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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ACBL UNIT 549

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Giving Thanks

It's that season again. The witches and pumpkins are behind us and Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukah, and the New Year loom ever closer. As we look forward to the last months of the year, we should give thanks for all that we have. We have health, good times, and wonderful places we can share our expertise and frustrations at the bridge table. We have memories of good games and good people with whom we can share the games. We have great friendships. (Case in point...Judy Felix coming from a heart attack and a hospital bed to be with the friends and family of Betsey Illes to share memories of Betsey's life. Judy also stayed and played the whole afternoon and asked to be taken back to the hospital!)

The Unit Game this month is a very special event. The Unit Board will provide a main dish and we ask that the players bring a dish to share and a new, unwrapped toy which will be donated to Interfaith Community Services with services to North County families. All entry fees for the game will also be donated.

It is a Club Championship and an opportunity to share our good fortune. Let's come together, give thanks, enjoy good food, play a slam or two, and bring a ray of sunshine to those less fortunate.

Thanx

Sheila

Upcoming Unit 549 Events - Mark the Date

Special Games with Extra Points

BCNC - Club Championships November 5 (also Pizza Day) and 8; ACBL Charity Games November 1, 7, 9, 12 (also Potluck), 17, and 25; Educational Fund Games November 2, 10, 18, 21, and 26 (also Pizza Day); Junior Fund Games November 3, 11, 14, 16, 29 and 30; Grass Roots Fund Games November 4, 15, 23 and 28. NOTE: BCNC will be closed Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24.

LSMDBC - November games will all be Megapoint Games

Saturday, November 19th - Unit Championship Game - 12:30 PM, Lake San Marcos Pavilion

Winter Sectional is coming!

Friday, January 13th and Saturday, January 14th at the Lake San Marcos Conference Center. Jill Roberts is Tournament Director, email: jillroberts78@gmail.com. Games begin at 10:00am and 2:30pm. There will be 0-500, 0-1500 and Open Games. Also, there will be Single Session Swiss daily. Standard Fee: \$11.00 per person. **We want to encourage New Players!** Play in the Non-Life Master Section for only \$5.00 with the coupon from the flyer (available on our website at acblunit549.org - click the link on the home page)! Non-Life Masters (NLM) with 0-500 Master points.

Audrey Grant

Audrey Grant is returning to the Lake San Marcos Pavilion, Friday, January 27th and Saturday, January 28th.
Day 1 is "Knowing when you are at a critical point in Defense."
Day 2 is "Identifying and Handling the Dangerous Opponent."

The Workshops begin at 10:00am sharp with an hour for lunch (included). The afternoon session ends at 3:00pm. The Early Bird cost is \$69 per person if paid by January 20th, and includes all workshop materials and luncheon.

To register: Toll Free 1-888-400-2789 or email: cruzqueen43@gmail.com. Checks should be **sent to Escondido ACBL Unit 549 attn: Liz Nixon, 1127 Los Campaneros, Lake San Marcos, Ca 92078**

Alert!

The Unit games in 2016 will be **November 19th (Toys for Interfaith Community Services & Potluck) and December 10th (Holiday luncheon game) at the Pavilion at Lake San Marcos.** Unit Games include lunch. Bottled water and sodas are provided at 50 cents a piece and coffee and tea are free. Overall winners in each section receive a **free play** at any Unit game. Unit Games are held on the 4th Saturday of most months (November's game will be the 3rd Saturday and December's will be the 2nd Saturday - NO Unit game in January due to the Winter Sectional) at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion, 1105 La Bonita Dr, Lake San Marcos, Ca 92078. Call Liz Nixon for directions – [760-214-8999](tel:760-214-8999). The games are \$9.00 including lunch and begin at 12:30pm. Doors open at 11:30pm. Go to Unit 549's web-site www.acblunit549.org for partnerships, to sign-up for the Unit games and see results.

September Unit game winners

Open were: Alan & Debbie Gailfus followed by Rick Kerbel & Millie Garrison, Gail Pirodsky & Maria Marshall, Al Nadel & Tom Nolan and ties for 5th & 6th Ken Matson & Hazel Turner with Carol Turner & Carol Reinhart.

Non-Life Master winners for September were: Naomi Brownell & Alexandra Johnson followed by Joann Dilling & Nancy Underdahl, Lynne Litwiller & Katrina Zynda & Sandra Hrstich & Lynne Jaseph. Congratulations to all winners.

Welcome New and Returning Members to Unit 549:

Welcome to our Unit: Evelyn Kepler, Connie McCoy, Janet Tarr, Mary Thead, Linda Kieran, Bob Porter and Arlene Riley.

70% Games

Congratulations to the following players: Jack Herbert - Bob Stinner with 76.91% on September 2, DeLynn Kelly - Lloyd Kelly with 73.13% on September 12, Al Nadel - Jan Sperla with 70.83% on September 16, and Ben Bosklopper - Hazel Turner with 70.51% on September 19, all at Bridge Club of North County!

Members Achieving New Levels of Achievement:

New Club Master – