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11 Pairs Head to Columbus For NAPs



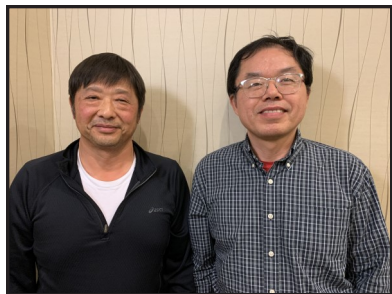
Venkatrao Koneru-James Breihan
First and Third Flight A



Thomas Peters- Ira Hessel
Second Flight A



Pawel Hanus-Ari Sippola
First Flight B



James Zhan--Lunhui Lin
Second Flight B



Herbert Kalman -Robert Reichek
Third Flight B



Aaron Denton-Lilly Justman
First Flight C

120 pairs played in San Antonio January 18-19 to determine the 11 pairs who will play in the National Finals March 18 and 19 in Columbus Ohio. The qualifiers are

Flight A

- 1 Chris Compton-Venkatrao Koneru
- 2 Thomas Peters- Ira Hessel
- 3 Carolyne Fox-James Breihan

Flight B

- 1 Pawel Hanus-Ari Sippola
- 2 James Zhan--Lunhui Lin
- 3 Robert Reichek-Herbert Kalman
- 4 Mark Rosen-Daniel Baker

Flight C

- 1 Aaron Denton-Lilly Justman
- 2 Arvind Sharma-Lynnie Sharma
- 3 William Eads- Zaeem Lutfi
- 4 Hal Spottswood-Harold Schulz

increase in the mps awarded. In the top places.

This year any one that qualified in club qualifiers was eligible for the district finals. In past years there was an additional Unit level.

The ACBL awards some subsidies to the qualified pairs and our district generously augments that

Flight A: 1st \$800 2nd \$500 3rd \$300
Flight B: 1st \$800 2nd \$800 3rd \$500 4th \$300
Flight C: 1st \$800 2nd \$500 3rd \$300 4th \$200

In addition many Units add additional subsidies.

Zhan and Lin won the district last year in both the Flight B NAPs and Flight A GNT and finished 8th in the National Finals in the NAPs. Hanus and Sippola were 3rd in B last year and were 8th in the National Finals.. Lutfi and Eads were first and 3rd respectfully in C last year playing with different partners.

I have reported on the NAPS for over 25 years and have had the pleasure of observing many district 16 players



Fri PM Open Pairs Ft C
William Eads, Zaeem Lutfi

rise through a flight and move on to the higher flights. Two players, who stand out as rising stars are flight C winners Aaron Denton and Lilly Justman of Autin. Both started playing sometime in 2019, and finished high in the 0-5 category.

The NAPs and GNT are my favorite events The District GNT are in Houston in April. The District provides generous subsidies in that event as well.

GNT Houston April 3-5



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District 16
President

Rebecca Brown has been our District's president for the past two years. I would like to thank Rebecca for her dedicated service, time and commitment to the bridge community!!! We are happy that she will remain on the board as the newly appointed Disciplinary Committee Chair.

The election of D16 officers took place on February 8 and I am honored to be your president for the next two years! Also elected were the following: Betty Starzec, 1st Vice President; Jim Bauer, 2nd Vice President; Tomi Storey, Executive Secretary; and, Tom Trudeau, Executive Treasurer. ACBL's "Mission" is ours—"to promote, grow and sustain the game of bridge and serve the bridge-related interests of our Members." As a board, we will do our best to carry out the mission! Speaking of growing our membership, Stu Nelan is doing an excellent job as the newly appointed Intermediate/Newcomer (I/N) Coordinator. Approximately 50% of D16's membership has less than 300 master-

points—imagine that! If you have ideas that will keep these newer players engaged, please contact Stu or me. Growing and sustaining bridge is our primary focus making Stu's position critically important to our game. Please go to D16's website and click on the Intermediate/Newcomer tab on the left—there you will find all sorts of resources and information regarding the I/N area. "Teaching Material" and "I/N Material" have recently been added. If you are interested in helping Stu in his efforts, please contact him at stu.nelan@gmail.com / 469-835-0594.

The Lone Star Regional was a success with a table count of 3052! Surpassing 3000 tables ensures our District of an extra regional through 2023. We may offer up to five regionals in Texas plus two in Mexico.

During my two-year term, I plan on attending every D16 regional at least once. First up on the calendar is the Mexico Regional in San Miguel ~ hope to see you there! If you don't see me at a tournament, you may also contact me at nastrohmmer@yahoo.com / 713-882-0626. I welcome your questions, suggestions, and ideas; if you would like to serve on a committee, please let me know! *Let's play more bridge!*

Paul Cuneo



District 16
National BOD

District Director Report – February 2020

2019 was a good year financially for ACBL with a net income of \$1.8 million. This compares to a \$1.9 million loss in 2018. Operations have stabilized and good progress is being made in many areas especially technology. Live for clubs was successfully rolled out in the fall and should be fully implemented by the end of the 1st quarter of 2020. The 2020 budget shows a more modest year with net income around \$200,000.

Long term prospects are not as bright as tournament attendance, membership and new member retention continue to decline. In 2018, I led a strategic planning effort for the Board that identified opportunities for membership growth, improving membership participation, creating a social bridge division and addressing tournament issues.

I am continuing to chair the Strategic Committee in 2020 which will focus on the issues above with the exception of tournaments as that is a separate taskforce being led by Warren Smith of D15. Dan Storch resigned in early January from his position heading marketing and education, and his replacement has not yet been hired. The result is that progress in our strategic areas will be delayed as the next step is developing detailed plans in each of the areas and that requires staff involvement from that group. I expect significant progress in the 2nd quarter.

My other major committee assignment for 2020 is Governance. Conversations among board members continue and I'm increasingly optimistic that the restructuring plan to reduce the size of the Board to 13

regional directors will receive approval in our Columbus meeting. If approved there it will require a 2nd vote in Montreal and ratification by the Board of Governors. Implementation of regional elections would begin in 2021 with the first regional directors taking office in 2022.

A Transition Taskforce is being led by Kevin Lane of D23 with its primary focus on moving much of the "bridge" work currently being done by the Board to committees that report either to management, the Board of Governors or to the Board. Kevin invited me to share my views with the taskforce and I've done that. I feel strongly that these committees need to report to management since they are the "program" of our non-profit corporation. We are unique among long standing nonprofits of our size to have the board so intimately involved in programmatic activities with management taking a secondary role and this is not best practice nor good governance in my view. To transition this responsibility to management will take some time, but most importantly the Board needs to define the objectives of the key program areas to provide management with the boundaries within it is free to operate.

The ACBL Educational Foundation also had a very good year as we hired our first ever Executive Director and put a committee structure in place. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we were able to increase program spending and our budget for 2020 reflects additional increases. The Foundation is looking forward to its Columbus meeting where we'll hear from some application developers who are seeking grants to produce bridge teaching and playing apps.

2020 is also an election year for my position. I have declared my candidacy for re-election to a 3-year term and will begin campaigning this spring.

Paul Cuneo

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176	Debrah	Chockley	Plano	Life Master
207	Arthur	Herriott	Georgetown	Life Master
205	Robert	Johnson	Ajijic	Life Master
183	Ross	Ramsey	Flower Mound	Life Master
209	Linda	Buzan	Midland	Bronze LM
205	Robert	Johnson	Ajijic	Bronze LM
174	Lynda	Kornbleet	Houston	Bronze LM
207	Linda	Lewis	Austin	Bronze LM
174	Sandra	McMinn	Houston	Bronze LM
174	Evita	Rduch	Spring	Bronze LM
174	Titia	Smulders	Houston	Bronze LM
176	Erica	Walker	Dallas	Bronze LM
174	Peggy	Wyatt	Richmond	Bronze LM
174	Shyam	Bhatia	Sugar Land	Silver LM
201	Billie	Carter	Orange	Silver LM
173	Cecil	Crowson Jr	Mx	Silver LM
207	David	Davis	Austin	Silver LM
176	Judy	Etchison	Dallas	Silver LM
176	Anita	Platt	Dallas	Silver LM
176	Dale	Remmers	Plano	Silver LM
174	Mercedes	Snyder	Kingwood	Silver LM
176	Susie	Summers	Dallas	Silver LM
176	Martha	Ward	Plano	Silver LM
174	Donald	Bell	Seabrook	Bronze LM
207	Paul	Johnston	Austin	Bronze LM
174	Robert	Vilyus	Houston	Bronze LM
176	Carol	Casey	Dallas	Silver LM
176	James	Moore	Dallas	Silver LM
174	Terry	Sucher	Montgomery	Silver LM
225	Annette	Crawford	Tyler	Ruby LM
183	Jane	Larimore	Fort Worth	Ruby LM
204	Patsy	Rogers	San Angelo	Ruby LM
201	Phyllis	Ryan	Orange	Ruby LM
172	Tessa	Bodnar	San Antonio	Ruby LM
187	Jason	Kiker	Corpus Christi	Ruby LM
174	Mary Jane	Kinnebrew	Houston	Ruby LM
174	Patrick	Tourais	Kingwood	Ruby LM
174	Phyllis	Timko	Houston	Gold LM
174	James	Ochsner	Houston	Gold LM
176	Adrienne	Feuer	McKinney	Sapphire LM
176	Donna	Garrard	Irving	Sapphire LM
176	Preston	Morrow	Dallas	Sapphire LM
174	Brigitte	Sandifer	Sugar Land	Sapphire LM
174	Birendra	BK Singh	Seabrook	Sapphire LM
233	Ethel	Corlett	Waco	Diamond LM

MARCH

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Beaumont	5-7
Lubbock	6-8
Arlington NLM	7-8
Kerrville (Jan issue 7)	12-15
Richardson (Jan issue 9)	12-15
Spring 499er	19-22
COLUMBUS NABC	19-29
Dallas 299er	27-30
Austin 199er	28-29

APRIL

Houston (12)	3-5
Houston GNT (3, 12)	3-5
FORT WORTH REGIONAL (20)	13-19
San Antonio	22-25
Houston 499er	23-26
Pittsburg NLM/750	23-25
Spring 299er	30-May3
Austin (18)	30-May3

MAY

Denton NLM	15-17
Austin 49er	16-17
Richardson (13)	21-25
Dallas 299er	29-31

JUNE

Houston	5-7
Midland	5-7
Austin NLM	6-7
Acapulco	10-14
San Antonio	11-14
STaC D16	15-21
Arlington	26-28
AUSTIN REGIONAL	29-Jul 5

JULY

Houston 299er	9-12
Tyler	9-11
MONTRAL NABC	15-26
Dallas 299er	17-20

AUGUST

Houston	6-9
HOUSTON NLM REGIONAL	6-9
Austin 199er	15-16
Arlington NLN	22-23
U174 STaC	24-30

Grand National Teams

District 16 GNT
Coordinator

Scott Nason



The GNT 2020 District 16 Finals are coming soon. As I discussed in the last Scorecard, there are four

flights that will compete at the Marriott Westchase in Houston, April 3-5, competing for the right to play in the GNT Finals in Montreal, July 15-19. In order to enter the SuperFlight (open to anyone) or in Flight A (open to players with less than 6000 Masterpoints as of the August 6, 2019 posting), the team needs to send me their intent to play, preferably in advance, but no later than 30 minutes before game time on April 4. For Flight B (for players under 2500 points) and Flight C (non-life masters with less than 500 points), players must have pre-qualified at a club or unit qualifying event.

Flight B competition begins Friday evening, continuing through the weekend. All other Flights compete on Saturday and Sunday. The winners of this event will advance to the National GNT Finals in Montreal. We are trying a new format for Flight B that will hopefully be more exciting, since two teams will (probably) be selected to play in the NABC in Montreal from that flight. The two session Swiss will cut the field to nine teams, for a two-session round robin Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Out of that, the top three teams will compete in the final session on Sunday afternoon to determine first and second place.

For more information, you may consult the Conditions of Contest, which are available on the District 16 website under Conditions of Contest>GNT. Or contact me at

sdnason@sbcglobal.net

2020

Unit Goodwill



- 172 Kathy Sinkin-Amor and Roxi Raaf
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- 187 Tom Neagli and Kay Mrazek
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- * Mrs. Rose Calvin, Houston
- Bed R. Joshi, Pearland
- * Dennis C. McAdams, Georgetown
- Kay Quinn, Tomball
- * Mrs. Billie Rush, Odessa
- Robert W. Van Lone, Prosper
- W Ray Barnes, Wichita Falls
- * William C. Brending, Katy
- Mike Cozad, Georgetown
- * Dr. Melrose T. Garrett, Houston
- Mrs. Donna Gooch, Arlington
- Ramona W. Hibbetts, Bryan
- * Daniel Leightman, Houston
- * Bill Mac Donald, Corpus Christi
- * Mrs. Nell R. Morgan, New Braunfels
- Mrs. Rita R. Sick, Fort Worth
- * Victor Z. Bremson, Seattle WA
- * Life Master

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR OSWALD & JAMES JACOBY SERVICE AWARD

The annual presentation of the Oswald & James Jacoby Service Award will be presented at the Dallas Labor Day Regional. The Jacoby Award is District 16's premier Service Award and was established in 1982. A recipient of the Award shall be a volunteer who has worked diligently at the Unit level and who has risen to recognition at the District level after many years of outstanding service.

Nominations are now open and Units in District 16 are requested to nominate a person whom it considers to be a suitable recipient of the Award. A Unit may nominate only one person, who need not be a member of that Unit, but who is a member in good standing of the ACBL and a resident within District 16.

If your Unit has a nominee, please forward their name with their bridge service volunteer background to the District 16 Awards Committee chaired by Betty Starzec at Lstarzec@comcast.net. Nominations by the Unit must be received by the Committee by July 1.

DEADLINES for

May/June 2020 Issue
Announcements: April. 6th
Articles, Columns: April. 1st
Pictures & Copy must be digital.
E-mail to: scorecardd16@gmail.com



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Improving Your Game. Part 5 Final Ramblings

by Ira Hessel

Thanks for all the comments. I will try to address some questions.

Basically, by improving your game ,you increase enjoyment of it. If you spend an entire week at a regional you don't increase the actual time spent on bridge by too much if you spend a few hours each week working on it. Be patient, nobody has mastered the game in a few-years.

Learning a complete system and then adding some conventions is best. Actually conventions are always additions to systems that fill in some gaps. Eventually a convention could lose the term "convention" and become part of the system. (BTW system means " isolated part of the universe") And system should have conventions that are coordinated with other conventions. So if you play Namyats –where 4C and 4D are artificial to mean 4 of a major, It is best to use 3NT to replace the 4 of a minor opening . There are many other sets of conventions.

There is always debates about what are the best conventions to use. Now sometimes at a tournament, especially nationals, I may play with 4 or 5 different partners. Now each one has an idea of which is the best against NT openings. I have played many and have found the very best one to use is THE ONE YOUR PARTNER IS USING. Seriously, as long as you remember your methods you will do well

Now what makes bridge such a great pastime is that you can't master it in one lifetime. We are always learning. Always new things to look forward to.

To review learn by:

- 1/Reading books especially quiz books on play.
- 2/ Watching matches on Bridge Base online
- 3/Kibitzing
- 4/ Review your matchpoint games on ACBL Live
- 5/ Discussing hands with your partner after a session
- 6/Asking questions of experts. Many are more than happy to help. I am always happy to help

Austin NABC Nov 25-Dec 5 2021

Pictures for Ace of Clubs and New Life Master

If you are first or second in the District 16 2019 Ace of Clubs or are new Life Master please send us a digital picture for publication in the May/June issue of The Scorecard. Send to "scorecardd16@gmail.com" .

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District 16 Teacher of the Year by Buck Buchanan

This year District 16 is presenting not only the coveted **Teacher of the Year Award**, which went to Ed Rawlinson, but also two new categories of recognition. These categories are:

Finalist:This designation is used to honor those who are considered cream of the crop among current nominees. Finalists for 2020, in addition to Ed, were Patricia Cantu, Julie Halperin, and Sam Khayatt. Since only one of the Finalists can receive the Award in any given year, the others will be automatically re-nominated by the Selection Committee for 2021 Teacher of the Year.

Rising Star: This honor recognizes a Finalist who embodies a unique combination of accomplishment, promise, and inspiration. Patricia Cantu received this honor for 2020

Winner District 16 Teacher of the Year Ed Rawlinson

Ed is a long-term resident of San Antonio. He retired in 2002 as superintendent of a local school district and has since held numerous administrative positions, including president and treasurer, in the bridge world as well. He is also a consummate bridge player, with almost 10,000 masterpoints. The Teacher of the Year Award, however, celebrates his many activities and accomplishments as a bridge teacher; and, in this area, his resume is long and impressive.

With a strong teaching team already in place at the Fiesta Club (San Antonio, Unit 172), Ed looked elsewhere for teaching opportunities. He found them in numerous places, such as lecturing at tournaments, developing a bridge library at the Club, mentoring new players, posting his teaching materials on the District 16 web site, and teaching special topics at the Club.

His biggest commitment has been teaching in San Antonio schools, an arena for which he was ideally suited because of his long career experience. Ed has created and taught bridge programs at every school level – elementary, middle, high school, and continuing education. Ed advocates strongly for the ACBL and duplicate bridge and, among adults, has been able to counter negative stereotypes about duplicate. Many students have joined the ACBL and become regulars at the Fiesta Club.

His teaching style is interactive, encouraging discussion among students and only adding his 2¢ when the group needs a guiding hand.

Congratulations, Ed. You are receiving this Award with the admiration and gratitude of a wide swath of District 16 administrators, students, players, and, above all, your fellow teachers.

Patricia Cantu, Finalist and Rising Star

Patricia hails from San Pedro Garza

Garcia, a city in the Monterrey Metropolitan area, Nuevo Leon, Mexico. She is both an avid bridge player and energetic and resourceful teacher and, in addition, operates and directs at the only bridge club in the area. The club has doubled in size since she took over five years ago, and her success comes largely as a result of her outreach to new players and dedication to teaching. Each week, Patricia directs two games and teaches a dozen classes.

With Spanish-language teaching materials in short supply, she has translated or developed much of her own lesson plans. Without local tournaments for her students to play in, she has led them on a number of bridge field trips. Her students are very enthusiastic and loyal, as evidenced by the testimonials they provided Patricia embodies what we all wish for in our bridge leaders: building for the future of the game and, of course, using teaching as a cornerstone of the effort. We expect to hear even more about Patricia's successes in the near future.

Julie Halperin & Sam Khayatt Finalists

Julie and Sam teach at the Bridge Club of Houston. Julie has been a mainstay of the Houston teaching scene for many years. Sam, a former student of Julie's, is a newer member of the Bridge Club teaching team and effectively combines her background in adult education with impeccable preparation.



D16 President Rebecca - Finalist Sam Khayatt from Houston Texas Teacher of the Year Ed Rawlinson from San Antonio Finalist and Rising Star Patricia Cantu from Monterrey, Mexico D16 yada Buck Buchanan



Ed Rawlinson Middle School



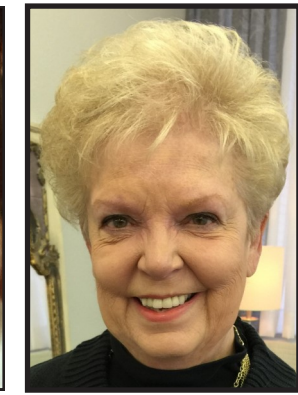
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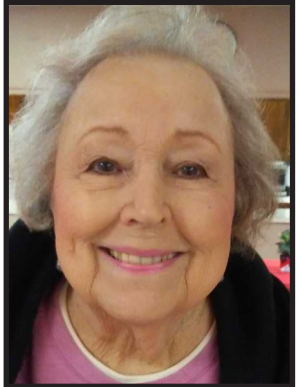
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2020 District Stars

The 2020 District 16 Texas Star Awards and Texas Star Pins were presented to recipients at the Houston Regional in February. The Texas Star Awards are given to worthy volunteers at the unit level for exceptional service performed in their own unit. Congratulations to all!

Rich Lampman 172 San Antonio

Some refer to Rich Lampman as the historian of Unit 172. Since his retirement in 1993 as a career officer in the Air Force, this San Antonio native has been actively involved in local bridge. He served on the Board of Directors for Unit 172 until he became a manager/director at the Alamo Bridge Club. Then, to keep bridge alive in San Antonio, Rich subsequently purchased the Club and was involved from 1995 to 2015. Rich recognized that both duplicate and rubber bridge should be offered at his Club in order to involve as many people as possible in the game. He hosted numerous Unit games and served as the Chairman of Sectionals over the years. For both his organizational skills and friendliness to all players, Rich was drafted to be Chairman of the Registration/Welcoming Committee for the 2019 4th of July Regional. Now, Rich is again an elected member of the Unit's Board of Directors, serving as Vice-President. Rich plays each month with 10 different players of various abilities from novice to advanced. Recognition for Rich's long history of service and contributions to the bridge community is long over-due! Unit 172 is pleased to nominate him for the Texas Star Award.

Dianna Gittelman 174 Houston

It pleases the board of Unit 174 to honor Dianna Gittelman with the District 16 Star Award for her continuous volunteerism in promoting bridge in our community. A Sapphire Life Master, Dianna was taught how to play bridge by her mom at the age of 14. Unit 174 is so lucky her mom brought her into "our game", for she has certainly given back so much more to further Unit activities as a result.

In addition to serving two 3-year terms on our Unit 174 board, her willingness to say "yes" to many other requests have placed her as

Partnership Chair, Hospitality Chair, Tournament Chair and Nomination Committee Chair at various times over the past 30 or so years (and more than once for several). At our annual Lone Star Regional, thanks to Dianna's efforts in providing a Restaurant Guide with benefits, many attendees have either won a door prize or secured a discount while eating out in Houston. For the 1971, 2002 and 2009 NABC's held in Houston, Dianna volunteered for each in a variety of capacities, including serving as Assistant to the Partnership Chair in 2009.

"Growing up in Amarillo, there was often a snow storm that would keep people from going to work....there were enough bridge players for 5 tables of bridge within six blocks our house. On a snowy day everyone was home bound, but they could walk to our house and my parents would host teams games. Thus, began my interest in bridge."

Helping new players learn to play bridge via participating in initiatives such as Learn Bridge for a Day or mentoring an intermediate player (and not only at mentor/mentee events) over the last 30 years is just another way Dianna has given her time to further support bridge in our Unit. Speaking of giving, not only does Dianna donate her services to help raise funds for the Alzheimer's Association during "The Longest Day", she and her husband, Joe, have anonymously underwritten several events to help ensure their success when funds were not available.

By way of event planning, Dianna's years of experience in this area certainly comes out when she chairs or gets passionate about an event. For example, all attending our November 2019 Galveston Sectional has Dianna to thank for negotiating our securing Moody Gardens and planning all the wonderful evening entertainment!

Mary Jane McGinnis 176 Dallas

Mary Jane McGinnis is Dallas' own Jill of all trades. If it's there to do, she had done it with enthusiasm and Southern charm. She has served several terms on the board of directors, has written our Score Card article for years and chaired several sectional tournaments. If you want a great party, MJ is your go-to person. She has been at the helm of the unit Christmas party and has made it an event – from the wonderful food, to the exciting door prizes and to her own specially-designed contribution boxes – she does it all.

Mary Jane is our steel magnolia and we are proud to honor her with this year's Texas Star Award.

Kay Jones 183 Fort Western

Kay Jones is the 2019 Texas Star Award winner for Unit 183. We don't have the space to list all of Kay's accomplishments, so we will keep it short. Kay has served the Unit for decades, in numerous official and unofficial capacities: Unit President, Board member, committee chair, game director, mentor and friend to all who meet her. She knows how to do everything, does whatever needs doing, and does it all with unflappable grace and charm.

