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Tomi Storey Wins 2018 Oswald and James Jacoby Service Award



Scott Humphry, Chairman of District 16 Oswald & James Jacoby Service Award, presented the Oswald & James Jacoby Service Award for 2018 to Tomi Storey at the Dallas Labor Day Regional. The award, established in 1982, is given annually for outstanding contribution to the promotion of bridge in ACBL District 16 and is announced at the Labor Day Regional Tournament. The honor is given to someone who has worked diligently at the unit level and has risen to recognition at the district level.

Tomi has served Unit 176 and District 16 in many capacities including president of both entities.

After moving to the Dallas area around 2000, she began volunteering and ran for the Unit Board. She has served as secretary, vice-president and President. She was appointed as Unit 176 representative to District 16 and that started her District service, as representative, District StaC Coordinator, District Tournament Chair, Vice-president and two years as District President. She remains on the Executive Committee as Secretary. In the midst of all that, she has chaired sectionals, our yearly Labor Day Regional and even fit in chairing the 2014 Dallas NABC. She swears running a National and a Regional in the same year is proof that she is crazy.

Currently, she is 2nd Alternate to the ACBL Board of Directors and in January, she will become 1st Alternate. This means she also serves on the ACBL Board of Governors. Add to that her appointment to the National Goodwill Committee and her Texas Star for service to unit 176 and you have a busy woman who dearly loves the game and the people who play it.

Oswald and James Jacoby Award Winners

2017 David Pennington, Waco
2016 Paul Cuneo, Houston
2015 Charles Price, Dallas
2014 Martha Decou, Corpus Christi
2013 Carol Schoenhals, Lubbock
2012 Lew Levy, Houston
2011 Larry Davis, Austin
2010 Tom Corlett, Waco
2009 Bert Onstott, Houston
2008 Ira Hessel, San Antonio
2007 Dewitt Hudson, Fort Worth
2006 Rosemary Kelley, Austin
2005 Toni Snow, Houston
2004 Betty Starzec, Houston
2003 Al Lochli, San Antonio
2002 Scott Humphrey, Austin
2001 Tom Hughes, Fort Worth
2000 Mary Ross, Corpus Christi
1999 Arlene Weingarten, Houston
1998 Eric Snow, Houston
1997 George & Leah Olivari, Corpus Christi
1996 Howard Wilkins, Abilene
1995 Barry Hagedorn, Houston
1994 Shirley Pagan, Corpus Christi
1993 Jacque Tucker, San Antonio
1992 Henry Baer, Dallas
1991 Mary Williams, Austin
1990 Gerrie Owen, Dallas
1989 Dan & Joan Morse, Houston
1988 Jim Downs, Houston
1987 Judy Jacoby, Dallas
1986 Cisse Horton, San Antonio
1985 Sue Barber, San Angelo
1984 Ann Carb, Fort Worth
1983 Joyce Cook, Houston

Rebecca Brown

District 16 President



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As you know, the District board meets three times a year. Our last meeting was in September at the Dallas Labor Day Regional. Here are some of the actions taken:

Revenue generated at the two scheduled Charity Games will be donated to organizations designated at the local level by the unit boards where the money is raised. In the past, the funds were directed by the District; Tomi Storey will be the 1st Alternate to the ACBL Board of Directors as of January, 2019; Nancy Strohmer was elected 2nd Alternate to the ACBL Board of Directors as of January, 2019 (replacing Storey); Robert Morris was appointed to the Board of Governors, filling the one-year remaining of the unexpired term of DeWitt Hudson. The position will be open for District-wide election in October 2019. Hudson resigned due to medical issues. District 16 thanks him for his years of service and wishes him well; BJ Sanders was appointed to chair the 2021 NABC to be held in Austin; Unit 173 will host the 2019 San Miguel Regional. Tomi Storey will convene a committee to consider the future allocation of the two regionals held in Mexico, along with other pertinent issues; The Scorecard will continue to be

Following the meeting, David Pearlman tendered his resignation as 2nd V.P. The District thanks him for his service as Executive Secretary and 2nd V.P. of the Board and will miss his intelligent contributions! Betty Starzec was appointed to fill the position until the next board meeting on February 9, 2019 in Houston, at which time an election will be held.

At the end of September, several District 16 bridge "mavens" were sighted in Orlando, participating in the World Bridge Federation's 15th annual World Bridge Series. Those participating included Ira and Ellen Hessel, Greg Hinze, Georgiana Gates, Shawn Quinn, Mike and Nancy Passell, Hemant Lall, Tobi Sokolow, Claudette Hartman, Lynn Baker, Barbara Ferm, Dan Morse, Bart Bramley, Eddie Wold, Bob Morris, Bob and Petra Hamman, Peggy Sutherland, Joan Jackson, Sally Wheeler and Buddy Hanby. How lovely to be able to play among the world's best!

Make plans to play in upcoming District tournaments. Why not "play up?" Competition from stronger players strengthens our games. It presents an opportunity to learn a lot from their excellent play. Try it—you'll like it!

SEE YOU AT THE TABLE!

District 16 Wins Three Events and Adds One Second in 15th World Bridge Series



Lynn Baker



Petra Hamman



Hemant Lall



Mike Passell

The 15th World Bridge Series was held in Orlando Florida from Sept 22 to October 6. District 16 won 3 of the 8 major events and was 2nd in another.

Hemant Lall won the Senior Swiss and was joined by his team's non playing captain, Petra Hamman, for the mixed pairs and took 2nd there. Mike Passell won the senior pairs with Marc Jacobus from Nevada on Marc's birthday! They won by over 4 boards, an amazing margin. Eddie Wold was third. Lynn Baker won the women's teams. Barbara Ferm was third in the mixed teams.

Players came from all over the world including a large contingent of Chi-

nese juniors. They stood out in their pastel blazers and if you were lucky to play against them they would often gift you a deck of cards from their Shanghai club. All the events were at least 6 days. The teams had a large swiss to qualify teams for a long KO. The pair games had an interesting structure. In the open we played 3 days of 3 sessions of 16 hands each. Then the qualifiers went to the semifinals for 2 days and the rest played in the "B" series where the top 6 pairs would get to the main final. The teams were run concurrently and as you lost in the teams you could drop in to the pairs. There was a 2 day consolation at the end so you actually had 7 days of bridge for the open pairs,

All the bridge was played behind screens in a well lighted room with the tables spaced far apart. Usually you had 8.5 minutes per board.

The fields in each event was usually only 20 to 30 % from the USA. In the seniors a team that included Bart Bramley and Bob Hamman narrowly beat Mike Passell's team 74-72 in the quarter final. Bob and Bart lost in the semifinals after leading most of the way. In the women's pairs 7 ladies from D16 fared well. After 6 days of play Shawn Quinn was fourth followed by Peggy Sutherland-Joan Jackson in 7th, Claudette Hartman-Tobi Sokolow in 10th and Georgiana Gates-Ellen Hessel in 17th.

Bart Bramley was 11th in the senior pairs and Greg Hinze was 21st in the Open pairs.

Hemant and his partner, Reese Milner, have now won 4 of the last 6 World Senior Teams. Reese is ranked no 1 in the world in that category and Hemant no 2. Hemant and Petra are currently 4 and 5 in the World mixed pair category.

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NAPS IN AUSTIN
JANUARY 5 AND 6

Paul Cuneo

District 16
National BOD



to attract more people to bridge and the results so far are disappointing. I'm optimistic that we'll develop a plan for growth and get it implemented.

I have written a Discussion Item for the Board meeting about online strategy and plan to follow that with motions for the Memphis meeting in March. Some of the questions I would like the Board to explore are:

- Should we try to attract ACBL members from the online community that live outside of ACBL's boundaries?
- Should we hold online limited games for I/N players?
- Should we have online sectional and regional tournaments with limited frequency?
- Should online points continue to be separated from club points?

I'm looking forward to an interesting discussion that will lead to consensus on the role of online bridge.

Fall is officially here and with it comes a lot of bridge and social activities for us to enjoy. I hope all of you enjoy the season and it brings great memories of fun times and winning bridge.

The ACBL Board is meeting in November and I've been actively preparing for it.

The Executive Director search is going well. The Committee has revised and significantly improved the process from 2017. We're doing interviews by videoconference and that has been much better than a phone conference. We still continue to receive applications and candidates are continuing to be evaluated. We'll have a status report for the Board.

The Strategic Review Committee is following up on the workshop we held in Atlanta. We've had one meeting focused on promoting bridge and increasing membership and a second on developing our online bridge strategy.

Next steps are to hear from headquarters about their plan for 2019 and their budget for marketing. We all recognize the need to promote bridge and to grow our membership. To accomplish that, we'll be taking a comprehensive look at all of our activities in this area. We tried "temporary membership" as a way

The ACBL Educational Foundation Board is meeting by videoconference and I am on two committees. The first is to develop a "strategic framework" and the second is to write a position description for an Executive Director. Work on both is underway and I think our next face-to-face meeting at the NABC will lead to more focus and new initiatives.

As always, I'm interested in your comments, so please send them. Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season and great times at the bridge table.

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In Memoriam

* denotes Life Master

- * Mrs. Carol B. Bishop, Austin
- * Mary E. Cooper, Fair Oaks
Carl S. Fluke, Arlington
- * Brenda L. Johnson, Abernathy
- * P. C. McGaffic, Canyon Lake
George Nilsson, Missouri City
Jo Nell Scott, Boyd
- * Royal E. Smith, Southlake
- * Camile Hamel, Bahia de Bander
- * Mrs. Sally W. Armstrong, San Antonio
- * Pat Ellison, Lubbock
Mrs. Mazell C. Farmer, Nacogdoches
Gerald H. Levy, Laredo
Chin H. Lin, Houston
Mrs. Velma Williams, Arlington

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176 Laura	Onsgard	Dallas	Life Master
172 Frank	Schwakhofer	Canyon Lake	Life Master
174 Donald	Bell	Seabrook	Life Master
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176 Lucy	Buchanan	Dallas	Life Master
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183 Dwight	Hill	Grand Prairie	Bronze LM
176 Chris	Kelly	Waxahachie	Bronze LM
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207 Denise	Shade	Austin	Bronze LM
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207 Bobbie	Gruhlkey	Austin	Silver LM
233 Jo	McDaniel	Georgetown	Silver LM
172 Stephanie	Stevens	Boerne	Silver LM
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207 Sharon	MacMorran	Austin	Ruby LM
183 Helen	Nelson	Grand Prairie	Ruby LM
174 Jack	Rawitscher	Houston	Ruby LM
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224 Jackie	Sonnenburg	Abilene	Ruby LM
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174 Jean	Martin	Kingwood	Silver LM
176 Ginger	Morgan	Gordonville	Silver LM
183 Laura	Nash	Burleson	Silver LM
176 Sharon	Tomnitz	Dallas	Silver LM
172 Mike	Vivian	San Antonio	Silver LM
176 Jon	Wolkenstein	Dallas	Silver LM
174 Paul	Cuneo	Houston	Gold LM
187 Linda	Elmore	Victoria	Gold LM
207 Roy	Jambor	Austin	Gold LM
174 Carolyn	Labouliere	Seabrook	Gold LM
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174 Carmen	Keys	Houston	Gold LM
174 Janis	Levy	Houston	Gold LM
225 Mike	Graham	Houston	Diamond LM
174 Joyce	Ryan	Houston	Diamond LM
174 Dale	Crumbaugh	Houston	Sapphire LM

Rosemary Kelley Earns Platinum Life Master



Rosemary's journey to Platinum Life Master started in her family's kitchen when she was 12, pressed into service as a fourth for her older brother and his college buddies while her mom (their teacher) was busy doing chores around the house. Rosemary played "kitchen bridge" for the next several years, not starting duplicate until she was 28, playing evenings and Saturdays at the Alamo Bridge Club in San Antonio. She really doesn't think she learned much about the game until she met and married Paul Kelley in 1989. They met many wonderful folks as they travelled to Sectionals, Regionals and Nationals throughout the country. She has served as District 16 President, served on Unit Boards in San Antonio and Austin, chaired numerous Sectionals and Regionals, and organized bridge cruises for several groups. Together with Beth and Paul Tobias, Paul and Rosemary were the founders of the Bridge Center of Austin, still going strong today. Rosemary has won numerous Ace of Clubs and Mini McKinney certificates, but is proudest of her Charity Committee appointment, Texas Spirit Award and Oswald and Jim Jacoby Award.

The Longest Day

The ACBL raised nearly \$1.2 million for The Longest Day in 2018 bringing the cumulative total to over \$4.7 million over six years.

Expanding the event from a single day to a week allowed many more clubs to participate, particularly smaller ones that hold only one or two games a week in places where they might not have access to their space on a given designated day. While the number of ACBL groups that made direct donations remained about the same at 260, the total number of participating clubs rose dramatically to nearly 500.

The ACBL is not just the top group in fundraising for The Longest Day, but contributes more to the Alzheimer's Association than the next nine groups combined.

Through the years District 16 has had many clubs contribute. This year the Granbury Bridge Club was 15th in the entire ACBL and raised \$14,331 to lead the district! The Westside Bridge Club in Houston finished 20th with \$12,117. Other clubs in Houston raised over \$4000 more. Beaumont, which always does a great job, was 22nd in the ACBL with \$10,220.

The Granbury club averages 6 tables a week and to be 15th in the country is an amazing achievement.

DEADLINES for

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January 25-27, 2019

SUEZ SHRINE CENTER
2915 LOOP 306
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Friday, January 25, 2019

Stratified Pairs Single Session 9:00 am & 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm
0-300 Pairs (3 tables minimum) 9:00 am & 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 26, 2019

Bracketed KO Teams* I,II,III 9:00 am & 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm
Stratified Pairs Single Session 9:00 am & 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm
0-300 Pairs (3 tables minimum) 9:00 am & 1:30 pm & 7:00 pm
* KO may be handicapped per director's discretion

Sunday, January 27, 2019

George Finley Memorial Swiss Teams 10:00 am & TBA

STRATS: A (2000+) B (750 – 2000) C (0-750)
All Strats determined by average master points

Non-smoking with breaks

Director: Tom Marsh Entry Fee \$10.00/ SWISS \$96.00 per Team
\$4.00 additional per session for non and unpaid ACBL members

Lunch between sessions on Sunday
Free coffee, iced tea & refreshments

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Hampton Inn
2959 W. Loop 306
325.942.9622
\$94.00 Book by 12/25/18

LONE STAR REGIONAL EVENTS INCLUDE MINI-SOLOWAY

The Mini-Soloway KOs are fast becoming a favorite event at regional tournaments throughout the ACBL. Houston's Lone Star Regional will have two-day Mini-Soloway events on Tuesday-Wednesday and Thursday-Friday. The Mini-Soloway will replace Bracket 1 of the Bracketed Swiss events beginning on Tuesday and Thursday. The Bracketed Swiss event will be for teams in Bracket 2 and lower. Teams with an average of 12,000 masterpoints or higher will automatically be placed in the Mini-Soloway.

Here's how it works:

The first day is run as a 2-session Swiss/Round Robin guaranteeing play for the entire day.

The top 4 teams qualify for semifinals the second day.

The top qualifier chooses from 3rd and 4th place team as semifinal opponent.

2nd day play continues for 1st place through 4th place.

If a team does not qualify to play on the 2nd day, a regular Bracketed Swiss is available to play the next day.

Teams can play up if they desire.

Teams who qualify for Bracket 1 that do not want to play in the Mini-Soloway cannot play in the Bracketed Swiss Event.

Why have a Mini-Soloway KO?

All members of the team win equal masterpoints in the overalls.

You are guaranteed two sessions of play on the first day.

Increased MP awards for winning a 2-day event.

Teams are essentially playing a KO with no unlucky first round draws.

Houston is always looking to enhance your bridge playing experience. At the moment the Mini-Soloway is just for the top bracket, but can be done for the lower brackets as well. Houston looks forward to feedback from players to determine the future of the Mini-Soloway in Houston.

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BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP IN HOUSTON FEBRUARY 3-4

The Best Practices Teacher Workshop will take place just prior to the start of the Lone Star Regional in Houston at the Marriott Houston Westchase. The workshop is the centerpiece of the updated Teacher Accreditation Program. It implements best practices recommended and validated by more than 400 ACBL teachers. *The focus is training on how to teach rather than what to teach.*

In order to attend the workshop you must register and pass a qualifying pretest. **After attending the workshop you can opt to earn an ACBL Best Practices Teacher Certification by completing a Proficiency Demonstration.** This certification allows you to be recognized as a Best Practices Teacher with a special designation on the ACBL website as well as being able to use the Best Practices Teacher logo on your business cards and materials. Participants will also receive a free one-year membership in the **American Bridge Teachers' Association.**

DATES AND TIMES: BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP
Sunday, February 3rd – 1-5 p.m. & 6-10 p.m.
Monday, February 4th – 8:00 a.m. – Noon

BEST PRACTICES PROFICIENCY DEMONSTRATIONS
Monday, February 4th – 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 5th – 8:00 a.m. – Noon
(Demo's will be scheduled 20 minutes apart and other times may be accommodated.)

COST: BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP - \$50
BEST PRACTICES PROFICIENCY DEMONSTRATION - \$25

TO REGISTER CONTACT: Betty Starzec
lstarzec@comcast.net or 713-562-2568




REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 25

DISTRICT TEACHERS INVITED TO MEET BARBARA SEAGRAM

Barbara Seagram, world-renowned bridge teacher and celebrated bridge author, will be in Houston prior to her bridge cruise out of Galveston. Betty Starzec, American Bridge Teachers' Association President, is hosting a bridge teacher reception for Barbara at her home for District 16 teachers on Friday, November 30, from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. This is a unique opportunity to meet Barbara who will share some of her winning teaching techniques and marketing tips with the teachers in attendance. In addition, those attending and are not members of the American Bridge Teachers' Association will be eligible to receive a free one year membership to that organization. Teachers attending this reception will also receive some marketing information from the ACBL and be eligible for door prizes. Refreshments and light bites will be served. Attendance is limited to the first 50 teachers who respond to Betty at lstarzec@comcast.net. Betty will then provide you with directions to her home in Sugar Land.

**Unit 172
San Antonio**



Lew Spurlock

For this month's article I would like to focus on the clubs in Unit 172. There are a few by-invitation-only games, namely at Dominion CC, San Antonio CC, Oak Hills CC, and a Friday bridge game with Jacque Fisher, but this and the next article will review the open clubs. I am going to start with the Texas hill country towns of Boerne, Kerrville and New Braunfels. Next time we'll look at Gonzales and San Antonio.

In the 1800s, German intellectuals fled their country and moved to the Texas hill country and founded a group of towns known as the Latin Colonies because the philosophical discussions they had in the various towns were conducted in Latin. One of those towns was originally called Tusculum after the Roman town where the Roman statesman Cicero lived. The name of the town was later changed to Boerne.

