

# Kibitzer

Palo Alto Unit 503

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# Pro-Am Pairs on Tap Sunday, February 2

The Unit inaugurates its 2003 game schedule with the popular Pro-Am Pairs on Sunday, February 2 at 12:45 p.m. This event will replace the usual Sunday Afternoon BC game. Please make an advance reservation by signing up at the Bridge Center or other club. The sign-up should include a designation of your master point level as Life Master or non-Life Master. Players may also reserve with Will Watson at 650/479-7552 or email willwats@attbi.com or with Carla Davis at 650/961-3731 or email carlad@earthlink.net. Please, observe the Wednesday, January 29 dead-

Treasure Chest — A Win for All

The results of the Treasure Chest promotion, set up to raise money to repay the expense of the establishment of the Bridge Center, delighted the lucky winners and especially the beneficiary - the Palo Alto Unit. Barbara Sonsini, who proposed the Treasure Chest concept for the debt repayment, made it happen. She and her committee, Fabien Lubais, Robin Chambers, Lori Spaeth, Gloria Leitstein, Merle Orelove, Pat Chambers and Cres Cole solicited prizes and matching cash gifts and marketed 3000 raffle tickets very successfully. We achieved the \$25,000 financial goal with the final matching gifts by Gene Van Tamelen and Betsy Steele. The committee members donated all time and materials associated with the holding of the raffle.

Best of all, our members came through! They contributors of a variety of prizes including free lessons, Hawaii condo vacations, frequent flyer miles and so many more valuable gifts which filled 8 treasure chests, and then again as generous and hopeful raffle ticket buyers. The happy winners of the drawings held at the Unit STAC on December 22 were Chuck Lane, Larry Mohr, Bill Pomeroy, Hansa Narishimhan, Pat McFerren, Maria Brabb, and Chris Larsen. The #1 grand prize chest went to a stunned Kathy Harper.

line. Prior to game time the "Am" players will participate in a blind draw for a pro LM partner.

To save time and avoid confusion, non-Life Master players should bring a complete convention card to the event. The Life Master partner will play this card. As customary in Unit events, to create a friendly atmosphere and put the players on a first name basis, the Unit will use name tags. Remember, this is a social event and not a time for lessons at the table. At the Pro-Am in 2002, which attracted 23 tables, the winners were Marge Yates and Ella Lehner.

# Over 100 Players Vie at Unit STAC

The combination of an opportunity to earn a wealth of master points, the Unit election party and especially the drawing for the Treasure Chest winners attracted a crowd to the Bridge Center for the December 22 Unit STAC. Before the game, Barbara Sonsini, Treasure Chest chair, announced the winners of the 7 prize packages. Afterwards, Ginger Herrick reported the winners in the Unit election and then Barbara revealed the grand prize Treasure Chest winner. See other Kibitzer stories for all the news on the Treasure Chest and the election.

Edgar Simons and Bonnie Beardsley earned the top score in the two-section, 29-table STAC with a 65% game. Alan Cummings and Franklin Gonzalez with a 64% scored first in B and a section top in A. Ron Witteles and Mike Piken were first in C. The partnerships of Franklin Lowenthal-Robert Ritz and Hansa Narasimhan-Wayne Stuart also won section tops.

Find the names of all the section overalls on the Winners Circle page.

SEE PAGE 2 FOR UNIT BOARD ELECTION RESULTS.



## Six Chosen for Board

In the December Unit election, the members selected Carla Davis, Frank Frates, Chuck Lane, Merle Orelove, David Wheeler and Ethel Worcester to serve two-year terms on the Unit Board. They will form the 2003 Board with the current members: Claire Coleman; Ginger Herrick; Gloria Leitstein; Kevin O'Leary and Barbara Sonsini.

The Unit extends a vote of thanks to the out-going Board members Cres Cole, Richard Johnson, Pat McFerren and Albert Pagin. The Unit also thanks the election chair, Ginger Herrick.

## Orelove—Unit President

At the January 7 Board meeting, the members selected Merle Orelove as President. In 2002, she served as Vice President. Gloria Leitstein will fill the office of Vice President, with David Wheeler as Secretary and Chuck Lane as Treasurer.

A big thank you of appreciation to Pat McFerren and Albert Pagin who, as President and Treasurer last year, oversaw the site selection and the difficult but successful establishment of the new Bridge Center.

# Sign Up for Kibitzer E-Mail

The *Kibitzer* is available by email with Adobe Acrobat 5.0 downloadable free from the web site. The Unit continues to encourage its members and players, especially those who receive the *Kibitzer* by snail mail, to enroll, because doing so has a potential for a considerable financial saving. No need to search for a printed copy at your local club, just print it out in color on your PC. Currently, 83 have enrolled in the email service.