Kay served as the Unit 183 reporter for the Scorecard for many years.

Kay puts a smile on everyone's face. We are all lucky to be a part of her life.

DeDe Afflerbach 183 Corpus Christi

Dee is a most valuable member of our club. She learned to play bridge in a newcomers club when she and her family moved to Portland, Texas. After a few years of "party bridge" she learned duplicate. But soon she took off about

15 years to become involved with children and also was a Senior V.P. in banking. After children were in college she became reacquainted with bridge. She loves the bridge family in Corpus Christi and is always eager to volunteer for any needed jobs. Most importantly she is now our Treasurer which is an important job and she does this extremely well. She is looking forward to making life master which should be soon as she is becoming a very good player. She is in the opinion of our Board certainly deserving of the District 16 Star Award.

Gwen Wright 197 Lubbock

After raising 2 daughters and a husband in nursing school, Gwen Wright decided that she needed a new hobby. This led her to try out Bridge, and she found a game that she soon loved. She has been a member of the ACBL since 1996 and is currently a Ruby Life Master. Throughout the years, she has served as the vice president of her building, a chairman of a regional tournament, and currently serves her building as president. In her current role as president, she has taken the Sunday game in our building from near cancellation to a thriving game with 7-8 tables per week.

While these accomplishments are noteworthy, Gwen feels that her greatest achievement is in helping others. She is always willing to play with people regardless of their point total and has helped many players achieve their life master designation. It is for her willingness to serve others that she has been selected as District Star Recipient for Unit 197 in Lubbock, TX. Congratulations to Gwen Wright!

Dee Henson Payne 201 Beaumont

Dee Henson Payne grew up watching her mother and father play bridge. She learned from them and from neighbors after she married. She played in groups

with her mother and couples groups with her husband Joe. She began playing for masterpoints with her good friend Maggie Brossette. The duplicate club in Orange was playing at the old community center with players coming over from Lake Charles and Beaumont. They could reach a table count of 15 at times. The community center was torn down and the Orange Club played at the Methodist church for a short time. They were playing at the old Salk Elementary school building when Hurricanes Rita and Ike hit our part of the world. The club's table count went down from 9 to 2 and they could no longer afford the rent at the school. Dee and her bridge partner, Ruby Collins, stepped in to be co-club managers. A free place to play was found and they worked to rebuild the membership. Having a party day once a month was started for players to reach out in the community and invite new players. The table count increased back up to 8. Then Hurricane Harvey flooded the Church of Christ building and Dee helped get the club moved to another building owned by the church. The club lost players again and now has a table count of 6.

Dee is the person club members stay in touch with. She is the one they call to help them find a partner. She takes care of the financial business, gets the supplies, and works with the director to keep things going. She helps lead the way in supporting Unit 201, their tournaments and special games.

Dee's bridge family legacy continues as a daughter, granddaughter, and 17 year old great-granddaughter all play bridge

Dr. Shirley Ann Davenport 209 Midland

Shirley Davenport was born in Sabinal Texas and lived the first few years in Utopia Texas. After that she lived in various places all over the state. She attended San Marcos High School and has a

B.S. in Education, M.B.A. and M.S. in Accounting. She also has a Ph.D in Business, Majored in Accounting with a Minor in Finance. Shirley work for I.B.M. for 18 years and retired as a Systems Representative Manager. Later she became an Associate Professor of Accounting at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and is now retired from that position. Currently spends her time as a Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant for the Permian Basin Area. Shirley is a graduate of the Permian Basin Master Gardeners Class of 2017 and other hobbies include playing Duplicate Bridge, reading and loves cats. Shirley loves bridge, so much that she became a Certified ACBL Bridge Instructor and a Game Director for the Caprock Bridge Club in Odessa Texas. The year was 1977 when she started playing bridge in Houston Texas with friends who played Duplicate Bridge. She became more serious in Duplicate Bridge just before she moved from Lubbock Texas to Odessa Texas in 2012. She became a Life Master in 2017 and is currently a Bronze Life Master. She has taught Bridge Classes to newcomers, invited party bridge player to try Duplicate and make herself available to play and advises others how to play better. Shirley is one of the nicest ladies you will meet in the Permian Basin, but a formidable bridge opponent. Unit 209 of the Permian Basin is proud to nominate Dr. Shirley Ann Davenport for the District 16 Star Award.

Pam Montross LaShelle
207 Austin

I was born in Iowa to a big family that loved to play games through the cold winter. I quickly learned to enjoy all games and particularly games with cards. Fan Tan, Crazy Eights, High Card Takes It to start and then Hearts, Uno, Whist and then my parents taught us all to play bridge. I loved them all, but I loved bridge the most!

After graduating from Winterset High School (Iowa) I went to Greeley, Colorado to Colorado State College and got my Elementary Education Degree.

During the summer of my Sopho-

more year I was hit by a bus in Chicago and was told I most likely would not walk again. I had a wonderful doctor and stayed out of school for about 6 months to recover and was able to walk. During that 6 months I lived at home again and got in lots of practice with cards!

I met my husband in Greeley the following year, married and we moved to Omaha, Nebraska where he went to law school and I taught First Grade for several years. During that time I decided to try duplicate and was hooked!! The bridge group in Omaha was huge and the night games were where all the really great players played. I met Claire Passer who also liked to play and she and I took a trip to Springfield, Missouri and won the open pairs. That's all the gold I needed to become Life Master.

The best was yet to come when I had my two daughters and moved into an old farmhouse up on a hill on an acre. It was a dream come true. Life was good and I had already started some service work by being in a Federated Woman's Club and serving as President.

One day out of the blue my husband came home and said he had accepted a job in Texas! How our lives changed after that. We had to sell our dream home and move into a rent house in Anderson Mill area. It was during the boom of the 1980's and housing was scarce. The rent house was full of roaches! The girls were 5 and 7 when we moved. We decided to build a house and it became our new dream house. Our realtor became one of my best friends and I decided to go into real estate with her company! So began a career that I still enjoy, selling properties and working with people. During this time I decided to join a Federated Club in Round Rock where we were building our house. I also decided to do other service work and drove Meal on Wheels for 7 years. I was known as the Muffin lady as I would bake muffins every Monday and take them with the meals.

I did not play at the Austin Bridge Club because of a bad encounter with some players that were unfriendly and because the location was an old Quonset hut located in

a poor area of town. I did not play for 20 years after we moved to the Austin area.

In 2001 my husband passed away. In 2004 I met a gentleman who came into my real estate office. He was recently divorced and he mentioned that he played bridge. He and I dated for a couple of years, broke up and 14 years later started dating again!

I started playing bridge at the Austin Club in 2004. After that, I started teaching, directing and playing on a regular basis and enjoying it all. While I kept busy with bridge and real estate, I also belonged to the Unit Board and served as president and tried to help out as much as I could with the club. I now just direct a Limited group on Wednesdays with a brief lesson before the game.

So each week they get a joke, a lesson and some of my cooking! I think they are each worth lots of effort. The pride I feel from teaching them and seeing them advance is unmeasurable.

Janet Mitchell
205- Amistad (Western Mexico)

Our nominee for the District 16 Star Award this year is Janet Mitchell. Janet has served both our Unit in Western Mexico and our club at Lake Chapala tirelessly for many years. Born and raised in Peterborough, Ontario, Janet retired to Florida with her husband, Ross, following her career as a primary school teacher. In 1999, they moved to Lake Chapala, Mexico, where our story begins. Having learned to play bridge in Canada and Florida, Janet played socially at Lake Chapala before finding the Lake Chapala Duplicate Bridge Club, where she soon became an active member. She served on the Unit Board for Unit 205 for many years, working enthusiastically to support both our regional tournament in Puerto Vallarta and sectional tournament in Ajijic, Mexico. During her term on the Unit Board, she was our go-to person for hospitality, prizes, partnerships, and more, and certainly contributed to the continued success of those tournaments. Subsequent to serving on the Unit Board, Janet became a Club Director in 2018 and directs at least

one game a week. Having seen a need for greater encouragement and support for our players, she took it upon herself to create and maintain the Club's bulletin board that recognizes player accomplishments. Janet currently serves as Secretary of the Management Committee for the Lake Chapala Club. She is very well liked by all our players and willing to play with newcomers to the area should they need partners. We wish we had a dozen more dedicated players and workers like her in Lake Chapala!

Nelda Avent
225 East Texas

Nelda Avent is Unit 225's Texas Star Award recipient for 2019. Nelda exemplifies the requirement of the Texas Star Award as she has worn many hats as a Unit volunteer and past Unit President. She has worked tirelessly at the Unit level to promote bridge and to further Unit activities. Nelda has certainly made significant contributions to Unit 225 including:

- Serving as Unit President for 5 years,
 - Teaching novice classes at the Unit game
 - Making a presentation to Tyler City Council regarding freezing Unit 225's rent at the Senior Citizen Building
 - Co-Chair of Tournament of Roses several times
 - Partnership Chair for 2019 Tournament of Stars
- Nelda is always a terrific ambassador for bridge and willing to help out and support less experienced players. Congrats to Nelda on this well deserved award!

Lynn Sykes
233 Central Texas

Lynn's contributions to not only Unit 233 but also District 16 as a whole is evident at every level: She has undertaken and succeeded at two of the most demanding jobs--Unit Secretary and Unit Representative to the District 16 board. So far as I know, no one has ever held these two positions at the same time since both of them might be considered a full time commitment.

In fact, many of us refer to her volunteer bridge activities as her

"full time job." Hardly a day goes by that she is not dealing with issues as varied as tournament arrangements, special STaC games, keeping local club managers and directors "in the loop," or communicating with District 16 officers either asking questions or giving feedback. When attending the Houston Regional last February with Lynn, I noticed the tremendous rapport she had with the District leadership and representatives. I noticed so many casual as well as official conversations both before and after the quarterly meeting. During the tournament when I played at the table with any of these same people and upon their hearing that I was from Temple, they always talked about her work ethic, eagerness to learn, and her giving important feedback both from the unit and to the unit. Many said they had several phone calls and e-mails a week with her to discuss specific issues. She is, in short, a wonderful representative from Unit 233 both in responsibility and enthusiasm.

As Secretary of the Unit, she has to "juggle so many balls" in the air at the same time. Just reading her minutes of Board Meetings and Unit activities makes me tired. But, perhaps, it is her demeanor at the bridge table that reinforces to all of us what it means to be a true ambassador of the game. Anyone who has played with her will want to come back to the game. She knows how to concentrate, and she knows how to laugh; she knows how to admit mistakes, and she knows how to overlook those of others. She very seldom mentions her important role in her church and in working with the youth, but this same "stewardship" mentality is evident in her secular life in our bridge world.

Finally, many of us tend to take for granted her quarterly "road trips" to the District meetings. These four week-ends a year as well as the formidable driving over our Texas highways are not activities we should take lightly! These are just two of the more obvious unselfish contributions Lynn continues to make to all of our lives.

From The ACBL Website

Going into the Spring North American Bridge Championships in Columbus, our first priority is the health and safety of our members and employees. We are closely monitoring updates and recommendations from the government and health authorities, and we expect all participants to respect their local governments' travel advisories.

Some of the steps we are taking to prepare for the NABC include:

- Providing hand sanitizer stations throughout the playing area
 - Distributing personal hand sanitizer bottles
 - Spreading awareness of best defense methods through notices, both in the Daily Bulletin and around the playing area
- To help create as healthy an environment as possible, everyone should follow good hygiene practices, including these suggestions from the [Centers for Disease Control](#):

- Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly. This is the most effective way to protect yourself from any illness, including the coronavirus. Use soap and scrub for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom, before eating and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.
 - Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol content.
 - Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with your hands.
 - Maintain social distance – particularly with those who appear to be sick – by avoiding shaking hands, hugging or kissing when greeting friends (an "elbow bump" is a great alternative).
 - Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue and then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home when you are sick and seek medical attention as early as possible.

District 16 2019 Mini McKenney Leaders

0 to 5		5 to 20		20 to 50		50 to 100					
1	Cheri Gross, Austin	160	1	Sharon Evans, Boerne	97	1	Feza Buyukdura, Fairview	189	1	Roxi Raaf, Boerne	160
2	Gail Wingfield, Irving	97	2	Martin Hrachovy, Houston page 13	87	2	Paddy Fiorino, Missouri City	157	2	Nancy Tom, San Antonio	142
3	Lilly Justman, Austin	95	3	Sherill Baack, Dallas	85	3	Tom Russell, Cypress	146	3	Burton Shepherd, Dallas	132
4	Hasin Jinna, Houston	85	4	Albert Fulton, San Antonio	72	4	Betty Westbrook, Houston	137	4	Charlene Coor, Austin	121
5	Bill Jernigan, N Richland Hls	78	5	Bill Nash, Cypress	69	5	Ava Noble, Rosenberg	131	5	Kevin Orr, Austin	119
6	Ronald Perkowski, Houston	76	6	Debbie Nash, Cypress	69	6	Lawrence Michaels, Brookeland	117	6	Cindy Cox, League City	115
7	Jon Paul Temple, Dallas	57	7	Sarah Springer, Katy	69	7	Clint Smith, Dildo NL	89	7	Harlene Michaels, Brookeland	114
8	Linda Drake, Fulshear	55	8	Edward Kim, Round Rock	66	8	James Bishop, Waxahachie	88	8	Chuck Thomas, Carrollton	105
9	Earl Wright, Winona	53	9	Darrel VanDyke, Lewisville	63	9	Ann Johnson, Katy	76	9	Brian Schaffer, Houston	104
10	Kim Temple, Dallas	48	10	Tim Elsea, Georgetown	58	10	John Haussmann, Georgetown	75	10	Kathleen McDougall, Richmond	102
11	Aaron Denton, Austin	44	11	John Magyari, Magnolia	53	11	Mary Vagnoni, Houston	74	11	Jana Mueller, Dallas	96
12	Karen Norberg, Alamo	43	12	Thomas Sears, Austin	51	12	Ingrid Schulz, Houston	73	12	Jason Glatzer, Rockwall	93
13	Sharon Welsh, Plano	43	13	Mark Meiches, Dallas	49	13	Carolyn Henderson, Highland Vlg	70	13	Karen Elaine Dameron, Cedar Park	84
14	Jim La Rose, Richardson	40	14	Bob Green, Austin	46	14	Dennis Reid, Flower Mound	70	14	John Saylor, Grapeview	83
15	B.K. Sloan, Dallas	36	15	Mary Ruth Bordman, San Antonio	45	15	Cheryl Bradford, Dallas	63	15	Paramjjet Ahluwalia, Plano	81



Cheri Gross



Sharon Evans



Martin Hrachovy



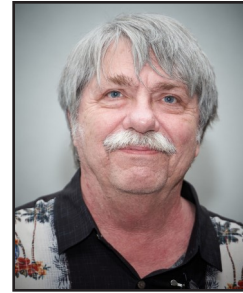
Paddy Fiorino



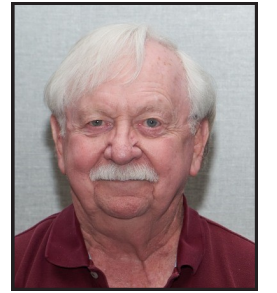
Roxi Raaf



Nancy Tom



Greg May



David Badertscher

100 to 200		200 to 300		300 to 500		500 to 1000					
1	Gregory May, Galveston	251	1	James Sells, Houston	375	1	Robert Bender, Plano	295	1	Jarek Langer, Austin	359
2	David Badertscher, Galveston	236	2	Bob Allen, Austin	250	2	Clifford Smith, Marietta	243	2	Anita Platt, Dallas	297
3	Allan Chernov, Irving	193	3	Ann Dahn, Spring	215	3	Stuart Nelan, Melissa	215	3	Roxann Swenson, Austin	290
4	Robert Kayser, Carrollton	182	4	William Eads, Fort Worth	181	4	Ribs LaMothe, Coppell	212	4	Ari Sippola, Richardson	266
5	Jay Evert, Houston	174	5	Terence Harley, Richardson	175	5	Robert Holliday, Plano	204	5	Wes Peirce, The Woodlands	262
6	Corbin Shouse, Spring	172	6	Darlyn Dusek, League City	170	6	Jeannie Stone, Houston	203	6	Jack Dean, Houston	261
7	Charles Hill, Keller	167	7	Douglas Lilly, Seabrook	167	7	Linda Buzan, Midland	203	7	Jeanette Dean, Houston	261
8	Yesh Singh, San Antonio	166	8	Mary Chaffin, Dallas	167	8	Laura Chandler, Houston	191	8	Carol Ramberg, Fair Oaks Ranch	242
9	Sharon Harbach, Argyle	160	9	Fred Carver, Dallas	162	9	Ross Ramsey, Flower Mound	185	9	Ken Hanson, Austin	239
10	Mark Incerto, Houston	144	10	Charles Spradlin, Longview	154	10	David Richard, Fulshear	185	10	Robert Crawford, Houston	222
11	Karen Oberling, Georgetown	143	11	Robert Johnson, A	152	11	Jeanne Dawley, San Antonio	178	11	Jerry Frankel, Plano	219
12	Candace Jacobson, Austin	138	12	Linda Harley, Richardson	149	12	Brad Chandler, Houston	176	12	Sharon Ward, Richardson	214
13	Robyn Williams, Pearland	132	13	W Kenneth Davis, Austin	146	13	Evan Marti, Houston	176	13	Liz Jacobson, Laredo	213
14	Mary Wells, Houston	131	14	Shirley Kingsley, Houston	138	14	Lunhui Lin, Dickinson	173	14	Hellen Revelle, Dallas	212
15	Michael Wells, Houston	128	15	Jackie King, League City	135	15	Charles Mogged Jr., Colleyville	159	15	Martha Ward, Plano	200



James Sells



Robert Bender



Jaroslaw Langer



Steven Bell



Rosalind Smith



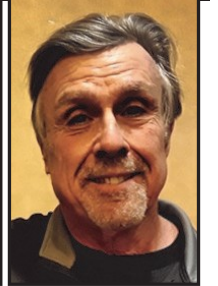
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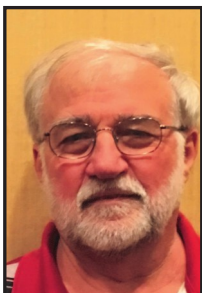


Anne LaCour



David Ticen

1000 to 1500		1500 to 2500		2500 to 3500		3500 to 5000					
1	Steven Bell, Cypress	460	1	Thomas Rush, Houston	856	1	Anne LaCour, Georgetown	475	1	Milton Neher, Richardson	602
2	Rosalind Smith, Dallas	442	2	Dolores Aquino, Houston	658	2	David Ticen, Victoria	424	2	Timucin Erkoc, Houston	584
3	John Moore, Austin	402	3	Stan Pushkarsky, Austin	442	3	Robert Buchanan, Arlington	392	3	James Breihan, Houston	497
4	Shawn Drenning, Austin	321	4	Sharon Dameron, Cedar Park	427	4	Kim Brinkman, Flower Mound	386	4	Tomi Storey, Frisco	442
5	Kathryn Bailey, Dripping Spring	318	5	James Ochsner, Houston	413	5	Susan Kaplan, Houston	354	5	Harry Elliott, Cypress	439
6	James Moody, Austin	279	6	Sidney Perutz, Dallas	398	6	Ariel Leibovitz, Houston	347	6	John Lindsey, Houston	414
7	Anne Adams, Houston	260	7	Larry Levin, San Antonio	392	7	Harold Copeland, Houston	338	7	Joe Black, Austin	395
8	Kristen Onsgard, Dallas	259	8	Scott Nason, Dallas	388	8	Steve Vaughn, Kingwood	336	8	Syed R Naqvi, Richmond	384
9	Tom Hogle, Houston	257	9	Jerry Barrett, Austin	381	9	Amy Downing, Plano	334	9	L. W. Laird, Sugar Land	379
10	Gary Anderson, Austin	253	10	Jo England, Dallas	380	10	Romeo Bodrogi-Podoaba, Houston	332	10	Norman Beck, Dallas	373
11	Linda McReynolds, Houston	247	11	Courtney Coffman, The Woodlands	364	11	Harry Ingham, San Marcos	324	11	William Daniel III, The Woodlands	366
12	Marilyn Leiman, Houston	245	12	Raleigh Williamson, Houston	338	12	Stephen Reichke, Houston	312	12	Rick Stell, Houston	359
13	Hugh Humphries, Bellaire	241	13	Jane Kirby, Dallas	336	13	Edwin (Ted) Bain III, Katy	307	13	Randall Lake, Houston	354
14	Thomas Smith, Austin	239	14	Anita Albert, Austin	311	14	Florence Beaird, Dallas	298	14	Stephen Toplansky, San Antonio	351
15	Allison Ochsner, Houston	229	15	Kitty Wong, Pearland	309	15	Arthur Giovannangeli, Houston	285	15	Jerrold Harrington, San Antonio	345



Milton Neher



Timucin Erkoc



Ron LaCour



Jack LaVigne



Phil Clayton



Jack Borenstein



Eddie Wold

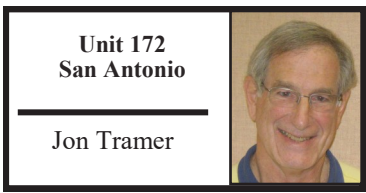


Chris Compton



Ellen & Ira Hessel

5000 to 7500		7500 to 10,000		Over 10,000		Sectional YTD Leaders					
1	Phil Clayton, Frisco	491	1	Jack LaVigne, Houston	840	1	Eddie Wold, Houston	1854	1.	Ira Hessel, San Antonio	354
2	Jack Borenstein, Dallas	483	2	Ron LaCour, Georgetown	676	2	Chris Compton, Dallas	1660	2.	Ellen Hessel, San Antonio	279
3	David Henke, Houston	469	3	Ellen Hessel, San Antonio	568	3	Mike Passell, Plano	1547	3.	Donna Swarouth, San Antonio	277
4	Bill Osborn, Frisco	454	4	William White, Arlington	482	4	Greg Hinz, San Antonio	1390	4.	Dave Swarouth, San Antonio	276
5	Charlene Sands, Pflugerville	453	5	Sally Wheeler, The Woodlands	462	5	Venkatrao Koneru, San Antonio	1093	5.	Stephen Kornegay, N Richland Hls	275
6	Suresh Agrawal, Heath	451	6	Pat Cassidy, Arlington	445	6	Dan Morse, Houston	981	6.	Nancy Kornegay, N Richland Hls	266
7	David Sokolow, Austin	445	7	Buddy Hanby, The Woodlands	426	7	Michael Schreiber, Plano	971	7.	Mark Bumgardner, Dallas	255
8	Betty Starzec, Sugar Land	406	8	Phillip Grothus, Houston	413	8	Justin Lall, Little Elm	941	8.	Dan Morse, Houston	245
9	Melody Gann, Arlington	401	9	Virginia Noelke, San Angelo	384	9	Ira Hessel, San Antonio	892	9.	Kimmel Jones, Euless	229
10	Carolyn Riely, San Antonio	390	10	Mary Pat Gentry, Houston	343	10	Robert Morris, Houston	774	10.	Nagy Kamel, Plano	201
11	Martha Young, Dallas	384	11	Bill Staats, Southlake	342	11	Bob Hamman, Dallas	685	11.	Ed Rawlinson, Helotes	194
12	Daniel Jackson, San Antonio	383	12	Ed Rawlinson, Helotes	311	12	Stephen Kornegay, N Richland Hls	678	12.	Bill Staats, Southlake	184
13	Mike Graham, Ore City	357	13	Shirley McKee, Houston	306	13	Dave Swarouth, San Antonio	657	13.	Michael Penick, Dallas	182
14	Larry Davis, Austin	351	14	James La Fountain, Temple	288	14	Joe Quinn, Sugar Land	638	14.	Phillip Grothus, Houston	177
15	Louis Sachar, Austin	347	15	Jo Smith, Abilene	279	15	Donna Swarouth, San Antonio	622	15.	Hugh Hillaker, Grand Prairie	176



It is almost impossible to talk about Herb Keyser, truly a man for all seasons, in 500 words or less (my column's limit), but I'm going to try.

