

Chatter

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Unit 534 Newsletter

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Editorial from our President

It is that time of the year again to elect next year's Board of Directors for our Unit. Envelopes containing the ballots for the three geographic areas have been delivered to all clubs. In order to vote you must be a paid up member of ACBL as of September 1, per the bylaws. After the special bylaw election last August, the board members have been reduced from 10 to 9, with 3 members representing each of the three main geographical areas. This year two members (2-year term) are to be elected from the Hemet as well as two from the Temecula area. Sun City area is different as all three slots are open, with two 1-year terms and one 2-year term to be filled. We hope everyone will exercise their right to vote. You may vote on only one ballot, either from your area, or one of the other areas. The Election Committee will count the ballots just prior to the Unit game on Nov. 11 and the winners will be announced at that game.

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Hand of the Month

Dir: E
Vul: None

	♠AJ10		
	♥432		
	♦A10986		
	♣K2		
♠62		♠Q7543	
♥AKQJ1096		♥8	
♦3		♦42	
♣Q109		♣J7543	
	♠K98		
	♥75		
	♦KQJ75		
	♣A86		
West	North	East	South
		Pass	1♦
4♥	5♦	All Pass	

Opening lead: ♥A (ace from A-K in unsupported suits).

Bidding commentary: West puts pressure on the opponents by bidding 4♥ with a potential eight-winner hand. North has little choice but to raise to 5♦. Chances of opener having a short diamond are less than zero! If South has a short diamond, he will be 4-4 in the majors. With North having three hearts and given West's preempt, South cannot have four hearts. Even without the preempt, chances of a short diamond opening with 4-4 in the majors is less than 3%!

Defensive commentary: East plays three rounds of hearts – attacking either black suit could be risky.

Play commentary: The fate of the contract depends upon finding the ♠Q, a suit that can be finessed in either direction. South does best to go for a count in the other suits before touching spades. Also, when counting a hand, if one player is known to have a long suit, zero in on that player. After ruffing the third heart, trumps are drawn. Now South knows West started with seven hearts (East showed out on the second heart) and one diamond. Next, the ♣K, ♣A and a club ruff reveals that West has turned up with 11 cards outside of spades and can have at most two in the suit. Translation: East started with at least five spades and is a 5-2 favorite (2½ times more likely) to have the queen than West. Declarer should play the ♣A and run the jack through East. When missing a queen in a "two-way suit," go for the count in the other suits. Once you have the count, assume the player who started with the greater length in the key suit has the missing honor.

Masterpoint Winners

for
September

Sun City Duplicate Bridge Club: Velma Mallet 2.64, Berna Lord 2.36, Ann Brown 2.00, Cathy Garvin / Douglass Murphey 1.96, Norma McGuire / W. Faye Miller 1.68, Ruth Wilmes 1.68, Evelyn Guilliat / Jack Guilliat 1.57, Patricia Reinhardt 1.41, Joanne Callahan / Ginny Carroll 1.40, La Verne Neilsen 1.28, Lois Bevins / Donna Seyfried 1.20, Glenn Laving 1.03, Carol Wood 1.00

Simpson Center Mon. Club: Mary Terell/ Peg Bailey 1.90, Dolores McDonald/ Jim Kirkham 1.60, Roger and Nancy Overholt 1.22, Jim Eves/ Cle Nelson 1.22, Mort and Marion Weingarten 1.02, Carl Hoerberling .99, Dick Allerton / Itsuko Barton .98

Vivi's Bridge Club: Peggy Bailey / William Wellman 2.80, Marion Weingarten 2.20, Donna Guillaume 2.00, Flo McClanahan 1.50, Itsuko Barton 1.26, Morgan Roberts 1.12, Marie & Richard Lawrence & Cleland Nelson 1.00

Goodtime Tuesday Game: Troy Brown / James Wooden 3.24, Anita Kingsbury 2.17, Jamie Santistevan 1.84, Paul Harding / Dee Steil, Helen Telford 1.79, Roland Marsh / Marlene Marsh 1.73, Marlene Koerner / Mary Palmquist 1.71, Anne Maxfield 1.45, Elaine Parker 1.36, Cari Reuter / Bernardine Mateer 1.34, Donna Seyfried / Marguerite Jungles / Jan Webb 1.20, Peggy Cowherd / Charles Fox 1.19