To enroll in the *Kibitzer* email service, send an email to Lori at spaeth@sbcglobal.net or sign up on the Bridge Center bulletin board.

# Sympathy

The Unit officer and members extend their sincere condolences to the family and friends of Ilo Creasey and Marge Morris, who recently passed away. Marge played in the Unit's limited games.

# **Bridge Center to Trash Trash**

At the January meeting, the Board approved funds for installation of a dishwasher at the Center. This will allow savings both financially and environmentally by the elimination of the use of Styrofoam cups. The Center will supply coffee mugs for the players' use.

Incidentally, it is necessary for players to discard any liquids from cups and mugs and bus their used mugs to the washer. While on the subject of drinks, the Board reminds players the Center water is filtered.

## **Belated Congrats**

Unit members Theodore Hwa and Qixiang Sun finished first in C in the NAP finals in Oakland on November 23-24. We wish them continued success at the March Nationals in Philadelphia.

Also in the Western Conference December STAC, first in the Conference went to Alan Cummings and Franklin Gonzalez in C for Sunday Afternoon and Jean Franke—Dolores Halden in B1/C1 on Monday afternoon.

# **Player Advancements**

The ACBL Nov-Jan printout shows that the following players have moved up. Congratulations!

Junior MasterAnnette Smith, David Wheeler,5 MPFran Rappaport, Michael Rappaport,<br/>Edward Schmidt, Steve BaraschClub MasterJean Hatchel, Larry Mohr20 MPGary Kao, John Mattis50 MP

NABC Master
200 MP
Bronze LM
500 MP
Juanita Girand, Ann Mollard,
John Green, Qixiang Sun
Marjorie Petersen

Gary Macgregor

Diamond LM

5000 MP





Saturday

One Club

A. Levy/H. Narasimhan

T. Bowman/M. Moore

(B) M. Adams/L. Lane

(C) C. Stone/A. Garg H. Narasimhan/H. Bennett

F. Lowenthal/G. Macgregor (B) M. Johnson/L. Kelly (B&C) R. Lynch/J. Brandon

(B&C) D. & E. Ehrman

P. & R. Chambers
(B) P. Tsu/D. Wheeler

C. & W. Brigham (A&B) M. O'Malley/E.

Worcester

Ì. Flocks/T. Moalem (B) L. Spaeth/B. Sonsini

(B) J. & R. Robinson

(C) J. & L. Mattis

B. Krop/A. Kridl

(B) J. Chognard/´. Worcester

(B&C) E. Schramm/A. Suares



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# Monday

- Bridge Mix M. Yates/C. Brigham (A&B) D. Richerson/R. J. Flocks/R. Kilgren
- (B) A. Lalchandani/E. Jacobi M. Yates/C. Brigham 9 (B) A. Arnold/S. Liebhaber (A&B) Y. Chen/J. Tseng
- M. Berg/M. Hafezi
  (B) D. Richerson/R. Heller
- (A&B)) G. Yang/P. Tsu (A&B) L Wagner/M. Migdol F. Dickman/H. Bennett (B) C. Lin/M. Chen
- R. Kilgren/H. Solleder C. Dietz/L. Foss (A&B) P. Kueffer/M. Petersen

### Sherie's Monday Game

- 2 S. Maisel/B. Litticoat (A&B) R. Hanna/J. Thornley (A,B&C) F. Zerbo/A. Mitchell S. Landsman/A. Elliott (A&B) J. Coons/J. Hornback (B&C) E. & T. Anderson
- J. Chien/D. Hornback (B) A. Suares/E. Tromovitch D. Chang/M. Wu (B) A. Mollard/B. Donoghue
- D. Shannahan/M. Fikes (A&B) M. Marx/L. Kelly (B&C) R. Hanna/J. Thornley D. Chang/C. Fan (A&B) R. Sanders/R. Pollak (A,B&C) J. Keehan/T. McCaffrey (A,B&C) R. Hanna/J.
- Thornley (A,B&C) J. Franke/D. Halden
- (A,B&C) M. Marx/J. Chien A. Mollard/N. Weiss
  (B) J. Green/J. Shaffer (B&C) J. Keehan/T. McCaffrey

Tuesday

Alpine BC

M. Yates/V. Herrick W. Pomeroy/G. Skidmore L. Prim/M. Van Tamelen

P. Kueffer/L. Frye

M. Howe/E. Worcester L. Weiss/H. Silver

L. Weiss/H. Silver
A. Levy/C. Bjorklund
E. Ruben/F. McWilliams
F. Miller/R. Singer
P. Tsu/K. Shaw
H. Solleder/F. Parsons
C. Brigham/A. Levy
R. Dannels/J. Kelsey
E. Ruben/F. McWilliams
A Levy/M Berg