Boerne currently has a thriving bridge club hosted by Carol Ramberg in the Rainbow Senior Center at Kronkosky Place. They meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 1:00 pm and host about 10 tables. That is up from the 6 tables they averaged when they started two years ago. Each session includes a lunch buffet and beverages. They have quite a few Life Masters that regularly play at the club, but the skill level of the players is equally distributed among A's, B's and C's. Carol can usually find a partner for anyone who calls her in advance of the play date. Most people who play there comment on how friendly the atmosphere is and how spacious the rooms are where they play.

At the same time the Freethinkers from Germany were establishing the Latin colonies, German farmers were settling in other parts of the hill country. Among these settlements was the town of Kerrville. The bridge club there is in the capable hands of Richard Hamm who conducts twice weekly session at the YO Ranch Hotel at 1:00 on Mondays and Fridays.

They average about 4 to 5 tables with gusts up to 7. There used to be as many as 10 to 13, but Kerrville is primarily a retirement community and age takes its toll. While they don't do anything beyond hosting the game, they have a reasonably competitive game. Some of the players there regularly place high at tournaments, while some are Rubber bridge players trying their hand at something new. To generate interest in the community at large, Richard sometimes teaches bridge at a course held at the local high school, and he teaches on an individual basis as well. If you're ever interested in attending there, Richard can generally always arrange for a partner for anyone who calls him in advance.

All of the German settlers to the hill country, after arriving at the port of Indianola, made their way to the town of New Braunfels from where they dispersed to the various communities across Texas. New Braunfels has a long-standing bridge club run by Catherine JoAn McGaffie. Games are every Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30 at the Unitarian Church (which has handicapped access). Every 5th Tuesday they have a special game at 9:30 and then the regular game at 12:30. They have prizes available at the 5th Tuesday games. Catherine (who also goes by JoAn) says they always have plenty of snacks available (which she mostly makes herself) so that players rarely need lunch. They have a very good level of play with lots of C's, B's and A's, and all are good players with a lot of enjoyment by all. Catherine, in an attempt to generate interest in the bridge club, is a member of the Chamber newcomer's club where she tells people about the availability of bridge in the community. Catherine says the club has a great atmosphere—everyone gets along very well. She can generally arrange a partner for anyone who calls in advance.

**San Antonio
NLM Regional**
Aug 22-25, 2018
152 players 185 tables.

- 1 19.04 Melissa Plumb, Corpus Christi
- 2 19.04 David Hobson, Portland
- 3 13.70 William Whittle, Corpus Christi
- 4 13.70 Mary Driesbock, Corpus Christi

- 5 12.67 Sunny Won, San Antonio
- 6 9.58 P.D. Sharma, San Antonio
- 7 9.13 Pamela Pickrell, Granbury
- 8 9.13 Connie Chamberlain, Granbury
- 9 8.18 Yesh Singh, San Antonio
- 10 8.13 Frances Bailey, Bossier City LA
- 11 7.04 Thomas Kimmel, PA
- 12 7.04 Jack Cassidy, San Antonio
- 13 6.86 Paul Fafoutakis, Universal City
- 14 6.82 Roxi Raaf, Boerne
- 15 6.68 Jon Pack, Boerne
- 16 6.68 Anni Pack, Boerne
- 17 6.13 Evelyn Pitman, San Antonio
- 18 5.89 Susan Breeding, Austin
- 19 5.89 Juanita Painter, Austin
- 20 5.81 Lawrence Caplan, Corpus Christi
- 21 5.48 Wanda Mikhail, MS
- 22 5.47 William Norvell, San Antonio
- 23 5.47 Lynn Pierson, San Antonio
- 24 5.40 Charlene Coor, Austin
- 25 5.02 Tina Spera, The Woodlands

Wed Gold Rush Pairs-28.5 Tables /
Based on 25 Tables AB1. Melissa Plumb, Corpus Christi ; David Hobson, Portland A2. Mary Driesbock-William Whittle, Corpus Christi A3B2. Juanita Painter-Susan Breeding, Austin B3. Thomas Kimmel, Sinking Springs PA; Jack Cassidy, San Antonio C1. Cecily Hutchison-Paulette Armstrong, Plano C2. James Sells, Houston ; Carol Shi, Seminole OK C3. Kay Schrieber, Granbury ; German Valtierra, Weatherford

Thu Gold Rush Pairs-25.0 Tables /
Based on 22 Tables AB1. Pamela Pickrell-Connie Chamberlain, Granbury AB2. Sunny Won-Yesh Singh, San Antonio AB3. Jack Adams, Houston ; Frances Bailey, Bossier City LA C1. Charlene Coor-Kevin Orr, Austin C2. Anne Miraglia, Spring ; Tina Spera, The Woodlands C3. Lisa Talcott-Liza Philpy, San Antonio

Fri Bracketed Swiss Te-1-7 Tables
1. P.D. Sharma-Sunny Won-Barbara Haley, San Antonio ; Paul Fafoutakis, Universal City 2. Melissa Plumb-Mary Driesbock-William Whittle, Corpus Christi ; David Hobson, Portland

Fri Bracketed Swiss Te-2-7 Tables
1/2 Frances Bailey, Bossier City LA; Wanda Mikhail, Ocean Springs MS; Marie Russiello-Emil Russiello, Austin 1/2 William Norvell-Lynn (Ann) Pierson, San Antonio ; Jon Pack-Anni Pack, Boerne

Fri Bracketed Swiss Te-3-9 Tables
1. Annetta Hughson-Helen Pillifant, Kyle ; Pene Moore-Dale Miller,

**ED RAWLINSON WINTER SECTIONAL
SAN ANTONIO**



January 17-20 @ FIESTA BRIDGE CLUB
2112 NW MILITARY, SAN ANTONIO 78213

Thursday, January 17
10 am Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
2:30 pm Stratified Swiss Teams
2:30 pm Stratified 499'er Pairs

Friday, January 18
10 am Stratified Open Pairs & Stratified 499'er Pairs
2:30 pm Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
2:30 pm KO Teams (1 of 3 sessions)

Saturday, January 19
10 am Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
10 am KO Teams (2 of 3 sessions)
2:30 pm Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
2:30 pm KO Teams (3 of 3 sessions)

Sunday, January 20
10 am & TBA Stratified Swiss Teams – Meal between sessions.
Stratifications: A 2500+ B 750-2500 C 0-750
Average Masterpoints will be used in all events

Chair: Laurie-Anne Levin (210) 213-3631 laurie-anne@sabx.rr.com

Partnerships: Debbie Schweiss (210) 378-7764

Card Fees: \$12/person/session; \$108/Sunday Swiss Team including lunch
Unpaid/non ACBL members add \$4; \$7.99 for one month temporary membership

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Houston 2. Cheryl Benash-Penny Griffis-Anne Miraglia, Spring ; Tina Spera, The Woodlands

Sat Gold Rush Pairs-16.0 Tables /
Based on 14 Tables AB1. David Hobson, Portland ; Melissa Plumb, Corpus Christi A2. Leigh Primerano, Helotes ; Lawrence Caplan, Corpus Christi A3B2. Jack Preston-Carolyn Preston, Rockport B3/4 Jim Roff,

Fair Oaks Ranch ; Gerald Irion, Kerrville B3/4 Thomas Kimmel, Sinking Springs PA; Jack Cassidy, San Antonio C1. Evelyn Pitman, San Antonio ; Roxi Raaf, Boerne C2. Jon Pack-Anni Pack, Boerne C3. Christopher Steele-Charlene Coor, Austin

SAN ANTONIO NON-LIFE MASTER REGIONAL WINNERS



Robert Thornton, Janet Daniel
Wednesday Morning Gold Rush (A/B)



Sharon Evans, Roxi Raaf
Wednesday Morning Gold Rush (C)



William Whittle, Mary Driesbock
Wednesday Aft Gold Rush (A)



Sunny Won
Wednesday Aft Gold Rush (B)



Ajit Murarka, Yesh Singh
Wednesday Aft Gold Rush (C)



Melissa Plumb, David Hobson
Wednesday Gold Rush (A/B)
Saturday Gold Rush (A/B)



Paulette Armstrong
Wednesday Gold Rush, (C)



Pamala Pickrell, Connie Chamberlain
Thursday Gold Rush, (A/B)



Tina Spera, Anne Miraglia
Thursday Morn Gold Rush (C)



Kevin Orr, Charlene Coor
Thursday Aft Gold Rush (A/B/C)
Thursday Gold Rush, 1st Overall (C)



Barbara Haley, Sunny Won,
PD Sharma, Paul Fafoutakis
Friday Swiss (Bkt 1)



Dale Miller, Pene Moore,
Annette Hughson, Helen Pillifant
Friday Swiss (Bkt 2, tied)



Jon Pack, Hank Norvell,
Anni Pack, Lynn Pierson
Friday Swiss (Bkt 2, tied)



Emil & Marie Russiello,
Frances Bailey, Wanda Mikhail
Friday Swiss (Bracket 3)



Gerald Irion, Jim Roff
Saturday Morn Gold Rush (A/B)



Jon & Anni Pack
Saturday Morning Gold Rush (C)

New Braunfels Sectional

Sep 06-09 2018
185 players 223 tables.

- 1 37.73 Vonnie Lavender
- 2 30.74 Ed Rawlinson
- 3 30.01 Ellen Hessel
- 4 29.14 Gary Anziani
- 5 28.47 Venkatrao Koneru
- 6 26.61 Kenneth
- 7 25.84 Terry Riely
- 8 25.84 Carolyn Riely
- 9 25.22 Karen Fillis
- 10 25.22 George Fillis

Thursday AM Open Pairs-20.0
Tables / Based on 26 Tables A1.
Venkatrao Koneru-Vonnie Lavender
A2B1. Barbara Morgan-Robert Mar-

tin B2/3 Karen Fillis-George Fillis
B2/3 Becky Ellisor-Buddy Ellisor C1.
Kathy Sinkin-Amor-Yesh Singh C2.
Ann Kuehler-Elisabeth Kay
Thursday AM 499er Pairs-5.5 Tables
AB1. Charlene Coor-Kevin Orr
AB2. Ann Roe-W Kenneth Davis
Thursday Aft 499er Pairs-3.5 Tables
AB1. Robert Craig-Robert Watson
AB2C1. Jon Pack-Anni Pack C2.
Marjorie Tucker-Marybeth Parsons
Thursday Aft Swiss Teams-27 Tables
/ Based on 26 Tables AB1/2 Jeri
Tribo-Kendall Early-Susan Hernandez-
Robbie Borchers AB1/2 Harry
Ingham-William Davis-Catherine
McGaffic-Frank Schwakhofer A2.
Jan Wingate-Hazel Medellin-James
Cuccia-Robert Christophel
Friday AM Open Pairs-25.0 Tables
/ Based on 31 Tables AB1.

Karen Fillis-George Fillis A2. Rose-
mary Kelley-Carole Lee O'Connor
B2. Mark Craig-John Moore C1.
Irene White-Jim Roff C2. Annetta
Hughson-Lois Kertesz
Friday AM 499er Pairs-5.0 Tables
ABC1. Roxi Raaf-Lynn (Ann) Pier-
son ABC2. Jon Pack-Anni Pack
Friday Aft Open Pairs-23.0 Tables /
Based on 22 Tables AB1. Mary Rita
de Hoyos-Barbara Morgan A2. Alta
Peck-Jimmie Lou Conner B2. Sandy
Potts-Stan Pushkarsky C1. Jeanne
Dawley-Ann Perry C2. Diana Dren-
ner-Don Mahoney
Friday Aft 499er Pairs-3.0 Tables
AB1. Michael Luckenbach-Carol
Hall AB2. Marjorie Abell-Susan
Breeding
Saturday AM Open Pairs-28.0 Tables
/ Based on 31 Tables A1. Terry

Riely-Carolyn Riely A2. Gary An-
ziani-Ed Rawlinson B1. Jim Martin-
Joyce Martin B2. Kendall Early-
Thomas Trudeau C1. Annetta Hugh-
son-Lois Kertesz C2. Peggy Casey
Fitzpatrick- Amanda Stewart
Saturday AM 499er Pairs-3.0 Tables
1. Jon Pack-Anni Pack 2/3
Nancy Tom-Lelia Jackson 2/3 Evelyn
Pitman-Roxi Raaf
Saturday Aft Open Pairs-26.5 Tables
/ Based on 31 Tables A1. Gary
Anziani-Ed Rawlinson A2. Ellen
Hessel-Vonnie Lavender B1. Frank
Schwakhofer-Catherine McGaffic
B2C1.. Peggy Casey Fitzpatrick-
Amanda Stewart C2. Robert Craig-
Coleman Driver
Saturday Aft 499er Pairs-3.5 Tables
A1/2B1. Roxi Raaf-Evelyn Pitman
A1/2 Paul Fafoutakis-Mary Harring-

ton C2. Lelia Jackson-Nancy Tom
Neil Morgan Sun Swiss-1-7 Tables
1. Stephen Toplansky- Kenneth
Schutze- Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel/2.
Carolyn Riely-Terry Riely-Venkatrao
Koneru-Vonnie Lavender
Neil Morgan Sun Swiss-2-7 Tables
1. Karen Fillis-George Fillis-Rebecca
Brown-C David Mitchell 2. Jerry
Barrett-Shawn Drenning-Anita Albert
- Phillip Grothus
Neil Morgan Sun Swiss-3-10 Tables
1. Roxann Swenson-John Moore-
Tom Smith-Stan Pushkarsky 2. Frank
Schwakhofer-Catherine McGaffic-
Julianne McKenna-Kimi Lambert

NEW BRAUNFELS SECTIONAL WINNERS



Babu Koneru, Vonnie Lavender
Thursday Morning Pairs (A)



William Davis, JoAn McGaffic,
Frank Schwakhofer, Harry Ingham
Thursday Swiss (A/B, tied)



Jeri Tribo, Susan Hernandez,
Kendall Early, Robbie Borchers
Thursday Swiss (A/B, tied)



George & Karen Fillis
Friday Morning Pairs (A/B)



Rita de Hoyos, Barbara Morgan
Friday Afternoon Pairs (A/B)



Carolyn & Terry Riely
Saturday Morning Pairs (A)



Ed Rawlinson, Gary Anziani
Saturday Afternoon Pairs (A)



Ellen Hessel, Stephen Toplansky,
Kenneth Schutze, Ira Hessel
Sunday Swiss (Bracket 1)



Bob Martin, Barbara Morgan
Thursday Morning Pairs (B)



Frank Schwakhofer, JoAn McGaffic
Saturday Afternoon Pairs (B)



George Fillis, David Mitchell,
Karen Fillis, Rebecca Brown
Sunday Swiss (Bracket 2)



Yesh Singh, Kathy Sinkin-Amor
Thursday Morning Pairs (C)



Ann Kuehler,
June Reimer, Elisabeth Kay
Thursday Swiss (C)



Jim Roff, Irene White
Friday Morning Pairs (C)



Ann Perry Jeanne Dawley
Friday Afternoon Pairs (C)



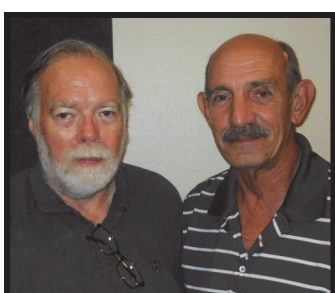
Annetta Hughson, Lois Cortez
Saturday Morning Pairs (C)



Peggy Casey Fitzpatrick, Amanda Stewart
Saturday Afternoon Pairs (C)



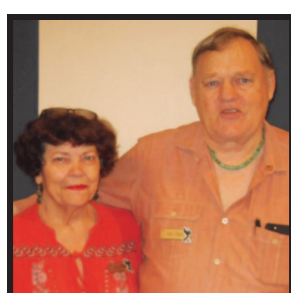
Charlene Corr, Kevin Orr
Thursday Morning 499ers



Bob Craig, Bob Watson
Thursday Afternoon 499ers



Roxi Raaf, Lynn Pierson
Friday Morning 499ers
Friday Afternoon 499ers



Anni & Jon Pack
Saturday Morning 499ers



Mary Harrington, Paul Fafoutakis
Saturday Afternoon 499er (tied)



Roxi Raaf, Evelyn Pitman
Saturday Afternoon 499er (tied)

Election Sectional

San Antonio TX
Oct 11-14 2018
197 players. 217 tables.

- 1 34.25 Larry Levin
- 2 29.97 Bill Walker
- 3 23.37 Ed Rawlinson
- 4 23.08 Diane Olson
- 5 20.83 Ira Hessel
- 6 20.81 Stephen Toplansky
- 7 19.93 Ellen Hessel
- 8 19.21 Kenneth Schutze
- 9 18.11 Dave Swarhout
- 10 16.53 Rosemary Kelley

Thursday AM Open Pairs-20.0
Tables / Based on 26 Tables A1. Ed Rawlinson-Dave Swarhout A2. Terry Riely-Josephine Grabow Bob Otis-Beth Gale A2B1. Yesh Singh-Jim

Gorman B2. P.D. Sharma-Martha Bowes
Thu AM 499er Pairs-6.0 Tables AB1. Robert Watson-Robert Craig AB2C1. Suzanne Miller-Charlene Johnson
Thu Aft 499er Pairs-5.0 Tables A1. Bob Craig-Robert Watson A2BC1. Sharon Gee-Sheryl Uthe B2/3 Julius Grossenbacher-Paul Drexel B2/3C2. Robert Thornton-Janet Daniel
Thu Aft Open Swiss-21 Tables AB1. Thomas Trudeau-Richard Bragg-Stephen Hoffman-Victor Press A2. Diane Olson-Larry Levin-Richard Curtin-Sheryleen Grothus B2. Roxanne King-Ginny Littrell-Jeri Tribbo-Jacquelyn Fisher C1. Janice Fletcher-Georgia Baron-Andrea Williams-Marjorie Miller C2. K Voges-Judy Carroll Taquino-Jon Pack-Anni Pack

Fri AM Open Pairs-24.0 Tables / Based on 34 Tables A1. Larry Levin-Bill Walker A2 Gary Anziani-Ed Rawlinson BC1. James Cuccia-Joe Ramirez B2. Thomas Smith-John Moore C2. Joan Schneider-Sandra Press
Fri AM 499er Pairs-9.5 Tables AB1. Beverly Flannery-June Eubank AB2. Carol Hall-Doris Salley C1. Charlene Coor-Linda Gaston C2. Paul Drexel-David Groepler
Fri Aft Open Pairs-19.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables A1. Ira Hessel-Ellen Hessel A2. Jerrold Harrington-Doug Cross B1. Elisabeth Kay-Mike Vivian B2 Thomas Smith-John Moore 3 1 Dean Groussman-Janice Fletcher 2 Mary Harrington- Gerald Irion .
Fri Aft 499er Pairs-7.5 Tables AB1.

Sheila Stein-Jack Stein AB2. James Gardner-Sunny Won C1. S Hultquist-Bill Stillwell C2. Sally Spears-Ruth Ann Gambino
Sat AM Open Pairs-24.5 Tables / Based on 36 Tables A1. Larry Levin-Bill Walker A2. Rosemary Kelley-Catherine Rauschuber BC1. Bob Steidel-Debbie Schweiss B2. David Ticen -Paula Wissman C2. Carol Ramberg-Jeanne Dawley
Sat AM 499er Pairs-11.0 Tables A1. Jan Wingate-June Reimer A2B1. H Quiles-Jenny Dempsey B2/3 Coleman Driver-Robert Craig B2/3 Anni Pack-Jon Pack C1. Barbara Beach-Karl Beach
Sat Aft Open Pairs-20.0 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. Forrest Gray-Diane Olson A2B1. Kay Laird-Richard Curtin

B2C1. Annetta Hughson-Lois Kertes C2. Diana Drenner-Don Mahoney
Sat Aft 499er Pairs-9.0 Tables ABC1. Sandra Thompson-Mary Ruth Bordman ABC2. Connie Conley-David
Sunday Stratified Swiss-20 Tables A1. Stephen Toplansky-Kenneth Schutze-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel A2. Gary Powell-Marcia Powell-C G Bell -Charlene Sands C1. Hank Eng-Stan Pushkarsky-Sandy Potts-Brian Bankler C2. John Moore-Robert Tyler-Roxann Swenson-Thomas Smith 1C .Barbara Habiger-Elizabeth Bartek-Sandra Thompson-Evelyn Funk C2. Penny Smith - Jo Ann Robertson - Jon Pack-Anni Pack

UNIT 172 WILLSON DAVIS JR. ELECTION SECTIONAL WINNERS



Dave Swarhout, Ed Rawlinson
Thursday Morning Pairs (A)



Dick Bragg, Tom Trudeau,
Victor Press, Steve Hoffman
Thursday Swiss (A&B)



Bill Walker, Larry Levin
Friday Morning Pairs (A)
Saturday Morning Pairs (A)



Ellen & Ira Hessel
Friday Afternoon Pairs (A)



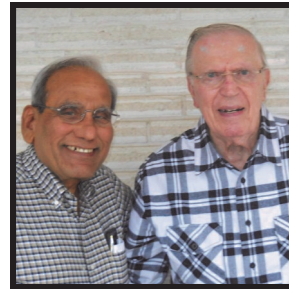
Forrest Gray, Diane Olson
Saturday Afternoon Pairs (A)



Ellen & Ira Hessel,
Stephen Toplansky, Kenneth Schutze
Sunday Swiss (A)



Bob Otis, Beth Gale
Thursday Morning Pairs (B)



Yesh Singh, Jim Gorman
Thursday Morning Pairs (C)



Andy Williams, Georgia Baron,
Marge Miller, Janice Fletcher
Thursday Swiss (C)



Jim Cuccia, Joe Ramirez
Friday Morning Pairs (B/C)



Janice Fletcher, Dean Groussman
Friday Afternoon Pairs ©



Bob Steidel, Debbie Schweiss
Saturday Morning Pairs (B&C)



Hank Eng,
Stan Pushkarsky, Sandy Potts
Sunday Swiss (B)



Bob Craig, Bob Watson
Thursday Morning 499er
Thursday Afternoon 499er



Beverly Flannery, June Eubank
Friday Morning 499er



Sheila & Jack Stein
Friday Afternoon 499er



June Reimer, Jan Wingate
Saturday Morning 499er



Mary Ruth Bordman, Sandra Thompson
Saturday Afternoon 499er

Unit 174 Houston



Carol Ann Wilson

Unit News

We are ready for our very special **Lone Star Regional** February 4-10, 2019. Come one and all! Make your reservations now with the Marriott Westchase: (713) 978-7400 or (888) 236-2427 (Room Rate: \$119; Booking Code LSR2019; Cutoff date for room rate is 1/25/19). Game times are at 10 and 2:30 times, with night games at 7:30. Monday's games will be 1 and 6:30, and Sunday starts at 9:30. Our Board has made every ef-

fort to respond to the players' preferences, and we hope to break all records. Event Naming is open for business (see www.acblunit174.org). We have a great schedule with the very popular Bracketed Swiss every day, AND there will be a 2-day, 4-session **Mini-Soloway KO** event on Tuesday-Wednesday and Thursday-Friday for the top brackets in lieu of Bracketed Swiss. Horizontal Swiss events are scheduled for 2-session evening games on Tuesday-Wednesday and Thursday-Friday. We will again provide fantastic speakers Tuesday through Saturday at 2 p.m., and a "Best Practices Teacher Workshop" on Sunday and Monday (**Betty Starzec**, 713-562-2566 or lstarc@comcast.net, has info).

We are proud of our high-ranking Unit 174 members **Eddie Wold, Shawn Quinn, and Georgiana Gates**, who competed in the recent 15th World Bridge Series of the World Bridge Federation in Orlando. The skill, talent, experience, and raw courage necessary to play at that level is almost indescribable. We in Unit 174 are grateful that we have these excellent players and that we get to play with and against them in our clubs. We encourage all District 16 members to play at any of our fine clubs, and links are at the Unit Website, where we post, among other things, tournament winners' photos and lecture notes from our speakers!

News from Our Clubs:

Clear Lake Bridge Club recently celebrated the 95th birthday of regular player **Otilia Magee!**

Westside Bridge Academy has scheduled **Barbara Seagram** for a seminar on "Defensive Strategy and Signaling" on Saturday morning, December 1, and it has sold out! Barbara will be in Houston prior to departing Galveston on a bridge cruise she is leading, and WBA's owners took advantage of the opportunity to schedule her for this special event. WBA will hold GNT qualifying games on November 4 and December 2, both at 6 p.m. Their Mentor/Mentee games continue to be successful on the 3rd Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. and 4th Tuesdays at 7 p.m. This very active club, one of the Unit's

largest, gives awards to each month's "Most MP Winners" and "Most Frequent Players" in both the Open and I/N games. Both **Gary King** and **Terry Currie** are teaching courses and classes that continue to increase the club's table counts! Keep up the good work! The club has games every day (www.westsidebridgeacademy.com).

Our players at **Apple II DBC** got a nice surprise on June 29. It was the third anniversary of the club since **Brigitte Sandifer** has been the club manager, and everyone at their 36 tables played free that day at Tracy Gee Community Center!

Gerry Earnest reports that **Lake Conroe Duplicate Bridge Club's**

Christmas luncheon is 12/14, and it will be a Club Championship game. A newspaper article recently featured the club, and we are happy that their games are continuing for a 4th decade! They play on Fridays at 10:30 at April Sound Church, with **Jody Henry** directing, as well as games for the **Lone Star Bridge Club**, which meets on Mondays and Thursdays at 10:30 at April Sound Church.

Bridge Club of Houston has opened its new, beautiful, and spacious facility at 4688 Louetta (at Kuykendahl), Spring TX 77388, and players are loving it! The grand opening took place on Saturday, October 20, with an expected full house. They continue growing with their great teaching and class schedule, and a 299er Tournament is planned for November 29 through December 2. NAP Qualifier games will be held at BCoh 11/10 for B players and 11/11 for A and C players. Big Congratulations to **BCoh**, one of our largest clubs.

Cypress Northwest Duplicate Bridge Club (www.bridgewebs.com/cypressnw) meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:30 at the Weekly Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd., Cypress TX 77433, and they have an "Introduction to Bridge" class on 1st Thursdays. The contact is **Jim Warren**, 832.851.4745, or by email to jwarren760@gmail.com. For partnership help, **Darrell Way** (darrellway@vaoo.com).

Another new club is the **Katy Duplicate Bridge Club**, with games at 1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Salt and Pepper Restaurant. The \$3 fee is waived if you have lunch there. Contact is **Bob Lee**, 713.557.4077 or relee@leekon.net.

LSBC (not to be confused with the Lone Star Bridge Club) plays at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Conroe and has added a 1999er game on third Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Open games continue on Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 10:30 am. Diamond Life Master **Jeff Kroll** gives a free lesson on Thursdays at 9:30. Lessons in November and December will cover Converting Take-out Doubles to Penalty, Keeping the Dangerous Opponent Off Lead, and Strip and End Plays. **Jeff Kroll** taught lessons at Lone Star College in September, and they can be viewed on YouTube.

New 70% Accomplishments: At **Bridge Club of Houston**, brothers **Marion Collins** and **Charles Collins** posted 70.83% on 9/13. At **Clear Lake BC** among the 1999ers, **Kimberly Sunderland** and **Charles Brom** posted a 75% on 8/15 and **George Rosen** and **Vera Annenkova** had a 71.67% game on 9/17. At **Spring Branch DC** on 8/13 **Shirley McKee** and **Charles Markowitz** had a 72.95% game. **Westside Bridge Academy: Timucin Erkoc** and **Gail Wood** posted a 73% on 9/5 and **Raj Pruthi** and **Jayesh Goyal** had a 70% on 10/3, both in Open games, and **Daryl Dunn** and **Debbie Ballard** had a 71.43% on 9/28 in the I/N game. **Congratulations to all!**

Remembering Those Who Have Passed On: **Billie Jane Burkett Shotwell** passed away 8/9; **Dr. Chin Houi Lin** died unexpectedly on 8/27; and **Roxie Gilman** left us on 9/15. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families.

Till next time . . .



The long, hot summer is behind us and the holidays are soon approaching. It's hard to believe Halloween is just around the corner with Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, and Christmas soon to follow. I hope you all will have a happy and safe holiday season.

Our Labor Day Regional tournament

was a huge success. The table count was way up, and our co-chairmen, Ed Yetter and Tomi Storey, say they have never had as many compliments on a tournament. I think it's due to our fabulous co-chairs. And guess what gang? They are both going to be back for an encore next year at the same regional. Many thanks to Ed and Tomi for a job well done.

At this same Labor Day Regional for the second year **Robbie Ogle** hosted the IN reception on Friday between the afternoon and evening sessions. The food was delicious as always, and everyone enjoyed themselves. **Robbie** planned and orchestrated this event which certainly added to making our regional a big hit. Thanks **Robbie**.

The board visited **Dorsey's Bridge Club** on September 15th. **Vi Ganeles**, another of our hard-working volunteers, organizes these visits for us and made sure that we showed up with treats in hand — fruit trays and a cake. The board always enjoys these visits.

Our Fantastic Fall Sectional is coming up on November 1-4. We are very fortunate to have two great co-chairs, **Martha Young** and **Sheri Wolkenstein**. We have both pairs and team events with playing times at 10am and 3pm. Be sure and put this on your calendar and join the fun. Our Holiday Unit Game party is scheduled for December 9th at noon at the Richardson Civic Center. Once again, it is FREE! We are having traditional turkey and dressing with all the "fixins," and there will be door prizes. Lunch will be served at noon, and the game will start at 1pm. This year we are asking that everyone donate money to the North Texas Food Bank. We are going to pass donation baskets and since we are all so very fortunate, we hope everyone will give generously. Bless you!

Our usual New Year Election Sectional is coming up in January, and we have a few new events for you to add to your calendars. The unit is holding a Pro-Am at **Dorsey's Bridge Club** on Saturday, February 23rd at 1:30. Amateurs must have under 750 points and be a non-life master. Any suggestion to make this more fun will be appreciated and more details will follow, but be sure to put this on your schedule. Our March Madness tournament begins March 7-10, and as part of it we are including an IN regional. **Jim** and **Cheryl Rider** have graciously volunteered to be the co-chairs of the IN regional. Both tournaments will be together at Richardson Civic Center. So, add this to your calendar as well. These great volunteers make our bridge life possible. Here's to them! And, see you at the table.

Dallas Labor Day Regional

Richardson,
Aug 28-Sep 03, 2018
1080 players 1835 tables.

1 108.12 Bruce Ferguson, CA
2 108.12 Berend Van Den Bos, Den
3 105.56 Robert Hollman, CA
4 105.56 Joris Lankveld, Amsterdam
5 104.37 Nagy Kamel, Plano
6 104.37 Mark Bumgardner, Dallas
7 89.07 Mark Lair, Canyon
8 87.63 Melanie Tucker, New York
9 87.63 John Kranyak, Las Vegas
10 87.63 Brad Moss, Denver CO
11 87.63 Aaron Silverstein, NY
12 83.01 Nancy Passell, Plano
13 82.09 Steve Garner, Chicago IL
14 76.59 Babu Koneru, San Antonio
15 76.59 Sudhakar Divakaruni, AZ
16 76.59 Ron Smith, Chicago IL
17 76.59 Oren Krieger, Chicago IL
18 75.60 Ron LaCour, Georgetown
19 72.26 Colby Vernay, Lacon IL
20 68.25 Kristen Onsgard, Dallas
21 66.72 Phillip Goatz, Las Vegas
22 66.72 Cynthia Goatz, Las Vegas
23 65.50 Dan Morse, Houston
24 64.70 Reese Milner, Sarasota FL
25 64.70 Milton Neher, Richardson

Tuesday Open Pairs-13.0 Tables
A1. Tobi Sokolow-Claudette Hart-

man, Austin A2. Anne La Cour-Pam LaShelle, Georgetown A3. Jay Gibson-Martha Young, Dallas A4. James Thurtell, Dallas; John Schwartz, Plano A5/6 Norman Beck, Dallas; Ron LaCour, Georgetown A5/6 Bart Bramley, Dallas; Ira Hessel, San Antonio B1. John Moore-Stan Pushkarsky, Austin B2. Charles Brown-Sue Gilbreath, Arlington B3C1. Radhakrishna Kamath-Nilima Kamath, Shawnee OK B4 Joe Ramirez-Phyllis Giffin, San Antonio C2. James McIlroy, Celina; O Lockett, Carrollton C3. Carol Black, Grapevine; Cynthia Bohnenblust, Eulest

Tuesday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1/2 Hemant Lall, Dallas; Reese Milner, Sarasota FL; Mark Lair, Canyon; Steve Garner, Chicago IL 1/2 Robert Adams, Oklahoma City OK; Jack Borenstein, Dallas; Marion Gebhardt, Richardson; Steve Shirey, Fort Worth

Tuesday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Scott Nason-Jeff Dater, Dallas; Rajasekhar Menon, Southlake; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN 2. Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett, Austin; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH; Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra

Tuesday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Table 1. Robert Holliday-Liane Tsai, Plano; Ann Parker, Dallas; Ginger Morgan, Gordonville 2. Jill Spence-Toni Roesler, The Woodlands; Joseph Volanski, Spring; Mel Volmert, Springfield MO

Tuesday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1 Wayne Outlaw-Billie Carter-Michael Lemons-Carolyn Lemons, Orange 2. Russell Chandler-Laura Chandler-Jeannie Stone, Houston; Donald Bell, Seabrook 98.00

Tuesday Swiss Bracket 5-7 Tables 1. Daniel Butler-Leonard Epstein-Joyce Norton-Charles Golenternek, Dallas 2. Paulette Armstrong-Paramjeet Ahluwalia, Plano; Robert Bugbee-Cecily Hutchison, Dallas

Wednesday Open Pairs-23.0 Tables / Based on 61 Tables A1. Milton Neher, Richardson; Michael Murphy, Dallas A2. Tobi Sokolow-Claudette Hartman, Austin A3. Jack Lacy, Lago Vista; Ron LaCour, Georgetown A4. Cynthia Goatz-Phillip Goatz, Las Vegas NV A5. Gayle Marr, Ft Walton Beach FL; Barbara Stone, Shalimar FL B1. John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN; Rajasekhar Menon, Southlake B2. Bob Dingle, Carrollton; Marvin Migdol, Dallas B3. Becky Koenigseder, Alvarado; Sue Gilbreath, Arlington B4. Charles Brown, Arlington; Mike Peiffer, Colleyville B5. Gloria Fields, Fort Worth; Charles Richards, Paris 1

Mark Dumdei, Frisco; Deanna Davis, Dallas C2. Robert Burton-Dolline Burton, Georgetown

Wednesday Gold Rush Pair-27.0 Tables B1. Dwight Hill, Grand Prairie; John Robbins, Fort Worth B2C1. Rick Degrauwe-Rosemary Lootens., Dallas B3C2D1. Burton Shepherd, Dallas; Janet Sheppard, Plano B4C3. Carol McCord, Hockley; Adrienne Juno, Cypress D4. Harry Price-Donna Price, Houston D2. Benzion Schkolne-Robert Bugbee, Dallas

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Wednesday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Jimmy Reynolds-Mary Ann White, Laredo; David Ticen, Victoria; Kim Brinkman, Flower Mound 2. Stefanie Scott, Little Elm; Petra Hamman, Carrollton; Andrew Russell, St Catharines ON; Kristen Onsgard, Dallas

Wednesday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Terri O'Brien, Leander; Sharon Dameron, Cedar Park; Sandy Potts-Anita Albert, Austin 2/3 Jim Harp-Mary McGinnis-Chris Anderson-James Richman, Dallas 2/3 Joseph Gill, Richardson; Tony Pellegrini-Robert Bender, Plano; Stuart Nelan, Melissa .66 4 Jill Spence-Toni Roesler, The Woodlands; Mel Volmert, Springfield MO; Joseph Volanski, Spring

Wednesday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. Tom Lang-Abu Qureshi, Richardson; Reg Watt, Garland;

Nget Carter, Plano 2. Susan S Doe, Irving; Tom Whitesides-Judy Jacoby-Mark Till, Dallas

Wednesday Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables 1. Jack Harkey-Jean Higgins-William Higgins, Dallas; Bill Frazee, Plano 2. Alma Farley-Robert Clarke, Richardson; Judy Etchison-J Scott Etchison, Dallas

Wednesday Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables 1. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr, Colleyville; Judy Nixon-Jim Nixon, Flower Mound 2. James Rider-Cheryl Rider-Anne Curry, Dallas; Beth Castleberry, Richardson

Wednesday Swiss Bracket 7-9 Tables 1. David Noteware-Gretchen Cash-Sam Norvell, Dallas; Barbara Taylor, Farmers Branch 2. Robert Babb-Laurie Hartline-Babb, Georgetown; Susan Breeding-Juanita Painter, Austin

Wednesday Swiss Bracket 8-10 Tables 1. Michael Chockley-Debrah Chockley, Plano; Judy Bouska, Garland; Judy Duval, Richardson 2. Neill Ray-Marcia Messinger-Margie Portela-Jeanne Wyatt, Dallas

Thursday Open Pairs-24.0 Tables / Based on 63 Tables A1 Ira Hessel, San Antonio; Thomas Peters, Grape-land A2. Joan Jackson-Peggy Sutherland, Dallas A3. Phillip Goatz-Cynthia Goatz, Las Vegas NV A4. Michael Murphy, Dallas; Milton Neher, Richardson A5C1. Rajasekhar Menon, Southlake; John Bridgewater II, Columbus IN B2. Raymond Clark, Bonham; David Haratyk, Sherman B3. Natalie Rollier, Allen; Johanna Pietsch, Dallas B4. Subramanian

Grace Daddario, Cedar Hill B2. Patsy Rainwater-Maddu-Melba Lancaster, McKinney B3. Anna Hayden-Carolyn Stowers, Little Rock AR b4. Anita Platt-Erica Walker, Dallas B5C1. Linda Harley-Terence Harley, Richardson C2. John Herzer-Elizabeth McDaniel, Austin C3. Harry Price-Donna Price, Houston C4. Judy Duval, Richardson; Judy Bouska, Garland C5. Pat Glaser, Richardson; Louise Shanley, Allen D1. Tony Arthur-Carol Arthur, Dallas D2. Marjory Myers, Allen; Eileen Smith, Dallas

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Thursday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Andrew Russell, St Catharines ON; Kristen Onsgard, Dallas; Nancy Passell, Plano; Petra Hamman, Carrollton 2. Norman Beck-Beth Bromberg-John Bromberg, Dallas; Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie

Thursday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett, Austin; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH; Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL 2. Jeff Dater-Scott Nason-Kate Hopkins-Jane Kirby, Dallas

Thursday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. Robert Holliday-Liane Tsai, Plano; Ann Parker, Dallas; Ginger Morgan, Gordonville 2. Edward

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Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter, Garland; John Moore-Roxann Swenson, Austin

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Dallas Election Sectional

January 10 – 13, 2019

Richardson Civic Center
SW Corner of Arapaho Rd. & US 75
(Central Expressway) Richardson, TX

Thursday, January 10

Stratified Pairs: Open, 0- 499 & 0-49 (single sessions)
10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session Event)
10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Friday, January 11

Stratified Pairs: Open, 0- 499 & 0-49 (single sessions)
10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session Event)
10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Saturday, January 12

Stratified Pairs: Open, 0- 499 & 0-49 (single sessions)
10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session Event)
10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Sunday, January 13

A/X Swiss Teams – 2 Session Event 10:00 am

B/C/D Swiss Teams – 2 Session Event
(no player over 3000) 10:00 am

Stratified Open Pairs 10:00 am

Stratified Open Pairs 2:00 pm

Stratifications:
Open Pairs: A: 4000+, B: 3999- 1500, C: 1499-0 (based on average masterpoints) 499er & 49er Stratified Pairs: Stratified at director's discretion (based on average masterpoints)
Swiss Teams: A: 5000+, AX: 0-5000 (based on average masterpoints) play together B: 1500 - 3000, C: 500 - 1499, D: 499 - 0 (based on average masterpoints) play together
Entry Fees: ACBL members \$13 per daytime session; unpaid and non-members must purchase an ACBL membership. 30 Day Memberships are available for \$8. Sunday Swiss: \$120 for team of four. ACBL members with 0-5 masterpoints play free Thursday thru Saturday!