Bridge 4 Fun, Wed: James Wooden 3.62, Marlene Koerner 3.31, Fran White / Wicker Gamble 2.83, Jean Wooden 2.52, Patricia Hawkins 2.06, Cleland Nelson 1.76, Margy Jiran / Lloyd Scott 1.73, Bill Williams 1.50, Patricia Reinhardt / Lu Kohutiak 1.39, Vincent Tomasulo / Felicia Hogan 1.30, Beverly Hale 1.25, Virginia Hoppe 1.12, Frances Jackson 1.10, Bob Jackson 1.10, Jim Eves 1.05

Goodtime Thur. Game: Dale Klinzing 3.10, Sarah Rambo 2.83, Muriel Green 2.58, Larry Rambo 2.16, Marge Denny 2.04, James Wooden 1.82, Mariko Kakimoto 1.68, Donna Seyfried 1.57, Cari Reuter 1.50, Edwin Oldham 1.38, Vince Tomasulo 1.29, Sally Carell 1.27, Marlene Koerner 1.23, Joseph Eves 1.22, Suzanne Raymond 1.20, Annabelle Salisbury / Darrell Waska 1.05, Cleland Nelson .95, Betsy Miller / James Blaha .94

Sun Lakes Game: Carl Carson 1.52, Norma Rocco 1.52, Morgan Roberts 1.27, Dick Joos 1.27, Bill and Rosemary Dimitt 1.04, Joan Abbott .65, Sid Herman .56, Carl hoerberling .56, Nancy Ford .50, Nancy Dickason .50

Simpson Center Thurs Duane and Karen Mccomb 2.30, Mort and Marian Weingarten 1.23, Mary Terell 1.12, Morgan Roberts .95, Richard and Marie Lawrence .91, Dick Allerton .70

Goodtime Fri. Game: Salle Martinis / James Wooden 5.43, Philip Markham / Cleland Nelson / Donna Markham 5.20, Dale Klinzing 3.52, Marlene Koerner 3.33, Kenneth Chia 3.02, Larry Rambo 3.00, Suzanne Raymond 2.92, Sally Carell / Roger Overholt / Nancy Overholt 2.85, Anne Maxfield 2.75, Annabelle Salisbury 2.57, W. Faye Miller / Bill Miller 2.51, Joseph Eves 2.47, Carol Wood 2.46, Sarah Rambo 2.43

Bridge 4 Fun, Sat: Cleland Nelson 12.01, Jim Eves 11.95, James Wooden 9.07, Roland Marsh 8.68, Fran White 7.63, Elaine Parker 6.91, Magdalene Krish 6.08, Sue Soderer 5.96, Janice Pond / Virginia Hoppe 5.39, Patricia Bearden / Clarence Couch 4.65, Marilyn Rumsey / Chuck Savage 4.49, Marlene Marsh 4.34, Anne Crutchfield / Delores Nelson 4.19, Andre Vernon 4.09, Lee Hart 3.79, Marsha Morris / Ben Brock 3.43, Donna Barton 3.39

Canyon Lake Bridge Club: Jim Wooden 12.50, Jim Eves 8.76, Carol Dibello/ Jean Wooden 6.30, Lynn Eastman/ Marguerite Jungles 5.15, Joyce Cellilli 3.40, Evelyn/Jack Guilliat 3.19, Troy Brown 2.83, Nancy/Sam Sappington 2.67, Diane Smith/Kathy Sandstrom 2.64, Kay/Monty Fisher 2.34, Muriel Green/Anita Kingsbury 2.12, Cle Nelson 1.59, Ruth/John Wilmes 1.52, Joy/Ed Nicholls 1.14

STELLAR GAMES

Congratulatory and free plays for our unit members

"A" (70+% games, 750 +)

Jim Wooden/Jim Eves 76.05
Jack Guilliat/Evelyn Guilliat 72.92
Carl Carlson and Norma Rocco 71.53
Mary Terell / Peg Bailey 71.00

"B" (65+% 300-745)

Velma Mallet/Ronni Armstrong 66.00
Del Gero/Shirley Gero 67.50

"C" (60+% 100-299)

"D" (55+% 0-99)

Ginny Carroll/Norma McGuire 61.00
Nancy/Sam Sappington, 58.93

Apologies to all persons not listed in the Stellar games. Corrections have been made to monitor this on a weekly basis so we can report ALL games in both the Chatter and Forum. Please forward and missed games to me promptly, to be included in the following month.