Scholar & Leader: While helping with two deaf parents in Philadelphia, Herb completed medical school at Hahnemann, followed by an OB-GYN specialization in New York, where he eventually became Department Co-chairman – at one of the largest hospitals on Long Island.

Author and Speaker: He also served as a lieutenant colonel in the US Army medical Corps during the Vietnam war, co-authoring articles in medical journals and chapters of textbooks. Then, he wrote two books on America's healthcare system, lectured throughout the United States, with three appearances on NIGHTLINE with Ted Koppel and two with Regis Philbin. Plus, appearances on CNN and an HBO special.

Chef: His third book was based on his adventures with his elegant wife Barbara, as they traveled throughout Europe for an entire year by car, boat, train, and plane. Let's not forget the pastry chef. Herb persuaded 14 of the greatest pastry chefs in Paris to take him into their kitchens and teach him how to prepare one dessert - lemon tarts (Book #4). He has already raised more than \$55,000 for charity by selling his tarts, and that was two years ago.

Performer: Herb has always had a love for theater. As a young man, he performed on local TV as an announcer, singer, and dancer, working summers in the Borsh Belt. Fifty years later, he is still entertaining crowds, on land and on cruises, lecturing about Geniuses of the American Musical Theatre (Book #5).

Player: Oh, gee, I almost forgot about

BRIDGE! Herb didn't start playing until he was 70 years old. Barbara, a seasoned bridge player, convinced Herb to begin reading bridge books, and the rest is history. Herb only plays with Barbara and only at the duplicate bridge tables (especially during cruises).

If this column has run long, Herb (and Barbara) are worth it. Herb is looking forward to his FreePlay in March, when he turns 87. I wish him well.

Winter Sectional

San Antonio TX
Jan 16-19 2020
291 players.

Total attendance: 288 tables.

- 1 30.88 Patty Hinze
- 2 30.88 Greg Hinze
- 3 27.46 Rosemary Kelley
- 4 26.33 Phillip Grothus
- 5 21.82 Paul Darin
- 6 21.26 Roxana Tom
- 7 21.07 Lamya Agelidis
- 8 20.11 Jim Johnsen
- 9 17.72 Jeanne Dawley
- 10 17.44 Stan Pushkarsky
- 11 17.44 Anita Albert

Thu Morn Open Pairs-31.0 Tables / Based on 40 Tables A1. Rosemary Kelley-Phillip Grothus A2B1. Tessa Bodnar-Jeanne Dawley B2. Jack Dean-Jeanette Dean C1. Paddy Fiorino-James Sells C2. James Cuccia-Elisabeth Kay

Thu Morn 499er Pairs-8.5 Tables AB1. Sharon Evans-Nancy Tom AB2. Nancy Erwin-B Gayle Ward C1. Michael Beldon-Louise Beldon C2. Barbara Lee-Marybeth Parsons

Thu Aft Swiss-31 Tables / Based on 35 Tables A1. Thomas Peters-Judy Peters-Rosemary Kelley-Phillip Grothus A2. Jim Johnsen-Paul Darin-Patty Hinze-Greg Hinze B1/2 Ron Brown-Judy Brown-James Sells-Paddy Fiorino B1/2 Richard Curtin-Kay Laird-Pat Prichard-Victor Press . Jon Pack-Anni Pack-Rosalind Brazda-Robert Christophel C2. Jan Wingate-Linda Banks-Lois Kertesz-Annetta Hughson

Thursday Aft 499er Pairs-3.5 Tables A1. Lew Spurlock-Yesh Singh A2B1. Beverly Fulton-Sue Rodarte B2.

Rhonwyn Weissman-Sue McCulley
Fri Morn Open Pairs-35.0 Tables / Based on 46 Tables AB1. Stan Pushkarsky-Anita Albert A2.. Greg Hinze-Patty Hinze B2. Carol Ramberg-Andy Villastrigo C1. Paddy Fiorino-James Sells C2. Louise Day-Barbara Haley

Fri Morn 499er Pairs-11.0 Tables A1. Sheila Stein-Jack Stein A2B1. Lelia Jackson-Nancy Tom B2. B Gayle Ward-Nancy Erwin C1. Jill Held-Claudine Loyd C2. Beverly Flannery-June Eubank

Fri Aft Open Pairs-39.5 Tables / Based on 50 Tables A1. Carolyne Fox-James Breihan A2. Sam Dinkin-Lynn Baker B1. Jean Blilie-Eugene Lux B2. Stan Pushkarsky-Anita Albert C1. Jan Mogged-Charles Mogged Jr C2. Linda Brodie-Carol Ehrman

Fri Aft 499er Pairs-10.0 Tables A1. Sharon Harbach-Ross Ramsey A2BC1. Jill Held-Claudine Loyd BC2. Sandra Thompson-Mary Ruth Bordman

Sat Morn Open Pairs-19.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables A1. Greg Hinze-Patty Hinze A2. Jim Johnsen-Paul Darin B1. Jean Blilie-Eugene Lux B2C1. Jim McMullan-Ann McMullan C2. Linda Brodie Carol Ehrman

Sat Morn 499er Pairs-6.5 Tables AB1. M Paulina Anderson-B Gayle Ward AB2C1. Karen Henderson-Brenda Garcia C2. Claudine Loyd-Jill Held

Fri Eve Fast Pairs-8.0 Tables A1. Romeo Bodrogi-Podoaba A2. Jack Lacy-Jerry Barrett BC1. William Eads Zaem Lutfi B2/3C2. Burton Shepherd-Chuck Thomas B2/3 Phillip Jaeger Austin TX; Thomas Hackenberg

Sat Aft Open Pairs-22.5 Tables A1. Jim Johnsen-Paul Darin A2. Greg Hinze-Patty Hinze BC1. John Dover-Yesh Singh BC2. Ronald Kunkel-Ken Hanson

Sunday Stratified Swiss-31 Tables A1. Tom Breed-Eddie Bass-Ron LaCour-Ellen Hessel A2. Brian Bankler-Roxana Tom-Lamya Agelidis -Richard Lampman B2. Forrest Gray-Kathy Sinkin-Amor-Bob Steidel-Jeanne Dawley C1. Sheryl Thomas-Betty Cartmell-Mary Dodson-Susan Halasi C2. Robert Armstrong-Patricia Armstrong-Amy Allen-Linda Mott



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APRIL 22-25**

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Wednesday, April 22

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

Thursday, April 23

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

Friday, April 24

- 10 am Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
- 2:30 pm Stratified Open Pairs & 499'er Pairs
- Lecture at 2 PM

Saturday, April 25

- 10 am & TBA Stratified Swiss Teams – Meal between sessions.
- A/X: A= 4000+ X=0-400 (play together)
- BCD no player over 2000
- B=750-2000 C=300-750 D=0-300

Stratifications: A 2500+ B 750-2500 C 0-750
Modified as attendance warrants
Stratifications for 499er A 300-500 B 100-300 C 0-100
at Director's Discretion
Average Masterpoints will be used in all events

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Gene Luxe, Jean Blilie



Friday Morn 499ers
Nancy Tom, Leila Jackson



Friday Aft Open Pairs C
Jan & Chuck Mogged



Thursday Morn 499ers
Nancy Tom, Sharon Evans



ThursMoring Open
Paddy Fiorino-James Sells



Thursday Aft Swiss Team A
Tom & Judy Peters,
Phillip Grothus, Rosemary Kelley



Thu Morn Open Pairs A1
Rosemary Kelley-Phillip Grothus



Fri Morn Open Pairs AB
Anita Albert-Stan Pushkarsky



Thursday Aft 499er Pairs A.
Lew Spurlock-Yesh Singh



Sat Aft Open Pairs
Jim Johnsen-Paul Darin



Thu Aft Swiss C1
Robert Christophel- Rosalind Brazda
Jon Pack-Anni Pack



Fri PM Open Pairs Ft C
William Eads, Zaem Lutfi



Sat Morn Open Pairs
Greg Hinze-Patty Hinze

Unit 174 Houston

Carol Ann Wilson

Unit News (www.acblunit174.org): Our **Lone Star Regional** was fantastic! Tournament Chairs **Lauri Laufman** and **Jack LaVigne** and their team made everything very special for our 3,052 tables! The movie "Aces & Knaves" on Saturday night was enjoyed, complete with popcorn, by about 125 of us, and the reviews indicate that those who missed it should make sure they see it. Good job! Our Welcome Desk and Hospitality were again rated EXCELLENT, with the work of our great volunteers, led by **Sam Khayatt**.

Mini-Soloway Tue-Wed and Thur-Fri: We had *TWO* Mini-Soloway events: *Tues-Wed* was won by the team of **Jim Mahaffey**, Winter Park FL; **Sam Lev - Daniel Lev**, NYC; **Alfredo Versace**, Rome Italy; **Gary Cohler**, Delray Beach FL; and **Mustafa Cem Tokay**, Manhattan, for 50.56 MPs, and *Thur-Fri* was won by the team of **Alison Wilson**, NYC; **Louk Verhees Jr**, **Cornelis Van Prooijen**; and **John Kranyak**, Las Vegas, for 51.19 MPs. Overall MP winners were Florida's **Jeff Meckstroth** and **Jeff Overby** with 117. We enjoyed meeting players from all over the USA and other countries and appreciate their support of what we think is the Best Regional! We honored our amazing **Eddie Wold** for reaching the 75,000 MP milestone! Eddie says, "You can really only get as good as the people you play with and against." So: Play UP, Everyone!

Election Sectional April 3-5: We are working on more favorable scheduling, so we want to reminder that our Unit 174 Annual Membership Meeting will be held at **9:15 on Sunday morning, April 5, before** the session begins at 10 (with a light breakfast at 9). We really need the members' support to attain a quorum. Election results to fill three board positions and the annual award presentations will occur just prior to the afternoon session. Come on out to the Marriott Westchase (\$99 room cutoff is 3/20) and get some Silver!

News from Unit 174 Clubs (all club links at www.acblunit174.org): **Bridge Club of Houston, www.bridgeclubofhouston.com**, held another successful 499er tournament with 99 tables, and they have another coming up March 19-22. They are especially proud of two of their teachers, **Julie Halperin** and **Sam Khayatt**, who were finalists for D16 Teacher of the Year! **Westside Bridge Academy, westsidebridgeacademy.com**, had a full house with 50 tables for a party on 2/13 honoring **Eddie Wold** for achieving 75,000 MPs over his 42-year career. He told us the most that can be won for an event is 250, so you can imagine how many wins he has! Westside is continuing its Wed. night "no-stress" duplicate game for beginners with less than 20 MPs, and **Bert Onstott** stays to discuss the hands. Westside was the biggest club in Texas for 2015, 2016, 2018, and 2019! What happened in 2017? Hurricane Harvey flooded the club. Check their calendar for experts who stay after some sessions to discuss the hands played that day. **Lone Star Bridge Club, www.lonestarbridgeclub.org**, meets at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Conroe on Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 10:30, and a 299er game on the second Tuesday with a free lesson by **Jeff Kroll**. Finally, a reminder of **Bob Lee's** report that **Katy Duplicate Bridge Club, kattybridge.webs.com**, now meets at Spring Creek BBQ at 21000 Katy Fwy (Westgreen Blvd. and I-10) in Katy (281-829-0359). The \$5 fee is waived with a meal purchase. For info or partnership assistance, contact Bob Lee by text to 713.557.4077 or email to relee321@gmail.com.

New 70% Accomplishments: **Jim Warren** reports from Cypress NW **Bridge Club, bridgewebs.com/cypressnw**, that on 1/7 **Steven Bell** and **Linda Rensi** had a 72.92% game and on 1/9 **Michael Bossert** and **Sara Bossert** had a 72.01%. **Lone Star Bridge Club** reports **Skip Brower** and **William Lindner** 71.13% on 10/28; **John Erickson** and **Bill Gemas** 71.97% on 12/23 and *again* on

1/13 the same duo had a 70.51% game, and *yet again* the same duo on 1/30 had a 70.50% game! **Bridge Club of Houston** reports that **Ingrid Schulz** and **Elizabeth Wise** had a 72.50% game in the 299Rs on 9/2 and they *also* had a 71.57% in the 199R game on 10/28; and in the open games, a 70.05% by **Allen Wolf** and **Gail Carter** on 12/31; and on 1/8 **Courtney Coffman** and **Steve Bell** posted 70.47%. **Clear Lake Bridge Club** reports that **Randall Clements** and **Rajni Amin** had a 71.67% in the 199er game on 1/6; and in the open games a 71.07% game was posted on 12/2 by **Ida Morrow** and **Arthur Giovannangeli** and on 12/21 **Nelson Brown, Jr.** and **Dana Brown** had a 71.06%. **Spring Branch Duplicate Club** reports **Judith Hoffing** and **Shirley McKee** with a 71.69% on 1/16 and *again* the same pair had a 70.86% on 1/23. At **Westside Bridge Academy** their I/N winners were **Amy Grossman** and **Herbert Grossman** with a 75% on 12/31, **Margaret Thomson** and **Susan Silvey** 73.75% on 1/3, and **Veronique Lhemann** and **Lucie Gysen** 75.89% on 1/21; in the open games, **Joe Quinn** and **Bill St. Clair** 73.83% on 12/4; **Joe Quinn** and **Tom Breed** 70.16% on 12/6 and *again* on 12/13 the same duo had 73.16%; **Vin Tranh** and **Dan Morse** 70.99% on 12/31; **Kyle Lueders** and **Vera Sinheimer** 70.38% on 1/3; **Timucin Erkoc** and **Karen Fireman** 70.56% on 1/12; and **Joe Quinn** and **Shawn Quinn** a 71.50% on 1/31. Lots of repeat performers this time! (Makes me want whatever **Joe Quinn** eats for breakfast!) And we even had a Big Game at the **Lone Star Regional:** Houston's **Joe & Dianna Gittelman** posted a 73.51% in the Saturday afternoon side game. **Congratulations to all!**

Overheard at the bridge table: **Vic Sitton** told about his early play with the impressive **Ed Groner** (1929-2018), where Ed told him after reviewing their bidding of a hand, "If you think I've got it, I probably don't!" Good advice for all of us.

Loving Farewell In Memoriam: Unit 174 lost **Dan Leightman** on 12/30, **Robert Siefert** on 1/21, and Club Director **Jody Henry** on 2/1. We will miss them all very much. Till next time . . .

Lone Star Regional

Houston,
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1653 players. 3052 tables.

- 1 117.11 Jeff Overby, FL
- 2 117.11 Jeff Meckstroth, FL
- 3 103.04 Louk Verhees Jr, Voorhout
- 4 103.04 John Kranyak, NV
- 5 103.04 Cornelis Van Prooijen, NY
- 6 103.04 Alison Wilson, NY
- 7 100.73 Alfredo Versace, Rome
- 8 100.08 Richard Chan, ON
- 9 100.08 Ming Sheng, Northbrook IL
- 10 99.62 Mustafa Cem Tokay, NY
- 11 90.94 Robert L McClendon, FL
- 12 89.82 Vladislav Isporski, Sofia
- 13 89.82 James Melville, IL
- 14 87.59 Alex Khrakovsky, OH
- 15 86.29 Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas
- 16 84.31 Michael Heins, IL
- 17 84.31 Aldo Cardia, FL
- 18 83.00 Greg Hinze, San Antonio
- 19 78.49 Carole Liss, San Rafael CA
- 20 77.22 Gary Cohler, FL
- 21 76.91 Sam Lev, New York NY
- 22 76.11 Daniel Lev, New York NY
- 23 76.03 Ira Hessel, San Antonio
- 24 74.97 W Lease, Richmond
- 25 74.31 Karin Kelsey, Albuquerque
- 26 74.31 Jacob Morgan, Madison WI

Mon Gold Rush Pairs-18.0 Tables B1. Gregory May-David Badertscher, Galveston B2C1. David Vaughn-Mary Vaughn, Houston B3. Paddy Fiorino, Missouri City; Jay Evert, Houston B4. Jane Lawson-Susan Domsalla, The Woodlands B5. Sue Alt, Austin; Cynthia Rivet, Lakeway C2. Marilyn Foote, Dallas; Janet Sheppard, Plano C3. Elizabeth McDaniel, Austin; Karrie Washenfelder, Richmond C4. Dennis Simpson-William Voss, Grand Junction CO C5. Gigi White, Bellaire; Mark Levy, Houston
Mon Bracketed Swiss-1-9 Tables 1. Carole Liss, San Rafael CA; Karin Kelsey, Albuquerque NM; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Jeremy Lewis, Lexington NC; Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV 2. Patti Mullendore-Eddie Wold-Robert Morris, Houston; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON; Jane Armstrong, Sugar Land
Mon Bracketed Swiss-2-9 Tables 1. Terry McHenry-Gen Geiger-Gigi Simpson, Sarasota FL; May Sakr,

Ardmore PA
2. Aldo Cardia-Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Heins, Champaign IL; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH
Mon Bracketed Swiss-3-9 Tables 1/2 Steven Bell, Cypress; Courtney Coffman, The Woodlands; Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson, Austin 1/2 Nancy Boothe, Houston; Marie-France Benoit, Ottawa ON; Jim Dick, Harlingen; Preston Morrow, Dallas
Mon Bracketed Swiss-4-9 Tables 1. Ann McDougal-Rick Barrett, Houston; A Desmond, Jersey Village; Laura Jones, Katy 2. Terri O'Brien, Leander; Kathryn Bailey, Dripping Spring; Barbara Morgan-Mary Rita de Hoyos, New Braunfels
Mon Bracketed Swiss-5-9 Tables 1. David Littmann, Brookshire; Sharon Haley-Constance Singleton-Hasin Jinna, Houston; Pamela White, 2. Carol Lombardino-John Montgomery, Tomball; David Robinson, Granbury; Bob Otis, San Antonio
Mon Bracketed Swiss-6-9 Tables 1. Bob Mendel-Tonya McNabb, Houston; Carla Pierce-Bruce Pierce, Daphne AL 2. Donald Boyd-David Bradt-Helene Gersch, Houston; Roam Gunn, Hot Springs AR
Mon Bracketed Swiss-7-9 Tables 1. Jerry Hoffman-George Nelson-Linda Lewis, Houston; Kris Sankaran, Sugar Land 2. Marguerite Crowl-Gerry Earnest-Jean Jardine-Cissy Wortham, Montgomery
Mon Bracketed Swiss-8-12 Tables 1. Mark Alpert-Judy Alpert-John Foley-Charlene Coor, Austin 2. Lynn Luster-Laura McWilliams-Margot Cater-Linwood Olson, Houston
Tue A/X Pairs-28.0 Tables / Based on 82 Tables A1. James Melville, Springfield IL; Vladislav Isporski, Sofia Bulgaria A2X1. Sandra Parker, Sugar Land; W Lease, Richmond A3/4B2. Mike Doyle, Katy; David Goldfarb, Houston A3/4 Jeff McKee, Cleveland; David Brower, Portland OR A5. Carolyne Fox, Manvel; Nancy Boothe, Houston X3. Cliff Rice-Mark Howard, Houston X5. Max Levit, Houston; Barbara Phillips, Spring
Tue Mid-Flight Pairs-14.0 Tables / Based on 54 Tables B1. Jean Blilie, Kerrville; Eugene Lux, Fredericksburg B2C1. Carol Ehrman, Houston; Linda Brodie, Bellaire B3. Courtney Stephens-Carol Stephens, Greensboro GA B4. Joan Sitton, Sugar Land; Catherine Prasad, Missouri City B5C2. Nile Gross, Katy; David Richard, Fulshear C3. Shari Winston-Gary Winston, Houston C5. James Sadler, Las Vegas NV; Beverly Meyer, Carson City NV
Tue Gold Rush Pairs-37.0 Tables BC1. Bonnie Loudin-Edith Purgason, Houston B 2 Gregory May-David Badertscher, Galveston 3. Marcia Lindsey, Bellaire; David Littmann, Brookshire 4. Helen Schaps-Joni Holten, Houston B5C2. Harlene Michaels-Lawrence Michaels, Brookeland C3. Freddie Schmitt-Peter Schmitt, Stoney Creek ON C4. Helen Hollis-Gaylene Jewell, Houston C5. Brian Dudley, Spring; William Shepherd, Tomball
Tue Bracketed Swiss-1-9 Tables 1. Kay Enfield, Santa Fe NM; Lynne Andress-James Breihan, Houston; Greg Hinze, San Antonio 2. Jacob Karno, Metairie LA; Todd Lusk-C Reis, Baton Rouge LA; Howard Parker III, Clements CA
Tue Bracketed Swiss-2-9 Tables 1. Aldo Cardia-Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Heins, Champaign IL; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH 2. Karen Tabak Nussbaum-Chuck Gillis-Charles Markowitz, Houston; Jack Stone, Sugar Land
Tue Bracketed Swiss-3-9 Tables 1/2 William Daniel III-Judy Gibson-Wes Peirce, The Woodlands; Mary McDonald, Willis 1/2 Edwin Zwald-Gabriel Perry-Ashok Shingavi, Houston; Joseph Wald, Morgantown GA
Tue Bracketed Swiss-4-9 Tables 1. David Dyer-Terry Harrison-Carol Jewett-Connie Conover, Houston 2. Norman Sweed-Ronnie Sweed, Potomac MD; Malou Flato, Pray MT; Richard Chin, Bozeman
Tue Bracketed Swiss-5-9 Tables 1. Marshal Iehl, Waterloo IA; William Boyer-Marsha Boyer, Spring; Janece Oleson, Evansdale IA 2. Frederick Gregory, Houston; Karen Fireman, The Woodlands; Joseph Volanski, Spring; Sam Khayatt, Kingwood 3. Carol Lombardino-John Montgomery, Tomball; Bob Otis, San Antonio; David Robinson, Granbury
Tue Bracketed Swiss-6-9 Tables 1. Ginger Hebert-Dee Daigle-Jean Kiesel, Lafayette LA; Jane Ardoin, Eunice LA 2. James Ochsner-Allison