J. O'Neil/J. Schoenbrun

A. Pagin/M. Moutoux

M. Larkin/M. Van Tamelen

A. Levy/M. Berg

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- Tuesday Noon BC (A,B&C) C. Neubauer/J. Chui (A&B) A. & R. Rice (C) F. Bennett/D. Lowe
- 10 (A&B) L. Mattis/J. Chui (C) J. Mattis/A. Suares (A&B) J. Brandon/M. Marx (C) J. Vadasz/K. Smith
- (A,B&C) A. Sperry/J. Jones (A,B7C) I. & W. Price
- 24 27 Closed
- (A&B) L. Mattis/A. Suares (C) D. Kelley/D. Lowe (A&B) J. Mattis/A. Story (C) G. Spaeth/M. Atherton

### **Under 200 Bridge Club** Combined with Noon BC

### Tuesday Night BC\*

- 3 H. Solleder/J. Stanczak (B) B. Briant/F. Gonzalez (B&C) C. & H. Lindauer
- H. Solleder/J. Stanczak
- A. Cummings/L. Frost J. Owens/S. Wicka H. Deeby/P. Seal
- Closed
- E. Simons/C. Lazarovici (B) J. Leaver/R. Chesler (A&B) P. Vyssotski/D. Hong (C) A. & F. Carlson

# Thursday

### Sherie's BC

- 5 C. Binasik/D. Duncan R. Jacobs/B. Liddicoat
- 12 A. Mollard/D. Hornback D. Foti/F. Omori J. Ogorzaly/E. Canning M. Parmacek/S. Waki
- M. Kelly/F. Miller M. Moutoux/A. Pagin J. Sogg/C. Kwiatek A. Mollard/B. Liddicoat
- M. O'Leary/R. Kilner J. Sogg/C. Kwiatek 26

- Thursday Aft. BC K. Harper/B. Krop (B) J. Chognard/M. Ellers (A&B) M. Slater/P. Tsu (C) M. Goodman/C. Lane 5
- M. Berg/F. Frates III
  (A&B) N. Evans/A. Arnold
  J. Von Gehr/V. Herrick
  (B&C) N. Wang/J. Wu
- G. Wheeler/R. Friend (A&B) V. Herrick/M. Sterngold S. Blum/A. Oliff (B) C. Lane/M. Goodman
- (A&B) I. Bar-Nir/K. O'Leary W. Stuart/H. Narasimhan (B) V. Herrick/M. Orelove

### **Red Club**

Unavailable

# Sunday Sunday Aft. BC

### H. Mitchell/A. Struthers (B) V. Herrick/P. Tsu

- B. & B. Luttrell (A&B) M. Moore/G. Porter
- (A&B) A. Drummond-Hay/R. Senior F. Frates III/M. Moore (A&B) M. O'Malley/E.
  - Worcester
- M. Yates/B. Steele
  J. Flocks/M. Moore
- Unit Game See Below
  (A&B) S. Malek/J. Mrazek
  C. & W. Brigham
  (A&B) C. & S. Wang
  (C) J. Green/J. Shaffer

## Wednesday Bridge N Brunch

- 4 (Tie) M. Hafezi/E. Jacobi (Tie) G. Kucera/H. Narásimhan (A&B) V. Herrick/T. Kridl (A,B&C) D. Hornback/A. Mollard
- F. Miller/R. Singer (B) N. Weiss/J. Ogorzaly (B&C) J. Keehan/H. Zoellner (A&B) A. Templeton/R. Scheidtmann (C) D. Chang/N. Gordon
- S. Blum/H. Bennett (B) M. Adams/L. Lane (B&C) E. Schramm/A. Suares F. Parsons/A. Levy (B&C) N. Wang/J. Tseng
- 25 Closed

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### Wed. Aft. 49er\*\*

- G. Gusman/M. Sternleib
- N. & T. Ito
- O. Sapojnikoff/M. Tang 11 J. & M. Newell
- R. Palmer/M. Krause J. & M. Newell
- 25

### **Cotton Club**

- 4 H. Szejnwald/T. Bendigkeit M. Harris/R. Bestock
- H. Szejnwald/T. Bendigkeit R. Williams/R. Gupta
- 18 H. Narasimhan/R. Gupta G. Venkatesh/N. Mohanram
- Closed