Tidbits

UNIT GAME RESULTS: September 9th, 2007

A1 2.98(OA) Marlene Marsh - Roland Marsh
A2, B1, 2.24(OA) Carol Diwell - Darrell Diwell
A3 1.68(OA) Dale Klinzing - William Wellman
A4, B2, C1 1.54(OB) Beatrice Corley - Anne Maxfield
A5 0.94(OA) Joseph Eves - Cleland Nelson
A6, B3 1.15(OB) Helen Telford - Anita Kingsbury
B4 0.86(OB) Bob Ford - Grace Ford
C2 1.03(OC) Kymber Hoover - Richard Allerton
B5 0.65(OB) Evelyn Guilliat - Jack Guilliat

ADVANCEMENTS and NEW MEMBERS

NEW MEMBERS

*** NEW CLUB MASTERS ***

Corinne A Carpenter, Sun City, CA
William E Maxson, Temecula CA

*** NEW SILVER LIFE MASTERS ***

Thelma J Donovan, Sun City CA

CONGRATULATIONS !!

HEALTH

OTHER

Itsuko Barton has gone to Japan for three weeks.

BIRTHDAYS

Pat and I are working to include birthdays in the following month

Person of the Month by Jeanne Eberle

For October, my friends, I am back and a big thank you to Pat Reinhardt for her fine articles on (I know you know) Irene Hoffman and last month's Berna Lord.

Today let's venture to the home of the Cubs and the Bears, the big windy city – Chicago where our new gentleman was born. He had two brothers, he being in the middle. They were orphans and were adopted; however their childhood was difficult. Sports saved the day and they played them all. His brother becoming a boxing champion, he was close behind. After graduating from Budlong Grade School and Amundsen High School (named after a south pole explorer) he and his two brothers joined the Navy and he also met his wife. They have four children, two boys and two girls. He reenlisted in the Navy and put in twenty-one years becoming a sonar operator and they also rescued crew members from the sea, which was very exciting work. He learned bridge as a kid, and played a very lively type until he learned duplicate and then he got serious and became a life master in 1966. He also plays a very mean game of chess and has beaten some really good chess opponents. He and his wife will celebrate their 50th anniversary this year and they live in a lovely home right here in Murrieta.

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OCTOBER 2007

DATE	DAY	EVENT	LOCATION/NOTE
1st		Club Championship	Simpson Sr. Center
2nd		Club Appreciation	Murrieta Sr. Center
2nd		Club Championship	Sierra Dawn
4th		Club Appreciation	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
4th		Charity Game	Simpson Sr. Center
5th		Club Appreciation	Sun City
6th		CLOSED	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
7th		Junior Fund	Canyon Lake
8th		Club Championship	Sun City
8th		CLOSED	Simpson Sr. Center
10th		Club Appreciation	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
11th		Club Appreciation	Sun Lakes
13th		Club Appreciation	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
14th		Junior Fund	Canyon Lake
15th		Club Appreciation	Simpson Sr. Center
20th		Charity Game / Swiss Teens	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
21st		Junior Fund	Canyon Lake
28th		Junior Fund	Canyon Lake

NOVEMBER 2007

DATE	DAY	EVENT	LOCATION/NOTE
2nd		Club Championship	Sierra Dawn
3rd		Charity Pairs	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
4th		Junior Fund	Canyon Lake
6th		Club Championship	Murriet Sr. Center
8th		Club Championship	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
9th		Club Appreciation	Sierra Dawn
9th		Club Championship	Sun City
10th		Charity Pairs	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
11th		Junior Fund	Canyon Lake
14th		Club Championship	Sun City
15th		Club Championship	Sun Lakes
16th-18th		SUN CITY SECTIONAL	Webb Hall, Sun City
16th		Closed for SECTIONAL	Sun City
17th		Closed for SECTIONAL	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
18th		Canyon Lake CLOSED	Canyon Lake
22nd		Closed for Thanksgiving	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
24th		Charity Pairs	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula
28th		Junior Fund	Mary Philips Sr. Center, Temecula