



Kibitzer

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Unit Planning for December Election

The Unit is getting ready for the 2002 election of the Board of Directors set for Sunday, December 22. One incumbent, Merle Orelove will seek a second term. The other candidates are Chuck Lane, Carla Davis, Frank Frates and David Wheeler. The slate requires one more nominee for a total of six. The Election chairman urges any member who would like to add his or her name to the nomination list to immediately contact Ginger at 650/948-2995 or email her at ginger@picogram.com.

The Unit encourages all members to consider serving the Unit as a volunteer on the Board. Board members attend monthly meetings and chair and help on one or more committees. This is an opportunity to help set policies and express your opinions on Unit issues. In addition to the meeting, the time required is typically a few hours a month.

In the December Kibitzer, the Unit will publish the ballot, voting instructions, pictures and biographies of the candidates.

Pot Luck, Award, Bridge Set for November 17

The Unit will celebrate the award of the Sportsmanship Trophy to a worthy member with a pot luck and bridge on Sunday evening, November 17 at the Bridge Center. It's a time for - good food, good company and good bridge fun. Get together for the pot luck at 6 p.m. followed by the trophy presentation and a stratified pairs game at 7 p.m.

The Unit invites players to donate a dish for the pot luck, be it hors d'oeuvres, salad, casserole, dessert. The Unit as usual will provide turkey, bread and coffee. Please make it easier for the planning committee by making a reservation by November 14. To reserve, please sign up on the list at the Bridge Center or phone Claire at 650/368-5917 or Kevin at 650/965-1827 or email Kevin at oleary20@pacbell.net.

Last year's trophy winner, Pat McFerren will present the Sportsmanship Trophy to the 2002 winner, chosen for ethical, friendly and gracious manners at the bridge table, for proving strict competition can be pleasurable and for exemplary conduct serving the best interest of duplicate bridge and its players.

There's still time before the November 3 deadline for players to submit a suggested winner in the box at club games or with a call to Pat McFerren (856-0933), to Julianne Robinson (941-7978) or an email to Elinor Tanck at etanck@yahoo.com.

NEXT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, November 5
3:30 p.m. (note new time)
Bridge Center

NOVICE - INTERMEDIATE DUPLICATE
the **fun** games - tell your friends

0 - 50 MP (with lesson) Wed. 1:30 pm
< 200 MP Tues 12:00 pm

Unity Church, 3391 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto
for info call Walter Miller at 510-839-5929

Holiday Dreams Can Come True



Coming soon to a bridge center near you, a treasure chest filled with goodies perfect for the discerning duplicate player and bon vivant! Frequent flyer miles to your next regional, playing lessons with your area's best teaching pros, provocative bridge reading and many epicurean delights to complement your table time, have already

been donated. The chest will arrive at the center mid-December, at which time tickets will be sold for a week. Drawing for the winner will take place Sunday, December 22, at our unit game. Tickets will be ten dollars apiece (12 for \$100) and one ticket wins all. Proceeds will go toward repayment of the debt incurred in establishing the Bridge Center. Any brilliant ideas, please contact Barbara Sonsini at 650-851-4407.

Eddie Kantar to Host Charity

Quick Eagle Networks will sponsor a charity bridge game in support of Eastside College Preparatory School in East Palo Alto on Wednesday, November 20 from 3-7:30 p.m. at the Palo Alto Hills Country Club. Eddie Kantar will share his bridge experiences and pass on playing tips, followed by two hours of bridge, drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

All proceeds go to the School, which serves academically motivated local high school students from low income, minority communities. A donation of \$500 is requested. This event will allow people to meet with influential members of the local hi-tech community in a social setting. To receive a formal invitation, email <mailto:bridge@quickeagle.com> or call 408/745-4134.

Randolph Team Takes Swiss Title; Top Teams to Vie in InterUnit Contest

At the Unit Swiss teams held on Sunday afternoon, September 22 at the Bridge Center, the undefeated team of Mary and Tom Randolph, Mary O'Malley and Ethel Worcester finished first in the 12-team field. The other teams who finished in the overalls are listed below.