Tournament Co-Chairs:
Rosalind Smith (rosalindrsmith1@yahoo.com)
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No Fragrance Policy
Hospitality: Snacks and drinks every session; lunch provided during Sunday Swiss Teams games.

Hotel Info: (Ask for Dallas Bridge Tournament room block, reserve by 12/13)

Wingate by Wyndham, 1577 Gateway Blvd., Richardson, TX 75080; Phone: 972-234-5400; Rate: \$79

Courtyard by Marriott, 1000 S Sherman St, Richardson, TX 75081; Phone: 800-321-2211; Rate: \$79

Ramanathan, Chennai India; Leonard Schaan, Dallas B5. Eileen Smith Davidoff-Lue Waddle, Dallas C1. Paul Penland, Eagle ID; Stan Amstutz, Santa Rosa Bch FL C2. Stephen Hoffman-Judith Hoffman, Fair Oaks Ranch C3. Richard Wittrup, Frisco; Randy Earle, McKinney

Thursday Gold Rush Pairs-27.0 Tables B1. Robert Dixon, Arlington;

Yetter-Bonnie Kay Yetter, Garland; John Moore-Roxann Swenson, Austin

McKinney ; Robert Bender, Plano ; Stuart Nelan, Melissa 2. Beverly Strauss-Janice Trombello-Roslyn Miller, Dallas ; Judy Thompson, McKinney
Thursday Swiss Bracket 7-9 Tables 1. G Morey, Arlington ; Stephen Bennett-James Atteberry, Fort Worth ; Michael Blanchard, Benbrook 2. Floyd Gerwig, Plano ; Mary Lynn Genovesi, Fairview ; Karen Cohen-Carla Joiner, Dallas
Thursday Swiss Bracket 8-9 Tables 1/2 Jeannie Stone-Laura Chandler-Russell Chandler, Houston ; Donald Bell, Seabrook 1/2 Nancy Guthrie, Houston ; Richard McGaughey, Sugar Land ; Douglas Lilly, Seabrook ; Ronnie Martin, Friendswood
Thursday Swiss Bracket 9-9 Tables 1. Neill Ray-Nancy Love-Margie Portela-Marcia Messinger, Dallas 2/3 Rick Klaphor, Erie PA ; Carmond Fitzgerald-Gwendolyn Faherty, Granbury ; AJ James, Spring 2/3 Bill Brooks-Linda Walton-Kenneth Melvin, Allen ; Beverly Yoehle, McKinney
Friday Open Pairs-23.5 Tables / Based on 63 Tables A1 Jerry Derby, Dallas ; Pat Cassidy, Arlington A2. Verna Dahlquist-Wilbur Dahlquist, Sulphur LA. A3. Cynthia Goatz-Phillip Goatz, Las Vegas NV A4. Jack Lacy, Lago Vista ; Ron LaCour, Georgetown A5. Jeff McKee, Beaverton OR ; Greg Resz, Weatherford B1. Peter Hudson, Coppell ; Charles Richards, Paris B21 Susan Moss, Dallas ; Sharon Ward, Plano B3C2. Robert Burton-Dolline Burton, Georgetown C4. Kimi Lambert-Julianne McKenna, Austin B5. Elinor Fries, Coppell ; Patricia Marchman, Garland 3 Denise Twitty, Wylie ; Mimi Lempert, Plano C4. James Moody-Jarek Langer, Austin
Friday Gold Rush Pairs-24.0 Tables BC1, Jin Chu, Plano ; Jianbo Chen, Frisco B2. Pat Glaser, Richardson ; Wendy Plant, Howe B3C2. Judy Osborn, Frisco ; Marjory Myers, Allen B4. Travis Atterberry-Janice Atterberry, Little Rock AR B5. Subramanian Ramanathan, Chennai India ; Chuck Eastin, Cleveland OH C3. Kathy Young, Lafayette LA ; Millie Ortego, Opelousas LA C4. Joyce Stroud, Hot Springs AR ; Nancy Speer, Little Rock AR C5D1. Suzanne Drell, Alexandria LA ; Sheila Hromadka, Pineville LA C2. Judy Evans-Keith Koets, Rockwall D3. Allan Chernov, Irving ; Mike Carter, Dallas D4. Debor Cassen, Dallas ; Curt McIntyre, Richardson
Friday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Peggy Sutherland-Bart Bramley-Mark Bumgardner, Dallas ; Dan Morse, Houston ; Nagy Kamel, Plano 2. John Kranyak, Las Vegas NV ; Aaron Silverstein-Melanie Tucker, New York NY ; Brad Moss, Denver CO
Friday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Petra Hamman, Carrollton ; Nancy Passell, Plano ; Andrew Russell, St Catharines ON ; Kristen Onsgard, Dallas 2. John Schwartz, Plano ; James Thurtell, Dallas ; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville ; Virgil Massey, Driftwood
Friday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1.

Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett, Austin ; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH ; Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL 2. Terri O'Brien, Leander ; Anita Albert-Stan Pushkarsky-Laura Delfeld, Austin
Friday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. Pawel Hanus, Carrollton ; Bob Wilkin, Highland Vlg ; Suvabrata Biswas, Katy ; Ari Sippola, Richardson 2. Joseph Gill-J Terrence Wolfe-William Driscoll, Richardson ; Adrienne Feuer, McKinney
Friday Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables 1. Carol Lombardino-John Montgomery, Tomball ; David Robinson, Granbury ; Bob Otis, San Antonio 2. Jim Goza-Kay Bickham-Sandra Leonard, Edmond OK ; Luke Wooden, Yukon OK
Friday Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables 1. Karen Cohen-Jane Kirby-Diana Winkelmann-Ruthie Shor, Dallas ; Mary Lynn Genovesi, Fairview 2. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr, Colleyville ; Lynne Trigg, Southlake ; Letty Garek, Bedford
Friday Swiss Bracket 7-9 Tables 1. Sandra Fedro, Richardson ; Linda Jimmerson-Betty Wheeler, Dallas ; Tommie Anglemyer, Plano 2. Daniel Butler-Sharon Seagraves-John Pelletti, Dallas ; Ribs LaMothe, Coppell
Friday Swiss Bracket 8-9 Tables 1. Judy Nixon-Jim Nixon-Ross Ramsey, Flower Mound ; Franca Torellini, Coppell 2. Lacy Peterson-Neill Ray-Carolyn Baker, Dallas ; Bob Dingle, Carrollton
Friday Swiss Bracket 9-9 Tables 1. Robert Babb-Laurie Hartline-Babb, Georgetown ; Marie Russiello-Emil Russiello, Austin 2/3 Linda Walton, Allen ; Beverly Yoehle-Charlotte Tunnell-Melba Lancaster, McKinney
Friday Swiss Bracket 10-8 Tables 1. Stuart Nelan-Eldon Joersz, Melissa ; Rob Smith-Robert Deboom, Allen 2. Mary Chaffin-Molly Hamilton, Dallas ; Cheryl Paul, Plano ; William Duff-Margaret Jo Duff, Richardson
Saturday Open Pairs-28.0 Tables / Based on 68 Tables A1. Colby Vernay, Lacon IL ; Gary Bush, Dallas A2. Gerry McKim, Garland ; John Schwartz, Plano A3. Andrew Russell, St Catharines ON ; Barbara Hamman, Las Vegas NV A4. Cynthia Goatz-Phillip Goatz, Las Vegas NV A5. Jerry Derby, Dallas ; Pat Cassidy, Arlington B1. B J Sanders-Mark Sanders, Austin B2. Charles Brown, Arlington ; Larry White, Grapevine B3. Jacobo Podbilevich, Edo. De Mexico Mexico ; Moises Ganc Kolodner, Mexico Mexico B4C1. Nancy Ramsey, Amarillo ; Margaret Downey, Temple B5C2. Dale Remmers-Valarie Remmers, Plano C3. Mary Lynn Trentham, Richardson ; Ted Bender, Allen C4. Terry Sucher, Montgomery ; Clark Vernon, Hot Springs Vlg AR C5. Ron Brown-Judy Brown, Houston 48.68%
Saturday Gold Rush Pairs-21.0 Tables BCD1. Subramanian Ramanathan, Chennai India ; Ashok Parekh, Plano BC2./3 Linda Harley-Terence Harley, Richardson BC2/3 John Milligan, Frisco ; Jeff Watkins, Fairview BC4. Judy Duval, Richardson ; Judy Bouska, Garland B5. Margaret

Ellis-Barbara Wood, Rockwall C5. Joyce Stroud, Hot Springs AR ; Nancy Speer, Little Rock AR D2. Sue McCulley-Kathleen McDougall, Richmond D3. Venkata Vishnubhotla, Plano ; Nand Kuloor, Frisco
Saturday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. John Kranyak, Las Vegas NV ; Aaron Silverstein-Melanie Tucker, New York NY ; Brad Moss, Denver 2. Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ ; Ron Smith-Oren Kriegel, Chicago IL ; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio
Saturday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Norman Beck-Beth Bromberg-John Bromberg, Dallas ; Tom Edwards, Grand Prairie ; Bryan Storey, Frisco 2. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan, Austin ; Virgil Massey, Driftwood ; Charlene Sands, Pflugerville
Saturday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Pawel Hanus, Carrollton ; Bob Wilkin, Highland Vlg ; Ari Sippola, Richardson ; Suvabrata Biswas, Katy 2. Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett, Austin ; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH ; Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL
Saturday Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. G Morey-Stephen Hibbard-Mickey Tryon, Arlington ; Stephen Bennett, Fort Worth 2. Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Karen Caton, Arlington ; Richard Langland, Irving
Saturday Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables 1. Robert Holliday-Liane Tsai, Plano ; Ann Parker, Dallas ; Andy Villastrigo, San Antonio 2. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr, Colleyville ; Martin Schwartz, Denton ; Letty Garek, Bedford
Saturday Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables 1. Bruce Harbour-Fonse Ragland, Dallas ; Linda Scott-Shelley Early, Plano 2. Sherilyn Godfrey, Anna ; Hang Waterhouse, Plano ; Meg Putman, Austin ; Mark Anderson, Cedar Park
Saturday Swiss Bracket 7-9 Tables 1. Todd Barnes-Fran Hewitt, Shreveport LA ; Karen Jennings, Lafayette LA ; Hellen Revelle, Dallas 2/3 Dee McKinley-Wanda Hughes-Marsha May-Martha Keller, Wichita Falls 2/3 Connie Booth, Duncanville ; George Lowe-Laura Lowe, Arlington ; Anne Williams, Desoto
Saturday Swiss Bracket 8-9 Tables 1. Rhonda Norfleet-Margaret Crawford, Wichita KS ; Susan Breeding-Juanita Painter, Austin 2. Floyd Gerwig, Plano ; Carla Joiner-Karen Cohen, Dallas ; Mary Lynn Genovesi, Austin
Saturday Swiss Bracket 9-11 Tables 1. Jeannie Stone, Houston ; Ronnie Martin, Friendswood ; Darlyn Dusek, League City ; Karen Jones, Seabrook 2. Lawrence Brough, Mount Pleasant ; Amy Adams-Erica Walker, Dallas ; Ron Day, Plano
Sunday Open Pairs-24.0 Tables / Based on 63 Tables A1. Sally Wheeler-Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands A2. Bob Friz, Leonard ; Michael Hout, Plano A3. Mary Orock, Fort Worth ; Greg Resz, Weatherford A4. Daniel Leightman, Houston ; Mildred Breed, Cypress A5. S Kohan-Jerry Derby, Dallas X1. Gary Bush-Gary Booth, Dallas X2. B J Sanders-Mark Sanders, Austin X3Y1. Karen Hout, Plano ; Jane Doyle, Carrollton

X4Y2. Robert Scrimale-Paul Taylor, Dallas X5Y3. Charles Dalton, Houston ; James Moody, Austin Y4. Eric Genheimer, Edmond OK ; Kyle Olson, Mustang OK
Sunday Gold Rush Pairs-11.0 Tables BC1. Arvind Sharma-Lynnie Sharma, Southlake BC2D1. Debor Cassen, Dallas ; John Saylor, Grapeview BC3D2. Charles Hill, Keller ; Lawrence Fritz, N Richland Hls BC4. Robert Bender, Plano ; Stuart Nelan, Melissa BC5. Liz Taylor-Lane-Francis Thornberry, Lubbock
Sunday Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Phil Clayton, Frisco ; Mark Bumgardner, Dallas ; Nancy Passell-Nagy Kamel, Plano 2. Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA ; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA ; Berend Van Den Bos, Den Haag ; Joris van Lankveld, Amsterdam
Sunday Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Lily Andre-James Andre, Sugar Land ; Subramanian Ramanathan, Chennai India ; Khalifa Ahmed, Denton 2. Stephen Birnbaum-Vernon Earl Hodge-Eileen Smith Davidoff-James McCommons, Dallas
Sunday Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Jim Harp, Dallas ; Cary Jennings, Fort Worth ; Jarek Langer, Austin ; Dale Remmers, Plano 2/3 Pawel Hanus, Carrollton ; Bob Wilkin, Highland Vlg ; Ari Sippola, Richardson ; Suvabrata Biswas, Katy
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Sunday Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables 1. Alma Farley-Robert Clarke, Richardson ; Judy Etchison-J Scott Etchison, Dallas 2. Judy Nixon-Jim Nixon-Ross Ramsey-Jeanette McDonald, Flower Mound
Sunday Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables 1. James Rider-Cheryl Rider-Janice Trombello-Beverly Strauss, Dallas 2. Jack Hartel-Jill Hartel, McKinney ; Rick Margerison-Leah Margerison,
Sunday Swiss Bracket 7-15 Tables 1. Jon Pack-Anni Pack, Boerne ; Judith Boyce, Pasadena ; Marion McKernan, Pearland 2. Neill Ray-Erica Walker-Franci Moses, Dallas ; Ron Day, Plano 3. Michael Blanchard, Benbrook ; Sandie Conner-Cynthia Benton-Wayne Williams, Fort Worth
Tue-Thu Eve Side Pairs-22.50 Tables / 1. Jeff McKee, Beaverton OR 2/3 Vivian Li, Richardson 2/3 Jun Li, Richardson 4/5 Bob Scallan, Frisco 4/5 Suresh Agrawal, Heath
ri-Sun Aft Side Pairs-14.50 Tables / 1/2 Sidney Perutz, Dallas 1/2 Jo England, Dallas 3.94 3. Vi Ganeles, Dallas 4.16 4/5 Carol Black, Roanoke 4/5 Stan Amstutz, FL
Tue-Thu Aft Side Pairs-26.00 Tables / Based on 12 Tables 1. Moises Ganc Kolodner, Mexico Mexico 2. Joe Cameron, Frisco 3/4 Dolline Burton, Georgetown 3/4 Robert Burton, Georgetown
Wed-Sun Morn Side Pairs-21.50 Tables / Based on 10 Tables 1/2 Mike Davis, Frisco 1/2 Lyn Davis, Frisco 3. Pat Measley, Plano 4/5 D Kleppe,

Vernon 4/5 Joe Cameron, Frisco
Fr-Sun Eve Side Pairs-15.25 Tables / Based on 9 Tables 1/2 Stanley Blend, San Antonio 1/2 Bob Hamman, Dallas 3/4 Bob Scallan, Frisco 3/4 Suresh Agrawal, Heath 5/6 Jim Farmer, Dallas 5/6 Lowell Lynde Jr, Monticello AR
Monday AX Swiss Teams-24 Tables / Based on 66 Tables A1/2 Sudhakar Divakaruni, Scottsdale AZ ; Ron Smith-Oren Kriegel, Chicago IL ; Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio A1/2 Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay, N Richland Hls ; Colby Vernay, Lacon IL ; Ron LaCour, Georgetown A3. Robert Hollman, Santa Barbara CA ; Bruce Ferguson, Palm Springs CA ; Berend Van Den Bos, Den Haag ; Joris van Lankveld, Amsterdam A4X1. Jimmy Justice, Waxahachie ; Charles Brown, Arlington ; Larry White, Grapevine ; Becky Koenigseder, Alvarado A5. Gary Booth-Gary Bush, Dallas ; Ira Hessel, San Antonio ; Thomas Peters, Grape-land X2. James Breihan-Anton (Tony) Haddad-Carole Samuels, Houston ; Marilyn Adams, Beaumont X3. Robert Buchanan, Arlington ; Donna Garrard-William Garrard, Irving ; Tomi Storey, Frisco X4. Lily Andre-James Andre, Sugar Land ; Harry Elliott, Cypress ; Thomas Rush, Houston X5. Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett, Austin ; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH ; Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL
Monday B Swiss Bracket 1-9 Tables 1. Rich Brandenburg, Coppell ; Tony Pellegrini, Plano ; Joseph Gill, Richardson ; Jeff Dater-Scott Nason, Dallas 2. Frank Durante, Addison ; Rosalind Smith-Carol Casey-Nancy Latner, Dallas
Monday B Swiss Bracket 2-9 Tables 1. Carol Lombardino-John Montgomery, Tomball ; Bob Otis, San Antonio ; David Robinson, Granbury 2. Khalifa Ahmed, Denton ; Subramanian Ramanathan, Chennai India ; Paul Taylor-Robert Scrimale, Dallas
Monday B Swiss Bracket 3-9 Tables 1. Jo Ann Truitt-Karen Cohen-Rolly Steen, Dallas ; Mary Lynn Genovesi, Fairview 2. Peter Grenier-David Greims-David Sterner-Donna Jordan,
Monday B Swiss Bracket 4-9 Tables 1. Floyd Gerwig, Plano ; Susan Bates-James Rider-Cheryl Rider, Dallas 2. Todd Barnes-Fran Hewitt, Shreveport LA ; Hellen Revelle, Dallas ; Karen Jennings, Lafayette LA
Monday B Swiss Bracket 5-9 Tables 1. Charles Wobbeking, Southlake ; Ross Ramsey, Flower Mound ; Carol Bice, Colleyville ; Diane Segel, Keller 2. Robert Vilyus-Marilyn Gale Vilyus-Jay Evert, Houston ; Sheryl Thomas, Richmond
Monday B Swiss Bracket 6-9 Tables 1. Wilton Crocker-William Canterbury, Dallas ; Barbara Wood-Margaret Ellis, Rockwall 2. Barbara Ching-Susan Kroner-Carol Murray-Linda Lindley, Dallas
Monday B Swiss Bracket 7-8 Tables 1. Daniel Butler-Susan Moss-Tina Epstein-Leonard Epstein, Dallas 2. Sandie Walser, Forney ; Carol Buchanan, Fate ; Robert Dixon, Arlington ; Ellen Russell, Rockwall