Ochsner-Marsha Doyle-Robert Burridge, Houston 3. Lynn Luster-Nan Fulweber-Evelyn James, Houston; Linda Dent, Ottawa ON
Tue Bracketed Swiss-7-9 Tables 1. Leivley Fanarof-Ann Gibbs-Marilyn Leiman-Jane Joplin, Houston 2. Terry Sucher, Montgomery; Clark Vernon, Hot Springs Vlg AR; Robert Shanley-Suzanne Shanley, Houston 3. Millicent Wear-Pamela Barineau-Mary Whilden-Susan McMahan, Houston
Tue Bracketed Swiss-8-9 Tables 1. Joanna Heebner-Bill Chamberlain-Gary Shepley-Jenelle Chamberlain, Houston 2. Thomas Martinsen-Linda Martinsen, Bellaire; Jerry Hoffman-Jerry McNeely, Houston 3. Janet Smith-Marilyn Jordan-Susan Stone, Kingwood; Carol Krug, Houston
Tue Bracketed Swiss-9-9 Tables 1 Gretchen Lindquist, Houston; Charles Collins, Shenandoah; Judy Farrar-Bill Farrar, Spring 2. Chris Whitelonus-Jeff Armstrong-Linwood Olson-Julie Connor, Houston 3. Barbara Borkgren, McCormick SC; Sandra Maalouf-Lessley Cain, Montgomery; Linda Dellsperger, League City
Tue Bracketed Swiss-10-9 Tables 1. Bette Linbeck-Ann Wales-Judith Britton-Eleanor Lipscomb, Houston 2. Esther Ellis, Kingsland; Richard Day-Liz Hinkle, Horseshoe Bay; Linda Vincent, Johnson City 3 Joyce Wormser-Barbara Sharp-Sandra Poland, Pearland; Lenette Sadler, Carrollton LA 86.00
Tue Bracketed Swiss-11-9 Tables 1. David Petkus, Kemah; Jeannie Stone-Laura Chandler, Houston; Jackie King, League City 2. Robert Vilyus-Marilyn Gale Vilyus-Michael Wexler, Houston; Kris Sankaran, Sugar Land 3. Barbara Glass, Sugar Land; Elizabeth Jackson-Marvin Meistrich, Houston; Diane Kaminsky, Bellaire
Tue Bracketed Swiss-12-9 Tables 1. Elizabeth Giroir-Nancy Guthrie-Kenneth Hudson-Susan Smith, Houston 2. Douglas Lilly, Seabrook; Sandi Mills-Shirley Kingsley-Mary Ellen Vail, Houston 3. Walter Rudd-Kathryn Tillson-Louise Hargon-Susan Lipsey, Baton Rouge LA
Tue Bracketed Swiss-13-17 Tables 1. Ronald Kunkel, Leander; Curt Wyman-Michael Rainbird-Cheri Gross, Austin 2. Julie Barkas-Charlotte Frattini-Loretta Martin, Baton Rouge LA; Janice Medlin, Greenwell Spgs LA 3. Bob Chiang-Robert Wang, Sugar Land; Ying Pan-Larry Hsing, Houston 4. Robyn Williams-Arvis Williams-Vera Annenkova, Pearland; Karen Jones, Seabrook 5. Dorothy Roper-Larry Wadler-Jack Adams, Houston; Weston Frazier, Wharton
Tue-Wed Eve Swiss-8 Tables 1. Dana Hastings-Jan Galey, Baton Rouge LA; Janice Henderson, Gonzales LA; Frances Schenk, Denham Springs LA 2. Deborah Harper-Layne Noble, Ottawa ON; Ming Sheng, Northbrook IL; Richard Chan, Markham ON 3. Linda Drake, Fulshear; Leah McCarthy, McKinney; Donna Rasmussen, Broomfield CO; B Haznedar, Houston
Wed A/X/Y Pairs-40.0 Tables / Based on 80 Tables A.1 Jeff Meckstroth, Clearwater Bch FL; Jeff Overby, Boynton Beach FL A2. Richard Chan, Markham ON; Ming Sheng, Northbrook IL A3. Randall Lake, Houston; George Fox, Manvel A4. Michael Curley, Rockford MI; Jonathan Fleischmann, Bloomfield MI A5. Ira Hessel, San Antonio; Nancy Passell, Plano XY1. Lotte Optekamp-Susan McMahan, Houston X2. Gerry McKim, Garland; Kim Brinkman, Flower Mound X3. Charlie Robert-Sally Gerhold, Baton Rouge LA X5Z3. William Van Dame-Lesly Van Dame, Houston Z4. Dale Thompson, Houma LA; Richard Leonardon, Santa Fe NM Z5. Michael Fagan, Rosharon; Dolores Aquino, Houston
Wed Gold Rush Pairs-28.0 Tables / Based on 27 Tables CZ1. June Poplack-Elizabeth Giroir, Houston CZ2. Lawrence Michaels-Harlene Michaels, Brookeland CZ3. Sharon Kagan, Bellaire; Moira Morris, Houston CZ4. John Foley-Charlene Coor, Austin CZ5. P O'Shea, Spring; Robert Dennis, Houston
Wed Bracketed Swiss-1-9 Tables 1. Hemant Lall, Carrollton; Reese Milner, Sarasota FL; Justin Lall, Little Elm; Jacek Pszczola, Chapel Hill NC 2/3 Mike Levine, Boca Raton FL; Kay Enfield, Santa Fe NM; Greg Hinze, San Antonio; Vincent Demuy, Palm Bch Gdns FL; Daniel Korbel, Las Vegas NV 2/3 Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV; Karin Kelsey, Albuquerque NM; Jacob Morgan, Madison WI; Carole Liss, San Rafael CA

Wed Bracketed Swiss-2-9 Tables 1. Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA; Jay Barron, Tulsa OK; Eric Genheimer, Edmond OK; Joe Veal, Oklahoma City OK 2. Janice Henderson, Gonzales LA; Frances Schenk, Denham Springs LA; Larry Federico, Metairie LA; Idell Adams, Baton Rouge LA 3. Anne LaCout, Georgetown; Joe Black, Austin; Tomi Storey, Frisco; Robert Buchanan, Arlington
Wed Bracketed Swiss-3-9 Tables 1/2 William Houck, Houston; Chuck Ensor-Brendra BK Singh, Seabrook; David Kuykendall, Pearland 1/2 Hugh Humphries-Kay Humphries, Bellaire; Rick Stell, Houston; Steve Vaughn, Kingwood 3. Debra Bellan, Sugar Land; Lynn Shapiro-Kyle Lueders-Nancy Reader, Houston
Wed Bracketed Swiss-4-9 Tables 1. Carol Winograd, Bellaire; Marilyn Leiman-Anne Adams, Houston; Yin Choo, Sugar Land 2. Eric Sandberg-Janice Sandberg-Raleigh Williamson-Harold Copeland, Houston 3. Joe Everette-Doris Everette-Mavis Warren, Montgomery; Janelle Frusha, Houston
Wed Bracketed Swiss-5-9 Tables 1. Kathryn Bailey, Dripping Spring; Terri O'Brien, Leander; Stan Pushkarsky-Anita Albert, Austin 2. Steven Bell, Cypress; Courtney Coffman, The Woodlands; Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett, Austin 3/4 Mary McDonald, Willis; Judy Gibson, The Woodlands; Carolyn Lanier, Houston; Edwin (Ted) Bain III, Katy 3/4 Marion Collins, Anderson; Janece Oleson, Evansdale IA; Sandy Potts, Austin; Marshal Iehl, Waterloo IA
Wed Bracketed Swiss-6-9 Tables 1. David Wicks-Linda McReynolds-Ronald Schulman-Carol Jewett, Houston 2. Norman Sweed-Ronnie Sweed, Potomac MD; Malou Flato, Pray MT; Richard Chin, Bozeman MT 3. Frank Mitchum-Audley Karasch, Houston; Bill Beaushaw, Pearl River LA; Nelson Daigle, Metairie LA
Wed Bracketed Swiss-7-9 Tables 1. Mary Cris Emmons-Connie Conover-Carolyn Campbell-Susan Belding, Houston 2. Beth Todd-Molly Silvia-Di Lapeyre-Cappy McIver, New Orleans LA 3. David Richard, Fulshear; Linda Brending-Victoria Ornowski-Nile Gross, Katy
Wed Bracketed Swiss-8-9 Tables 1. Tom Banet-Rita Wiegenstein-Jo McDaniel-William McIndoo, Georgetown 2/3 Harry Espey, Cypress; Sid Weiss-George Nelson-Jack Rawitscher, Houston 2/3 Jabeen Farooki, Sugar Land; Bernice McElwain-Hick-Beverly Linskey, Houston; Kathleen Hurst, Katy
Wed Bracketed Swiss-9-9 Tables 1. Liane Tsai-Christopher Tsai, Plano; Sue Rowe, Benbrook; M Howard, Fort Worth
2. Carla Pierce-Bruce Pierce, Daphne AL; Bob Mendel-Tonya McNabb, Houston 3. Carol Ramberg, Fair Oaks Ranch; Jeanne Dawley, San Antonio; Paula Wissman, Webster; Dave Becker, Brenham
Wed Bracketed Swiss-10-9 Tables 1. Linwood Olson-Laura McWilliams-Gay Rod-Judith Smith, Houston 2. Bruce Weiner-Ede Weiner-Mary Jane Kinnebrew-Susan McLaurin, Houston 3. Michael McKown, Sugar Land; Evelyn James-Vivian Cyprus, Houston; Troy Carr, Cypress
Wed Bracketed Swiss-11-9 Tables 1/2 Howard Fishman-Susan Fenton-Gary Shepley, Houston; David Morris, Spring 1/2 Diane Seely, Naples FL; Maria Hakki, Marco Island FL; Giff Kassebaum-Jim Kassebaum, Sonoita AZ 3. Fred Seipp-Daniel Butler, Dallas; Leah McCarthy, McKinney; Donna Rasmussen, Broomfield CO
Wed Bracketed Swiss-12-9 Tables 1 Andrew Remson, Spring; Jerry McNeely-Jerry Hoffman, Houston; Barbara Dabney, Tomball 2. Martha Wallace-Ann Van Volkenburger, Lake Jackson; Jeffrey Walker, Eagan MN; William Boline, Minneapolis MN 3. Julia Thompson-Myra Marsh-Barbara Webber-Betty Davis, Houston
Wed Bracketed Swiss-13-9 Tables 1/2 Julie Johnson, Cedar Park; Karen O'Shea-Ann Roe, Austin; George Roach, Ennis 1/2 James Soller-Rick Burton, Houston; Bharat Shrestha-Bajjanti Shrestha, Katy 3. Suzanne Noerager-Judith Earle-Titia Smulders-Lorita Tipton, Houston
Wed Bracketed Swiss 14-9 Tables 1. Cindy Hillman, Spring; Julie Stewart, Tomball; Bill Chamberlain-Jenelle Chamberlain, Houston 2. Susan Mandel-Sandra Maalouf-Carol Jenkinson-Clydene Jones, Montgomery 3. W Kenneth Davis-Linda Lewis-Marie Russiello-Emil Russiello,

ston X4. Jonathan Cohn, Gillette WY; Jeffrey Buckwalter, Papillion NE X5. Stephen Reichel-Ariel Leibovitz, Houston
Sat Gold Rush Pairs-20.5 Tables B1.. Michael Wells-Mary Wells, Houston B2C1. Lawrence Michaels-Harlene Michaels, Brookeland B3. William Boline, Minneapolis MN; Jeffrey Walker, Eagan MN B4. Gregory May-David Badertscher, Galveston B5C2. Gigi White, Bellaire ; Moira Morris, Houston C3. Hasin Jinnaronald Perkowski, Houston C4. C Jane Lacy-Janet Pickell, Houston
Aft Side Series-48.75 Tables / Based on 17 Tables 1. Pat McMullin, Houston 2/3 Peter Mosheim, Miami FL 2/3 Janice Seamon-Molson, Hollywood FL 4/5 Jimmie Lou Conner, Austin 4/5 Gay Roach, Nacogdoches
Eve Side Series-32.25 Tables / Based on 16 Tables 1/2 Valentin Kovachev, Las Vegas NV 1/2 Carole Liss, San Rafael CA 3/4 Andrew Collins, Little Rock AR 3/4 Sherman Gao, Brea CA 5. Barbara Morgan, New Braunfels
Morn Side Series-47.50 Tables / Based on 16 Tables 1. Lew Levy, Houston 2/3 Kevin Wilson, Knoxville TN 2/3 Sharon Stanfill, Lincoln MA 4. Joyce Ryan, Houston 5/6 Joyce

Park, Houston 5/6 Barbara Peck, Houston
Sun A/X/Y Pairs-10.0 Tables / Based on 11 Tables A1. Chris Comp-ton, Dallas ; Marc Levine, Lubbock A2. Richard Chan, Markham ON; Ming Sheng, Northbrook IL A3X1. David Ticen, Victoria ; Dolores Aquino, Houston A4. James Melville, Springfield IL; Vladislav Isposki, Sofia Bulgaria A5. Ariel Leibovitz-Pat Levy, Houston X2. David Farris, Smithville ; Jonathan Ernest, Lindale A3. Sanford Lobliner-Gabriel Perry, Houston A4/ Youssef Youssef, Katy ; Siraj Jiwani, Bellaire A5X1. Rao Chalasani, Sugar Land ; Kristy Garrison, Spring X2. Jeffery Parker, Sugar Land ; Rhonda Bryant, Houston X3. A Moulton-Tamara Moulton, Hilliard OH
Sun A/X Swiss-39 Tables / Based on 107 Tables 1 Aldo Cardia-Robert L McClendon, Ponte Vedra FL; Michael Heins, Champaign IL; Alex Khrakovsky, Columbus OH 2/3 Daniel Jackson, San Antonio ; Mike Doyle, Katy ; Ralda St Pierre, Houston ; John Erickson, The Woodlands 2/3 Dan Morse, Houston ; Thomas Peters, Grapeland ; Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel, San Antonio ; Joe Quinn,

Sugar Land ; Tom Breed, Kingwood A4. Patti Mullendore-Eddie Wold-Robert Morris, Houston ; Betty Starzec, Sugar Land ; David Grainger, Etobicoke ON A5. Nancy Passell, Plano ; Phillip Grothus-John Zilic-Gil Micheletti, Houston X2. Margaret Hart, Baton Rouge LA; Eric Genheimer, Edmond OK; Jay Barron, Tulsa OK; Joe Veal, Oklahoma City OK X3. Arthur Giovannangeli, Houston ; Lawrence Cheetham, Bedford NH; Daniel Jablonski, Stoneham MA; Ronald Mak, Manchester NH
Sun Bracketed Swiss-1-9 Tables 1. Stefanie Scott-Kristen Onsgard, Dallas ; Paul Cuneo-Carmen Keys, Houston 2. Stan Pushkarsky-Sandy Potts, Austin ; David Robinson, Granbury ; Bob Otis, San Antonio 3. Beth Todd-Molly Silvia, New Orleans LA; Jack Lewis Jr, Luling LA; Vicki Willis, Houma LA
Sun Bracketed Swiss-2-9 Tables 1 Liz Jacobson, Laredo ; Sharon Dameron, Cedar Park ; Thomas Smith-Simone Scumpia, Austin 2. Susan Belding-Beverly Fanarof-Marilyn Leiman-Carolyn Campbell, Houston 3. Tim Stelly-Robert Kacher, Jr, Beaumont ; Patricia Bell, Silsbee ; Wayne Outlaw, Orange

Sun Bracketed Swiss-3-9 Tables 1. Eric Sandberg-Janice Sandberg-Gary Winston-Shari Winston, Houston 2. Utkarsh Koshti, ; Marion Collins, Anderson ; Nathan Yee, Spring ; Charles Collins, Shenandoah 3 Rodney McCullough, La Feria ; Doug Boswell, Huntsville ; Sharon Graber-Robert Graber, League City
Sun Bracketed Swiss-4-9 Tables 1. Marilyn Jordan-Susan Stone, Kingwood ; Margie Patterson, Spring ; Carol Krug, Houston 2. John Montgomer-Carol Lombardino, Tomball ; Sam Khayatt, Kingwood ; Frederick Gregory, Houston 3. Wolfie Kotzen-Gulzar Mitha-Carol Jewett-John Caudill, Houston
Sun Bracketed Swiss-5-9 Tables 1. Liane Tsai-Christopher Tsai, Plano ; Ginger Morgan, Gordonville ; Nancy Young, Dallas 2. Jack Manderscheid, Houston ; Gene Levy, Conroe ; George Dabney-Barbara Dabney, Tomball 3. Bruce Weiner-Ede Weiner, Houston ; Thomas Martinsen-Linda Martinsen, Bellaire
Sun Bracketed Swiss-6-9 Tables 1. James Morgan-Brenda Metz-Angela Hester, Pearland ; William Turner, Houston 2. David Minto, New Braunfels ; Toni Latimer, Pharr ; Adrian

Johnston-Chris Whiteloni, 3/4 Marguerite Crowl-Gerry Earnest-Kay Marechek-Jean Jardine, Montgomery 3/4 Dave Becker, Brenham ; Paula Wissman, Webster ; Bob Townley-Smith-Valerie Townley-Smith, Lumberton
Sun Bracketed Swiss-7-9 Tables 1. Marc Levin-Karen Oberling-Michael Edwards-Sherlene Edwards, Georgetown 98.00 4.79 2. Ann Wales-Judith Earle-Margarite Kirk-Ann Trammell, Houston 3/4 Charlotte Gates-Van Ziegler-Alan Robson-Bonnie Jan Robson, Georgetown 3/4 Linda Lewis-Jerry Hoffman-Jerry McNeely, Houston ; Geoff Lewis, Cushing ME
Sun Bracketed Swiss-8-14 Tables 1 Ronald Kunkel, Leander ; Martin Hrachovy, Houston ; Cheri Gross-Charlene Coor, Austin 2. Miriam Cooper-Danuta Parzych-Ying Pan-Charlotte Howell, Houston 3. William Shepherd, Tomball ; Brian Dudley, Spring ; Utako Tomoeda-Ronald Perkowski, Houston

LONE STAR REGIONAL WINNERS



Monday Gold Rush Pairs
David Badertscher, Gregory May



Monday Swiss Bkt 3
Gary Anderson, Courtney Coffman, Jerry Barrett, Steven Bell



Monday Swiss Bkt 5
Pamela White, Sharon Haley, Constance Singleton, David Littm



Monday Swiss Bkt 6
Carla Pierce, Tonya McNabb, Bruce Pierce, Bob Mendel



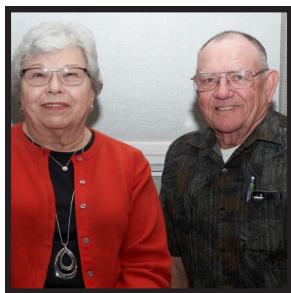
Monday Swiss Bkt 7
George Nelson, Kris Sankaran, Linda Lewis, Jerry Hoffman



Tuesday Gold Rush Pairs
Lindsey & David Littmann



Tuesday AX Pairs
Sandra Parker, W Lease



Tuesday Mid-flight Pairs B
Jean Blilie, Eugene Lux



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 2
Alex Khrakovsky, Robert McClendon, Michael Heins, Aldo Cardia



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 3
Ashok Shingavi, Gabriel Perry, Edwin Zwald,



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 3
Judy Gibson, Mary McDonald, Wes Pierce, William Daniel



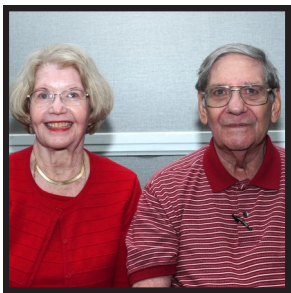
Tuesday Swiss Bkt 5
Jane Oleson, Marsha Boyer, Marshal Iehl, William Boyer



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 6
Dee Daigle, Jane Ardoin, Jean Kiesel, Ginger Hebert



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 7
Beverly Fanarof, Ann Gibbs, Jane Joplin, Marilyn Leiman



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 8
Jenelle & Bill Chamberlain



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 9
Judy Farrar, Gretchen Linquist, Bill Farrar, Charles Collins



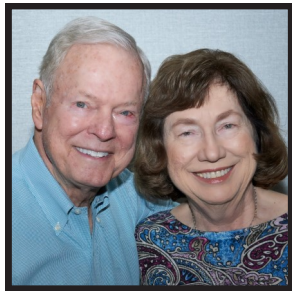
Tuesday Swiss Bkt 11
Jackie King, Jeannie Stone, David Petkus, Laura Chandler



Tuesday Swiss Bkt 13
Curt Wyman, Cheri Gross, Ronald Kunkel, Michael Rainbird



Thursday Gold Rush Pairs
John & Anita Everhart



Thursday Mid-flight Pairs B
Sue Gerard, Margarita Dolera



Thursday Swiss Bkt 2
Jarek Langer, Charlene Sands, Shawn Drenning, Virgil Massey



Thursday Swiss Bkt 3
Karen Fireman, Marie-France Benoit, Deborah Harper, Layne Noble



Thursday Swiss Bkt 4
Daksha Adhia, Shou Chao, Shih-MingYang, John Heath

Thursday AX Pairs
Donna & William Garrard



Thursday Swiss Bkt 5
Norman and, Ronnie Sweed, Malou Flato-Richard Chin



Thursday Swiss Bkt 7
Joseph Wald, Nandlal Khatri, Edwin Zwald, Vasant Patel



Thursday Swiss Bkt 8
Dee Daigle, Jane Ardoin, William Freeman, Jaen Kiesel



Thursday Swiss Bkt 10
Sheryl Thomas, Carol Wilson, William Shepherd, Brian Dudley



Thursday Swiss Bkt 11
Millie Ortego, Kathy Young, Ginger Hebert, David Friedrichs



Thursday Swiss Bkt 12
J Brennan, Freda Witmer, Stuart Nelan, Ross Ramsey



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 1
Stefanie Scott, Kristen Onsgard, Paul Cuneo, Carmen Keys



Thursday Swiss Bkt 13
Titia Smulders, Lorita Tipton,
Edna Earle, Mattei-Gayle Longmire



Thursday Swiss Bkt 14
Sue Alt, Judy Alpert,
Cynthia Rivet, Mark Alpert



Thursday Swiss Bkt 15
Pamela Vincent, Paul Shack,
Marcia Chambliss



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 2
Jay Barron, Margaret Hart,
Joe Veal, Eric Genheimer



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 3
David Kuykendall, William Houck,
Birenda BK Singh, Chuck Ensor



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 4
Yin Choo, Carol Winograd,
Anne Adams, Marilyn Leiman



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 5
Kathryn Bailey, Terri O'Brien,
Anita Albert, Stan Pushkarsky



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 6
Carol Jewett, Linda McReynolds,
David Wicks, Ronald Schulman



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 7
Connie Conover, Mary Cris Emmons,
Susan Belding



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 8
Rita Wigenstein, Jo McDaniel,
William McIndoo, Tom Banet



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 9
Liane & Christopher Tsai



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 10
Judith Smith, Linwood Olson,
Gay Rod, Laura McWilliams



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 12
Andrew Remson, Jerry McNeely,
Barbara Dabney, Jerry Hoffman



Wednesday Swiss Bkt 13
George Roach, Ann Roe,
Julie Johnson, Karen O'Shea



Friday Swiss Bkt 6
Marsha Doyle, Carolyn Labouliere,
Mike Goldberg, Bob Dowlen



Friday Swiss Bkt 3
Rebecca Brown, Thomas Trudeau,
Jerrold Harrington, David Ticen



Friday Swiss Bkt 4
Charles Collins, Barbara Phillips,
Lee Huber, Edward Freiter



Friday Swiss Bkt 4
Kathryn Bailey, Terri O'Brien,
Don Varvel, Anita Albert



Friday Swiss Bkt 5
Norman, Gautier, Connie Van Patter,
Joyce Gautier, Sheri Gautier



Friday Swiss Bkt 17
Debbie Zimmer, Nan Leavell,
Karen Bumley, Ronald Randleman



Friday Swiss Bkt 8
Beverly Fanarof, Karen Tabak Nussbaum,
Britt Siem, Jim Gosnell



Friday Swiss Bkt 10
Carol Lombardino, Debbie Nash,
John Montgomery, Bill Nash



Friday Swiss Bkt 12
Nancy Shomett, Sheila Harrison,
Wayne Tindall, Rick Bond



Friday Swiss Bkt 14
James Morgan, Brenda Metzke,
Mary Ann Broussard



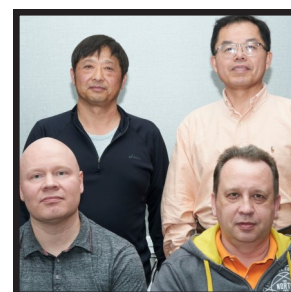
Friday Swiss Bkt 15
Bob Yelli, Evvie Gilbert,
David Petkus, Paul Shack



Saturday Swiss Bkt 14
Judith Earle, Martha Dougherty,
Ann Trammell, Dale Miller



Saturday Mid-flight Pairs
Jeffrey Parker, Rhonda Bryant



Saturday Swiss Bkt 2
James Zhan, Lunhui Lin,
Ari Sippola, Pawel Hanus



Saturday Swiss Bkt 3
Tomi Storey, Robert Grover,
Buck Buchanan, Walter Bell



Saturday Swiss Bkt 14
Tom & Cindy Bell,
David & Rose Goodwin



Saturday Swiss Bkt 4
Jonathan Ernest, Gay Roach



Saturday Swiss Bkt 5
Janice Sanberg, Raliegth Williamson,
Eric Sandberg, Harold Copeland



Saturday Swiss Bkt 6
Terri O'Brien, Arthur Widen,
Anita Albert, Steven Anderson



Saturday Swiss Bkt 7
Gary Winston, David Wicks,
Shari Winston, Linda McReynolds



Saturday Swiss Bkt 9
Robert Burrigge, Allison Ochsner,
James Ochsner, Marcia Doyle



Saturday Swiss Bkt 10
Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 5
Ginger Morgan, Liane Tsai,
Nancy Young, Christopher Tsai



Friday Open Pairs A
Ira Hessel, Ken Schutze



Afternoon Side Series
Pat Mc Mullin



Saturday AX Pairs
David Ticen, Delores Aquino



Sunday Swiss Flt A
Alex Khrakovsky, Robert McCendon,
Michael Heins, Aldo Cardia



Sunday AX Pairs
Delores Aquino



Saturday Swiss Bkt 12
Barbara Dabney, Jenelle Chamberlain,
George Dabney, Bill Chamberlain



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 2
Simone Scumpia, Sharon Dameron,
Liz Jacobson, Thomas Smith



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 4
Margie Patterson, Marilyn Jordan,
Carol King, Susan Stone



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 3
Gary Winston, Janice Sandberg,
Shari Winston, Eric Sandberg



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 7
Karen Oberling, Sherlene Edwards,
Marc Levin, Michael Edwards



Sunday BCD Swiss Bkt 8
Charlene Coor, Cheri Gross
Ronald Kunkel, Martin Hrachovy



Annual Meeting

9:15 am Sunday
Breakfast included



Vote one hour prior to
each session on Fri/Sat
and Sunday morning

Be Scent-sitive

this is a fragrance-free tournament

HOUSTON MARRIOTT WESTCHASE

2900 Briarpark Dr., Houston TX 77042
(713) 978-7400

Room Rate: \$99.00 (Reservation code - ACBL APR)

Cutoff Date: Mar 20, 2020 or until block filled

The Marriott plans to begin charging for parking.
If in effect, a reduced rate will be offered.

