



Unit 534 Chatter

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President's Message

The Board of Directors election results are in and the winners are:

- Sun City: 2 seats-Charles Fox.
Seat 2- no nominees, no write ins.
- Hemet: 1 Seat: Judith McManus.
- Temecula/Murrieta: 1 Seat: Dennis Boomgaarden.

The Fall Sectional in Sun City went well. The attendance fell somewhat, but we really don't know why....we can just speculate. Thanks to everyone who helped out.

This has not been a good year for our members in that we lost 8 of them in 2010. We will miss them all.

At this moment, we have 2 vacancies on the board due to term expiration and/or resignation. Due to the difficulties of getting nominees to run for election to the board of directors, I will submit a proposed bylaw change at the general membership meeting on Dec. 12th. If approved, it will reduce the number of elected members from 10 to 6. The board should be able to function just as well with the reduced number of elected members.

WE NEED NEW PLAYERS!!

If you have friends, relatives, acquaintances that mention to you that they are bored, tired of TV, or generally have nothing to do, or would like something else to do, tell them about bridge. Teach them the basics of playing at your house. Bring them along to a game to "kibbitz". Tell those friends that play only "rubber bridge" that the duplicate players do not carry guns, knives, etc. and in fact we are pretty nice people. We would welcome them all.

I want to wish all Bridge Players a happy holiday season and a bountiful New Year.

IN MEMORIAM

Fortunately-none to report this month.

UNIT 534 UNIT GAME FINANCIAL REPORT

Sierra Dawn-Hemet	November	2010
Regular Game Fee per person		6.00

RECEIPTS:

Total Tables in Play:	12
(# of tables x 4) Total # of Players:	48
Minus of Free Plays:	0
Net No. of players paid:	48
Total Regular Receipts:	288.00
Other Receipts	0.00
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EXPENSES:

Directors Fee:	75.00
Site Rental	100.00
ACBL Sanction Fee:	15.00
Insurance + Other Expenses:	57.41
Game Supplies/prepare boards,etc.	10.00
Food supplies/food	40.99
Other	
Total Game Expenses:	298.40

NET INCOME/(LOSS) (10.40)

December Birthdays

1	Shirley	Gero
2	Robert	Judson
3	Bill	Miller
4	Ben	Brock
6	Corinne	Carpenter
6	Peggy	Bailey
7	Rosalie	Knight
7	Mort	Weingarten
8	Pat	Hawkins
8	Joyce	Neer
9	Karen	McComb
11	Leon	Carver
12	Merlyn	Kleen
15	Sally	Cassidy

Membership Achievements

- New Member:** Walter Plisko
- New Junior Master:** None reported.
- New Club Master:** Cyrus Rezayat.
- New Sectional Masters:** Dianne Smith.
- New Regional Masters:** None reported.
- New NABC Master:** None reported.
- New Life Master:** Judith McManus & Rami Mina.
- New Bronze Life Masters:** None reported.
- New Silver Life Master:** None reported.
- New Gold Life Master:** None reported.

Have a good time. Bridge is for fun. You should play the game for no other reason. You should not play bridge to make money, to show how smart you are, or to show how stupid your partner is....or to prove any of the several hundred other things bridge players are so often trying to prove.

Bridge legend Charles Goren

Why are the "Very Good" Players very good?

1. They have a pretty good memory.

Some have near photographic memories. If you are like me, I can barely remember the previous board. The good players can remember most of the cards that have been played in the current hand and who has which cards that remain to be played. They could also discuss a board played 2 or 3 days ago with good accuracy. Since a lot of us don't have a good memory, try to implement step 2.

2. They listen to and evaluate the auction.

I have been known to listen to me only or....I'm looking around the room to see who's doing what. At a minimum, listen to what your partner is saying. To get the most information you can, listen to and evaluate the auction. As Mark Itabashi usually tells his students, **Visualize which cards are in each players hand.**

All of the above break-through information leads us directly into the lesson of the month which follows directly below.

LISTEN AND LEARN FROM THE AUCTION

Each player starts with thirteen cards divided into up to four different suits. When you begin the auction, you only know what is in your own hand. However, as the auction progresses, more information can be derived about the other three hands at the table. In addition, the value of your hand is not static; it will generally change based upon opponents' and partner's subsequent bids.