This event qualified five teams to represent the Unit in a match with the Santa Clara Valley to be held Sunday, October 27 at 1 p.m. at the Bridge Center. Teams in five strata will compete in 28-board matches. The following teams will represent Palo Alto: 0->2000 - Narasimhan team, 0-2000—Randolph team, 0-750 - Kelly team, Non LM— O'Leary team 0-99 - Jones team (Jennie Jones, Tomie Sera, Valerie Mason, Eryl Barker)

A1/B1	Mary and Tom Randolph, Mary O'Malley Ethel Worcester
A/2	Hansa Narasimhan, Arlene Levy, Carol Brigham, Narayan Mohanran
A/3	Patricia and Robin Chambers, Betsy Steele, Margery Yates
A/4	Don Rothschild, Edgar Simons, David Wheeler, Sherie Greenberg
B/2/3C1/2	Leslie Kelly, Martia Fikes, Dorothy Shannahan, Marjorie Johnson
B/2/3C1/2	Kevin O'Leary, Alan Cummings, Margaret Wilson, Franklin Gonzalez

Marge Yates Leads in Trophy Race

With two more events to go, Marge Yates is in the lead for the 2002 Winners Trophy, awarded for the best record in Unit games. Chairman Merle Orelove reports the following standings:

1. Marge Yates	6.44	5. Ina Frymire	3.17
2. Mary O'Malley	6.29	6-8 Mary Randolph	3.12
3. Sherie Greenberg	4.83	6-8 Tom Randolph	3.12
4. Shirley McGilvray	3.51	6-8 Ethel Worcester	3.12

Player Advancements

The ACBL August 31 and October 1 reports show that the following players have moved up. Congratulations!

<u>Junior Master</u> 5 MP	Carl Rudd, Donna Jones Bernard King, Larry Mohr, Ranee Palmer, Helen Tseng
<u>Club Master</u> 20 MP	Marion Partney, Donna Armstrong, Barbara Kates, Julia Seiff
<u>Sectional Master</u> 50 MP	Jean Brandon, Dorothy Gardner
<u>Regional Master</u> 100 MP	Lisbeth Blum, Kevin Hagan, Leslie Kelly, Cadir Lee
<u>NABC Master</u> 200 MP	Bob French, Theodore Hwa, Ann Carlson, Margot Goodman, Chuck Lane, Gloria Leitstein
<u>Life Master</u> 300 MP	Louise Frye, JT Steffes, Polly Tsu
<u>Bronze LM</u> 500 MP	Mark O'Leary Paul Cornelius
<u>Silver LM</u> 1000 MP	Franz Lanzinger

Newcomers

A warm welcome to new Palo Alto Unit 503 members Howard Fletcher, Gabriella Bowling, Gillian Christensen, Nancy Dearborn, Masao Kato and Jill Lundquist. Hello, to Nicki Boke, Nadine Brubaker, Joon Pahk, Marcie Pais and Guy Williams, who recently transferred into the Unit.

Board Meeting Highlights

- The Board authorized Merle Orelove to sign a contract with Rickey's for the 2003 Firecracker Sectional.
- The treasurer will post on the Center bulletin board a detailed account of the expenses incurred for the opening of the Bridge Center on Terminal Blvd.



Keep It Clean!

Again a reminder! It shouldn't be necessary but it is. To make the Bridge Center enjoyable for everyone, clean up. If you make a mess in the playing area or the rest rooms, clean up after yourself. If you cannot do it, get someone to help you. Just don't walk away from it and leave it.

Read the Lead, by Ernst Jacobi

Bidding:

<u>South</u>	<u>North</u>
1NT	2C
2D	3NT

North

♠ 43
♥ K432
♦ 32
♣ AQ863

South

♠ A104
♥ Q76
♦ AK4
♣ K1042

Lead: 2 of spades (fourth best). You take the third spade. The spades are 4-4. How do you play the clubs?

Solution: If the clubs are divided 2-2 or 3-1, there is no problem. If the clubs are 4-0, then only West can have J975, because he can't be void and must be at least 4-4-4-1. With 5 hearts or diamonds, he would not lead a 4 card suit 99% of the time. Therefore play the king of clubs, finesse the J9 if East shows out.

Faye Parsons and Don Rothschild wanted to thank very much the Monday night EZ Bridge volunteers (particularly that first night):

Elinor Tanck, Pat Chambers, Pat McFerren, Ginger Herrick, Nancy Evans, Kathy Harper.