Special I/N
0-5 pairs

Friday - 10 am

Stratification

Stratified Open Pairs

A:3000+ X:750-3000 Y:0-750

Stratified 299'r Pairs

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

Bracketed Swiss

Brackets of 7-9 teams



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Guest Speakers - 2:30 Friday and Saturday

Friday: Betty Starzec *Upgrading your defense*
Saturday: David Glandorf *Cuebids in Competitive Bidding*

Table Fees

Friday/Saturday \$11 (\$4 more for lapsed members)
Sunday: \$10

Playing Schedule

Friday and Saturday, Apr 3 & 4

Stratified Open Pairs	10 & 3
Stratified 299'r Pairs (single sessions)	10 & 3
Side Game (single sessions)	10 & 3
0-5 pairs (Friday only)	10
Bracketed Swiss	10 & 3

Sunday, Apr 5

Annual Meeting (with breakfast at 9 am)	9:15
Stratified Open Pairs (single sessions)	10 & 2:30
Stratified 299'r Pairs (single sessions)	10 & 2:30
Bracketed Swiss	10 & 2:30
Election results and awards (10 min)	2:20

District 16 Grand National Teams

Flight B Qualifying round 1 starts Friday at 7:30 pm
Championship, Flights A & C Qualifying start Saturday
at 10 am with finals on Sunday starting at 10 am
See [GNT Flyer](#) for Full Schedule and Requirements

Houston Unit 174 to Hold Board Election April 3-5, 2020

The members of Unit 174, whose participating clubs include Baytown, Bryan/College Station, Clear Lake, Conroe, Galveston, Houston, Kingwood, Lake Jackson, LaGrange, Livingston, Pasadena, Spring, Stafford, and Sugar Land, will have an opportunity to vote for three members of the Board of Directors April 3-5, 2020, during the Election Sectional at the Marriott Houston Westchase. The three newly elected members will join Cindy Cox, Lauri Laufman, Jack LaVigne, Kathleen Malcolmson, Clif Rice and Sheryl Thomas to complete the full nine-member Board. Nancy Stroemer, Chairman of this year's Nominating Committee, consisting of Bob Dowlen, Steve Reichel, Bill Riley and Betty Starzec urges you to vote, either in person, early online, or by absentee ballot. For a ballot to be counted, a member must vote for at least one candidate, which can include a write-in candidate. **In person voting** will take place one hour before each session of the tournament on Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning. **To vote early online**, go to www.acblunit174.org, click on the VOTE button on the right hand side of the page, and follow the instructions. Online voting will become available on March 9 and will end on March 31, 2020. **To vote absentee**, follow the instructions below. Winners will be announced prior to the second session on Sunday, April 5.

Dave Becker



I have been a duplicate bridge player since I was 16 years old. I love the game and the people involved with it. I have been in Texas since 2002; I was raised in Casper, Wyoming and Denver, Colorado.

My passions are bridge and cars for which I have been in the car business all my life also. Integrity, honesty, loyalty, and hard work are the codes to which I live by.

I am past president of Beaumont Unit 201 and would like to contribute and help in Houston now that I have relocated.

If elected, I will do my best to serve, contribute, listen, and convey everyone's wishes to keep the game enjoyable and stimulating.

B (Binnur) Haznedar



I grew up in an environment where get-togethers revolved around playing cards, so I developed an affinity for card games at an early age. I obtained my PhD in psychology, and subsequently worked in hospitals, taught as a statistics professor, and owned my own practice. I have been married to my husband for over 40 years and have a daughter who practices corporate law in New York.

I enjoy entertaining, fund-raising, and organizing events. My friends describe me as being laid-back and a great listener. My colleagues describe me as a positive, empathetic person with great determination and a "get the job done" attitude.

As a newer member, I bring a fresh perspective. It would be an honor to contribute to a community that has so greatly enriched my life.

Greg May



I am a recently retired engineer. My bridge journey began in college in 1968. In 1973, I moved to Houston and played duplicate at Westbury and Houston Bridge Studio. Pressures of job & life took over and duplicate ended.

I returned to duplicate at GDBC (Feb 2017). I subsequently joined ACBL, became a director (Feb 2018) and Galveston Duplicate Bridge Club manager (Oct 2019).

I want to see bridge survive & grow and have taught several bridge courses & seminars at OLLI (Galveston). If elected, I will work tirelessly with the board to serve the members of Unit 174 and help bridge thrive & grow.

Kathleen McDougall



I was introduced to bridge while living in Argentina, pregnant with my first daughter. I was immediately hooked and shortly thereafter began teaching basic bridge to my tennis buddies, eager to spread my passion. Upon return to the US, the demands of my career and raising a family left little time for serious bridge.

Early retirement from the oil industry was my ticket back. I've played with many different people through partnership desks at various Regionals and Nationals since returning to the game in 2018. I'm humbled by the caliber of the people I've already met at the bridge table, particularly from our own unit! I'm excited for the opportunity to serve on Unit 174 and hope to receive your vote.

Karen Nussbaum



As a child, I often 'kibitzed' my parents' bridge games. We lived near the Golden Dome of Notre Dame but I went to The Kelley School of Business at Indiana University. After graduating, I worked at IBM and was there for 5+ years wearing many different hats.

I served Congregation Beth El as vice-president for 5 terms. I also chaired the pro-grad event when each of my three children was a senior in high school. Later, I was co-owner of Chocolates and More.

I think my diverse experiences would help me be a valuable and contributing member to our Unit 174 Board of Directors.

Joe Quinn



I would like the opportunity to give back to the game which I love very much and have always enthusiastically enjoyed. I have achieved the rank of Grand Life Master with two national championships and have been a Houston unit member since 1974. I started playing bridge after graduating in Chemical Engineering. I also have an MBA.

I recently went to part time work which allows me time to teach bridge which I am enjoying very much.

The Houston unit has an outstanding board and it would be an honor to join this group and I would appreciate your vote.

Absentee Voting Procedure

Any member may vote by Absentee Ballot. To vote absentee, a member must contact the Election Judges by U.S. mail, e-mail, or telephone requesting an Official Ballot. If the voter is a member in good standing, an Official Ballot will be sent to the voter at the voter's address of record, in a small unsealed envelope. Upon receiving the Official Ballot, the voter should complete the ballot, seal it inside the small envelope provided, and place the small sealed envelope inside another envelope addressed to the Election Judges. The back flap of the outside envelope must be signed by the voter. If no signature is provided, the ballot will not be counted. The Absentee Ballot must be postmarked no later than March 20, 2020 and must be received by the Election Judges no later than March 31, 2020 to be counted. The Election Judges are Danny and Brigitte Sandifer. Correspondence should be addressed to Brigitte Sandifer: 507 Rozelle Ave. Sugar Land, TX 77498; sandiferdb@gmail.com; 281-494-1464.



Unit 176
Dallas

Scott Nason

Many thanks to Mary Jane McGinnis who wrote the unit 176 column faithfully for the past 3 years.'

Welcome to Scott Nason who is also the new District 16 GNT coordinator.

This is my first Unit 176 column, having succeeded Mary Jane McGinnis as our Scorecard reporter. Thanks, Mary Jane, who wrote the column for as long as I can remember, for your contributions.

There were many changes in the Unit admin this month. Joe Gill is the new Unit President. Stuart Nelan is the new Vice President. What are the odds that both top spots would be filled by Colorado School of Mines alum? Rich Brandenburg and Martha Young are continuing in their roles as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. The rest of the Board consists of returning members Jim Rider, Robbie Ogle, Eileen Davidoff and yours truly, plus our newest member, Debrah Chockley. Welcome Debrah. And thank you Outgoing President, Eileen, for your hard work to make this a great place for bridge.

Some congratulations to pass on. First to Chris Compton (Flight A) and Pawel Hanus and Ari Sippola (Flight B) for their first place finishes in the District 16 North American Pairs Finals in San Antonio. Good luck in Columbus!

Second, congrats to all of the Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs winners, who will be recognized at our next sectional in Richardson on March 12-15. But let me particularly note some "49ers", at least at the start of the year, who zoomed through multiple masterpoint rankings in 2019 and won their Mini-McKenney races in a landslide. Gail Wingfield started 2019 with less than 5 points and won 97 this past year. Sherill Baack, in the 5-20 point race, won 85 points. And Feza Buyukdura started 2019 with less than 50 and won 188 points in the year.

I mention these three in part because we worry about the future of the game if we don't continue to attract new members who will play as enthusiastically as we do. To this end, the Unit and the clubs in the unit are working creatively to find ways to encourage new players. The Unit is reinstituting a program that allows novices to earn a free game after playing five times. BAND has a large and successful novice and intermediate program of classes, games, lectures and a mentor/mentee program; the new Harp's Bridge Studio is starting mentor games; McKinney is allowing its most junior players (with less than 5 masterpoints) to play for free. Robbie Ogle has been running the Unit's Novice/Intermediate support, including hosting a party for them at our Labor Day Regional. And Stu Nelan is piloting an Amba-

sador's program at that Regional this coming September, with volunteer standby players, in an effort to guarantee a partner for anyone who shows up.

I hope to see you at our Richardson Sectionals in March and May or at the 299er Sectionals at BAND on March 27-29 and May 29-31.

Dallas Election Sectional

Richardson
Jan 09-12 2020
543 players : 564 tables.

- 1 57.47 Stephen Kornegay
- 2 57.47 Nancy Kornegay
- 3 42.32 Hugh Hillaker
- 4 34.44 Nancy Passell
- 5 32.31 Gerry McKim
- 6 30.63 Bill Staats
- 7 30.40 Phillip Grothus
- 8 30.40 Petra Hamman
- 9 30.40 Hemant Lall
- 10 29.72 Kimmel Jones
- 11 27.70 Nagy Kamel
- 12 27.70 Dan Morse
- 13 27.13 Kim Brinkman
- 14 26.86 Milton Neher
- 15 26.86 Brady Allen
- 16 26.65 John Bromberg
- 17 26.65 Barry Schaffer
- 18 24.10 Adrienne Feuer
- 19 24.06 S Kohan
- 20 23.25 Peggy Sutherland
- 22 22.52 Jerry Derby
- 23 20.39 Robert Holliday
- 24 20.25 Thomas Leberman
- 25 19.48 Bart Bramley

Thu Morn Open Pairs-21.5 Tables / Based on 42 Tables AB1. R Randall Smith- Mark Hatkoff A2. Milton Neher-Brady Allen B2. Preston Morrow-Karen Hout C1. Kathryn Bailey-Mercedes Barker C2. Barbara Aide-Judy Thompson

Thu Morn 499er Pairs-20.0 Tables AB1. Vinod Gupta-Deepak Aurora AB2. Jason Glatzer-Ellen Russell C1. Ansel Goldgar-Nina Watkins C2. Calvin Winchester-Richard Eshelbrenner

Thu Aft Open Pairs-18.5 Tables / Based on 44 Tables A1. S Kohan-Jerry Derby A2B1. Jack Rollier-Janet McCormack B2. Kim Brinkman-Gerry McKim C1. J Terrence Wolfe-William Driscoll

C2. Sharon Harbach-Ross Ramsey
Thu Aft 499er Pairs-25.0 Tables A1. Molly Gunter-Wendy Plant A2B1. Cecily Hutchison-Debor Cassen B2. Ginny Russell-Molly Hamilton C1. Amy Anderson-Melissa Gordon C2. Virginia Hines-; Becky Venhaus

Thu Bracketed Swiss Teams -1-7 Tables 1. Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman - Phillip Grothus- Nancy Passell 2. Kimmel Jones-Michael Penick- Bill Staats- Hugh Hillaker

Thu Bracketed Swiss Teams-2-7 Tables 1. Rich Brandenburg- Robert Holliday-Robert Bender- Stuart Nelan 2. Kate Hopkins-Jane Kirby- Sharon Ward- Martha Ward

Thu Bracketed Swiss Teams -3-7 Tables 1. J Scott Etchison-Judy Etchison-Linda Jimmerson-Betty Wheeler 2. Mary Lynn Genovesi-Karen Cohen-Carol Murray-Rosalind Smith

Thu Bracketed Swiss Teams -4-12 Tables 1. Neill Ray-Janice Trombello

-Edwin Ducayet Jr-Patricia Ducayet 2. Clint Pruett-Carla Guthrie-J Brennan-Doyle

Fri Morn Open Pairs-22.5 Tables / Based on 50 Tables AB1. Joseph Gill - Adrienne Feuer A2. Jay Gibson-Martha Young 2 Nelda Holland-Janet McCormack B1. Peter Hylak-Richard Wittrup B2. William Driscoll-Terence Harley

Fri Morn 499er Pairs-27.0 Tables AB1. 1 Nina Watkins-Ansel Goldgar AB2. Joel Cane-Hilton Israelson 2. Darrel VanDyke-Carolyn Henderson
Fri Aft Open Pairs-16.0 Tables / Based on 35 Tables AB1. Eileen Davidoff-James McCommons AB2C1. Jin Chu-Jianbo Chen C2. Fred Carver -Robert Kayser

Fri Aft 499er Pairs-19.0 Tables ABC1. Virginia Hines- Becky Venhaus A2. Margie Portela-Marcia Messinger B2. Judy Zipkes-Jole Luehrs C2. Charles Pavlue-David Lacava

Fri Bracketed Swiss Teams-1-7 Tables .1. Dan Morse- Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay- Nagy Kamel 2. Hemant Lall-Petra Hamman -Hamman- Phillip Grothus

Fri Bracketed Swiss Teams-2-7 Table 1/2 Tom Lang- Reg Watt- Jo Ann Truitt-Rolly Steen-1/2 Rich Brandenburg- Robert Holliday-Robert Bender- Stuart Nelan

Fri Bracketed Swiss Teams-3-7 Tables 1. Judy Etchison-J Scott Etchison-Betty Wheeler-Linda Jimmerson 2. Cherry Blevins-Ramona Bienstock -E J Nowak-Jackie Hertweck

Fri Bracketed Swiss Teams-4-10 Tables 1. Ted Bender- Jo Driscoll-Nancy O'Fallon- Mary Lynn Trentham 2. Janice Trombello-Carol Murray-Linda Lindley- Joni Antweil

Sat Morn Open Pairs-21.0 Tables / Based on 45 Tables A1. Hugh Hillaker-Bill Staats A2. Stephen Sinclair-Thomas Leberman B1. Vernon Earl Hodge-Carolyn Motes Jr B2. Becky Koenigseder-Nancy Peterson C1. Mary Lynn Trentham-Ted Bender C2. David Sterner-Donna Jordan

Sat Morn 499er Pairs-23.5 Tables ABC1. Sharon Welsh-Jim La Rose ABC2. J Andrew Schoen-Howard Hellman

Sat Aft Open Pairs-17.0 Tables / Based on 41 Tables A1. Hugh Hillaker-Kimmel Jones A2B1. Amy Downing-Hellen Revelle B2C1. Mathilde Wiewiorowski-Reg Watt C2. Barbara Aide-David Salem

Sat Aft 499er Pairs AB1. Judy Duval-Pat Glaser AB2. Joel Cane-Sharon Cane C1. John York-Robert Wright C2. Nina Watkins-Ansel Goldgar

Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams -1-7 Tables 1. Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay-Barry Schaffer -John Bromberg 2. Ari Sippola-Pawel Hanus-Gerry McKim-Kim Brinkman

Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams -2-7 Tables 1. Joseph Gill-William Driscoll -J Terrence Wolfe- Adrienne Feuer 2. Marvin Migdol-John Spessard-Pingshan Wen

Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams -3-7 Tables 1. Liane Tsai-Christopher Tsai -Ann Parker-Carol Adamek 2. Glenda Cooper-David Clegg-Chuck Eastin-Bob Frink

Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams -4-7 Tables 1. Valarie Remmers-Dale Remmers-Robert Holliday-Robert Bender 2. Jane Canning-Beverly

Strauss-Jackie Hertweck-E J Nowak
Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams -5-9
Tables 1. Fred Seipp-Mary Waller-Mark Meiches-Elise Sher 2. Kenneth Melvin-Victoria Sublette-J Brennan-

Hanchang Wang-Danny Feng X2.
Bob Friz-Eric Diamond-Michael Hout-Gerry McKim
Sun B/C/D Swiss Teams-30 Tables
B1. Kathryn Bailey-Mercedes Barker

Dallas Memorial Day Sectional

May 21-25, 2020

Richardson Civic Center: SW Corner of Arapaho Rd. & US 75 (Central Expressway) Hosted by Harp's Bridge Studio

Thursday, May 21

Stratified 499er Pairs (0-5 play free) 10:00 am
Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session Events) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session Event) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Stratified 499er Pairs (0-5 play free) 10:00 am

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Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session Events) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session Event) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Saturday, May 23

Stratified 499er Pairs (0-5 play free) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session Events) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session Event) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Sunday May 24

Stratified 499er Pairs (0-5 play free) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session Events) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm
Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Session Event) 10:00 am & 2:30 pm

Monday, May 25

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 499er Swiss Teams 2 Session Event (no player over 500) 10:00 am Stratified Open Pairs (Single Session, \$15) 2:00 pm

Stratifications: Open Pairs: A: 4000+, B: 3999-1500, C: 1499-0 (based on average masterpoints) 499er Pairs: Stratified at director's discretion (based on average masterpoints) Swiss Teams: A: 5000+, AX: 0-5000 (based on average masterpoints) play together B: 3000-1500, C: 1499-500, D: 499- 0 (based on average masterpoints) play together

Entry Fees: ACBL members \$13 per daytime session. Unpaid ACBL members \$17. Non-members must purchase an ACBL membership. 30 Day Membership available for \$8.00 Monday Swiss: \$120 for team of four. Monday PM Pairs \$15.

ACBL members with 0-5 masterpoints play free Thursday, Friday and Saturday!

Tournament Chair: Jim Harp (jimharp@icloud.com)

Director in Charge: Tom Marsh

Partnerships: Robbie Ogle (robbieogle@aol.com)

Hospitality: Snacks and drinks every session! Lunch provided during Monday Swiss Teams games.

Hotel Info: Courtyard by Marriott, 1000 S Sherman St, Richardson, TX 75081; Phone: 972-235-5000; Rate: \$74 (includes free wifi)

Stuart Nelan

Sun Aft Open Pairs-10.0 Tables ABC1. Dale Remmers-Valarie Remmers ABC2. Vivian Li-Jun Li
Sun A/X Swiss-14 Tables / Based on 44 Tables A1. Sheri Gautier-Mark Bumgardner-Stephen Kornegay-Nancy Kornegay A2/3 Joan Jackson-Bart Bramley-Norman Beck-Peggy Sutherland A2/3 Nancy Passell-John Bromberg-Barry Schaffer-Bryan Storey X1. Hua Yang-Yan Song-

-Pravina Jani-Sharon Dameron B2C1. Tom Lang-Reg Watt-Janet Borg-Maria Gregorat C2D1. Judy Etchison-J Scott Etchison-Judi Mairs-Thomas Mairs D2. Wayne Evans-William Driscoll-Terence Harley & Harley
Sun Morn Open Pairs-7.0 Tables A1. Jack Borenstein-Bill Osborn A2BC1. Mark Meiches-Elise Sher B2. Tiger King-Jianbo Chen C2. Roxann Swenson-John Moore

DALLAS JANUARY SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Thursday & Friday Swiss Bkt 3
Betty Sue Wheeler, Judy Etchison
Linda Zimmerman, Scott Etchison



Thursday Swiss Bkt 5
Ed Ducayet, Pat Ducayet
Jan Trombello



Thursday & Friday Swiss Bkt 2
Rich Brandenburg, Bob Bender
Stuart Nelan, Bob Holliday



Friday Morn 499ers
Nina Watkins, Ansel Goldgar



Friday Swiss Bkt 4
Nancy O'Fallon
Jo Driscoll, Lynn Trantham



Thursday Aft Open Pairs F1t C
Bill Driscoll, Terry Wolfe



Saturday Aft Open Pairs B
Hellen Revelle, Amy Downing



Saturday Swiss Bkt 2
Adrienne Feuer, Bill Driscoll
Joe Gill, Terry Wolfe



Sunday Swiss BCD
Mercedes Barker, Pravina Jani
Kathryn Bailey, Sharon Dameron



Sunday Swiss BCD "D"
Judi Mairs, Judy Etchison
Tom Mairs, Scott Etchison



Saturday Swiss Bkt 3
Liane Trai, Carol Adamek
Chris Tsai, Ann Parker



Saturday Swiss Bkt 4
Bob Bender, Val Remmers
Dale Remmers, Bob Holliday



Sunday Swiss Flt A
Sherri Gautier, Nancy Kornegay
Mark Bumgardner, Steve Kornegay

Sunday Afternoon Open Pairs
Dale & Valerie Remmers

Thursday Swiss Bkt 1
Nancy Passell, Petra Hamman
Phillip Grothus, Hemant Lall

Saturday Swiss Bkt 1
Nancy Kornegay, John Bromberg
Steve Kornegay, Barry Schaffer

Saturday Aft Open Pairs A
Kimmel Jones, Hugh Hillaker



Friday Aft Open Pairs A
Jim McCommons, Eileen Davidoff

Thursday Morn Open Pairs Flt A
Mark Hatkoff, Randy Smith

Friday Morning Open Pairs Flt A
Joe Gill, Adrienne Feuer

Friday Swiss Bkt 1
Nancy Kornegay, Nagy Kamel
Steve Kornegay, Dan Morse

Saturday Morn Open Pairs A
Bill Staats, Hugh Hillaker

**Unit 183
Fort Western**



Caron Peck

Greetings from Unit 183! This is my introductory column for the Scorecard, and I am looking forward to coordinating with the various Unit 183 members and clubs and reporting interesting things back to our District 16 friends.