The key to success is to listen to the auction and learn to visualize the other hands at the table. This is true for both the defense and the declarer. If you are the declarer and your right hand opponent has opened at the one level (i.e. 1 Diamond), you can assume that your opponent has 12+ HCP. Therefore, if the dummy has 15 HCP and you have 13 HCP, your left hand opponent probably has 0 HCP. **Taking a finesse through your left hand**

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Listen and learn from the auction cont'd

opponent of a king or queen has little merit since your right hand opponent is marked with the missing honors. If you are missing the king of a suit, play the ace and hope it was a singleton (the opponents will think you are brilliant, unless they realize that you have no other logical choice to play the suit).

On defense, if you realize that your partner has a minimal chance of having any High Card Points (HCP), be careful not to give away a trick when you are leading. For instance, leading away from an honor is giving a trick to the declarer. Instead, try to lead a neutral card (i.e. a trump card is generally satisfactory when the declarer is known to have the honors in the suit).

Just as important is when you have 0 HCP in your hand. Visualize your partner with possible missing honors and be careful not to finesse your partner when making the opening lead (you probably will not be on lead after the first trick). Also, be very careful when discarding from your 0 HCP hand; good declarers will keep a close eye on defender's discards, particularly in suits which are important to their making the contract.

This mini-lesson is presented by Scott Campbell to improve all levels of bridge.

Never "result" (criticize your partner for a normal action just because it didn't work this time).

Marty Bergen's "21 Rules of Being a Good Partner."

Trust your partner; do not assume that he has made a mistake.

Sympathize with partner if he makes a mistake. Let your partner know that you like him, and always root for him 100%.

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Daily club results on our web site:
www.acbldistrict22.com/534

Club Masterpoint Leaders for November

Mon/Wed Sun City DBC: 4.50 Jim Eves; 3.95 Helen Telford; 3.70 Cathy Garvin; 3.34 Ben Brock; 2.93 Faye Miller; 2.70 Cle Nelson; 2.45 Velma Mallet; 2.25 Anne Maxfield; 2.23 Shirley Gero; 2.04 Barbara Baisden; 2.03 Annabelle Salisbury; 1.92 Beverly Hughes; 1.79 Lois Bevins; 1.78 Doug Murphey; 1.54 Marguerite Jungles; 1.51 Irene Hoffmann; 1.48 LaVerne Nielsen; 1.44 Evelyn/Jack Guillatt/Berna Lord; 1.39 Shirley Smith; 1.33 Ginny Carroll, Marguerite Price, Joel Rehagen; 1.28 Dale Blanchard; 1.23 Del Gero; 1.10 Sherrill Maag, Ed Oldham; 1.05 Ronni Armstrong; 1.03 Don Sokol; 1.01 Jerry Huntley.

Monday Hemet: 2.75 Bill/Rosemary Dimitt; 2.06 Marge Oberlander; 1.94 Barbara Revels/Karen Brandt; 1.60 Robert Nye; 1.48 Carl Hoerberling; 1.30 Barbara Woodson; 1.03 Mary Terell/Kymber Hoover/Peggy Bailey; 0.88 Richard/Marie Lawrence; 0.81 Karen/Duane McComb; 0.80 William Wellman; 0.72 Bob Lortie; 0.72 Margo Olson; 0.67 Pauline Gilbert; 0.63 Beverly Hughes; 0.62 Diane/Tom Markham; 0.60 Judith McManus; 0.49 Itsuko Barton; 0.49 Donna Guillaume; 0.48 Cyrus Rezayat/Fred Fairbanks; 0.45 Joann Thoresen; 0.35 Nancy Overholt/Mary Ellen Petersen.

Tuesday Murrieta: 4.88 James Wooden; 3.91 Marlene Koerner; 3.47 Sherril Maag; 3.43 Bill Williams; 2.89 Joyce Cellilli; 2.82 Mary Palmquist; 2.71 Carol Wood; 2.61 Janet Dyer; 2.45 Cleland Nelson; 2.42 Anne Maxfield; 2.30 Lee Hart; 2.26 Fred Kunkle; 2.08 Anita Kingsbury; 1.94 Edwin Oldham; 1.90 Ali Selim; 1.76 Kymber Hoover/Judith McManus; 1.67 Shirley/Del Gero; 1.58 Jamie Santistevan; 1.54 Suzanne Raymond/Patricia Hawkins; 1.53 Muriel Green/Joel Rehagen; 1.02 Dennis/Arden Boomgaarden.