It Seems to Me, by Gersh Wheeler

This hand came up in a recent duplicate game:

I was sitting South, EW vulnerable (East was dealer).

<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>	<u>North</u>
1H	1S	P	2S
Dbl	3S	P	P
P			

North

♠ 865
♥ 9865
♦ J4
♣ AK73

West

♠ A102
♥ 42
♦ 87653
♣ 865

East

♠ 4
♥ AKQ73
♦ KQ109
♣ 1094

South

♠ KQJ973
♥ J10
♦ A2
♣ QJ2

West led the four of hearts. East took the queen and king of hearts and then led the heart seven. I trumped with the king of spades and west overtrumped with the ace. I won the diamond return, pulled trumps with queen and jack, and won the rest of the tricks, making an overtrick.

If West had discarded on the third trick, he would have held A102 over my QJ9 in trumps and would have been sure of two trump tricks. To overtrump with the ace is a common error. Even if you hold A32, you should not overtrump unless declarer can discard losers on a long suit. The ace of trumps will always win a trick, and by holding off you may force declarer to promote a trump trick in your hand or your partner's.



September 2002 Winners' Circle



Compiled by Alan Templeton

Monday

Bridge Mix

- 2 Closed
 9 P. Chambers/L. Spaeth
 M. Van Tamelen/A. Oliff
 H. Sung/L. Frye
 (A&B) D. Hornback/J. Chien
 16 P. & R. Chambers
 B. Banda/T. Bowman
 (A&B) G. Yang/P. Tsu
 (A,B&C) A. Mollard/D.
 Hornback
 23 A. Kridl/T. Ross
 M. Coy/B. Schneider
 M. Maybell/H. Sung
 B. Varner/L. Sung
 30 F. Frates III/G. Rosenthal
 R. Friend/M. Hafezi
 M. Moutoux/A. Pagin
 (A,B&C) J. Vadasz/K. Smith

Tuesday

Alpine BC

- 3 J. Von Gehr/J. Robinson
 M. & T. Sato
 V. Herrick/C. Cole
 F. & D. Chang
 10 T. Bendigkeit/H. Macdonell
 J. Flocks/L. Corbetta
 M. Marx/M. Johnson
 H. Sung/B. Hsu
 17 R. Stolee/L. Spaeth
 G. Van Deirse/C. Macey
 S. Fikes/D. Shannahan
 M. Moutoux/A. Pagin
 24 H. Bennett/E. Jacobi
 A. Levy/C. Coleman
 L. Prim/E. Beckwith
 H. Sung/B. Hsu

Tuesday Noon BC

- 3 (A,B&C) J. Chui/F. Bennett
 (A,B&C) E. & M. Muller
 10 D. Hornback/A. Mollard
 (B&C) D. Doolittle/D. Stowell
 (A&B) A. & R. Rice
 (C) F. Bennett/E. Lux
 (A&B) T. Letchfield/C. Naar
 (C) H. Harris/E. Schmitt
 (A&B) J. Green/J. Shaffer
 (C) J. Vadasz/K. Smith
 24 (A&B) R. Nelson/B. Larsen
 (C) J. Mattis/A. Soares
 M. Marx/J. Hornback
 (B) T. McCaffrey/J. Keehan
 (C) M. Partney/A. Sebastian

Under 200 Bridge Club

Combined with Tuesday Noon BC

Tuesday Night BC*

- 3 C. Hanel/P. McFerren
 (B) M. Moore/F. Herzer
 (Tie-A&B) F. Del Rosario/T.
 Shaked
 (Tie-A&B) K. Siedenborg/C.
 Larsen
 10 (A&B) M. Moore/F. Herzer
 J. Rollin/J. Hancock
 (B&C) J. Perssons/R. Winant
 17 H. Deeby/B. Figueiredo
 (B) F. Herzer/M. Moore
 A. Cummings/L. Frost
 (B) K. Talbot/R. Kilgren
 24 H. Solleder/M. Moore
 (B) L. Mohr/W. Bidermann
 J. Rollin/J. Hancock
 (B) K. Siedenborg/C. Larsen