We are thrilled to report that the winner of the 2019 District 16 Star award is our very own Kay Jones. Kay has served Unit 183 for decades in both official and unofficial capacities as Unit President, Board member, committee chair, and game director. She does it all with patience and grace, and we are lucky to have her as an integral part of our bridge family. Additionally, we are pleased to have Ann Curry and Pat Sears as the recipients of this year's Unit Goodwill Award. Ann and Pat are fun to be around, and they add an air of pleasantness to our bridge environment. We look forward to celebrating these honorees at the Unit's Awards Day coming up this Spring.

Congratulations are in order for the Granbury Bridge Club for its successful participation in the 2019 Longest Day campaign. This small club held a day-long event and raised over \$14,000 for the Alzheimer's Association. Of all the ACBL clubs in the U.S., Granbury ranked 19th in the nation in overall contributions. They were recently awarded a plaque by the Alzheimer's Association in recognition of their efforts.

Unit 183 will be represented in the North American Pairs C-Flight event at the Columbus NABC. Congratulations to Arvind and Lynnne Sharma, Randy Eads, and Hal Spottswood and Hal Schultz who earned a trip to the Spring NABC for their top finishes in the D-16 Flight C NAP finals in San Antonio. Good luck to each of you!

Non-Life Master players in our area are enjoying many excellent NLM tournament opportunities. The Denton Bridge Studio held a non-Life Master Sectional Tournament Janu-

ary 24-26. And Unit 183 held its first-ever non-Life Master Regional (yes, Regional!) Tournament from February 21-23. Congratulations to all the winners and recipients of those valuable masterpoints! And, coming up, Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club will host a non-Life Master Sectional at the ADBC club on March 7-8.

Please MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the upcoming Fort Western Regional being held April 13 - 19th at the Hyatt Regency DFW Airport. Lots of events for all levels of players, so please plan on joining us!

In memoriam: In January, Fort Worth lost long-time member and high-ranking player Randy Ausmus following a lengthy illness. On February 1st, Arlington lost its webmaster and masterpoint-winning machine, the venerable William "Bill" White, who suffered a heart attack after playing in an ADBC game on January 23rd. On February 15, Arlington's Mickey Tryon passed away at UT Southwestern Hospital after courageously battling cancer for many years. Our deepest condolences go out to those affected by the losses of Randy, Bill, and Mickey.

**Unit 187
Corpus Christi**



Melissa Plumb

Greetings to all bridge partners and friends! First and foremost Unit 187 would like to thank those who attended our Valentine's Sectional Tournament. Many of our attendees participated in the Houston Regional a week prior to supporting our event. Our gratitude to both out of town and local bridge patrons is enormous. A special thanks to Martha De Cou for once again shining bright as the tournament coordinator. In addition, thank you Mary Ross, Margaret Ann Kennedy, Tom Neagli, Mabel Byrnes, and all who assisted in the tournament.

As spring approaches and the weather temperature increases, please

check our website for all special games. David Sharp is now offering bridge lessons for intermediate bridge players. Bridge lessons for new players are being offered on Tuesday afternoons. Please call for additional information. Please tell your friends and help us grow this wonderful game!

Congratulations Jason Kiker on becoming a Ruby Life Master! Well done.

It has been a little difficult learning about a newer player to our club because of her meek and gentle spirit. I must say when she learned there was to be no talking at the table, she adhered to the rule. (Take note intermediate and veteran players!) I'm speaking of the delightful Mary Anne Wilkinson.

Mary Anne was born and raised in Corpus Christi to Bessegen and Clarence Wilkinson followed by two brothers Jimmy and George. After graduating from W.B. Ray High school, she then received a bachelor's degree in Spanish from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. After briefly working in Chicago, she returned to Corpus Christi and taught Spanish for two and a half years. Mary Anne attended the University of Illinois where she received her Master's and PhD in Spanish Linguistics. She proceeded to work at Vanderbilt University and Corpus Christi State University for two years each.

Mary Anne Wilkinson's love for teaching is apparent in her work history. Mary Anne devotes twenty-five years to Corpus Christi Independent School District working as teacher, foreign language consultant, staff development coordinator, and gift and talented coordinator. Mary Anne moves to Austin and works the magnet director for Fulmore Middle School for six years and retires. If you were to see how Mary Anne studies the game of bridge and shares information on conventions with new players, it's safe to say she hasn't retired from educating.

Mary Anne Wilkinson is the proud mother of Keith Marrocoo and Julia (Jesse) Manley. Her heart belongs to her beloved grandson Marlowe.

Although Mary Anne isn't quite sure of the date of her introduction to bridge, she did begin playing in 1962 in her sorority. In 1964 Mary Anne played in a rubber bridge group consisting of fellow teachers. She started learning and using the Goren system. When the Goren system was modified in 1985, Mary Anne was reading the books and modifications. In 2010, she and her partner Bill began taking lessons from his mother Chris Samelson learning modern bridge. By 2012 Mary Anne was part of four rubber bridge groups. In 2015, she joined ACBL and joined our club in April of last year. She has been an outstanding addition to our club. Mary Anne and Bill Samelson frequent both the South Texas and Rockport Bridge Club.

Although her bridge journey has been all-consuming, Mary Anne loves reading, opera, travel, ballet, plays, and baseball. She is a huge supporter of arts including her daughter's ballet company. Mary Anne also served as the president and managing director for the Corpus Christi Ballet Board for eighteen years.

When asked what advice she would give new players Mary Anne suggested they read, read, read. Mary Anne stated her use of ACBL Bridge Series and Bridge for the 21st Century have been extremely useful.

Unit 187 would like to thank Mary Anne Wilkinson to devoting forty-two years to education. You are greatly appreciated!

See you at the table.

Melissa Plumb
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**Rockport Beach
Sectional**

Feb 14-16 2020
73 Players 85 tables

- 1 23.63 Dave Swarthout
- 2 23.63 Donna Swarthout
- 3 21.66 Ellen Hessel
- 4 21.66 Ira Hessel
- 5 13.40 Marilyn German

- 6 11.87 C David Mitchell
- 8 10.40 Terry Peterson
- 9 9.54 Martha De Cou
- 10 9.43 Kim Cox

Fri Aft Open Pairs-12.0 Tables / Based on 17 Tables A1. Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel A2. Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout B1. Frances Couvillion-Lee Davis B2. Nancy Tom-Hank Eng C1. Jean Holland-Therese Ray C2. Pat Roeh-Susan Wheeler

Fri Aft 0-299er Pairs-4.5 Tables AB1. Barb Kieffer-Gary Kieffer AB2/3C1/2 Ron Coulston-Margetta Coulston BA2/3C1/2 Mary Anne Wilkinson-Bill Samelson

Fri Eve 0-299er Pairs-2.5 Tables 1. Jerry Eaton-Terri Eaton 2. M Frances Schmidt-Martha Brennan

Fri Eve Open Pairs-7.5 Tables / Based on 10 Tables A1. Dave Swarthout-Donna Swarthout A2. Marilyn German-Terry Peterson BC1. Pat Roeh-Susan Wheeler BC2. Glen Mabee-Marilyn Markow

Sat AM Open Pairs-13.0 Tables / Based on 17 Tables A1. Marilyn German-Penny Snow A2. Mary Ross-Martha De Cou B1. Rebecca Landon-William Whittle B2C1. Sara Rowe-Marion Beeler C2. Marilyn Markow-Glen Mabee

Sat AM 0-299er Pairs-4.0 Tables ABC1. Jo Ann Biek-Suzan McLallen ABC2. Donald Thom-Nellie Sue Thom

Sat Aft Open Pairs-13.0 Tables / Based on 17 Tables A1. Donna Swarthout-Dave Swarthout A2B1. Kim Cox-Terry Peterson B2. Jason Kiker-W Lynn Swinger C1. Jean Holland-Therese Ray C2. Sara Rowe-Marion Beeler

Sat Aft 0-299er Pairs-4.0 Tables ABC1. Patricia & Charles Good ABC2. Suzan McLallen-Jo Ann Biek

Sunday Swiss Teams-12 Tables A1. Ellen & Ira Hessel-Donna & Dave Swarthout A2. David Ticen- C David Mitchell-Sheryleen Grothus-Beverly Santos B1. Kim Cox-Melissa Plumb-Mahesh U MaruvadaMargaret Crumpler B2. Joy Cogburn-Shirley Naumann-Milton Birmingham-Eric Rasmussen C1. Jerry Eaton-Terri Eaton-Mary Anne Wilkinson-Bill Samelson C2. Diana Afflerbach-Sami Cameron -Patricia Good-Charles Good

ROCKPORT SECTIONAL WINNERS



Saturday Aft 299ers
Charles & Patricia Good

Friday Eve 299ers
Jerry & Terri Eaton

Friday Aft Open Pairs C
Saturday Aft Open Pairs C
Jean Holland, Therese Ray

Friday Aft 299ers
Barb & Gary Kieffer

Saturday Aft Open Pairs B
Kim Cox, Terry Peterson

Friday Eve Open Pairs B & C
Pat Roeh, Susan Wheeler

Saturday Morn Open Pairs B
Bill Whittle, Rebecca Landon



Friday Aft Open Pairs A
Ellen & Ira Hessel



Friday Eve Open Pairs A
Saturday Aft Open Pairs A
Donna & Dave Swarthout



Saturday Morn Open Pairs A
Penny Snow, Marilyn German

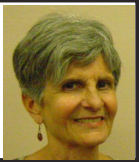


Sunday Swiss Teams
Ellen Hessel-Donna Swarthout
Ira Hessel-Dave Swarthout



Saturday Morn 299ers
Susan McLallen, Jo Ann Biek

**Unit 201
Sabine Neches**



Linda Briggs

Dee Payne received the 2020 District 16 Star Award, February 8 at the Lone Star Regional in Houston. Dee grew up watching her mother and father play bridge. She learned from them and from neighbors after she married. She played in groups with her mother and couples groups with her husband Joe. She began playing for masterpoints with her good friend Maggie Brossette. The duplicate club in Orange was playing at the old community center with players coming over from Lake Charles and Beaumont. They could reach a table count of 15 at times. The community center was torn down and the Orange Club played at the Methodist church for a short time. They were playing at the old Salk Elementary school building when Hurricanes Rita and Ike hit our part of the world. The club's table count went down from 9 to 2 and they could no longer afford the rent at the school. Dee and her bridge partner, Ruby Collins, stepped in to be co-club managers. A free place to play was found and they worked to rebuild the membership. Having a party day once a month was started for players to reach out in the community and invite new players. The table count increased back up to 8. Then Hurricane Harvey flooded the Church of Christ building and Dee helped get the club moved to another building owned by the church. The club lost players again and now has a table count of 6. Dee is the person club members stay in touch with. She is the one they call to help them find a partner. She takes care of the financial business, gets the supplies, and works with the director to keep things going. She helps lead the way in supporting Unit 201, their tournaments and special games. Dee's bridge family legacy continues as a daughter, granddaughter, and 17 year old great-granddaughter all play bridge.

The Going Away Party, January 11, for Carolyn Worsham attracted 20½ tables showing members' appreciation for her presidential leadership and the many extra services she provided. Hosted by U201, the record setting attendance and the fun program provided by Don and Juinez Moss and Pat Bell was a boost to the morale of sad members lamenting losing such a wonderful person. Placing 1st – Wilbur and Verna Dahlquist; 2nd – Tim Stelly and John Kacher; 3rd – Don and Juinez Moss.

December mentor pairs placing: 1st – Kay Hooper and Carol McGill 2nd – Patricia Woods and Frankie Hall; 3rd – Judy Dishman and Martha Sigler. Mentor team tying: Lucille Armintor, Patricia Woods, Frankie

Hall, and Linda Briggs; Jim and Flo Ferguson, Jerry and Susan Gore.

January^d mentor pairs placing: 1st – Val Townley-Smith and Nancy Smalley; 2nd – Sylvia Street and Pat Bell;

3 – Nadine Pearce and June Eddingston. Mentor teams placing: 1 – Helen Williams, Val Townley-Smith, E.W. Sweeney, and Nancy Smalley; 2 – Judy Dishman, Jenny Shuffield, Martha Sigler, and June Eddingston. 3rd – Kay Hooper, Cleo Martin, Bob and Carol McGill.

The highest monthly totals for December: Dr. A. Bharathi, Martha Sigler, and Carol McGill. January: Nancy Smalley, Martha Sigler, and Dr. A. Bharathi.

Players with 70% or above games in December/January were John Smalley and Dr. A. Bharathi; Ruby Collins and Wayne Outlaw; Billie Carter and Wayne Outlaw.

Plans are underway for the 2020 Beaumont Spindletop Sectional, March 5-7, chaired by Sylvia Street and E.W. Sweeney. Tournament information is available at http://www.u201.org/tourn_info.htm.

**Unit 204
Fort Concho**



Neal Perlman

Celebrations were enjoyed several times. The 12/11/19 Wednesday

birthday party was enhanced by the Mariachi band arranged by Patsy Eckert.

The Tuesday night series for 2019 highlights included A Carl McGill most wins, B Marifrances Watson most wins; high percentages Carl McGill, Neal Perlman and Debbie Farr; and Suzanne Dorris has kept the lead for cumulative wins for the third year in a row. Congrats to all. Melva Penner was honored for being the unique fun person she is as well as being our beloved senior senior. The music and tasty food was wonderful.

The Christmas parties occurred across several clubs. At the Unit event several individuals were honored. Directors Sue Henry and Marifrances Watson and Manager Suzanne Dorris for their numerous skills and contributions; Patsy Eckert was added to the Truby Bunch

Hall of Fame; and the Velman McCandless Non Life Master Award for points in a year was inscribed with the name of Dave Watson for the twelfth consecutive year.

Other news for achievements and notables: Patsy Rogers hit the 1500 point marker; Suzanne Dorris and Norma Walker had a cool 78% game in January; and 204 wants to congratulate Babu Koneru, San Antonio, for achieving Grand Life Master, folks that is 20,000 points!!

**Unit 233
Central Texas**



Mary Adams

Happy New Year and belated congratulations to our new Unit 233 officers headed by President Barbara Kirstein and Vice-President Amy Wilson with our perennial Secretary Lynn Sykes and Treasurer Helen Simonette. Congratulations also to our new board members Amy Wilson, Pat Curry and Sue Blackwell. Special thanks to our outgoing members Carol Ann Wadley (who served two terms as President), Pat Kelly, and Pat Johnson. New on the horizon is the sharing of tournaments between Waco and Temple with the Waco tournament location being in Temple next year! This is a deliberate puzzle I have given you to figure out...But, don't worry, you have plenty of time as well as people to consult! Mainly, thanks to all of our board members for working so hard with ACBL to facilitate the necessary adjustments. The Unit 233 Christmas Party was great fun I heard! I was out of the country and hated to miss one of my all time favorite events. Gene Thompson again was our great and patient director, and Ethel and Tom Corlett took away the high point honors. I think I have heard that result many times in the past, and I am never surprised. Congrats, Dear Friends! While we were gone, my husband and I took a ship across the Atlantic to visit our daughter. Even though this was not a "bridge cruise," as always, there was a very active bridge group made up mostly of British players but also many other nationalities. I did not attend any of the lessons ("Lazy Mary," etc.), but I did play in the afternoon 12-15 table duplicate games. As usual, before every first session on the crossing the director tries to pair solo players with partners who play or know the same systems. As he went around the room, I heard "Acol," "Standard American," "2/1," "Big Club," "Precision Club," "Vanderbilt Club," and "Icelandic Precision" until someone asked, "Aren't those last ones the same?" Then a very jovial woman said, "I play Stone Age Acol with Pakistani Preempts--look it up." The last two people were a man from Florida and me. He said, "I used to play bridge, but I haven't played in twelve years." I immediately begged him to be my partner--without even asking if he meant Auction or Contract bridge!! Conclusion to the (probably boring) story is that we

won and continued playing all week! Never a cross word. I am trying to find a moral here, but I cannot!

Anyway, I would love to hear from any of the rest of you if you have gone on a bridge cruise, taken a bridge holiday, or had similar experiences "playing the game."

ACBL has announced the following winners for Unit 233: **Mini-McKinney**---Patricia Parsons, Maretta Dieterman, Suzanne and Lloyd Alcorn (tie), Gloria Stanton, Patricia Santini, Lavona Carter, Joan Cation, Barbara Kirstein, Bill Parish, Puddin Barnes, Melody Euler, Ethel Corlett, Tom Corlett, and James LaFountain. **Helen Shanbrom Ace of Clubs**---Sandra Ramsey, Maretta Dieterman, Suzanne and Lloyd Alcorn (tie), Gloria Stanton, Patricia Santini, Lavona Carter, Joan Cation, Barbara Kirstein, Bill Parrish, Andrew Smalley, Melody Euler, Ethel Corlett, Tom Corlett, and James LaFountain. Hmmm... I notice some of the same names in both categories!!! Congratulations for sure!!

AND--drum roll, please---our own Ethel Corlett has become a Diamond Life Master with an accumulation of 5,000 Masterpoints! Definitely not surprised, but also definitely thrilled about this achievement. You know how important this level is when you see the very short list in our BULLETIN each month!

Speaking of awards and achievements, The Temple Tournament is the traditional place for revealing the Unit 233 honorees for Unit 16 Star Award (Lynn Sykes) and Goodwill Awards (Ethel Corlett and Susan LaFountain). I begged to know and then reveal the names since this column will already be printed before the tournament, and in the next edition I will include more information and anecdotes about these three special people---but, for now, just metaphorical fist bumps and "oh, yeah" for all three. Stay tuned!!

More sad news in reporting the recent death of Edna Tuerck who has been a true inspiration to all of us for refusing to give in to her disease over the past six years and refusing to lose her kind and uplifting demeanor. I have so many vivid memories of Edna and Dennis Laxton as they began playing in our Temple clubs. They will forever be one of my alltime favorite partnerships. All of us embraced Edna's entire family who were so much a part of us as they brought and picked up Edna every game and represent all that is best in family commitment. I loved talking to Edna about all of her grandchildren who were so involved in Rogers athletics as well as one who is an Educational Coach at Thornton Elementary. She was so proud of her family.

More accolades for our own Melody Euler: She "was selected as the recipient of the Jean Molnar Award given annually to an ACBL tournament director to recognize that person as Employee of the Year for ACBL field staff....Euler, who began directing in 2012, has risen quickly through the

TD (tournament director) staff, and was recently promoted to the rank of Associate National Director." I am certainly not surprised but am very proud of her. I just want to make sure that she continues to direct our own Unit 233 Sectionals!!!

After reading the recent report on the top winners in on-line bridge, I am wondering how many of our club players also play online. If you have any stories or advice that would be helpful (or entertaining---but not required!!) to share, please do so!

I have not found any examples of 70% games for December and January. If I messed any, please let me know and I will print then in bold in the next edition.

Until next time---

**Heart of Texas
Tournament**

Temple, TX
Feb 14-16, 2020
88 players 79 tables.

- 1 12.05 Mary Adams
- 2 12.05 Jan Hart
- 3 11.25 Susan Lafountain
- 4 11.21 Gerald Nelson
- 5 10.53 Thomas Corlett
- 6 10.53 Ethel Corlett
- 7 9.69 Nancy Ramsey
- 8 9.69 Margaret Downey
- 9 9.46 Stan Pushkarsky
- 10 9.46 Sandy Potts

Fri Aft Stratified Pairs---9.0 Tables AB1. Jan Hart-Mary Adams A2. Ethel Corlett-Thomas Corlett B2. Roxann Swenson-John Moore C1. Pam Pannell-Jody Westland C2. Lynn Sykes-Lennie Wilkins

Fri AM Stratified Pairs---7.5 Tables / Based on 11 Tables AB1. June Mattila-Glenda Marshall A2. Genie Kaplan-James La Fountain B2. Lenora Parrish-Bill Parrish

Fri AM 499er Pairs---3.0 Tables 1. Sheryl Rokyta-Alecia Southworth 2. Sue Morgan-Nancy Clements

Sat AM Stratified Pairs---9.0 Tables / Based on 12 Tables AB1. Susan Lafountain-Gerald Nelson AB2. Jan Hart-Mary Adams C1. Nancy Ramsey-Margaret Downey C2. G Nell Carpenter-Barbara Ann Kirstein

Sat AM 499er Pairs---3.0 Tables 1. Stuart Litwin-Linda Gaston 2. Michelle Weller-Charlynn Casey

Sat Aft Stratified Pairs---11 Tables ABC1. Nancy Ramsey-Margaret Downey A2. Stan Pushkarsky-Sandy Potts B2. Stephen Olson-Virginia Miller C2. Ann Fulcher-Carl Wadley

Sunday Swiss---18 Tables A1. Ron LaCour-Anne LaCour-Pam LaShelle-Joe Black A2. Jack Lacy-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey-Alexander Labry B1. Susan Lafountain-Andrew Smalley-Pat Kelly-Gerald Nelson B2. Mary Adams-Jan Hart-Margaret Downey-Nancy Ramsey C1. Stuart Litwin-Linda Gaston-Linda Griffith-Terrie Kolvoord C2. Maretta Dieterman -Mergie Kintz-Patricia Santini-Rowland Bartoo,

HEART OF TEXAS WINNERS



Sunday Swiss Team Flt B
Gerald Nelson, Raby Smalley,
Susan La Fountain, Pat Kelly



Friday Aft Open Pairs
Jan Hart, Mary Adams



Saturday Morn Open Pairs
Gerald Nelson-Susan La Fountain



Saturday Aft Open Pairs
Nancy Ramsey, Peggy Downey



Sunday Swiss Team Flt A
Joe Black, Pam LaShelle,
Ron & Anne LaCour



The winter is a busy time in Unit 205, and this year is no exception. With the Puerto Vallarta Regional and Mazatlan Sectional Tournaments under our belts, we set our sights on the Ajijic and Puerto Vallarta Sectionals. There's lots of great bridge being played and many people to thank and congratulate. So let's get on with it...

Unit 205 hosted the Mazatlan "Pata Salada" Sectional on January 23-26 at the Playa Mazatlan Hotel. Pata salada, or "salty feet," is a Spanish slang term referring to people who live beside the sea. I attended this year, and must say the weather was fantastic and the sunsets spectacular! The overall tournament winner was Tom Goodman with 18.98 points, followed closely by Harvey Bush with 17.61. Tom and Harvey teamed with Marnie Hueston and Margaret Skinner to win the Sunday Swiss Flight A. Harvey also won the Saturday afternoon Open Pairs playing with Chuck Burton. Mollie Nadler and Rob Johnson from Ajijic had a very nice tournament as well, winning both the Friday and Saturday morning Open Pairs and coming home with 13.10 points (enough to earn Rob his Life Master). And Miriam Rosenberg and Adriana Salinas came from Mexico City to win the Thursday evening Open Pairs with a brilliant 71.36%! Thanks to all who played—we hope you had a great time. And special thanks to Barry Pask and Barbara Thomasson for their hard work organizing this event, and to the rest of the committee: Phyllis Levine (Information), Dick Eddy (Partnerships), Frank Carpenter (Publicity), and P Jay Peterson (Hospitality).

The Unit held its Annual General Meeting on Saturday, January 18. A free lunch of pizza, salad, and brownies, as well as a free game, was provided to all who attended as our way of saying thank you for supporting bridge in Unit 205. The following individuals were elected to serve on the Unit Board: Donnie van Rooy, Mollie Nadler, Cindy Thomson, and John Betz. Lew Crippen and Mary Ann White will also continue as Unit Board members. Charles Chartier has concluded his service on the Board, and we thank him for all he has done and wish him well in his future endeavors.

Congratulations to the following Unit 205 players who advanced their rank-

ing in December and January: Clint Smith of the Lake Chapala DBC advanced to the rank of Regional Master, while Dave Davies, also of the LCDBC, and Christian Valenzuela of Puerto Vallarta, advanced to Club Master.

Unit 205 participated in a STaC the week of December 9. Congratulations to the following players who had outstanding games: Bill Heim and Tom Gillett from Lake Chapala finished third overall in the District on Monday afternoon with 66.67%. Also from Lake Chapala, Mary Ann White and Clint Smith were second overall with 65.05% on Tuesday afternoon, while Doug Oke and Catherine Gonzales came in third overall and first in C with 64.14%. On Thursday afternoon, Ken and Rosemarie Masson of Lake Chapala claimed second overall in the District with 65.11%. The Lake Chapala Club took both first a second place overall on Friday afternoon. It was Dagmar Rettberg and Carla Hickey finishing first with 68.45%, with Donna McElroy and Michael Farebrother right behind them with 67.56%.

Club News. There were three 70% games at the Lake Chapala Club during December and January, all in the Friday morning 299r game. Liz Naidoff and Maryla Kolpowska scored 75.17% on December 6 (7½ tables); Gary and Janice Hatina posted 71.43% on January 3 (11 tables); and Anne and Craig Carter hit the mark with 70.98% on January 31 (12 tables). In Mazatlan, Anita Morse and Isabel Chernoff scored 70.83% on January 13 (11 tables). Isabel did it again with 70.04% on January 17 (13½ tables) playing with Mike Moffatt. And Pat and Richard Eddy posted 72.91% on December 23 (3½ tables). At the Baja Bridge Club, it was Fred and Philip Coulson who hit it big with 77.78% on January 26 (3½ tables). It's been a while since I've had a 70% game...maybe my time will come next month. As they say, hope springs eternal!

The Lake Chapala Club participated in the Inter-Club Championship games on December 30 and January 7. On December 30, with 356 tables participating, Doug Oke and Ann Szarka finished 21st overall and 9th in B with 62.25%. Also scratching in the overalls were Helen Lawson and John Betz (59.76%), and Jeane Treloar and Vicki Torbet (58.17%). On January 7, with 242 tables participating, Norm Rosenblatt and David Hoogenberg were 15th overall with 62.55%. Also scratching were Ken and Rosemarie Masson (61.1%), and Louise Morel and Catherine Gonzales

(58.45%).

The Lake Chapala DBC held its annual Christmas dinner dance on Wednesday, December 11, at Manix Restaurant. With 70 people attending, good food, and great music, the party was a big success and lots of fun for all. Thanks to Deborah Camp-Simpson for organizing this event and to John Betz for selling tickets.

Just for fun, Michael Farebrother of the LCDBC hosted a BAM game on Saturday, December 14. With 4 tables attending, the non-sanctioned event was won by Jennifer Williams and Janet Schindel in a tie with Bill Heim and Mike Roney. Thanks to Michael for introducing many of us to the board-a-match format.

I can't miss this opportunity to congratulate two of LCDBC's bridge players for a non-bridge accomplishment. Kudos to Lane Galloway and Nicci Beninger who were on the winning trivia team for the 11th annual trivia contest in support of Ninos Incapacitados on January 14. Ninos Incapacitados is a charitable organization that helps low income Mexican families who need financial assistance to pay for ongoing or major medical expenses for their children with serious disabilities or life threatening illnesses. We all expected this of Lane (a former Jeopardy contestant), but who knew Nicci was so smart? Okay, we all did. She's obviously very accomplished.

Wednesday supervised bridge is now in full swing with up to 12 tables attending! That's a huge turnout, and we have Catherine Gonzales to thank for making this program a success. These players keep coming back because they are having fun, making friends, and enjoying the challenge of bridge. Each week, we start with a 30-minute lesson, followed by two hours of supervised play. It's great to see the players improve with each passing session. Thanks to the following LCDBC members who help supervise the play each week: Louise Morel, Tom Henson, Mollie Nadler, John Betz, Mary Ann White, and Ellen Kuiper. Half of the proceeds from this non-sanctioned game go to charity in support of several very worthy causes in the local community.

In Memoriam. One of District 16's great bridge players, whom I knew and respected from my playing days at the Arlington Duplicate Bridge Club, Bill White, passed away on February 1. Bill was a fixture at the Arlington Club. If the Club had a game, he was there playing, and generally winning! With over 7,500

masterpoints, Bill was a student of the game who gave back to his club by serving for many years as Club Manager and Webmaster. It was no surprise to anyone who knew him when he won the ACBL-wide Ace of Clubs for the 7,500-10,000 player category in 2018. He was just that good, not to mention a good man. He will be sorely missed. I hope you find a game in heaven, Bill!

Mazatlan Sectional

Mazatlan SI
Jan 23-26 2020

80 players. 97 tables.

- 1 18.98 Tom Goodman
- 2 17.61 Harvey Bush
- 3 15.39 Marion Kelly
- 4 13.72 Edward Rais
- 5 13.10 Robert Johnson
- 6 13.10 Mollie Nadler
- 7 11.83 Miriam Rosenberg
- 8 11.83 Adriana Salinas
- 9 11.44 Marnie Hueston
- 10 11.44 Margaret Skinner

Balmy Day Novice Pairs-4.5 Tables
ABC1/2 Janet Duncan-Frank Carpenter ABC1/2 Nancy Patz-P Jay Peterson

Too Hot Outside Open Prs-14.0 Tables
A1. Michael Saltzman-Linda Saltzman A2. Marion Kelly-Edward Rais B1. Madelene Blum-Donna Casey B2/3 Sharon Weintrob-Jan Mori B2/3 Huguette Joly-Roger Buckland C1. Lou Jule-Terry Jule C2. John Rousseu-Merrilee Crofton

Vacation Morning Pairs-13.0 Tables
ABC1. Mollie Nadler- Robert Johnson A2/3 Teri LaBove-Rita Sevall A2/3 Barbara Hillman-Tai Eng BC2. Joan Seville-Vinette Howell

Zesty Start Pairs-9.5 Tables
A1. Adriana Salinas-Miriam Rosenberg A2. Tom Goodman-Harvey Bush B1. Marnie Hueston-Margaret Skinner B2. Mollie Nadler-Robert Johnson C1/2 Susan Bolla-Lorie Scott C1/2 Yoke Duckwitz-Gisele De Lina

Sat AM Open Pairs-11.0 Tables
ABC1. Mollie Nadler-Robert Johnson A2. Adriana Salinas-Miriam Rosenberg BC2. Donna Lea Anderson-Lucia Nemer

Sat Aft Open Pairs-17.0 Tables
A1. Chuck Burton-Harvey Bush A2. Marion Kelly-Edward Rais B1. Mary Ann White-Clint Smith B2. Richard Carpenter-Marianna Carpenter C1. John Betz-Janet Mitchell C2. Joelle Duverger-Miguel Hidalgo-Graciela Becerra

Sunday Swiss Teams-14 Tables
A1. Marnie Hueston-Margaret Skinner-Tom Goodman-Harvey Bush A2. Marion Kelly-Edward Rais-Sylvia Wade-Sharon Weintrob B1. Gena Hartlieb-Martin Hartlieb-John Rousseu-Merrilee Crofton B2. Law-

rence Duck-Dwight Shatto-Gretchen Evanco-Gurcharan Singh C1. Janet Duncan-Frank Carpenter-Richard Eddy-Patricia Eddy C2. Donna Lea Anderson-Richard Stovel-Lucia Nemer-Neil

San Miguel des Allende

Jan 30-Feb 02 2020

86 players. 93 tables.

- 1 22.66 Sherry McHarg
- 2 22.66 Rick Kerbel
- 3 16.94 Sarah Sykes
- 4 16.94 Robert McCaw
- 5 16.53 Gerdur Kristjansdottir
- 6 11.17 Misha Tomic
- 7 8.61 Enaid Savage
- 8 8.55 Linda Cook
- 9 8.55 Kathy Hill
- 10 8.31 Gordon Young
- 11 8.31 Alan Greene

Thursday NLM Pairs-10.5 Tables
AB1. Doris Feinberg-Alan Feinberg AB2C1. Michael Durall-Stephen Lynch C2. Susan Anthony-Margot Young

Fri Morn Open Pairs-16.5 Tables
A1. Gerdur Kristjansdottir-Misha Tomic A2B1. Greg Wilson-Beverly Fraser B2. Robert Calt-Susan Cumming C2. Gordon Young Pictou NS; Alan Greene

Fri Aft Open Pairs-13.5 Tables
A1. Sherry McHarg-Rick Kerbel A2. Sarah Sykes-Robert McCaw B1. Wendy Valentine-Jean Yolish B2. Albert Kocourek-Terry Holden C1. Robert Johnson-Enaid Savage C2. Gordon Young- Alan Greene

Sat Morn Open Pairs-11.5 Tables
A1. Sherry McHarg-Rick Kerbel A2B1. Linda Cook-Kathy Hill B2C1. Michael Barry-Bettina Brill C2. John Palmer-Ian Irving

Sat Aft Open Pairs-8.5 Tables
A1. Sherry McHarg -Rick Kerbel A2. Gerdur Kristjansdottir -Misha Tomic BC1. Gordon Young -Alan Greene CB2. Robert Johnson-Enaid Savage

Sunday Swiss Teams-16 Tables
A1. Rick Kerbel -Sherry McHarg -Robert McCaw-Sarah Sykes A2. Melissa Hirsch-Faye Guidry -Yasmine Guenancia-Gerdur Kristjansdottir B1. Michael Pope -Barbara Poole-Mexico; Alan Feinberg-Doris Feinberg B2. Gordon Young -Alan Greene -Wendy Valentine -Susan Jonvik C1. Lynn Chambers-Thomas Chambers -Mary Katheri Wainwright -Carol Andreyev C2. Patricia Bagg-Peter Bagg -Susan Curra-William Curra

MAZATLAN SECTIONAL CHAMPS



Rob Johnson, Mollie Nadler
Fri & Sat Morn Open Pairs A



Linda and Michael Saltzman
Fri Aft Open Pairs A



Harvey Bush, Marnie Hueston,
Tom Goodman, Margaret Skinner
Sunday Swiss A



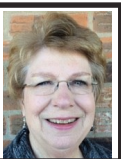
Lou and Terry Jule
Fri Aft Open Pairs C



Janet Mitchell, John Betz
Sat Aft Open Pairs C



Marnie Hueston, Margaret Skinner
Thurs Eve Open Pairs B

**Unit 209
Permian Basin**
Ann Parish


The Permian Basin Partiers had a great holiday season. The Christmas parties were kicked off on December 6 at Midland Country Club. We had 9 ½ tables, and N/S 1st place winners were **Iris Warren** and **Judy Wilde**, while **Vickie Fisher** and **Betty Dickerson** were 1st E/W.

The Wednesday night group celebrated on December 10. First place winners were **Patti Heard** and **Tommie Strack**; second were **Belle Harris** and **Paula Baggett**.

On December 12, the Thursday night group had twelve (!) tables. We started with a potluck dinner, including ham and turkey and lots of desserts. North/South winners 1st in A&B were **KC Evans** and **Patti Heard**; 2nd in A&B were **Greg Keys** and **Kay Sewell**; 3rd in A&B were **Tommie Strack** and **Audie Brooks**; 4th in A&B and 1st in C were **Nancy Ward** and **Dale Linton**; 5th in A and 2nd in C were **Bill Brooks** and **Dianne Anderson**. East/West winners were 1st in A, B, & C were **John Marlow** and **Joan Rice**; 2nd in A&B were **Marilyn Matthews** and **Mark Knox**; 3rd in A&B were **Ann Parish** and **La-Doyce Lambert**; 4th in A&B and 2nd in C were **Debbie Conner** and **Phyllis Maxwell**; 5th in A&B were **Pat Lawrence** and **Belle Harris**.

The Greater Permian Basin party on December 15 was celebrated with all kinds of cheese dishes and other goodies. Coming in 1st were **Charlie Grimes** and **Ann Servatius**, and 2nd were **KC Evans** and **Kay Arrell**.

On December 16, the Monday night partiers brought more food and had six tables. Winners were 1st in A—**Scott Vaughn** and **KC Evans**; 2nd in A - **Phyllis Maxwell** and **Kay Sewell**; 3rd in A - **Linda Buzan** and **Paula Baggett**; 4th in A - **Belle Harris** and **Greg Keys**; 1st in B&C were **Sam McFerran** and **Joan Rice**; 2nd in C were **Mary Tift** and **Ann Brooks**.

The December 17 afternoon salad luncheon was also the Christmas party for the Tuesday group. Winners were 1st **Lena Nichols** and **Marlene Blumentritt**; and 2nd **Nancy Ward** and **Juanice Welsh**.

On Monday night, December 30, players celebrated with a Black-Eyed Pea Party. Winners were 1st - **Belle Harris** and **Greg Keys**; 2nd **Linda Buzan** and **Betty Moore**.

The next Tuesday, December 31, was New Year's Eve, so the Tuesday afternoon bunch celebrated again. The winners were 1st **Marlene Blumentritt** and **Lena Nichols**; 2nd were **Debbie Conly** and **Betty Dickerson**.

The New Year's Party was held on January 2 with foil tiaras for all—and, of course, food. We had 11 tables. N/S winners were 1st in A&B – **Dorothy Breneman** and **Paula Baggett**; 2nd in A&B **Mike Robinson** and **Les Neal**; 3rd in A&B and 1st in C- **Joan Rice** and **John Marlow**; 4th in A - **Lonnie Yee** and **Charlie Grimes**; 4th in B and 2nd in C - **Bill Brooks** and **Em Carnett**.

On January 6, the Monday night group had six tables. Winners were 1st in A&B – **Ann Parish** and **Belle Harris**; 2nd in A – **Charlie Grimes** and **Ann Servatius**; 3rd in A and 2nd in B were **Marlene Blumentritt** and **Audie Brooks**; 4th in A, 3rd in B and 1st in C were **Em Carnett** and **Kathy Wehmeyer**.

We want to congratulate **Linda Buzan**, who got her gold points and became a Life Master, and **Scott Vaughn**, who became a director in Odessa.

We also want to congratulate the following pairs who got 70% or better in a game:

December 4 – **Patti Heard** and **Linda Buzan** – 70%

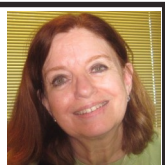
December 9 – **Ann Servatius** and **Pat Lawrence** – 75.63%

December 15 – **Ann Servatius** and **Charlie Grimes** – 71.53%

January 6 – **Belle Harris** and **Ann Parish** – 71.89%

Finally, I want to thank **Belle Harris**, **Marlene Blumentritt**, **Bill Brooks**, and **Marty Massie**, all of whom responded quickly to my request for

information for this column. Yay, reporters!

**Unit 225
East Texas**
Susan Ford


Jean Huskey & Jean Friedell -- 70.42% at Pittsburg DBC on 12/3
Dorothy McCasland & Liz Guthrie -- 73.19% game at Pittsburg on 1/7
Nell Velvin & Judy Adams –Dottie Pirkle DBC– 74% on 1/20
Gloria Rowland & Sarah Niemann – Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek- 72.22% on 12/16
Jeff Brown/Kat Young at the SBDBC in Texarkana - 73.51% (1/27/20)

The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek

The Bridge Studio at Cedar Creek held its “Country Christmas Party” and bridge game on Friday with 50 players participating. The entry fee for the game was a new unwrapped toy or \$10 cash donation to The Gun Barrel City Toys for Tots Campaign. The bridge players raised over \$300 plus filled 4 BIG bags with toys. Sandy Hilliard was presented over \$500 for Santa's Kids which is a charity that provides Christmas gifts for the foster children of Van Zandt County. Sandy has worked with Santa's Kids for years and she told us that this year at Christmastime there were 174 kids in foster care. Gloria Rowland and Evelyn Schmidt, the owners of the studio, provided the players with a delicious barbecue dinner catered by Vicky's Bar-B-Q. Everyone had a wonderful time.

At the unit Christmas party awards were presented to three of our players. Gloria Rowland attained the rank of Sapphire Life Master earning over 3,500 points and Jo Booth and Frances Sanders both made Silver Life Master going over the 1,000 point mark. CONGRATULATIONS! We are so proud of your accomplishments.

In January, Phyllis Alvarez began teaching the ACBL sanctioned Easy Bridge I, beginning duplicate lessons. She started with 14 students and hopefully many of them will become active in our area clubs, establish a good partnership and start enjoying the best game in the world!

EasyBridge! At The Studio at Cedar Creek is off to a great start. After four lessons, the 14 participants are showing some real potential. Not only do they look good playing, they are having a good time. Watch out, in a few weeks these players will be ready to take their place at the table. Its great fun learning and playing together.

Canton Van Zandt County DBC

In January of each year, recognition is given to the player who made the most points at our club in the previous year by adding their name to the Club Champions plaque which is on display. Jan Holcomb's name was added for 2019. Jan and her partner Neva Davis are faithful members of our club and have been for years. Both of their names appear frequently on our Club Championship plaques.

On January 26th Mary Priest turned 90 and we surprised her at our game the following Tuesday with a big birthday cake, balloons, happy birthday signs and lots of cards. Sandy gave Mary a large, beautiful, single red rose bloom preserved in a display globe. There was one other gift. Mary's daughter from Keller surprised her mother by joining her for lunch and then kibitzing for the remainder of the game. We took lots of pictures for her to remember that special day.

Longview DBC

0/750 NLM Pairs Tournament Friday February 14th at 9:30 and 2:30.

Texarkana DBC

Good things are happening at the

Shiela Bell Duplicate Bridge Club in Texarkana!

Beginner Bridge lessons for 2020 got off to a great start with 18 new students!

Plus, there was an 8 table sanctioned game going on in the other room at the same time! We are growing and would love to have you join us!

Much fun was had today at the SBDBC in Texarkana as we celebrated Sarah Meredith's Life Master achievement with a luncheon and a 9 table game!

We welcomed our friends from Pittsburg:

Linda Harrison (Unit 225 President)/ Carol Kinsey (Unit 225 Webmaster)

Suzanne Smith/Cathy Barley

Sarah was presented with a plaque from Unit 225 by Linda Harrison and was added to our Club plaque presented by Director Fred Borum.

Delicious food/drink, sunny skies, talented players and a lively group made for lots of fun!

Congratulations to the winners:

North/South

1st - Julie Tidwell/Stewart Angel
2nd - Nona Culpepper/Nelda Lebouef
3rd - Gail Cogbill/Brenda Williams
4th - Curtis Bourland/Molly Chambers

East/West

1st - Jeff Brown/Kat Young
2nd - Fred Borum/Sammie Borum
3rd - Debbie Vlas/Janice Robbins
4th - Vicki Angel/Deborah Nuckolls

Rose City DBC

January Club Masterpoint Race

1st. Mary Bartley
2nd. S V Ramarathnam
3rd. Brenda Baker

Non-Lifemasters

1st. Pat Wright
2nd. Pud Patterson
3rd. Bill Scheibal

Dottie Pirkle DBC

Dottie Pirkle's DBC celebrated 15/30/94 on January 9th. Ginger Rhomey has been a director for 15 years. Dottie Pirkle's DBC is 30 years old and Lynn Walker a long time bridge player at the studio turned 94. Ginger provided a lunch of various sandwiches, fruit, chips and dips, and a special cake. A good time was had by all. Here's hoping for another 30 years or more for Dottie Pirkle's DBC!

Pittsburg DBC/Lake Cypress Springs BC-

Lake Cypress DBC -- The February 9th Wine & Cheese game at the Lake Cypress DBC will also be a Valentines Party with everyone carrying out the theme by wearing red or pink. It is sure to be lots of fun and great food! Lots of interest so far with 9 tables signed to play.

January and February offered lots of special games with extra black points to our players. Linda Harrison is working with volunteers to recruit new members and offer free learning table lessons by appointment.

Unit 225 News from President Harrison

Unit 225 hosted our Annual Christmas Awards luncheon on December 14, recognizing all players who advanced in the Life Masters ranks in 2019. In addition to our annual Christmas luncheon, there was also a special business meeting. Unit 225 members present voted and passed the proposed Bylaw changes. Following a delicious luncheon courtesy of Unit 225, we had a charity game with 21 tables in play! The \$404.00 donation from our player went to Santa's Kids.

Congratulations to Unit 225's 2019 Special Awards Recipients:

Texas Star Award - Nelda Avant

The Texas Star Award honors those Unit volunteers who work st

astly at the Unit level to promote bridge and to further Unit activities. The Unit Board makes the selection from nominees presented by its membership. The award is presented at the Lone Star Regional in Houston in 2020. Nelda has certainly made significant contributions to Unit 225 including: serving as Unit President for 5 years, teaching novice free classes at the Unit game, making a presentation to Tyler City Council regarding freeing Unit 225's rent at the Senior Citizen Bldg, Co-Chair of Tournament of Roses, Partnership Chair for 2019 Tournament of Stars, and being a terrific ambassador for bridge.

Goodwill Awards- Gloria Rowland and Sandy Hillard- Both are Unit 225 Directors who work tirelessly to attract and retain bridge players. They both exhibit a spirit of kindness and goodwill. If you visit their clubs, they make you feel right at home and most welcomed! They both put a lot of time and effort into teaching and mentoring new players. They are both aware of the needs in their respective communities and involved in organizations that benefit others. They are both goodwill ambassadors for bridge, their clubs, and Unit 225. Well-deserved recognition for two hard working bridge goodwill ambassadors!



Welcome to 2020! I like an idea that I heard to set 20 goals for 2020. We are never too old to set a goal – from cleaning out a cluttered drawer, walking for 20 minutes, setting aside time to have lunch with a friend, or reading 20 books. Keep your goals simple. Make them something that you can easily accomplish. It is always a good idea to keep your mind thinking of forward thinking positive outcomes. Can you think of 20 for 2020?

Have you noticed how many young bridge players are being highlighted in the Bridge Bulletin? Let's hope this is a movement that spreads across the country! The February 2020 Bridge Bulletin has an article about a short film called, “Double Dummy” that was screened in San Francisco about the Bay Area new young players to the game. You can watch this video online through Vimeo. I recommend that you find a way to watch it! Did you know we have a youth team that competes in the Bridge Youth World Championship? Bridge has even been introduced to children in schools. If you have any ideas about how to involve the kids and college students in our community please pass it on to a board member.

We have elected a new slate of officers for our bridge unit: President - Marsha May, Vice President - Carolyn Bell, Secretary - Patty Hofer, and Treasurer - Gladys Barley. Martha Keller, Dee McKinley, Carole Tucker, Cathy Zinn, and Gina Inman complete the board. In appreciation of their work and volunteerism the board recognized Suzanne Sosa and Gladys Barley as our Good Will Award recipients. We thank them for all they have done to support, maintain, and improve our bridge club unit. Dates were set for the 24 Unit Games and a new Unit Directory will be published in 2020.