Wednesday Temecula: 3.03 Joel Dreyer/Fred Fairbanks; 2.66 Rami Mina; 2.37 Lucille Lockwood; 1.97 James Wooden/Bill Williams; 1.79 Suzanne Raymond; 1.72 Chuck Savage; 1.67 Marlene Koerner; 1.54 Josephine Haring/Peggy Cowherd; 1.49 Shirley Rubidoux; 1.43 Joseph Eves; 1.38 Paul Cameron; 1.16 Ali Selim; 0.98 Donna Seyfried/Fran White/Cleland Nelson/Ruth Brandt; 0.90 Beverly Hale/Virginia Hoppe; 0.84 Anne Maxfield; 0.80 Charles Hurd; 0.77 Patricia Hawkins; 0.76 Kay Fisher; 0.73 Jan Orey; 0.70 Carol Wood/Jean Wooden; 0.63 Lloyd Scott/Wicker Gamble/Margy Jiran; 0.54 Charlene/Harry O'Neil; 0.49 Glenn Lavinger/Michael Schultz; 0.46 Morris Cohen; 0.39 Janet Gleason; 0.35 Rick Kerbel; 0.32 Marilyn Rumsey/Andre Vernon; 0.22 Bernard Figueiredo.

Thursday Hemet: 1.70 Marge Oberlander; 1.70 Robert Nye; 1.43 Cyrus Rezayat; 1.24 Carl Hoerberling; 1.24 Morgan Roberts; 0.84 Itsuko Barton; 0.84 Donna Guillaume; 0.80 Fred Fairbanks; 0.72 Karen/Duane McComb; 0.63 Sharon Eshelman; 0.63 William Wellman; 0.56 Bob Lortie; 0.45 Charlotte Cross; 0.40 Richard/ Marie Lawrence; 0.32 Mary Terell/ Mary Ellen Petersen; 0.22 Joann Thoresen; 0.22 Robert Judson; 0.22 Ann Thomas;

Thursday Temecula: 2.36 Marlene Koerner; 1.87 Beatrice Corley; 1.54 Joseph Eves; 1.40 Beverly Hughes/Joyce Cellilli; 1.06 Jean Wooden/ Donna Seyfried; 1.05 Cleland Nelson; 0.79 W. Faye Miller/Peggy Cowherd; 0.70 Fred Kunkle/0.70 David Mielke; 0.60 Anne Maxfield/Carol Wood; 0.35 Ali Selim/Edwin Oldham/ Mary Palmquist/ Ruth Brandt; 0.22 Jamie Santistevan/Darrell Waska.

Friday Sun City: 4.42 James Wooden; 2.29 Shirley Gero; 2.22 Debra Cameron; 2.20 Bill Williams; 2.17 Berna Lord; 1.69 Edwin Oldham; 1.67 Suzanne Raymond; 1.59 Lois Bevins; 1.56 Fred Fairbanks/Joel Dreyer; 1.42 Barbara Baisden/Ben Brock; 1.29 Dale Klinzing; 1.19 Sherril Maag; 0.94 Gary Carman; 0.84 Bill Miller/ W. Faye Miller; 0.80 Judith McManus/Donna Seyfried; 0.70 Irene Hoffmann/ Marguerite Jungles/Del Gero; 0.60 Anne Maxfield/Janet Gleason; 0.50 Carol Wood.