DALLAS LABOR DAY REGIONAL WINNERS



Wednesday Open Pairs
Milt Neher, Mike Murphy



Friday Open Pairs A
Pat Cassidy, Jerry Derby



Sat Open Pairs
Coby Vernay, Gary Bush



Sunday Open Pairs
Sally Wheeler, Buddy Hanby



Sunday Swiss Bracket 1
Nagy Kamel, Mark Bumgardner
Phil Clayton, Nancy Passell



Tuesday Swiss Bracket 2
Jeff Dater, Scott Nason,
John Bridgewater, Raj Menon



Tues Swiss Bracket 3
Lianne Tsai, Ginger Morgan
Bob Holliday, Ann Parker



Wednesday Swiss Bracket 2
Kim Brinkman, Mary Ann White,
Dave Ticen, Jimmy Reynolds



Wednesday Swiss Bracket 3
Terri O'Brien, Sharon Dameron,
Sindy Potts, Anita Albert



Wednesday Swiss Bracket 6
Chuck Mogged, Jim Nixon,
Jan Mogged, Judy Nixon



Wednesday Swiss Bracket 8
Debra Chockley, Judy DuVal,
Mike Chockley, Judy Bouska



Thursday Swiss Bracket 2
Andy Russell, Petra Hamman
Nancy Passell, Christine Onsgard



Thursday Swiss Bracket 5
Connie VanPatter, Karen Roland
Martha Ward, Sharon Ward



Thursday Swiss Bracket 6
Bob Bender, Clint Pruett
Susan Flick, Stuart Nealon



Thursday Swiss Bracket 7
Mike Blanchard, Steve Bennett
Jim Attebarry, George Morey



Thursday Swiss Bracket 8 Tie
Laura Chandler, Jeannie Stone
Brad Candler, Wayne Bell



Fri Swiss Bkt 4
Sat Swiss Bkt 3
Ari Sippola, Suv Biswas
Bob Wilkin, Pawel Hanus



Friday Swiss Bracket 5
Monday BCD Swiss Bkt 2
John Montgomery, Bob Otis
Carol Lombardino, David Robinson



Friday Swiss Bkt 6
Karen Cohen, Ruthie Shor
Mary Lynn Genoves, Jane Kirby



Fri Swiss Bkt 7
Tommie Anglemye, Betty Sue Wheeler
Linda Jimmerson, Sandra Fedro



Fri Swiss Bkt 8
Franca Torellini, Judy Nixon
Ross Ramsey, Jim Nixon



Fri Swiss Bkt 9
Laurie & Bob Babb
Emil & Marie Russiello



Fri Swiss Bkt 10
Rob Smith, Al Joersz
Robert Deboom, Stuart Nelan



Sat Swiss Bracket 4
Steve Hibbard, Steve Bennett
Mickey Tryon, George Morey



Sat Swiss Bracket 5
Sunday Swiss Bkt 4
Ann Parker, Liane Tsai
Bob Holliday, Andy Villastrigo



Sat Swiss Bracket 6
Linda Scott, Shelley Early
Fonse Ragland, Bruce Harbour



Sat Swiss Bracket 6
Karen Jennings, Fran Hewitt,
Todd Barnes, Hellen Revelle



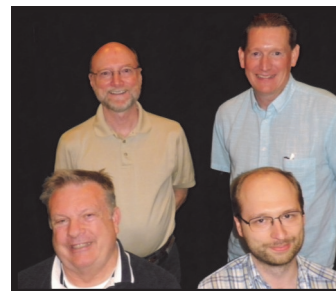
Sat Swiss Bracket 9
Jeannie Stone, Darlyn Dusek
Karen Jones, Ronnie Martin



Sunday Open Pairs X
Gary Booth, Gary Bush



Sunday Swiss Bracket 2
Khalifa Ahmed, Lilly Andre
Baskar Ramanathan, Jim Andre



Sunday Swiss Bracket 3
Cary Jennings, Dale Remmers
Jim Harp, Jarek Langer



Sunday Swiss Bracket 5
Judy Etchison, Alma Farley
Scott Etchison, Bob Clarke



Sunday Swiss Bracket 6
Cheryl Rider, Beverly Strauss
Jim Rider, Jan Trombello



Sunday Swiss Bracket 7
Marion McKernan, Judy Boyce
Jon & Anni Pack



Monday BCD Swiss Bkt 1
Scott Nason, Tony Pellegrini,
Joe Gill, Rich Brandenburg



Monday BCD Swiss Bkt 3
Mary Lynn Genovesi, Karen Cohen,
Jo Ann Truitt, Rolly Steen



Monday BCD Swiss Bkt 5
Ross Ramsey,
Carol Bice, Diane Segel



Monday BCD Swiss Bkt 4
Jim & Cheryl Rider



Monday BCD Swiss Bkt 6
William Canterbury, Wilton Crocker,
Barbara Wood, Margaret Ellis



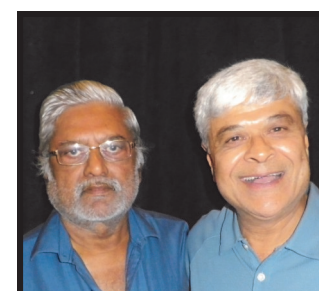
Wednesday Swiss Bkt 7
Gretchen Cash, Barbara Taylor



Sunday Gold Rush
Lynn & Arvind Sharma



Thursday Gold Rush Pairs
Bob Dixon, Grace Daddario



Sat Gold Rush
Baskar Subramanian, Ash Parekh

**Unit 183
Fort Western**

Bill Walker



The lexicon of bridge is filled with numerous sayings concerning both bids and play. These are basic truths that all players learn in their earliest days of mastering bridge. As novices we hear and believe. With more experience we should question if they are really true and of any value to us. Sometimes they are, and sometimes they aren't. We should certainly know the difference.

This month we'll look at two of these old saws. Which are: "the queen lays over the jack" and "always go

with the field."

The first of these may be one of the oldest. It goes back to the days of Whist, before there was contract bridge. It is quite fresh in my mind because a few weeks ago I went down in a four heart contract by guessing wrong on a two way club finesse. My opponent gratuitously noted that if I led the jack of clubs from the board, four hearts would have made. It's bad enough when your partner offers free advice when you blow a cold contract, but even worse when an opponent does. Where does this old idea that the queen lays over jack come from, anyway?

In the days of rubber bridge declarer would play a jack, frequently

LHO would cover with the queen. When the trick was finished it would go onto a pile, the two piles would be combined, given an inadequate shuffle, and dealt for the next hand. Frequently, queens would end up on top of jacks of the same suit. How often this happened, no one knew.

With the advent of duplicate bridge each player's thirteen cards stayed together until after the play. Then they were combined, still given an inadequate shuffle, dealt out into piles of thirteen cards each, and put back into the boards. Queens and jacks might live together in the same deck for years and never meet. Dealing machines have changed things even more. With trillions of hand combinations possible, the location of any one card is independent of the

fifty one other cards. An ace might as well lay over a duce, as a queen lay over the jack of the same suit.

From the forgoing we can safely say this old saying is no longer valid and deserves to go on the trash heap to be forgotten. But still, if I had played the jack of clubs instead of the ten, four hearts would have made.

"Always go with the field." What does this mean? What is "the field". It is not every north-south pair bidding four spades and being plus 420. All pairs having the same results on a board happens less often than grand slams. I am going to define a field as having over half of the pairs on a board reaching the same contract. This means on a nine table game, if five pairs have the same result, that is

the field. How often does this happen - - - on every hand? sometimes? hardly ever?

To answer that I analyzed results from over 350 boards produced by the Fort Worth dealing machine.

There will be a field, or consensus contract, on about 50% of all hands played. In other words half of the time there will a field for you to chase. Is this worth the effort? When you go with the field, you will have an average or better score 60% of the time. A score like that will put you close to winning consistently. But what happens when you don't go with the field, or as it is sometimes called, play for a top or bottom. Roughly 30% of the time you will score average or better; 70% you will finish

below average. This is not a winning proposition.

We can all agree that "going with the field" is good bridge. The real question is . . . How do you go with the field? Next time we'll take a look at that.

Nice folks have let me know of a couple of big games lately. William White and Gary Neisler scored 75.69% and Linda and Mike Blanchard turned in a 71.04% game. Also, Don Reynolds achieved his Gold Life Masters card. Congratulations to all.

Fort Western Election

Fort Worth, TX
Oct 12-14, 2018
227 players 211 tables.

- 1 26.10 Stephen Kornegay
- 2 26.10 Nancy Kornegay
- 3 26.10 Nagy Kamel
- 4 19.71 Bob Friz

- 5 18.83 Jane Larimore
- 6 18.83 Jacqueline Montgomery
- 7 17.90 Michael Durham
- 8 17.90 Chris Compton
- 9 16.74 Hugh Hillaker
- 10 16.59 Kimmel Jones

Sun StratFI A/X Swiss-11 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1/2X1. Martha Young-Jay Gibson-Bob Friz-Eric Diamond 1/2 Linda Spangler- Tom Edwards-Hugh Hillaker- Kimmel Jones

Sun Brcktd B Swiss-1-7 Tables 1. Gary Wright-Audrey Wright-Jane Larimore-Jacqueline Montgomery 2. Khalifa Ahmed-David Robinson-William Morris Jr. -Jin Chu

Sun Brcktd B Swiss-2-11 Tables 1. Michael Blanchard-Stephen Bennett-Donald Dodson-Susan Dodson 2. Pamela Gladysz-Annie Mason-Jan Turrella-Willow McGregor

Sat AM Strat 299er Pairs-6.0 Ta-

bles AB1. Robert Endter-Jeffrey Smith A2. Marilyn Norton- Beverly Beazley B1. Sue Feiling- John Falke B2. Donna Beene-Jane Cote
Sat AM Strat Open Pairs-10.5 Tables / Based on 17 Tables A1. James Thurtell-James Bauer A2. Steve Shirey-Robert Adams BC1. Robert Dixon-Gloria Schuford B2. Derald Keetch-Sue Keetch C2. Shreedhara Ramarathnam-Cheryl Landers
Sat Aft Strat 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1. Edward Weitzel-Erin Gonzalez A2. William Eads-Michael Blanchard, B2. Sue Feiling-John Falke
Sat Aft Strat Open Pairs-10.0 Tables / Based on 13 Tables A1. Bart Bramley-Norman Beck A2. James Bauer-James Thurtell BC1. Lynnne Sharma-Arvind Sharma B2. Ivan Uys-Ginger Kennedy C2. Robert Dixon-Gloria Schuford
Sat Br Swiss Teams-1-7 Tables 1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-

Nagy Kamel-Phil Clayton 2. Jim Harp-Chris Anderson-Florence Beaird-Nancy Fellman
Sat Br Swiss Teams-2-7 Tables 1. Gayle Orvis-Robert Orvis-Jane Larimore-Jacqueline Montgomery 2. Charles Burke-Caron Peck-Karen Caton-Richard Langland
Sat Br Swiss Teams-3-9 Tables 1. Pamela Gladysz-Annie Mason-Jan Turrella-Willow McGregor 2. Michael Tiernan-Mary Cotham-Kathy Coleman-Jean Helmers
Fri Aft Strat Open Pairs-15.0 Tables A1. Chris Compton-Michael Durham A2. Derald Keetch- Barbara Traphagen BC1. Ross Ramsey, Flower Mound TX; Sharon Harbach B2. Jennifer Rao-Nancy Fellman C2. Don Greer-Marylin Hicks
Fri Am Strat 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables ABC1. Wayne Corbett-Jan Agee ABC2. Donna Beene-Elizabeth Semrad

Fri Am Strat Open Pairs-14.5 Tables / A1. Michael Hout-Bob Friz A2. Chris Compton-Michael Durham B1. William Morris Jr- Jin Chu B2. Donald Pigg-Milton Birmingham C1. Robert Dixon-Gloria Schuford C2. Harold Schulz-T R Sartor
Fri Br Swiss Teams-1-7 Tables 1. Nancy Kornegay-Stephen Kornegay-Mark Bumgardner- Nagy Kamel 2. Scott Nason-Jeff Dater- Milton Neher - Rajasekhar Menon
Fri Br Swiss Teams-2-7 Tables 1. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr, - Martin Schwartz- Letty Garek 2. Gayle Orvis-Robert Orvis- Jane Larimore-Jacqueline Montgomery
Fri Br Swiss Teams-3-7 Tables 1. Michael Blanchard- Gary Wright-Donald Dodson-Susan Dodson 2. Shelby Schafer-Judy Phillips-Bill Strange-Cornelia Friedman

FORT WESTERN ELECTION SECTIONAL WINNERS



Sunday Swiss A
Jay Gibson, Martha Young, Bob Fria, Linda Spangler, Eric Diamond



Friday Morn Open Pairs A
Mike Hout, Bob Friz



Saturday Swiss Bkt 1
Steve & Nancy Kornegay, Clayton, Nagy Kamel



Saturday Morning Pairs A
Jim Thurtell, Jim Bauer



Friday Swiss Bkt 2
Jan Mogged, Marty Schwartz, Letty Garek, Chuck Mogged



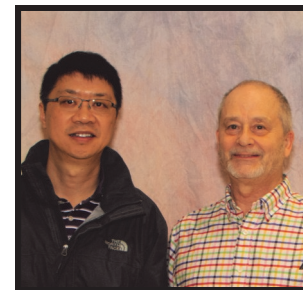
Friday Swiss Bkt 3
Mike Blanchard, Gary Wright, Susan & Don Dodson



Friday Aft Pairs B
Sharon Harbach, Ross Ramsey



Saturday Swiss Bkt 2
Jane Larimore, Jacque Montgomery, Gail & Bob Orvis



Friday Morn Pairs B
Jin Chu, Bill Morris



Saturday Swiss Bkt 3
Pam Gladysz, Annie Mason, Willow McGregor, Jan Turrella



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 2
Mike Blanchard, Steve Bennett, Don & Susan Dodson



Saturday Aft 299ers
Edward Weitzel, Erin Gonzalez




Friday Morn Pairs C
Gloria Shuford, Bob Dixon



Saturday Morn 299ers
Jeff Smith, Bob Endter

Unit 197
Lubbock



Anita Woodard

Sandi Krahrmer, our publicity chairman, enticed Ray Westbrook from our local newspaper, the Lubbock Avalanche Journal, to visit our club with the promise he would meet some amazing Seniors who own their own Bridge Center, maintain it, live independently, drive, and have an average age of 86. Our center is the third "oldest" club in all of ACBL, and we are not referring to the age of the building. Two weeks later Ray published "More Than a Game" a half page article including six pictures of our members at "play". What he realized is that Bridge is not a game at all for our members, but something they continue to work to improve. They credit not only their mental agility to Bridge but their social well-being as well. We provide a caring, challenging environment, for not only Seniors, but all who walk through our doors. The Lubbock Bridge Center is "up to date" technologically with Bridge Pads, Dealer 4, and results online. Our members receive a weekly newsletter, and updates via emails as necessary. While we are always looking for new members, their age doesn't matter, just their

attitude!! <http://www.lubbockonline.com/news/20180930/a-j-remembers-lubbock-bridge-center-offers-seniors-friendships-challenges>

Education Liaison, Leanne Thornberry, recently began teaching seminars an hour prior to game time, currently aimed at transitioning Party Bridge players to Duplicate. The first class, Beyond 100 Honors, dealt with differences in scoring, Convention Cards, and other topics suggested by attendees. She has plans to teach common conventions to members and non-members alike. We never grow too old to learn!

Once a month Director Bonta Thompson directs a game called "Bonta's Scramble". Life Masters names are placed in one hat, Non-Life life masters in another. When Bonta pulls a Life Master name from one hat, she simultaneously pulls one from the other hat. Those two are paired for the rest of the game for an entertaining and educational game of Bridge. Of course, food is involved! We thank Bonta for this game and the learning it provides.

As an example of our Senior status, Ray took special note of our "twins" who just celebrated their ninetieth birthdays. When Jane Graham began playing party Bridge many years ago, she had no idea the impact it would

have on her life. Her twin sister, Jean, was working during the day, so Jane played at the Country Club with a friend. Jane introduced the game to Jean, and it wasn't long before they, and their husbands, were playing socially. Neither twin ever took lessons, but gradually progressed to duplicate, playing at the Senior Citizen's Center in Plainview, Texas. Jane began playing duplicate first, and Jean took it up at 60 years old. Playing as partners, they earned Life Master status in 2009, at the tender age of 81. The last four years they have been making multiple trips weekly, a ninety-mile round trip, to play at the Bridge Center in Lubbock, Texas.

Jane and Jean were born August 18, 1928, to Everrit and Jesse Mae Warren, on a farm east of Floydada, Texas. Jane married her high school sweetheart, Buddy Graham, and Jean, Howard D. Adams. Both families were involved in farming and ranching in Hale County and each has four children. Jane has lived in the same house in Plainview, Texas, for sixty years, while Jean has lived three blocks away almost 20 years. While they haven't dressed alike since they left home, they have similar taste and love to shop, especially at Chico's!

They agree being a twin has been fun and especially at ninety. Many people can't tell them apart so if they are

in public and are greeted by the wrong name, they let it pass without correction, especially if they are having a bad hair day.

Jean has been recuperating from a broken ankle the past three months and is itching to get back to the Bridge table. Both women feel Bridge has been a blessing in their lives, enriching their social life and making dear friends. As Jean says, "I don't know what I would do if I couldn't play Bridge". Unit 197 would like to wish each of them a very happy birthday...and many more!