# Friday

## Friday Morning BC

- (A&B) D. Heller/G. Wheeler V. Herrick/C. Brigham 6 (B) B. Leonard/M. Randolph (B&C) N. & V. Gupta M. Yates/B. Beardsley
- (B) G. Rosenthal/V. Herrick (A&B) C. McGorvin/C. Fay (C) N. & V. Gupta
- 20 M. Van Tamelen/J. Von Gehr (B) T. Kridl/J. Robinson J. Flocks/R. Kilgren (B&C) C. & J. Sandberg
- H. Solleder/A. Levy (B) J. Burlingame/A. Arnold S. Blum/H. Bennett (A&B) M. Slater/H. Sung

### Friday Night Barometer

- H. Farhi/K. Humphrey (B) F. Gonzalez/C. Kwiatek (A&B) S. Chen/T. Yang (A,B&C) G. & M. Uz
- M. O'Hara/F. Lowenthal (B&C) C. Kwiatek/F. Gonzalez K. Cheng/T. Yang (A&B) B. Figueiredo/H.
- Deeby
  (A,B&C) S. Tu/P. Kao
  J. Stanczak/H. Solleder
  (B) K. O'Leary/J. Klonizchii
  (A&B) S. Tu/M. Fleisher
- (A&B) L. Cicolani/J. McCloy D. Rothschild/T. Gokcen (B) R. Ipswitch/J. Harpootlian (B&C) F. Gonzalez/C. Kwiatek

### Nov. 22 Unit Game

- A1 E.Simons-B.Beardsley A2 J.Kelsay-R.Daniels
- A3 S.Greenberg-D.Rothschild A4/5B1/2 R.Witteles-M.Piken A4/5B1/2 D.Hornback-A.Mollard
- A6 J.VonGehr-V.Herrick
- A1 F.Lowenthal-R.Ritz
- A2 G. Macgregor-T.Gokcen
- A3B1 M.VanTameelen-A.Arnold A4 C.Davis-E.Tanck
- A5B2 C. & S.Wang
- A6 H.Deeby-E.Figueliredo B3 B.Loth-B.Franklin
- A1 H.Narasimhan-W.Stuart
- A2 G.Drew-N.Honda A3 N.Wolf-P.Saunders
- A4 C.Gerlach-F.Jackson
- A5 L.Spaeth-E.Jacobi A6 M. Larkin-M.Berg
- B1 V.Vidwans-R.Gupta
- B E/W A1B1 A.Cummings-F.Gonzalez
- A2 J.Flocks-B.Sonsini A3 A.Levy-M. Hafezi
- A4 K.Chang-T.Yang
- A5 C. & W.Brigham
- A6B2 E.Worcester-M.O'Malley
- B3C1 M.Orelove-G.Leitstein
- B4 S.Light-A.Garg C2 B.Oshman-J.Samuels

<sup>\*</sup>Hand records provided

<sup>\*\*</sup>Includes lesson and hand records with analysis

| DAY  | BRIDGE CLUB              | TYPE                | TIME       | DIRECTOR(S)         | PLACE   |
|------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|---|
| MON  | Bridge Mix               | Open/Strat.         | 11:00 a.m. | Kevin/Bonnie/Claire | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
|      | Sherie's Monday Game     | Open/Strat.         | 11:00 a.m. | Sherie Greenberg    | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
|      | EZ Bridge Lesson         | <50 M.P.            | 6:55 p.m.  | Faye Parsons        | 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           |
|      | Kevin's Tuesday Night BC | Open/Strat.         | 7:00 p.m.  | Kevin O'Leary       | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
| WED  | 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 |
|      | The Cotton Club          | Open/Strat.         | 7:00 p.m.  | Cameron Cotton      | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
| THUR | 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     |
|      | BRIDGE LESSONS           | <b>Grant Series</b> | 7:00 p.m.  | Frank Smoot         | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
|      | 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           |
| FRI  | Friday Morning BC        | Open/Strat.         | 10:30 a.m. | Coleman/Van Zandt   | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
|      | Friday Night Barometer   | Open/Strat.         | 7:30 p.m.  | Coleman/Watson      | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
| SAT  | 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.  | Coleman/Watson      | 2639A Terminal Blvd., Mountain View           |
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# **Upcoming Events:**

**Sectional**, Saturday, February 1 at Hart Middle School, Pleasanton **Unit Pro-Am**, Sunday, February 2 at 12:45 p.m., Bridge Center **Regional**, Tuesday, February 11 at Marriott Hotel, Santa Clara **No games scheduled** -

Tuesday February 11, Tuesday Night BC Wednesday, February 12, Bridge 'n Brunch, Cotton Club Thursday, February, 13 - Monday, February 17-All Clubs **Sectional,** Friday, February 28 at Community Center, El Cerrito

> NEXT BOARD MEETING Tuesday, February 4 3:45 p.m.—Bridge Center

Palo Alto Unit #503 c/o Jim Turner 418 Gilbert Avenue Menlo Park, CA 94025

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