Saturday Temecula: 4.21 Joseph Eves; 3.62 James Wooden; 3.23 Douglass Murphey/Bill Williams; 2.39 Rami Mina; 1.92 Chuck Savage; 1.75 Charles Fox/Fred Fairbanks/Harold Long/Donna Seyfried; 1.60 Suzanne Raymond; 1.44 Ali Selim/Mo Anvari; 1.15 Helen Telford/Carol Wood/Felicia Hogan/Anne Maxfield; 1.15 Cecil Leach/Magdalene Krish/Berna Lord/Philip Machamer; 1.02 Fran White/Joyce Cellilli; 0.99 Sue Soderer; 0.98 Cleland Nelson; 0.84 Clarence Couch/Janice Pond/Patricia Bearden; 0.70 Vince Tomasulo; 0.66 Peggy Cowherd; 0.63 Sherril Maag/Cari Reuter; 0.58 Shirley Rubidoux; 0.54 Margy Jiran/Lloyd Scott; 0.52 Marilyn Rumsey/Virginia Hoppe/Virginia Cone/Ronald Cone; 0.50 Josephine Haring; 0.45 Lucille Lockwood/Vincent Tomasulo.

UNIT GAME MASTERPOINT WINNERS - November 14, 2010

3.12 Berna Lord - Sherril Maag; 2.34 Bill Dimitt - Rosemary Dimitt; 1.87 Geraldine Fettig - Jean Wooden; 1.54 James Wooden - Bill Williams; 1.40 Evelyn Guillatt - Jack Guillatt; 0.92 Harold Eshelman - Sharron Eshelman; 0.92 Kay Fisher - Monty Fisher; 0.78 Harold Long - Mary Palmquist; 0.62 Judith McManus - Itsuko Barton; 0.55 Suzanne Raymond - Barbara McPherson.

Stellar Games

Level A 2500 + MP: None Reported.

Level Ax 750-2500 MP: None Reported.

Level B: 300-749:

Level C: 100-299: None Reported.

Level D: 0-99: None Reported.

Ask The Director For a Free Unit Game Play (if you are a paid up member of Unit 534).

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			December 2010	Updated 12/10/10
DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION / NOTE
12	Sun		Unit Game	Civic Hall Sun City
12	Sun		Board of Directors Meeting at 10:30	
12	Sun	11:45	Catered Lunch at 11:45	
12	Sun		GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 12:30	
12	Sun		No "Free Play" passes accepted.	
12	Sun	1:00	Unit Game	
14	Tues	12:30	Charity Pairs	Murrieta Senior Center
16	Thur	1:00	Charity Pairs	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
17	Fri	12:00	Charity Pairs	Masonic Lodge-Sun City
18	Sat		Holiday Party	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
18	Sat	11:30	Club Championship	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
22	Wed	11:30	Holiday Luncheon	Civic Hall-Sun City
			SIGN UP REQUIRED.	Civic Hall-Sun City
22	Wed	12:00	Club Championship	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
22	Wed	12:30	Club Championship	Civic Hall-Sun City
24	Fri	12:00	OPEN for regular Pairs game	Masonic Lodge-Sun City
25	Sat	CLOSED	CHRISTMAS DAY	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
28	Tues	1:00	Club Championship	Murrieta Senior Center
29	Wed	12:00	Charity Pairs	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
30	Thur	1:00	Club Championship	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
31	Fri	12:00	OPEN for Club Championship	Masonic Lodge-Sun City
31	Fri		NEW YEAR'S EVE	
January 2011				
DATE	DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION / NOTE
1	Sat	11:30	Upgraded Club Championship	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
10	Mon	11:30	Deli Lunch Provided	Civic Hall-Sun City
10	Mon		Sign Up Required	Civic Hall-Sun City
10	Mon	12:30	Club Championship	Civic Hall-Sun City
11	Tues	12:30	Charity Pairs	Murrieta Senior Center
12	Wed	12:00	Charity Pairs	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
13	Thur	1:00	Charity Pairs	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
14	Fri	12:00	Charity Pairs	Masonic Lodge-Sun City
15	Sat	11:30	Swiss Teams/Charity	Mary Phillips Sr Ctr-Temecula
16	Sun	1:00	UNIT GAME	Civic Hall Sun City

**Summer Sectional
May 20-21-22, 2011**

**Comm. Rec. Center
Temecula**

**Masterpoint
Recognition Unit Game**

**Sun. March 13, 2011
Sierra Dawn
Hemet**

**FALL SECTIONAL
Nov. 18-19-20, 2011**

**Webb Hall
Sun City**

Dec. 12, Sun City

UNIT GAMES

Jan. 9, Sun City