Jane Graham and Jean Adams
Picture taken 2009 when they made Life Masters playing together.

At the other end of the age spectrum, Unit 197 Webmaster Ken Woodard played in the 2018 St. Louis Regional with his eleven-year-old granddaughter, Carmen. She was the happy re-



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 1
Jacque Montgomery, Jane Larimore, Audrey & Gary Wright

recipient of Unit 143's Bridge Camp Scholarship in Carlinville, IL, this year and has been interested in Bridge since she was a toddler. This was a dream come true for Ken. At 85 and 11, they are probably the oldest/youngest pair to ever play in the STL Regional. We encourage District 16 and all Units to support youth Bridge and accommodate them in every way possible. They are the future of Bridge.



Ken Woodard and Carmen Fort

**Unit 201
Sabine Neches**



Linda Briggs

The Beaumont August Sectional for 499ers/Non-LM, Aug. 16-18, as chaired by Frances Price, Lucille Armintor, and Flo Ferguson. High point winners from U201 were Jim and Flo Ferguson (2.93), Nat Hallmark and Frances Price (1.90), Lucille Armintor and Patricia Woods (1.89), Barney and Jean Hammer (1.72), Glenda Bass and Bill Delboy (1.59). The Fergusons and the Hammers won trophies for finishing 1st place.

The Newlywed Game was the theme of Nixie Hanson's Life Master party August 25. U201 celebrated newlyweds Nixie and Bob with wedding cake and traditional wedding decorations. The couple good heartedly endured the Newlywed game questions created by Linda Briggs, who chaired the party. Also hosting were Pat Bell, Jan Niederstadt, Carolyn Oliver, Liz Mackenzie, Marilyn Adams, Frances Price, Gloria Ayres, Nat

Hallmark, and E.W Sweeney. The fun concluded with the 16 table game resulting in 1st place - Steve Gerhard and Jack Evans; 2nd- Dee Payne and Ruby Collins; 3rd- Martha Oliver and Gail Griffith; 4 th - Linda Briggs and Carolyn Worsham.

The traditional Labor Day hot dog meal resumed after last year's Harvey disaster. Betty and Dick Poindexter provided the hot dogs after finally getting back into their house. The 10 1/2 table party resulted in 1st place - Sylvia Street and Kay Hooper; 2nd- Linda Briggs and Anna Smith; 3/4 place - Patsy Pierce and Pat Bell and Cynthia Stueber and Blanche Sibley. The highest monthly totals for August were Flo Gillispie, Pat Bell, and Dr. A. Bharathi ;September - Dr. A. Bharathi, Pat Bell, and John Smalley. Players with 70% or above games in August/September were James Walker and Thomas Comte, John and Nancy Smalley, Tim Stelly and Pat Bell. August mentor pairs placing: 1st - Sylvia Street and Pat Bell; tied for 2nd- Lucille Armintor and Linda Briggs; Kay Hooper and Carol McGill. August mentor teams placing: 1st- Kay Hooper, Gail Griffith,Martha Oliver and Carol McGill; 2nd- Patricia Woods, Judy Dishman,

Martha Sigler, and June Eddingston. September mentor pairs placing: 1st- Mike Lemons and Dr. A. Bharathi ; 2nd - Sylvia Street and Pat Bell; 3rd- Norma Crain and Patsy Pierce. September mentor teams placing: 1st- Carolyn Oliver, Sandra Allison, Paul Keedy and Arline Meyers; 2nd- Susan Pennington, Jobie Irvine, Carol McGill, and Dr. A. Bharathi. The October 4-6 Sabine Neches Sectional Tournament was chaired by Linda Briggs and Kay Hooper.

Carolyn Worsham headed up partnership. Over 430 MP's were awarded to 103 out of 122 players. The table total was 104.5 over the 3 day tournament. Congratulations to Dr. Aiyandar Bharathi (16.02 MPs), winner of the Jean Varvil Trophy for 2018, following his 2017 win. The trophy is awarded to the U201 member who earns the most points in this tournament. It was donated by Dr. Aiyandar Bharathi and honors the mother of Tipton Golias. Other top scorers from U201 were Pat Bell 15.37, Ed Rasmussen 14.99, Nancy Smalley 13.97, Tim Stelly 12.68, Martha Sigler (12.60), Arline Meyers 12.60, Betty Poindexter 10.21, Steve Gerhard 10.02, Ruby Collins 8.90.

**-Sabine Neches
Sectional**

Beaumont TX
October 2-5 2008
112 players 125 tables.

- 1 18.64 Rose Black
- 2 18.64 Bob Black
- 3 17.38 Tipton Golias
- 4 17.38 Aiyandar Bharathi
- 5 13.73 William Ginger III
- 6 11.85 John Smalley
- 7 11.04 Nancy Smalley
- 8 10.91 W Osberg Jr
- 9 10.91 Linda Adamchik
- 10 9.74 Arline Meyers

Thursday Morning Pairs-11.0 Tables
A1. John Smalley-Nancy Smalley A2/3 Tipton Golias-Aiyandar Bharathi A2/3B1. Joan Hataway-Arline Meyers B2. Thelma Stockdale-Lorraine Brown C1. Edwina Landrum-Jack Evans C2 Dolores Belton-Mary Jane Garth

Thursday Afternoon Pairs-15.0 Tables
A1. Aiyandar Bharathi-Tipton Golias A2. Rose Black-Bob Black BC1. Linda Adamchik-W Osberg Jr BC2. Jack Evans-Edwina Landrum

Friday Morning Pairs-15.0 Tables

A1. Rose Black-Bob Black A2. Tipton Golias-Aiyandar Bharathi B1. Joan Hataway-Arline Meyers B2C1. Mary Engelking-Tom Engelking C2. Edwina Landrum-Jack Evans

Friday Afternoon Pairs-18.5 Tables
AB1. William Ginger III-Marian Jones A2. Tipton Golias-Aiyandar Bharathi B2C1. Linda Adamchik-W Osberg Jr C2. Bob Dowlen-Marilyn Bein

Saturday Stratified Pairs-17.0 Tables / Based on 13 Tables
A1. Verna Dahlquist-Wilbur Dahlquist A2B1. William Ginger III-Don Holst B2. Hugh Smith-Anna Smith C1. Edwina Landrum-Jack Evans C2. Betty Long-Mary Jane Garth

Sunday Stratified Swiss-17 Tables
A1. Eric Snow-Toni Snow-Rose Black-Bob Black A2. Vinh Tran-Paul Nimmons-Edward Groner-Wolf Schroeter B1. Lily Andre-James Andre-Lisa Sommer-Charles Sommer B2/3 Verna Dahlquist-Wilbur Dahlquist-Pat Kubicek-Adolph Kubicek B2/3 Betty Poindexter-Kazue Bell-Marian Jones-June Aulbaugh C1. W Osberg Jr-Linda Adamchik-Sally Blewett-Patsy Pierce C2. Junior McKay-Peggy McKay-Carmen Keys-Darlene Moody

SABINE NECHES SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Thursday Morn Open Pairs A
Dr. Bharathi, Nancy Smalley



Thursday Aft Open Pairs A
Cynthia Stueber, Patsy Pierce



Friday Morn Open Pairs A
Scott Humphrey, Ed Rasmussen



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A&B
Pat Bell, Tim Stelly



Friday Aft Open Pairs A
Wilber & Verna Dahlquist



Saturday Aft Open Pairs A
Arline Meyers, Betty Poindexter



Thursday Morn Open Pairs B
Dee Payne, Ruby Collins



Thursday Aft Open Pairs B
Kaz Bell, Liz MacKenzie



Friday Morn Open Pairs B
Betty Poindexter, Marilyn Adams



Friday Aft Open Pairs B
Steve Gerhard, Arline Meyers



Saturday Aft Open Pairs B
Ruby Collins, Jerry Triggs



Thursday Morn Open Pairs C
Paul Keedy, Sandra Allison



Friday Morn Open Pairs C
Beverly Broussard, Lou Ida Rising



Friday Aft Open Pairs C
Karen Jennings, Kathy Young



Saturday Morn Open Pairs C
Richard & Marianne Carpenter



Saturday Aft Open Pairs C
E.W. Sweeney, Carolyn Oliver



Thursday Morn 299ers
Lucille Armintor, Patricia Woods



Thursday Aft 299ers
Thomas Comte, James Walker



Friday Morn 299ers
Donna Bryson, Vicki Bennett



Dr. Aiyandar Bharathi
Winner of the Jean Varvil Trophy



Thursday Morn 299ers
Patti Salter, Kelli Cobb



I hope everyone exercised their right to vote in November! Regardless of political beliefs, the system only works if we participate, and we forfeit our right to complain if we don't. (Even expats pay taxes, and many of us still take our right to vote very seriously.) That being said, it's time to welcome back our seasonal bridge clubs in Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan, and Cabo, and to say hello to our friends from Canada who are joining us for the winter.

First off, I need to correct the dates I published in the last issue of the Scorecard for the Ajijic Sectional Tournament. Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have moved the tournament to January 31-February 3, 2019—just 2 weeks earlier than we had previously planned. We'll still be at the same great location—the Real de Chapala Hotel in Ajijic on lovely Lake Chapala. And we'll still have the same great hospitality and prizes. We hope to see some of our Texas friends there, as you take the opportunity to visit this quaint retirement destination. Flyers are available on the ACBL Tournament page.

Supervised bridge at the Lake Chapala DBC is currently scheduled to commence on Wednesday, November 28. This is a great program run by Catherine Gonzales. We appreciate her time and effort to get to know each of her players, welcome them, and provide them with an interesting lesson and enjoyable bridge experience. She must be doing something right, because they keep coming back year after year! And we always have a few newcomers as well. This year, she plans to focus a bit more on defense and play of the hand, along with the all-important bidding concepts.

The Lake Chapala DBC participated in the Inter-Club Championship Game on September 27. Dennis and Linda McGarry were the overall winners with 64.57% (10½ tables). That was good enough for 7th place overall with over 500 pairs participating. Mary Anderson and Mary Ann White finished 34th overall with 59.83%, while Olga Kaplounenko and Donnie van Rooy were 41st overall (12th in B, and 6th in C) with 59.1%. Good job everyone!

Club Championship games were held at the LCDBC the week of September 17. Open Pairs champions were Charles Chartier and Jeanne Treloar on September 17 (63.69%; 7 tables); Dennis and Linda McGarry on September 18 (64.7%; 8½ tables); Mary Anderson and Mary Ann White on September 20 (65.74%; 9 tables); and Lew Crippen and Catherine Gonzales on September 21 (56.55%; 4 tables). Winners of the 299r Club Championship game on September 21 were John Howard and Barbara Stephan with 69.64% (8½ tables).

Congratulations to the following LCDBC players who scored 70% games in August and September: Jimmy Reynolds and Mary Ann White posted 70.0% on August 6 (6½ tables), and another 71.06% on August 21 (10 tables). Also on August 21, Dagmar Rettberg and Tom Gillett scored 70.83% (10 tables). It was Ray and Carla Hickey who hit the mark on September 3 with 71.25% (6½ tables). And in the 299r game on August 24, Lee Wagar and Paul Hohne scored 70.33% (7½ tables).

The LCDBC also held a Charity Pro-Am Swiss on August 27, which was won by Tom Gillett, Dagmar Rettberg, Clint Smith, and Olga Kaplounenko. Nice play!

Congratulations also to Dagmar Rettberg of the LCDBC for achieving the rank of Bronze Life Master and Paul Hohne for becoming a Junior Master! Way to go!

In Memoriam. It's time to bid a final farewell to two long-time Lake Chapala DBC players. Mary Lu Saavedra passed away in August after a long battle with cancer. Mary Lu moved to Mexico many years ago, where she met and married her husband who preceded her in death. In addition to her love of bridge, Mary Lu was an honored member of the Daughters of the American Republic. She was a kind and gracious lady both at and away from the bridge table. Also leaving us in August was Marianne Hodgson. Marianne was many things to many people—a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, health care professional, fierce bridge player, condo board president, care giver to many and friend to all. Although her permanent home was in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Marianne spent many winters in the Lake Chapala area beginning in 1997. Our condolences go out to her husband and our dear friend, Colin. Mary Lu and Marianne will both be missed by their many friends in the Lake Chapala area.



Here it is, the end of the year already. Because it's the holidays, many of our regular partners are out of town or doing other things. If you're going to be here, plan to play. Ask someone new at your club or have Robin Tucker find you a partner at the BCA. You never know. It could turn into something ongoing.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS
 December 1st – 2nd: 199er Sectional at the BCA
 December 5th: Club Championship & Birthday Bash
 December 7th: BCA Holiday Party Membership Game
 December 15th: Unit Holiday Party
 December 31st: BCA-Run Unit-Rated Early Bird New Year's Eve Game
 January 3rd – 6th: Sectional at the Crowne Plaza

JACK IS BACK
 Now that Jack has returned, he has resumed his series of useful lessons on everything bridge. Watch for topic announcements at the BCA and online. Glad you've returned, Jack.

PASSINGS TO NOTE
 In September, long-time Austin bridge player Karen Snyder lost her years-long battle with cancer. Karen was a Sapphire life master, a highly competitive bridge player, and one of the best partners you could ever want. She was a kind, caring and giving person. She will be sorely missed.
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 On October 30th, Gary Powell passed away unexpectedly. He was just 66. He played regularly at the BCA and had achieved the rank of Diamond Life Master. Only a few weeks before I had a pleasant conversation with him. Of course, we chatted about bridge and I complimented him on a very good game. He smiled, thanking me and asked how I liked doing the Scorecard. I was surprised he knew who I was and did not realize that the personable man I was talking to would be the one I am sadly writing about now. He will be missed by us all.



Back from Left: Gary Marquart, David Mead, Margie Butler, Ken Davis, Cindy Rivet, Jim Reed, Jim Lindsey, Bob Thornton, Joe Giordano
 Front from Left: Sandy Potts, Pam LaShelle, Margie Abel, Judy Devore, Sally Sassen, Ken Hanson

A BIT OF REFLECTION
From our Unit President:
 One of our players needed medical assistance and EMS was called. It was an emotional, active time to observe so many kind-spirited folks in action.
 Two retired doctors, the director, and several others relayed information to loved ones and waited to direct the ambulance. One even followed the person to the hospital.
 This was a touching experience for me. Competition at the bridge table aside, this bridge community exhibited fine behavior in a time of need. I left the game with enthusiasm for the good in man-kind.
 Our friend is fine and I know that in an emergency this group responds with care.
 Thank you for enriching my life and those we meet/greet at the table. I am thankful for this community we call home.
 Sandy Potts

OUR NEWEST EMERALD LIFE MASTER, PAM LASHELLE
 What does it take to get to become an Emerald life master? Well, the ACBL requirements state that you must be a life master with 7500 points (1500 silver/red/gold/platinum and at least 750 gold/platinum). This is a huge accomplishment for any player and something many of us may never achieve.

I asked Pam how she got started. "When I was about 10 I played poker with my family and they gave me the nickname, Lady Maverick. My parents were avid bridge players and taught me and my four siblings to play. We always had enough players for a game. Bridge was intriguing to me. It was a game I couldn't win every time...a challenge! I left bridge for 20 years to raise my daughters. When I returned, about 15 years ago, I fell in love with it all over again. I am still trying to tame the game. How lucky I've been to have such talented, imaginative, and fun partners. Lifelong friendships, an admiration for their intelligence and idea sharing are just a few of the great things about those relationships. Whether I'm playing at the club, on BBO, or teaching, bridge is my happy place!"

Pam doesn't just play as she mentioned—she also teaches. In her own words... "I have another bridge passion—my students! I get to teach an idea each week to some promising newcomers and watch them blossom into "up and comers." It's a thrill to see them move into the Open games, and I am really proud to see them winning."
 Congratulations, Pam, on your great achievements, both as a player and a teacher!

SALLY SASSEN, DIRECTOR AND TEACHER
 It takes dedication to do everything Sally does for the Unit. She plays, teaches, writes a new-player weekly newsletter, acts as a director, and is on the BCA Board of Directors. Wow! Not only does she do all this for the BCA, she also teaches in her neighborhood to generate more new players at the club.
 In her words... "I've played bridge for over 50 years. I started playing at the Bridge Center six years ago with a friend whose bucket list included becoming a life master. I got hooked. I've been a director for five years, an

Austin January Sectional & D16 NAP Finals



Jan 3-6, 2019
 Crowne Plaza Hotel
 6121 N. IH-35

Thursday Jan 3

Stratified Swiss, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm
 Stratified Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm, 7 pm
 299er Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm

Friday Jan 4

Two-Session Bracketed Swiss 10 am, 2:30 pm
 Stratified Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm, 7 pm
 299er Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm

Saturday Jan 5

Stratified Swiss, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm
 Stratified Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm
 299er Pairs, Single Sessions 10 am, 2:30 pm
 NAP Qualifying Rounds 10 am, 2:30 pm

Sunday Jan 6

Strati-flighted A(X=0-3000) Swiss 10 am & TBA
 Bracketed Swiss (0-2000) 10 am & TBA
 NAP Final Rounds 10 am & TBA

Stratifications (based on average masterpoints)

Open Pairs: A: 3000+, B: 750-3000, C: 0-750
 299er Pairs: A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100
 Sun Swiss: 7 Teams/Bracket



Meal Served Between Sunday Sessions
 Entries: \$12/session (\$16 non/unpaid members)
 Players with 0-5 MPs play for \$7.00 in pair games
 \$120/Sun Swiss, \$60/NAP Finals (includes meal)
 Fragrance Free Event

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 Booking code BRIG, cutoff 12/7

instructor for four, and I've been on the BCA Board of Directors for two years.
 I'm most interested in recruiting and working with new players, and I issue a weekly newsletter for newbies at the BCA."
 You do a great job, Sally. Keep up all the great work!

MILESTONE LUNCH ATTENDEES

We had a nice turnout for our September lunch for the August milestone achievements. Here's a picture of who attended.

BOLS BRIDGE TIP

Keep It Simple! (from Rixi Markus, one of the bridge greats)
 "If your bidding system is simple but effective, it leaves you enough brain power to cope with the more important aspects of bridge: dummy play and, above all, defense!"

QUESTIONS? COMMENT? ANNOUNCEMENTS? REQUESTS?

Do you have something you would like to announce? Have a question, comment or complaint? Is there a topic you may want to see in the Scorecard? Pop me a note or talk to me at the BCA.
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Sue Caulfield
 Unit 207 Scorecard Editor

Austin Fall Sectional

Sep 20-23, 2018
 291 players 318 tables.

- 1 32.64 Robert Donathan,
- 2 31.64 Robert Whitcher
- 3 26.79 Tom Breed
- 4 23.76 Jack Lacy Lago
- 5 23.10 Gary King
- 6 22.80 David Sokolow
- 7 22.43 Phillip Grothus
- 8 21.21 Sharon Dameron
- 9 20.76 Paul Tobias
- 10 20.54 John Schwartz
- 11 20.54 James Thurtell

Thurs Morn Open Pairs-20.5 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. Robert Donathan-David Sokolow A2. Gary

Powell-Alexander Labry BC1. Diana Apgar-Dwight Silver B2. Juanita Painter-Susan Breeding
Thurs Morn 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables AB1. Cindy Bell-Tom Bell AB2. Dana Sun-Peter Naimoli C1. Judy Devore-Mary Bailey C2. Kevin Orr-Charlene Coor
Thurs Morn Swiss Teams-10 Tables AB1. James Glathar-Blair Lapwing-Melinda Simmen-Jo Dee Bowen A2. Steven Andersen-Clara Wood-Tricia Kane-Jane Collins B2. Rebecca Parmentier-Bobbie Gruhlkey-Lucerne Bunch-Patricia Berry C1. Elisabeth Kay-Mike Vivian-Charlotte Schuepbach-James Cuccia
Thurs Aft Open Pairs-21.5 Tables A1. Robert Donathan-David Sokolow A2. Joe Black-Mark Rosen B1. Richard Clarke-Sharon Dameron B2. Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson C1. Mickey Goldwater-Claire Smith C2. Linda Banks-Hazel Medellin
Thurs Aft Swiss Teams-13 Tables A1. Ken MacMorran-Sharon MacMorran-Richard Frankeny-Diana Frankeny A2. Buddy Ellisor-Becky Ellisor-Laura Delfeld-June Mengden BC1. Elisabeth Kay-Charlotte Schuepbach-Mike Vivian-James Cuccia C2. Charles Auffill-Danna Redford-Shirley Holland-Leona Rieger
Fri Morn Open Pairs-21.5 Tables / Based on 28 Tables A1. Dean Truair-G Kania A2. David Sokolow-Robert Donathan B1. Harry Ingham-David Davis B2C1. Michael Schwimmer-Linda Lewis 2 Marc Levin-Karen Oberling
Fri Morn 299er Pairs-6.0 Tables A1. George Shia-Graham Duke A2B1. Connie Randmaa-Juri Randmaa B2. Linda Gaston- Robert Sanders C1. Maureen Barry-Joseph Barry C2. Charlene Coor-Kevin Orr
Fri Morn Swiss Teams-20 Table A1. Sharon Dameron-Anita Albert-Thomas Smith-Stan Pushkarsky A2. James Thurtell-John Schwartz-Venkatrao Koneru-David Ticen BC1. Robin Tucker-Laurene Jacob-Patricia Webb-Michele Abriol B2. Harvey Browning-Richard Ryan-Mary McCarron-David McCarron C2. Sally Sassen-Mary Bailey-Bruno Brunner-Judy Devore
Fri Aft Open Pairs-19.0 Tables /

Based on 22 Tables A1. Robert Whitcher-Phillip Grothus A2. Paul Tobias-Pam LaShelle B2. Harry Ingham-David Davis C1. John Herzer-Elizabeth McDaniel C2. Lisa Holzgrafe-Rachell Jackson
Fri Aft 299er Pairs-3.0 Tables AB1. Thomas Sears-Richard Drumm Jr A2. Ron Sassen-Sally Sassen B2. Mary Fran Pena-Belva Courts
Fri Aft Swiss Teams-19 Tables A1. James Thurtell-John Schwartz-Venkatrao Koneru-David Ticen A2. Sharon Dameron-Anita Albert-Thomas Smith-Stan Pushkarsky B1. John Moore-Roxann Swenson-Michael and Sandra Harris B2. Esther

Ellis-Liz Hinkle-Clara Wood-Lazaro Brener C1/3 Richard and Barbara Clements-Melinda Simmen-Jo Dee Bowen C1/3 Emil Russiello-Marie Russiello-Karen O'Shea-Ann Roe
Sat Morn Open Pairs-17.0 Tables / A1. Robert Todd-Simone Scumpia A2. James Thurtell-John Schwartz B1. Roxann Swenson-John Moore B2C1. James Cuccia-Elisabeth Kay C2. Nola Ray-Kathleen Monahan
Sat Morn 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables AB1. Maureen Barry-Joseph Barry A2. Gary Amaon-Paula Amaon B2C1. Mary Fran Pena-Belva Courts C2. Dan Mudgett-Judy Devore
Sat Morn Swiss Teams-16 Tables

A1. Jack Lacy-Tom Breed-Robert Whitcher-Gary King A2. James La Fountain-Richard Ware-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey BC1. Emil Russiello-Marie Russiello-J Patrick Finnigan-Michael Rainbird B2. Rebecca Parmentier-Flora Pettit-Jo Dee Bowen-Melinda Simmen
Sat Aft Open Pairs-15.5 Tables / Based on 21 Tables A1. Paul Tobias-Robert Donathan A2B1. Shawn Drenning-James Moody B2. Stan Pushkarsky-Anita Albert-Eric Goff-Neil Cohen C1. Catherine Supple-Lisa Holzgrafe C2. Paul Johnston-Keith Boden
Sat Aft 299er Pairs-5.0 Tables A1.

Ann Roe-Curt Wyman A2. Karen O'Shea-Daniela De Falco BC1. Ann Denton-Kevin Orr BC2. Sheldon Markowitz-James 'Jim' Lindsey
Sat Aft Swiss Teams-15 Tables A1. Jack Lacy-Tom Breed-Robert Whitcher-Gary King A2. George Watkins-Joe Black-Linda Anthony-Wiley McMin III B1. Marilyn Sharratt-Lucerne Bunch-Patricia Berry-Patricia White B2. Ken MacMorran-Sharon MacMorran-Clara Wood-Sharon Hoger C1/2 Elisabeth Kay-Charlotte Schuepbach-Mike Vivian-James Cuccia C1/2 Emil Russiello-Marie Russiello-Michael Rainbird-J Patrick Finnigan

Sunday A/X Swiss-24 Tables / Based on 40 Table A1. Jack Lacy-Tom Breed-Gary King-Robert Whitcher A2. Daniel Jackson-Bill McCarty-Eddie Bass-Phillip Grothus X1/2 Anita Albert-Linda Anthony-Richard Clarke-Sharon Dameron X1/2 Daniel Baker-Joyce Cooper-Stan Pushkarsky -Theda Cook
 Bell CD1/2 Linda Gaston-Charlene Coor-Ken Hanson-Bob Allen
Sunday B/C/D Swiss Teams-16 Tables B1. Clara Wood-Steven Andersen-Arthur Widen-Esther Ellis B2. James Moody-Thomas Smith-John Moore-Roxann Swenson C1/2 Mark Alpert-Judy Alpert-Tom Bell-Cindy

AUSTIN SEPTEMBER SECTIONAL WINNERS



Thursday Morn Swiss Teams A, B
 Jo Dee Bowen, Melinda Simmen, James Glathar, Blair Lapwing



Thursday Afternoon Swiss Teams A
 Diana Frankeny, Sharon MacMorran, Richard Frankeny, Ken MacMorran



Thursday Morn & Aft Open Pairs A
 David Sokolow, Robert Donathan



Friday Afternoon Swiss A
 John Schwartz, Venkatrao Koneru, David Ticen, James Thurtell



Friday Morn Open Pairs A
 Dean Truair, G Kania



Friday Morn Swiss Teams A Anita
 Albert, Sharon Dameron, Tom Smith, Stan Pushkarsky,



Sat A.M., Sat P.M., Sun Swiss Teams A
 Robert Whitcher, Gary King, Tom Breed, Jack Lacy



Saturday Aft Open Pairs A
 Paul Tobias, Robert Donathan



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A
 Simone Scumpia, Robert Todd



Friday Aft Swiss Teams B
 John Moore, Michael Harris, Roxann Swenson, Sandra Harris



Friday & Saturday Morn 299ers
 Joseph & Maureen Barry



Thurs AM Swiss C, Thurs PM Swiss B,C Sat Swiss C
 Charlotte Schuepbach, James Cuccia, Mike Vivian, Elisabeth Kay



Thursday Morn Open Pairs B, C
 Diana Apgar, Dwight Silver



Friday Morn Swiss Teams B,C
 Robin Tucker, Michele Abriol, Patricia Webb, Laurene Jacob,



Friday Morn Open Pairs B
 David Davis, Harry Ingham



Friday Aft Open Pairs B
 Mark Craig, Brett Leach



Sun Swiss Teams B
 Clara Wood, Esther Ellis, Steven Andersen, Arthur Widen



Saturday AM Swiss B,C
 Patrick Finnigan, Michael Rainbird, Emil Russiello, Marie Russiello



Saturday Morn Open Pairs B
 John Moore, Roxann Swenson



Saturday Morn Open Pairs C
 James Cuccia, Elisabeth Kay



Sun Swiss Teams X (tie)
 Richard Clarke, Sharon Dameron, Linda Anthony, Anita Albert

Unit 209 Permian Basin
Ann Parish
 Permian bridge players are just chugging along. Midland had a big Labor Day party on September 6. We had ten tables of bridge and four tables of food, starting hotdogs with all the trimming and lots of sides. N/S winners 1st in A were **Bill Brooks** and **Charlie Grimes**. 2nd in A and 1st in B and C were **Kay Sewell** and **Greg Keys**. 3rd in A and 2nd in B and C were **Sarana Savage** and **Marty Massie**. 4th in A and 3rd in B were **Dorothy Brenneman** and **Paula Baggett**. E/W winners 1st in A and B were Mike Robinson and **Marlene Blumentritt**. 2nd in A and b and 1st in C were **Lonnie Yee** and **Linda Scarpelli**. 3rd in A and B were **Georgia Temple** and **Marilyn Higgins**. 4th in A and B were **Ann Parish** and

Sonya Hopkins. In Odessa, **Debra Jones** celebrated her Life Master with a big Saturday party, and another Saturday party honored **Barbara Miles**, who is moving away. On September 12, the NAP unit final was conducted with a two-session game of nine tables. We had the usual delicious catering from Jojo's, with sandwiches and potato chips for lunch. Overall winners were **Charlie Grimes** and **Ann Servatius** in first, and **Flo Curry** and **Marlene Blumentritt** in second. The ACBL-wide Senior Games was held at Midland Country Club with another delicious lunch of sandwiches and fruit. We had 6 1/2 tables, with **Shirley Davenport** and **Scott Vaughn** winning first place and **Ricki Perry** and **Kay Arrell** coming in second. **Kay Sewell** has started lessons for the middle school students in Greenwood. She has five tables of students, but very few adult volunteers

for the Wednesday afternoon sessions. We had one 70% game, when **Jean Pistle** and **Scott Vaughn** got 71% on August 8. Several of our players have attended regional and sectional tournaments around Texas, and we hope they return with gold, red, and silver points. We continue to chug along, enjoying bridge and munching on good food. We even had Root Beer Float cookies one night! We're looking forward to all the holiday games.

Unit 224 Fort Phantom
Bette Byrd



Unit 224 is busy getting ready for the Regional Tournament starting on the 16th. With all the misunderstandings on the schedule, we hope to still have

a good crowd. I got my information from the website and i am sure the scorecard ad came from the same place. We are sorry that the games at night were not shown, but we do hope many of you came and enjoyed three sessions a day. We have held all the special games, which seem to be so regular that we can't get anyone to play if it is just a regular club game. **Bridge, Etc.** held two North American Pairs games. The Thursday one was won by Glynda Groves and Karen Turner. The Tuesday one was won by Glynda Groves and Jeff Lewis. At Septembers Inter-club Championship the winners were Lera Lewis and Ed Grant. The Club Championship game was won by Coleen Grisham and Bette Byrd. **Fort Phantom Unit** held a Club Championship game won by Beverly Walker and George Jackson. The Junior Fund game was won by Pat

Ramsey and Jackie Sonnenburg. The International Fund game was won by Carol Whitten and Glynda Groves. The Unit Championship Memorial Day Party was won by Betty Henderson and Peggy Ford and the World Wide Senior Game was won by Peggy Ford and Betty Henderson. **WW Bridge Club** Championship game was won by Beverly Walker and Glynda Groves. A special thank you to Coleen Grisham for holding and directing the (extra) special games. We do appreciate you. It is election time again and the nominating committee will post the nominees for the new board after the meeting on Wednesday; I would like to have had them for this column but they are not available so everyone look the posted list that should be up before the tournament.

We welcome two new players that we are really glad to have. Ginny Russell, from Brownwood came and played with us and Bob Snyder has moved here from Oregon. Play more bridge everyone!

Bette Byrd



Congratulations to:

- Lisa Looney & Linda Harrison -- 73.81% on 9/5 at Sheila Bell DBC**
- Jimmy Wright & Judy Adams -- 70.83% on 8/17 at The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek**
- Cassie Jean & Stewart Angel -- 72.92% on 8/8 at Sheila Bell DBC**
- Mary Bartley & Brenda Baker had a 71% game at RCDBC**

- Brenda Baker & Mary Bartley -- 74.19% on 8/8 at Rose City DBC**
- Emily Leake & Brenda Baker had a 70.37% game on 9-28 at RCDB.**
- Ron Austin & Greg Cooley -- 70.83% at Dottie Pirkle DBC**
- Beverly Battle & Jimmy Parker - 70.50% at Dottie Pirkle DBC**
- Elaine Dorsey & Karen Owen -- 70.14% at Dottie Pirkle DBC**

- Charles Ford & Jimmy Wright - 70.00% at Dottie Pirkle DBC**
- John Hamilton & Jim Rhamey -- 73.61% at Dottie Pirkle DBC**
- Jimmy Parker & Jimmy Wright -- 73.21% at Dottie Pirkle DBC**
- Joyce & Ron Austin -- 70.00% at Dottie Pirkle DBC**
- At Nannie's Bridge House on Monday night, Aug. 20th Jimmy Hubbard and Sandy Hilliard had a 72.50% game.**

Lake Country Sectional

Longview TX
Sep 28-30 2018
127 players 121 tables.

- 1 18.29 Gay Roach
 - 2 18.29 Carolyn Chapman
 - 3 15.61 Stewart Angel
 - 4 15.61 Jonathan Ernest
 - 5 14.19 Shirley Matthews
 - 6 14.19 Mary Bartley
 - 7 11.03 Charles Ford
 - 8 10.96 Shreedhara Ramarathnam
 - 9 10.96 Cheryl Landers
 - 10 10.48 Jeff Brown
- Fri Morn Open Pairs-9.5 Tables /** Based on 15 Tables AB1 Gayle Mauldin-Peggy Singer A2. Judy Steinfeld-Kay Paine B2C1. Shreedhara Ramarathnam-Cheryl Landers 2 Rosemary Hardy-Lisa Looney
- Fri Morn 499er NLM Pairs-5.0** Tables A1. Hugh Ilgenfritz-Glenda Ilgenfritz A2B1. Kathy Smith-Clifford Smith C2. Kathy Plante-

- Marcia Wilson
- Fri Aft Open Pairs-11.5 Tables /** Based on 19 Tables A1. Carolyn Chapman-Gay Roach A2. Shirley Matthews-Mary Bartley B1. Lawrence Brough-Diane Duncan B2. E Schovanec-Paula Edwards C1. Shreedhara Ramarathnam-Cheryl Landers C2. Charlie Kemp-Marjorie Kemp
- Fri Aft 499er NLM Pairs-7.5 Tables** ABC1. Patsy Alexander-Linda Tillery AB2. Clifford Smith-Kathy Smith C2. Suzanne Smith-Mary Ramsey
- Sat Morn Open Pairs-11.5 Tables /** Based on 20 Tables A1. J Bachman Nabors III-Nancy Green A2B1. Becky Ellisor-Buddy Ellisor B2. Jeff Brown-Diane Duncan C1. Shreedhara Ramarathnam-Cheryl Landers C2. Barbara Bradford-Vicki Angel
- Sat Morn 499er NLM Pairs-8.5** Tables AB1. Carol Sanderson-Emily Bonner AB2. John Hamilton-Glenda Hamilton C1. Fredye Alford-Jeanette Shelton C2. Linda Baker-Helene Hall
- Sat Aft Open Pairs-11.0 Tables /** Based on 20 Tables A1. Jonathan

- Ernest-Stewart Angel A2. Mary Bartley-Shirley Matthews B1/2 Janie Wolaver-Jerrell Wolaver B1/2 Jeff Brown-Diane Duncan C1. Carol Kinsey-Linda Harrison C2. Ginny Jones-Charles Spradlin
- Sat Aft 499er NLM Pairs-8.5** Tables AB1. Carol Sanderson-Emily Bonner AB2C1. Carol Pendleton-Shirley Hughes C2. Patsy Alexander-Linda Tillery
- Sunday Bracketed Swiss-1-7** Tables 1. Charles Ford- Jimmy Wright-Judy Adams-Nell Velvin 2. Gay Roach-Jack Yarbrough- Carolyn Chapman-Robert Echols
- Sunday Bracketed Swiss-2-7** Tables 1/2 Sally McAnulty-Sue Ritschel-Jeff Brown-Curtis Bourland 1/2 Shreedhara Ramarathnam-Paula Edwards-Sandra O Bannon-Cheryl Landers
- Sunday Bracketed Swiss-3-10** Tables 1. Jeanie Nutter-Sarah Meredith-Carol Sanderson- Emily Bonner 2. Barbara Bradford- Troy Lankford-Jo Ann Zastovnik- Fredye Alford

LAKE COUNTRY SECTIONAL WINNERS



Friday Aft Open Pairs A
Carolyn Chapman, Gay Roach



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A
Nancy Green, J. Bachman Nabors, III



Saturday Aft Open Pairs A
Jonathan Ernst, Stewart Angel



Friday Morn & Aft Open Pairs C
Saturday Morn Open Pairs C
Cheryl Landers, S. Ramarathnam



Sunday Swiss Bkt 1
Nell Velvin, Charles Ford
Judy Adams, Jimmy Wright



Friday Aft Open Pairs B
Diane Duncan, Lawrence Brough



Saturday Aft Open Pairs B
Janie & Jerrell Wolaver



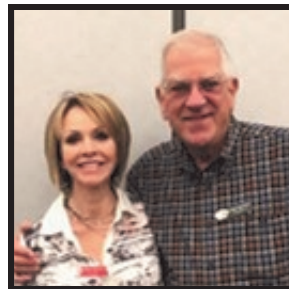
Saturday Aft Open Pairs B
Diane Duncan, Jeff Brown



Saturday Aft Open Pairs C
Linda Harrison, Carol Kinsey



Sunday Swiss Bkt 2 Tie
Cheryl Landers, S. Ramarathnam,
Sandra O'Bannon, Paula Adams



Friday Morn 499ers
Glenda & Hugh Ilgenfritz



Sunday Swiss Bkt 3
Emily Bonner, Carol Sanderson



Saturday Aft 499ers
Carol Pendleton, Shirley Hughes



Saturday Morn 499ers
Jeanette Shelton, Fredye Alford



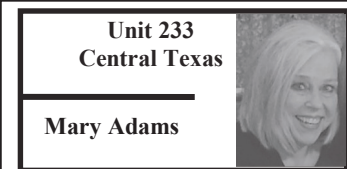
Friday Aft 499ers
Patsy Alexander, Linda Tillery



Friday Morn 499ers
Kathy & Cliff Smith



Saturday Morn & Aft 499ers
Carol Sanderson, Jeanette Shelton



September 28 was proclaimed Gene Thompson Day in Temple! Mayor Pro Tem Judy Morales surprised Gene at the beginning of the Friday game at the Bridge Studio by presenting the formal proclamation citing all of his MANY contributions to bridge in Temple and the surrounding area! A large crowd was there to enjoy the very deserved tribute and celebration. A fine day indeed! Not only was the Waco Bridge on the Brazos tournament a success as far as bridge playing and wonderful local organization,

but also the event was a reminder of how much members of our unit enjoy being together and how many friendships were either begun or renewed. Thank you (again!) Ila Bates and your wonderful team: Peggi and Harry Kenny, Gene Thompson, and Jack Buzze. Ila completed her 7th year as tournament chair and will "retire." Since the tournament, we have learned that Ila's health has necessitated her giving up her role at Sul Ross Bridge Club. Quite a shock to all of us and quite a reminder of how much she has devoted to Unit 233. We all are sending all good wishes and thoughts and prayers. Quite a lady! There is no way to thank her for all of her work--some we know about and much we do not!