We are truly saddened by the loss of two of our dear bridge friends – Bernie Lange and Rosemary Barrington. Bernie was not only an expert bridge player. He was gifted at cross-stitching, and an awesome cook. We will miss his jovial friendship, his

competitive play, and his faithfulness to bridge. Rosemary was comparatively a newer addition to our bridge club. She was kind, showed intelligence, was a woman of faith, and it was a pleasure to call her my friend. They both will be greatly missed. Thankfully, Lois Robinson is back to the bridge table after dealing with health issues in December. And a note of celebration and congratulations to Tomie Johnson for achieving her Sapphire Llife Master!

The Unit Game Winners for December 2019 were Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 79.86%; Wanda Hughes and Bennie Young with a score of 56.94%; and Patty Hofer and Nancy Purcell with a score of 54.86%. The Christmas Party Game Winners were Dee McKinley and Wanda Hughes with a score of 60.94%; Carrol Green and Boyd Green with a score of 59.40%; Martin Blecha and Gina Inman with a score of 58.46%; and Kathleen Brown and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 54.93%.

The Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for December 2019 were Faye Morrison with 2.78 masterpoints; Anne Halsell with 2.77 masterpoints; Wanda Hughes with 2.58 masterpoints; Margaret Kirkland with 2.43 masterpoints; and Martha Keller with 2.32 masterpoints; Marsha May with 2.32 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for December 2019 were Marsha May and Martha Keller with a score of 67.00%; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 65.00%; Carolyn Bell and Suzanne Sosa with a score of 63.10%; and Kathleen Brown and Betsy Smith with a score of 60.71%.

The Suite 16 Masterpoint Leaders for December 2019 were Patty Hofer with 3.95 masterpoints; Pat Robinson with 3.47 masterpoints; Kathleen Brown with 2.72 masterpoints; Wanda Hughes with 2.65 masterpoints; and Nancy Purcell with 2.18 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for December 2019 were Kathleen Brown and Suzanne Sosa with a score of 71.88%; Pat Robinson and Martha Keller with a score of 63.54%; Patty Hofer and Pat Robinson with a score of 63.02%; and Gladys Barley and Nell Lister with a score of 62.50%.

The Unit Game Winners for January 12, 2020 were Betsy Smith and Cathy Zinn with a score of 57.74%; Gertrude Downey and Lois Roberson with a score of 56.35%. The Unit Game Winners for January 26, 2020 were Nancy Purcell and Betsy Smith with a score of 57.14%; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 55.36%.

The Bridge Club Masterpoint Leaders for January 2020 were Dave Hertzog with 4.08 masterpoints; Tomie Johnson with 3.73 masterpoints; Margaret Kirkland with 3.01 masterpoints; Judy Lucas with 2.84 masterpoints; Wanda Hughes with 2.81 masterpoints; and Anne Halsell with 2.75 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for January 2020 were Anne Halsell and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 68.75%; Wanda Hughes and Bennie Young with a score of 63.33%; Dave Hertzog and Tomie Johnson with a score of 63.02%; Anne Halsell and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 62.50%.

The Suite 16 Masterpoint Leaders for January 2020 were Margaret Kirkland with 6.95 masterpoints; Kathleen Brown with 5.11 masterpoints; Gladys Barley with 5.03 masterpoints; Clay Abrams with 4.45 masterpoints; Anne Halsell with 4.19 masterpoints; and Nancy Purcell with 3.87 masterpoints. High Percentage Games for January 2020 were Gladys Barley and Nancy Purcell with a score of 72.50%; Gladys Barley and Nell Lister with a score of 65.42%; Clay Abrams and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 65.10%; Kathleen Brown and Margaret Kirkland with a score of 64.58%; Wanda Hughes and Cathy Zinn with a score of 64.58%.

**Unit 207
Austin**



Sue Caulfield

Can you believe it? Spring is almost here. If we had a Winter, it was only for a day or two. There's plenty of exciting and competitive events coming up. We have some fun sectionals over the next few months and the Austin Regional coming up in July. Plan on playing in all these great tournaments.

SPECIAL EVENTS & GAMES

0-200 SECTIONAL
March 28th & 29th
This is a stratified pairs event with 3 different strats.

Need a partner?
Contact Lucretia Dennis Small (lucretia823@yahoo.com) or Phyllis Jordan (grammy819@yahoo.com)
Check out the tourney flyer posted on the Unit 207 website

2020 SPRING SECTIONAL
April 30th - May 3rd
This is an Open tourney with Stratified Pairs, Strati-flighted and Bracketed Swiss team events.

Need a Partner?
Contact Pat Berry (ppatberry@aol.com)
Check out the tourney flyer posted on the Unit 207 website

IT'S NEW!!
0-50 SECTIONAL
May 16th - 17th
The perfect stratified tourney for all new to the game. 3 strats allow you to compete and win points playing against others at the very same level. This is a great tourney to get you started in your climb up the master-point ladder.

Need a Partner?
Contact Earnestine Broyles (laughdoc7@aol.com)

FRAGRANCE FREE MEANS JUST THAT
There's a reason we list tournaments as fragrance free. Many people are bothered by the strong smell of certain perfumes and colognes. This should be a consideration for club play as well.

MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENTS
More members have reached new levels. Congrats to all!

Rank Changes as of January 1st

Junior Master: Catherine Bornfeld, Earl Ellisor, William Stassen, **Club Master:** Judith Bajoris, Ryan Downton, Nancy Morris, George Salvo, **Sectional Master:** Bonnie Gene Morris, Shirley Stoner, **Regional Master:** John Haussmann, Pam Pannell, **NABC Master:** Charlene Coor, Linda Gaston, Virginia Miller, Billie Ogens, **Adv NABC Master:** W Kenneth Davis, **Life Master:** Peter Naimoli, **Bronze Life Master:** Barbara Clements, **Ruby Life Master:** Mark Sanders

**Austin Bridge
January Sectional**

Jan 02-05 2020
370 Players 450 tables.

- 1 45.03 Kenneth Schutze
- 2 35.18 Stephen Toplansky
- 3 32.86 Ira Hessel
- 4 32.86 Ellen Hessel
- 5 29.87 Louis Sachar
- 6 27.63 Virginia Noelke
- 7 27.63 Venkatrao Koneru
- 8 27.63 Donna Swarhout
- 9 27.63 Dave Swarhout
- 10 27.34 Virgil Massey
- 11 27.34 Charlene Sands
- 12 26.90 Jim Hilton
- 13 26.14 Nancy Joe
- 14 25.00 Stephen Wood
- 15 24.98 Paul Tobias
- 16 23.73 Lilly Justman
- 17 23.20 Robert Tyler
- 18 23.11 Joe Black Au stin
- 19 22.74 Robert Donathan
- 20 22.59 Pam LaShelle
- 21 22.38 Anne LaCour
- 22 18.43 Jerry Barrett
- 23 18.02 Mark Craig
- 24 17.35 Dean Truair
- 25 17.32 Marc Levine
- 26 17.32 Chris Compton

Thurs Morn Open Pairs-22.0 Tables / Based on 31 Tables A1. Joe Black-Wiley McMinn III A2. Jack Lacy-R Harry Akin B1. Simone Scumpia-Stephen Wood B2. Kathryn Bailey-Jerry Barrett C1. Ronald Kunkel-Ken Hanson C2. Bob Allen - Kathryn Papermaster
Thurs Morn 299er Pairs-9.0 Tables ABC1. Richard Drumm Jr-Thomas Sears A2. Curt Wyman-Kevin Orr B2/3C2. Jim Comeskey-Suzanne Matthews B2/3 Travis Lindenbaum-Dean Anthony
Thurs Aft 299er Pairs-10.5 Table ABC1. Peter Stone-Isaac Stone ABC2. Logan Jenkins-David Boyle
Thurs Aft Open Pairs-22.0 Tables / Based on 33 Tables A1. Kenneth Schutze-Jim Hilton A2. Louis Sachar -Robert Donathan B1. Harry Ingham-John Whittaker B2. Mark Craig-Sharon Hoyer C1. Leo Potsiadlo-

Christian Liipfert C2. Bob Allen-Eric De Rouffignac \

Thurs Eve Open Pairs-4.0 Tables AB1. Giorgia Botta-Benjamin Klaunder AB2. Larry Davis-Aaron Denton

Thurs Morn Swiss Teams-18 Tables AB1. Ken MacMorran-Sharon MacMorran-Diana Frankeny-Richard Frankeny B2. Virginia Noelke-Venkatrao Koneru-Donna Swarhout-Dave Swarhout B2C1. James Glathar-Blair Lapwing-Sandra Dayton-Susan Breeding 2/3 Pam Pannell-John Haussmann-Alecia Southworth-Sheryl Rokyta

Thurs Aft Swiss Teams-18 Tables AB1. Stan Pushkarsky-Sandy Potts-Thomas Smith-Sharon Dameron AB2. Mickey Goldwater-Julianne McKenna-Rebecca Parmentier-Patricia Berry Drake C2. Amanda Stewart-Mary Fanette-Charlene Coor -John Foley

Fri Morn Open Pairs-19.5 Tables / Based on 33 Tables AB1. Frank Floca-Mark Craig A2. Paul Tobias-Pam LaShelle B2. Ellen Meyer-Anita Cokins C1. Gary Amaon-Vance McCracken C2. Cyrus Sabharwal-Kapil Sabharwal

Fri Morn 299er Pairs-8.0 Tables ABC1. Tom Charlton-Adrienne Charlton AB2. Darryl Wheeler-Ann Wheeler

Fri Aft Open Pairs-22.5 Tables / Based on 32 Tables A1. Larry Davis-Robert Donathan A2. Kenneth Schutze-Stephen Toplansky B1. Anita Cokins-Ellen Meyer B2. Frank Floca-Mark Craig C1. William Eads-Zaeem Lutfi C2. Cyrus Sabharwal-Kapil Sabharwal

Fri Aft 299er Pairs-9.0 Tables AB1. Stuart Litwin-Kevin Orr AB2. Charlotte Gates-Tim Elsea C1. Carol Peters-Rose Brooks C2. Belva Courts-Nancy Labastida

Fri Eve Open Pairs-3.5 Tables AB1. Larry Davis-Aaron Denton A2. Chris Compton-Marc Levine B2. Benjamin Klaunder-Giorgia Botta

Friday Bracketed Swiss-1-7 Tables 1. Venkatrao Koneru-Dave Swarhout-Donna Swarhout-Virginia Noelke 2 Sam Dinkin-Nancy Joe-Lynn Baker-Karen McCallum

Friday Bracketed Swiss-2-7 Tables 1. John Gauss-William Horton-Arthur Herriott-Mary Ann Dettmann 2 Esther Ellis Kingsland ; Richard Day Horseshoe Bay ; Tom Crouch-Clara Wood

Friday Bracketed Swiss-3-7 Tables 1. Lisa Holzgrafe-Patricia Webb-Laurene Jacob-Jane Collins 2. Thomas Thomas-Diana Thomas-Leo Potsiadlo-Christian Liipfert

Friday Bracketed Swiss-4-9 Tables 1. Mark Anderson-Thomas Hughes-Nora Fallon-Sally Sassen 2. Mark Alpert-Judy Alpert-John Foley-Sharon Morrone

Sat Morn Open Pairs-24.5 Tables / Based on 38 Tables ABC1. Robert Tyler- Lilly Justman A2 Paul Tobias-Elizabeth Tobias B2. Giorgia Botta-Benjamin Klaunder C2. Alick Einav-Paul Johnston

Sat Morn 299er Pairs-12.5 Tables A1. Annetta Hughson-Lois Kertesz A2B1. Candace Jacobson-Marcy Wallace B2. Christopher Steele-Charlene Coor C1. Donna McJunkin-Cyndi Ahrenholtz C2. Isaac Stone-Raphael Stone

Sat Aft Open Pairs-20.0 Tables / Based on 29 Tables A1. Daniel Jackson-Phillip Grothus A2. Chris Compton-Marc Levine B1. Jim Hilton-Lee Stokes Hilton B2C1. Mary Fanette-Amanda Stewart C2. Robert Tyler-Lilly Justman

Sat Aft 299er Pairs-9.0 Tables a1 Paul Dawson-Linda Dawson A2B1 Margaret Downey-Michelle Weller 2. Stuart Litwin Round Rock ; Kevin Orr C1. Donna McJunkin-Cyndi

A UNIT 207 EVENT AT THE BRIDGE CENTER OF AUSTIN

2020

Spring Sectional

April 30th - May 3rd
BRIDGE CENTER OF AUSTIN
6700 Middle Fiskville Rd.
512-300-2743

Thurs, April 30th- Fri, May 1st
STRATIFIED SWISS TEAMS, SINGLE SESSION 10AM, 2:30PM
STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS, SINGLE SESSION 10AM, 2:30PM
STRATIFIED 299ER PAIRS, SINGLE SESSION 10AM, 2:30PM

SAT, May 2nd
TWO-SESSION BRACKETED SWISS TEAMS 10AM, 2:30PM
STRATIFIED OPEN PAIRS, SINGLE SESSION 10AM, 2:30PM
STRATIFIED 299ER PAIRS, SINGLE SESSION 10AM, 2:30PM

SUN, May 3rd
STRATI-FLIGHTED A/X 10AM & TBD
BRACKETED SWISS TEAMS 10AM & TBD
MEAL SERVED BETWEEN MORNING & AFTERNOON SESSIONS ON SUNDAY

STRATIFICATIONS
(PAIR AND TEAM GAMES BASED ON AVERAGE MPs)
OPEN PAIRS & STRATIFIED SWISS:
A: 3000+, B: 750-3000, C: 0-750
299ER PAIRS:
A: 200-300, B: 100-200, C: 0-100
SUNDAY AX:
A: 3000+, X: 0-3000
DIRECTOR HAS DISCRETION ON A/X MP BREAK;
SUNDAY BRACKETED SWISS:
NOTE: TO PLAY IN THE SUNDAY BRACKETED SWISS, NO TEAM MEMBER CAN HAVE OVER 2000 POINTS.
BASIC CHART FOR 299ERS & SUNDAY BRACKETED SWISS; OPEN CHART FOR ALL OTHER EVENTS.

ENTRY FEES:
\$12/SESSION
(\$4 additional per session for unpaid ACBL members)
PLAYERS WITH LESS THAN 5PTS PAY \$7 PER SESSION

This is a FRAGRANCE-FREE TOURNAMENT

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Ahrenholtz C2. Sue Carter-Susanna Busico
Saturday Bracketed Swi-1-7 Tables 1. Stephen Wood-Louis Sachar-Charlene Sands-Virgil Massey 2. Stephen Toplansky-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel- Kenneth Schutze
Saturday Bracketed Swi-2-7 Tables 1. Gary Anderson-Jerry Barrett-Jarek Langer-Kalyan Venkat 2. Arthur Widen-Steven Andersen-Gloria Wilson-Leo Potsiadlo
Saturday Bracketed Swi-3-7 Tables 1. John Gauss-William McIndoo-Brenda McIndoo-William Horton 2. Marc Levin-Karen Oberling-Arthur Herriott-Rita Wiegenstein
Saturday Bracketed Swi-4-12 Tables 1. Orlin Johnson-Curt Wyman-Julie Johnson-Ronald Kunkel 2. Valarie Remmers-Dale Remmers- Bob Allen-Eric De Rouffignac
Sunday A/X Swiss Teams-22 Tables / Based on 46 Tables A1. Stephen Toplansky-Ellen Hessel-Ira Hessel-Kenneth Schutze A2. Lee Stokes Hilton-Nancy Joe-Jim Hilton-Robert Grover X1. Robert Tyler-Lilly Justman-Mary Anne Laiser-Dean Truair X2. Laura Delfeld-Jerry Barrett-Gary Anderson-Jarek Langer

Sunday Bracketed B Swi-1-7 Tables 1. Julie Valentine-Sтивен Hollahan-James Glathar-Blair Lapwing 2. Rita Wiegenstein-William McIndoo-Jo McDaniel-Bozidar Boncich
Sunday Bracketed B Swi-2-7 Tables 1. Valarie Remmers-Dale Remmers-Jesse Gordon-Sue Alt 2. Richard Clements-Barbara Clements-Robert Caldwell III-Spencer Ledlow
Sunday Bracketed B Swi-3-10 Tables 1. David Goodwin-Rose Goodwin-Tom Bell-Cindy Bell 2. Michael Rainbird-Cheri Gross-Aaron Denton-Kathy Sinkin-Amor

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AUSTIN JANUARY SECTIONAL CHAMPS



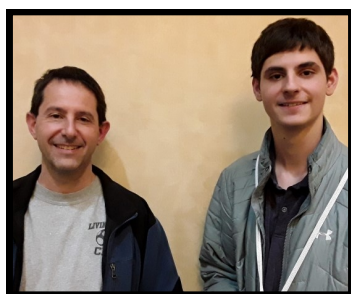
Thurs AM Swiss Teams Flt A, B
Ken & Sharon MacMorran, Diana & Richard Frankeny



Thurs PM Swiss Teams Flt A, B
Stan Pushkarsky, Sharon Dameron, Sandy Potts, Tom Smith



Sat PM Open Pairs Flt A
Daniel Jackson, Phillip Grothus



Thurs PM 299er Pairs
Peter Stone, Isaac Stone



Fri Bracketed Swiss Teams Flt C
Jane Collins, Laurene Jacob, Patricia Webb, Lisa Holzgrafe



Fri PM 299er Pairs
Stuart Litwin, Kevin Orr,



Thurs PM Swiss Teams Flt C
Liz Hinkle, Richard Day



Thurs PM Open Pairs Flt B
Harry Ingham, John Whittaker



Fri AM Open Pairs Flt A, B
Frank Floca, Mark Craig



Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams Flt A
Louis Sachar, Charlene Sands, Virgil Massey, Stephen Wood



Fri Eve Open Pairs Flt A, B
Aaron Denton, Larry Davis



Sat Brkt Swiss Teams Flt D
Julie Johnson, Curt Wyman



Thurs AM Open Pairs Flt B
Stephen Wood, Simone Scumpia



Fri PM Open Pairs Flt C
William Eads, Zاعم Lutfi



Fri Bracketed Swiss Teams Flt D
Mark Anderson, Sally Sassen,
Nora Fallon, Thomas Hughes



Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams Flt B
Kalyan Venkat, Jerry Barrett,
Jarek Langer, Gary Anderson



Sun AX Swiss Flt A
Stephen Toplansky, Ellen & Ira Hessel, Kenneth Schutze



Fri PM Open Pairs Flt A
Robert Donathan, Larry Davis



Thurs AM Open Pairs Flt A
Wiley McMinn III, Joe Black



New Life Master
Art Herriott
Georgetown



Thurs AM Open Pairs Flt C
Ken Hanson, Ronald Kunkel



Sun AX Swiss Flt X
Lilly Justman, Dean Truair, Robert
Tyler



Sun BCD Swiss Brkt 2
Jesse Gordon, Sue Alt, Dale & Valarie Remmers



Thurs AM 299er Pairs
Richard Drumm Jr, Thomas
Sears



Sun BCD Swiss Brkt 1
Blair Lapwing, James Glathar, Julie Valentine, Steven Hollahan



Sat AM Open Pairs Flts A, B, C
Robert Tyler, Lilly Justman,



Thurs PM Open Pairs Flt A
Jim Hilton, Kenneth Schutze



Sat Bracketed Swiss Teams Flt C
John Gauss, William Horton
Brenda & William McIndoo



Sun BCD Swiss Brkt 3
Rose & David Goodwin, Cindy & Tom Bell,



2020 Fort Western Regional



April 13 - 19, 2020

2018 Schedule Highlights

Daily Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Sessions)
 Strati-Flighted A/X/Y Pairs Tues. - Sat. (2 Sessions)
 0-750 Gold Rush Pairs Tues. - Sat. (2 Sessions)
 Morning, Afternoon & Evening Side Game Series Tues. - Sat.
 299er Pairs Morning & Afternoon Tues - Sat.
 Friday Evening Single Session Board-a-Match
 Single Session Evening Swiss Teams - Tues. - Wed.- Thurs. -Sat.

Remember - all events are "fragrance free"

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Host Hotel: Hyatt Regency DFW
Phone: 972-453-1234 or 800-233-1234
Bridge rate: \$111.00 - reserve by March 16, 2020
 2334 N. International Parkway DFW Airport, TX 75261

CHARITY SESSIONS BENEFIT ACBL CHARITY FUND and LOCAL ALZHEIMERS ASSOCIATION

Card Fees: \$13; \$17 for unpaid ACBL members
 0-20 Pairs Saturday Morning - ACBL members play **FREE**
 Saturday sessions \$14 (\$1 to support NABC)
 Sunday - 2 session Swiss \$120 per team; 2 session pairs \$13/session
 Sunday entry includes 2 lunch tickets per pair, 4 per Swiss team(\$10 for extra)

Pairs Events

Monday Stratified Open Charity Pairs (2 Sessions)	2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Saturday A/X/Y Pairs (2 Sessions)	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Tues. - Sat. Gold Rush Pairs (2 Sessions)	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Tues. - Sat. Side Game Series (2 Sessions)	10:00a.m. & 2:30 p.m. & 7:30p.m.
Tues. - Sat. 299er Pairs	10:00a.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Swiss Teams

Monday Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Sessions)	2:30p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Saturday Bracketed Swiss Teams (2 Sessions)	10:00.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Single Session Evening Swiss Teams - Tues.-Wed.- Thurs. - Sat.	7:30 p.m.
Friday Evening Board-a-Match	7:30 p.m.
Sunday A/X Swiss (2 Sessions)	10:00 a.m. & TBA
Sunday Bracketed Swiss (2 Sessions)	10:00 a.m. & TBA

Intermediate/Novice Events

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

Monday 299er pairs <i>single session</i>	2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Saturday 299er pairs <i>single session</i>	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Saturday Daily Lecture.....	1:30 p.m.

Monday April 13

Charity Open Pairs 2 Sessions.....	2:30 p.m. & 7:30p.m.
299er Pairs 2 Sessions.....	2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Bracketed Swiss 2 Sessions.....	2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday April 14

Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00 a.m.
299er Pairs	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Bracketed Swiss Teams 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Gold Rush Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
A/X/Y Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series.....	2:30 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series	7:30 p.m.
Single Session Swiss.....	7:30 p.m.

Wednesday April 15

Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00 a.m.
299er Pairs.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Bracketed Swiss Teams 2 Sessions.....	10:00a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Gold Rush Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
A/X/Y Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series	2:30 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30 p.m.
Single Session Swiss.....	7:30 p.m.

Flights & Strats

A/X/Y pairs A: 5000+ X: Under 5000 Y: Under 2000
 Gold Rush Pairs: B: Both Under 750 C: average Under 300
 Single Session Swiss Teams, Board-a-Match, Open Pairs & Side Games
 A: 2500+ B: Under 2500 C: Under 500
 Sunday A/X Swiss A: 6000+ X: under 6000
 Sunday Bracketed Swiss: All under 3000

Thursday April 16

Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00 a.m.
299er Pairs.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Bracketed Swiss Teams 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Gold Rush Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
A/X/Y Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series.....	2:30 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30 p.m.
Single Session Swiss.....	7:30 p.m.

Friday April 17

Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00 a.m.
299er Pairs.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Bracketed Swiss Teams 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Gold Rush Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
A/X/Y Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series.....	2:30 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30 p.m.
Single Session Board-a-Match.....	7:30p.m.

Saturday April 18

Morning Side Game Series.....	10:00 a.m.
299er Pairs.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Bracketed Swiss Teams 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Gold Rush Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
A/X/Y Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Afternoon Side Game Series	10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
Evening Side Game Series.....	7:30 p.m.
Single Session Swiss	7:30 p.m.

Sunday April 19

Open Pairs 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & TBA
Sunday A/X Swiss 2 Sessions	10:00 a.m. & TBA
Sunday Bracketed Swiss 2 Sessions.....	10:00 a.m. & TBA