Wednesday

Bridge N Brunch

- 4 H. Narasimhan/P. Chambers
 (B) V. Herrick/T. Kridl
 J. Burlingame/C. Cole
 (B) M. & S. Sterngold
 (B&C) C. Donovan/C.
 Henkels
 11 H. Narasimhan/D. Wheeler
 (B) E. Yanklowitz/P. Gross
 T. Ross/A. Kridl
 (B) N. Wang/J. Wu
 18 M. Yates/K. Harper
 (B) H. Macdonell/M.
 Hiranandani
 B. Beardsley/H. Corbin
 (A,B&C) C. Donovan/C.
 Henkels
 25 (A&B) V. Herrick/W.
 Pomeroy
 (B&C) K. Slater/C. Binasik
 J. Flocks/H. Solleder
 (A,B&C) D. Hornback/A.
 Mollard

Wed. Aft. 49er**

- 4 J. Mattis/E. Gorlin
 F. Charney/J. McNeil
 11 D. Lowe/R. Dolph
 F. & S. Charney
 18 R. Palmer/N. Anderson
 N. & T. Ito
 25 D. Doolittle/T. Stevens
 B. Martin/B. Bakalish

Cotton Club

- 4 E. Jacobi/L. Spaeth
 C. Haines/A. Ferman
 11 R. Gupta/G. Porter
 H. Narasimhan/R. Williams
 18 M. Mongird/F. Herzer
 F. Gonzalez/S. Wicka
 25 J. Klonizchii/K. O'Leary
 R. & J. Williams

**Includes lesson and hand records with analysis

Thursday

Sherie's BC

- 5 M. Howe/E. Worcester
 P. Kueffer/L. Frye
 N. Coyle/J. Sheppard
 E. & S. Krulevitch
 12 M. Howe/A. Drummond-Hay
 H. Macdonell/M.
 Hiranandani
 J. Sogg/D. Elberg
 E. & M. Reder
 19 C. Binasik/D. Duncan
 B. Liddicoat/L. Doying
 J. Keehan/T. McCaffrey
 T. Hall/D. Halden
 26 M. O'Leary/L. Frye
 A. Templeton/R. Kilner
 B. Coyle/J. Sheppard
 J. Keehan/L. Lettis

Thursday Aft. BC

- 5 H. Narasimhan/M.
 Hiranandani
 (B) N. Evans/A. Arnold
 (A&B) B. Olmo/V. Herrick
 (C) G. Knoll/G. Pani
 (A&B) N. Evans/A. Arnold
 (A&B) C. Lin/M. Chen
 19 H. Solleder/J. Von Gehr
 (B) J. Chognard/E.
 Worcester
 G. Kucera/H. Bennett
 (B) T. Kridl/P. Tsu
 26 M. Larkin/C. Coleman
 (B) N. Evans/A. Arnold
 R. Chambers/M. Hafezi
 (B) L. Blum/G. Leitstein

Red Club

Unavailable

Friday

Friday Morning BC

- 6 P. Saunders/E. Jacobi
 (B) L. Mohr/L. Wagner
 B. Beardsley/H. Corbin
 (A&B) B. Varner/H. Sung
 13 H. Narasimhan/G. Simpson
 (B) S. Landsman/E. Schramm
 R. Friend/M. Hafezi
 (B) C. McGorvin/C. Fay
 20 M. Berg/F. Frates III
 (B) V. Blume/R. Lachman
 (A&B) M. Randolph/B.
 Leonard
 27 L. Corbetta/R. Robinson
 (B) W. Coke/V. Herrick
 R. Friend/M. Hafezi
 (B) M. & T. Randolph

Friday Night Barometer

- 6 (Tie- A&B) G. Porter/V.
 Vidwans
 (Tie) F. Dickman/P. Talia
 (C) R. Gupta/M. Dharkar
 (A,B&C) J. Perssons/R.
 Winant
 13 J. Hoffman/L. Sink
 (A,B&C) G. Hua/J. Teng
 (A,B&C) K. Siedenborg/P.
 Cornelius
 20 A. & J. El Sadi
 (A&B) G. Porter/M. Robichek
 (C) K. O'Leary/J. Klonizchii
 (A&B) L. Wagner/B. Gilbert
 (B&C) R. Gupta/F. Gonzalez
 (A&B) L. Cicolani/J. McCloy
 27 (Tie-A&B) S. Benson/L.
 McKenna
 (Tie) C. Davis/M. Cochran

Saturday

One Club

- 7 (A&B) T. Moalem/S. Cook
 C. & W. Brigham
 (B) B. Varner/M. Petersen
 14 S. Greenberg/L. Frye
 (B) L. Lane/M. Adams
 (A&B) B. Sonsini/A.
 Templeton
 21 L. Corbetta/M. Berg
 (B) M. Larkin/I. Creasey
 C. & W. Brigham
 (B) M. Moore/J. Robinson
 28 P. Chambers/B. Beardsley
 (B) J. Lee/S. Wang
 R. Chambers/F. Frates III
 (B) J. Robinson/P. Tsu

Sunday

Sunday Aft. BC

- 1 Closed
 8 V. Vidwans/H. Narasimhan
 (A&B) G. Hua/J. Teng
 (A&B) D. & T. Fiero
 (A&B) H. Deeby/B.
 Figueiredo
 (C) S. Chen/M. Fleisher
 W. Watson/K. Siedenborg
 (B) M. Moore/F. Frates III
 (B&C) B. Varner/M. Petersen
 22 Unit Swiss Game
 29 H. Deeby/B. Figueiredo
 M. Moore/F. Frates III
 (A&B) M. & T. Randolph

*Hand records provided

DAY	BRIDGE CLUB	TYPE	TIME	DIRECTOR(S)	PLACE
MON	Bridge Mix	Open/Strat.	11:00 a.m.	Kev/Bon/Claire/Sherie	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
	EZ Bridge	<50 M.P.	7:15 p.m.	Faye Parsons	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
TUES	Tuesday Noon BC	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Walter Miller	Unity Church, YES Rm, 3391 Middlefield Rd, PA
	"Under 200" Club	<200 M.P.	12:00 p.m.	Walter Miller	Unity Church, YES Rm, 3391 Middlefield Rd, PA
	Alpine BC	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Cameron Cotton	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
WED	Kevin's Tuesday Night BC	Open/Strat.	7:00 p.m.	Kevin O'Leary	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
	Bridge 'n Brunch	Open/Strat.	11:00 a.m.	Sherie Greenberg	2639A Terminal Street, Mountain View
	Wed Aft. 49er	<50 M.P.	1:30 p.m.	Walter Miller	Unity Church, YES Rm, 3391 Middlefield Rd, PA
THUR	The Cotton Club	Open/Strat.	7:00 p.m.	Cameron Cotton	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
	Thur. Afternoon BC	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Beardsley/O'Leary	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
	Sherie's BC	Open/Strat.	12:30 p.m.	Sherie Greenberg	4000 Middlefield Road, Room M4, Palo Alto
FRI	Red Club	Open/Strat.	7:15 p.m.	Will Watson	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
	Red Club	Under 200	7:15 p.m.	Will Watson	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
	Friday Morning BC	Open/Strat.	10:30 a.m.	Coleman/Van Zandt	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
SAT	Friday Night Barometer	Open/Strat.	7:30 p.m.	Coleman/Watson	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
	One Club	Open/Strat.	12:00 p.m.	Beardsley/O'Leary	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View
SUN	Sunday Afternoon BC	Open/Strat.	1:00 p.m.	Claire Coleman	2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View

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Upcoming Events:

Sectional, Friday, November 1, at Community Ctr , El Cerrito
 Club championship, Tuesday, November 5 at noon, Alpine BC
 Club champ., Wednesday, November 6 at 7 p.m., Cotton Club
 Charity game, Friday, Nov. 8 at 10:30 a.m., Friday Morn. BC
 Charity game, Friday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. Friday Night Barometer
 Sectional, Saturday, November 9, Iron Horse School, San Ramon
 Barometer game, Friday, Nov. 15 at 10:30 a.m., Friday Morning BC
 Sectional, Friday, November 15 at Vintage House Sr. Ctr. Sonoma
 Unit Pot Luck, Sunday, November 17 at 6 p.m, Bridge Center
 Unit Sportsmanship Trophy game, Sun., Nov. 17 at 7 p.m,
 No games are scheduled on Thanksgiving Day -November 28
 Sectional, Friday, November 22 at Merritt College, Oakland

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