIONS & FLIGHTING**

Stratified events will be based on average MPs.  
A=2500+, B=750-2500, C=0-750  
Strati-Flighted events will be based on highest individual player's MPs.  
A=3000+, X=1500-3000, Y=0-1500  
\*All Gold Rush events (B=300-750, C=0-300)  
Overall awards & section tops: pay gold for 0-750 & pay red for 0-300  
**Strats may vary at the Director's discretion.**

**299ers Games**

**3 Table Minimum**

Pairs (1 Session)	Mon 1:30 & 7:00	TWTS 9:30 & 2:30
Pairs (2 Session)	Fri 9:30 & 2:30	

*Section tops pay red points*

*A=200-300, B=50-200, C=0-50 (or Director's discretion)*