Again, Tournament Director Melody Euler was perfect in every way. How lucky we are!

The tournament's big overall point winners in order were Jimmy LaFountain and Richard Ware, Ethel and Tom Corlett, and Pat Kelly and Barbara Kirstein! I played against all three of these partnerships and am certainly not surprised. In fact, my playing "helped them along" on their points--not that they needed help. They are all such fine players.

Event recaps are at the end of this article, but here are some "Brief but Spectacular" memories:

---70% 299er game score by Margaret (Peggy) Downey and Janis Bodin;

---again visiting with Jack, the delightful caddy,---Ethel Corlett's grandson;

---playing a hand where two of us had the Queen of Hearts;

---playing at the table with Cindy Mabry who was experiencing her first tournament ever and was so delightful (always smiling!) as she came up against some very new challenges;

---visiting with Minta McCauley, Cindy's partner, and remembering how special her husband Clyde was to all of us;

---watching 99 year old Walt Winters demonstrate the same ability and "gentlemanly" demeanor that have

made him admirable for as long as I have known him;

---reuniting with many of our Georgetown and Sun City colleagues and meeting new ones such as Val Hrobsky and Nancy Irish with whom I was able to share wonderful memories of Dale Irish, truly such a phenomenal person.

---watching and listening to the continuous laughter of lunchmates Ann Fulcher, Belva Barrington, and Pat Jodoin--- what a reminder of the joy of friendships and shared interests;

---and, as if we needed more things to laugh about, consider this last round of the Sunday Swiss event:

North player takes a board

to shuffle and pulls out one of the hands and begins to "shuffle." She says, "I don't think I have enough cards."

South player and partner: "I suspected you were not playing with a full deck!"

And the beat goes on---until next year!

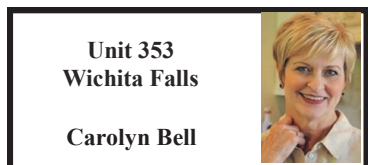
August 70% club games: 71.36% Pat Kelly and Susan LaFountain at Waco Monday Slammers and 71.69% Belva Barrington and David Pennington at The Bridge Studio. Congratulations!

Unit 233 NAP (North American Pairs) qualifying game directed by Joan Cation was held in Waco on September 9. As allowed by the District, several players from outside our unit drove to Waco for the event--and their names are VERY familiar to those who read about National Events and rankings! Our Central Texas players "did themselves proud" indeed! Ethel and Tom Corlett came in first in the N/S field and so many others qualified for the District NAP: Pat Kelly and Barbara Kirstein, Susan LaFountain and Gerald Nelson, Joan Cation and Bob Maske, Patricia Sullivan and Judy Jenkins, Marge Kintz and Patty Santiini, Janis Bodin and Toni Riley, Norma McAdams and Nell Carpenter, Lavona Carter and Celeste Godfrey, Stephen Olson and VA Miller, Asa Waterman and Laura Fair. Congratulations to all! It looks as though our unit will have a great showing at the District Qualifying game to see who represents District 16 at Nationals!!

A huge welcome to Frank Morgan who has just moved to Waco. He is a distinguished professor who has taught for many years, most notably at Williams College in Massachusetts. He is now teaching Calculus at Baylor and has become an important addition to our unit bridge games.

Reminder: Our Unit Christmas Party will be held at the CAC in Temple on Sunday, December 2. There will be two sessions starting at 10:00 AM including lunch. Players may play one or both sessions. New Unit Board members for the next year will be elected for a 3 year term. Many, many thanks to those board members who will be rotating off in December: Judy Taylor Matthews, George Fowler, and Bob Smith. I asked George about his experience---"It is satisfying to participate in running the unit business. I feel an obligation to

help promote the great game of bridge. I enjoyed the board meetings and helping prepare for the annual Temple tournament---not to mention the "prestige" and free lunch at board meetings!! Special thanks to Carol Ann Wadley who has been our President for two terms---and to all of the others who serve on the board. I am learning more and more about what they do, and I continue to be amazed. Thank you! The slate of nominees for the upcoming election will be out soon. Please let your board representatives know if you would like to be on the ballot! Come on down!



I have not played bridge as long as many of the other people in our bridge club so each time I sit at the bridge table I try to do a few things to improve my play. Maybe these reminders will help you to raise your game score, too. To help me focus I try to sit tall in my chair and take a deep breath to allow my body to relax. This helps my mind to become more present. It is a good idea to end all the conversation at the table and focus on the hand at play. When you are the declarer be sure and pause to plan the play of the hand. Take your time to watch the cards being played. Think before speaking when you are the declarer to keep from making mistakes. Have a good attitude and be a graceful loser when the contract does not work to your benefit. To respect the other players in the room please turn your cell phones to silent. Keep your voice low during conversations to keep from distracting the other players. If you have a break during the game be courteous to the other players in the room. Hopefully, with time my bridge game will improve as I practice these respectful habits.

The Wichita Falls Sectional Tournament this year was held at our bridge center on September 21-23. Our players liked the convenience of having it there so we will probably do that again. We appreciate our tournament organizer, Pat Robinson, and all those who served on this committee. It takes a village of volunteers to make it a success and we thank those who helped and/or attended the tour-

nament.

Our prayers continue for John Ritchie who is awaiting a liver transplant.

Bridge Paradise Masterpoint Leaders for August were Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with 1.15 masterpoints; Bernie Lange and Lois Roberson with 0.56 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for August were Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 66.67.

Bridge Paradise Masterpoint Leaders for September were David Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with 0.98 masterpoints; Robert Phillips and Leon Vaccarella with 0.95 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for September were Martin Blecha and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 69.00; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 61.98.

The Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for August were Nancy Purcell with 5.81 masterpoints; Margaret Kirkland with 4.27 masterpoints; Marilyn Waggoner with 3.53 masterpoints; Gladys Barley with 3.52 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for August were Gladys Barley and Nancy Purcell with a score of 68.50; Margaret Kirkland and Wanda Hughes with a score of 64.88.

The Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for September were Margaret Kirkland with 2.80 masterpoints; David Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with 2.37 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for September were Clay Abrams and Nancy Purcell with a score of 69.10; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 63.30; Barbara Cunningham and Trudy Downey with a score of 63.19; Margaret Kirkland and Dee McKinley with a score of 63.19.

The Vernon Duplicate Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for August were Carrol Green and Susan Couch with 9.29 masterpoints; Carole Tucker with 5.63 masterpoints; Donna Lorange with 4.54 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for August were Carrol Green and Susan Couch with a score of 74.00; Carole Tucker and Boyd Green with a score of 68.00.

The Vernon Duplicate Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for September are Jan Hartin and Ladosca Kincaid with 5.77 masterpoints; Susan Couch with 5.70 masterpoints; Carole Tucker with 4.86 masterpoints. High

Percentage Games for September are Jan Hartin and Ladosca Kincaid with a score of 69.00; Susan Couch and Anne Halsell with a score of 68.00; Susan Couch and Carole Tucker with a score of 67.50.

The Bridge A-Gap Masterpoint Leaders for August are Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with 5.09 masterpoints; Kathleen Brown with 4.93 masterpoints; Gladys Barley and Trudy Downey with 3.38 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for August are Gladys Barley and Trudy Downey with a score of 68.45; Margaret Kirkland and Kathleen Brown with a score of 61.31.

The Bridge A-Gap Masterpoint Leaders for September are Margaret Kirkland and Betsy Smith with 1.50 masterpoints; Kathleen Brown and Wanda Hughes with 1.26 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for September are Margaret Kirkland and Betsy Smith with a score of 61.90; Kathleen Brown and Wanda Hughes with a score of 60.36.

The Suite 16 Bridge Masterpoint Leaders for August are Dee McKinley with 4.98 masterpoints; Nancy Purcell with 4.80 masterpoints; Patty Hofer with 4.74 masterpoints; Gladys Barley with 4.72 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for August are Marsha May and Dee McKinley with a score of 67.36; Pat Robinson and Patty Hofer with a score of 67.19.

The Suite 16 Bridge Masterpoint Leaders for September are Patty Hofer with 3.61 masterpoints; Pat Robinson with 3.37 masterpoints; Margaret Kirkland with 2.25 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for September are Kathleen Brown and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 61.90; Clay Abrams and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 61.46; Patty Hofer and Pat Robinson with a score of 61.46.



First of all, let us introduce ourselves! Beginning January 1, 2017, Unit 254, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico became District 16's newest Unit. San Miguel is home to a large expatriate population, and duplicate bridge is alive and well here as a major pastime

along with sports, cultural activities and attractions.

A 400 year old National Monument town, SMA was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2009. As a destination town, it has received two years in a row now Travel + Leisure magazine's vote as the Best City in the world. San Miguel is blessed with a mild climate, beautiful colonial architecture and sumptuous yet inexpensive restaurants, all surrounded by a wild and spectacular natural high-desert setting. Conde Nast Traveler this year has also named SMA the friendliest city in the world. Did I mention great restaurants at a fraction of the cost you are accustomed to?

We have two exciting bridge clubs in San Miguel. Both clubs offer stratified open games: The Bridge Studio is where our more competitive players gather in a beautiful setting designed especially for the club, and Bordello Bridge which offers relaxed bridge in a fabulous garden setting for those who love the game but prefer a more informal atmosphere. So whichever style of play you prefer, you can find it in San Miguel. Sanctioned bridge games are offered 6 days per week. The schedule of play and maps for locating the two clubs are found on Unit 254 terrific new website: www.sanmiguelbridge.com.

June was STaC month, and, as part of Unit 254's promotion of bridge in SMA, the Unit is funding the extra fees for all players in STaC games throughout the year. The month of February is tournament month. The first Sectional held by our new Unit this year was the largest in San Miguel history! The Sectional for 2019 will again be held at the Bridge Studio beginning February 7 with a NLM charity game, and continues through February 10th with the Sunday Swiss. Unit 254 will be offering a lovely lunch for the participating teams. At the end of the month, the SMA Regional begins on February 26 continuing through March 3rd.

There is no more beautiful city than San Miguel in which to enjoy the greatest card game ever played! We invite you all to come down south of the border down Mexico way to our lovely SAFE walking town. Enjoy great bridge and meet new friends in our exceptional clubs. You will have a blast!



Friday Morning Open Pairs A
Jim La Fountain, Richard Ware



Friday Aft Open Pairs A
Susan LaFountain, Lanelle Boone

BRIDGE ON THE BRAZOS WACO WINNERS



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A
Jan Hart, Mary Adams



Sunday Stratified Swiss A
Jim La Fountain, Richard Ware, Tom & Ethel Corlett



Friday Morning Open Pairs B,C
Wilton Crocker, Mary Williams



Friday Aft Open Pairs C
Pat Kelley, Barbara Ann Kirstein



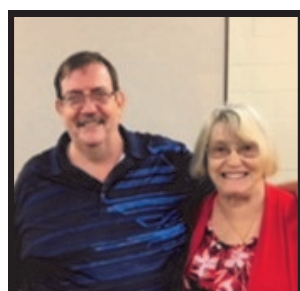
Sunday Stratified Swiss B
Billie Ogens, Kay Lynch, Rita Weigenstein, Bill McAdoo



Sunday Stratified Swiss C
Wilton Crocker, Margaret Ellis, Barbara Wood, Mary Williams



Friday Aft 299ers
Kenneth Davis, Patrick Finnigan



Friday Aft 299ers
James Nees, Patricia Santiini



Saturday Morn 299ers
Ayra Cirilo, Cordell Hammond



Saturday Morn 299ers
Annette Burns, John Twardowski



Saturday Morn Open Pairs C
Catherine Valentine, Betty Robinson



Saturday Morn 299ers
Val Hrobsky, Nancy Irish

February 4-10, 2019

Lone Star Regional

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Education Fund Pairs (Single sessions)	1:00 & 6:30
Gold Rush Pairs (Double session).....	1:00 & 6:30
299'r Pairs (Single sessions)	1:00 & 6:30
49'r Pairs (Single sessions)	1:00 & 6:30
0-5 Pairs (Single sessions)	1:00 & 6:30
Bracketed Swiss	1:00 & 6:30

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

A/X/Y Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
Gold Rush Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00
299'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
49'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
0-5 Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
Afternoon Side Game Series	2:30
Bracketed Swiss Teams (Double session)*	10:00 & 2:30
Mini-Soloway (Session 1 and 2)*	10:00 & 2:30
Tues/Wed Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 of 2).....	7:30
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

A/X Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
Mid-flight Pairs (Double session)	10:00 & 2:30
Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00
Gold Rush Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
299'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
49'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
0-5 Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
Bracketed Swiss Teams (Double session)	10:00 & 2:30
Mini-Soloway (Session 3 and 4)	10:00 & 2:30
Afternoon Side Game Series	2:30
Tue/Wed Bracketed Swiss (Session 2 of 2).....	7:30
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

A/X/Y Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
Gold Rush Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00
299'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
49'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
0-5 Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
Afternoon Side Game Series	2:30
Bracketed Swiss Teams (Double session)*	10:00 & 2:30
Mini-Soloway (Session 1 and 2)*	10:00 & 2:30
Thur/Fri Bracketed Swiss (Session 1 of 2).....	7:30
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

A/X Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
Mid-flight Pairs (Double session)	10:00 & 2:30
Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00
Gold Rush Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
299'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
49'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
0-5 Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
Bracketed Swiss Teams (Double session)	10:00 & 2:30
Mini-Soloway (Session 3 and 4)	10:00 & 2:30
Afternoon Side Game Series	2:30
Thurs/Fri Bracketed Swiss (Session 2 of 2).....	7:30
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

A/X Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
Mid-flight Pairs (Double session)	10:00 & 2:30
Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00
Gold Rush Pairs (Double session).....	10:00 & 2:30
299'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
49'r Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
0-5 Pairs (Single sessions)	10:00 & 2:30
Bracketed Swiss Teams (Double session)	10:00 & 2:30
Afternoon Side Game Series	2:30
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

A/X/Y Pairs (Double session).....	9:30 & TBA
Side Pairs (Single sessions)	9:30 & TBA
A/X Swiss Teams.....	9:30 & TBA
Bracketed Swiss Teams	9:30 & TBA

(No Player with > 3000 MPs)

STRATIFICATION & FLIGHTING

Stratified Events	A: 3000+, B: 750-3000, C: 0-750
A/X Pairs (A&X play together)	A: 5000+, X: 0-5000
Midflight Pairs (B&Y play together)	B:1500-3000, Y: 0-1500
Gold Rush Pairs (C&Z play together)	C: 300-750, Z: 0-300
A/X/Y Pairs	A: 5000+, X: 2000-5000, Y: 0-2000
Strati-Flighted Swiss (A&X play together)....	A: 4000+, X: 0-4000
	B: 0-3000 (Bracketed—no player over 3000 MPs)
Bracketed Swiss:	brackets of 7-9 teams by average MP

* 2-day Mini-Soloway starts for Top Bracket Equivalent
(Conditions of Contest, see page 3)

*Team or pair average used for all stratified events
and within flights for strati-flighted events.*

Strats may vary at the director's discretion.

BEST PRACTICES TEACHER WORKSHOP

Sunday, February 3rd, 1-5 & 6-10 pm

Monday, February 4th, 8:00 am—noon

For information or to register

Betty Starzec @ 713-562-2568 or lstarzec@comcast.net

DAILY START TIMES

Monday.....	1:00 & 6:30
Tues - Sat.....	10:00 & 2:30 & 7:30
Sunday	9:30 AM & TBD

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 Room Rate: \$119 Booking Code: [LSR2019](#)
 Cut-off date: January 25, 2019

INTERMEDIATE/NEWCOMER SCHEDULE

0-5, 49'r, & 299'r pairs Monday @ 1:00 & 6:30
 and Tuesday-Sunday @ 10:00 & 2:30



Session and overall awards
 will be red points.

At the end of the tournament, the I/N player amassing the
 most points will be awarded
 a special trophy between sessions on Sunday.

New!!: Review of 1-2 hands after the 2:30 session.

0-750 "GOLD" OPPORTUNITIES!



Daily Bracketed Swiss Events

Top three teams in each Bracket win **Gold!**

Gold Rush Pairs

Monday: 1:00 & 6:30, Tuesday-Saturday: 10:00 & 2:30

LSR AFTERNOON SPEAKERS



Tuesday-Saturday at 2:00 PM

Door Prizes

DOOR PRIZES

Door Prizes

from nearby restaurants given out daily

ENTRY FEES

Monday through Friday\$14
 Saturday (\$1 for future D16 NABC).....\$15
 Sunday (includes lunch voucher)\$16

\$4 more for unpaid ACBL members

AWARDS

Provided to Section Tops in Pairs Games and
 to First Place in Team Events at Awards Desk

DAILY OPEN PAIR GAMES

Monday	Education Fund Pairs	1 & 6:30
Tuesday	A/X/Y Pairs (2 sessions).....	10 & 2:30
Wednesday	A/X & Midflight pairs (2 sessions)...	10 & 2:30
Thursday	A/X/Y Pairs (2 sessions).....	10 & 2:30
Friday	A/X & Midflight pairs (2 sessions)...	10 & 2:30
Saturday	A/X & Midflight pairs (2 sessions)...	10 & 2:30
Sunday	A/X/Y Pairs (2 sessions).....	10 & 2:30

THREE SIDE GAME SERIES

Your best two games count toward the overalls

Morning Series	Tuesday-Saturday	10:00
Afternoon Series	Tuesday-Saturday	2:30
Evening Series	Tuesday-Saturday	7:30

BRACKETED SWISS EVERY DAY

All are two sessions!

Monday.....	1:00 & 6:30
Tuesday-Saturday	10:00 & 2:30
Tuesday & Wednesday	7:30
Thursday & Friday	7:30
Sunday	9:30 & TBA

TWO MINI-SOLOWAY KO OPPORTUNITIES

For top bracket only (in lieu of above) 2-day 4-session team event

Tues/Wed & Thurs/Fri..... 10:00 & 2:30

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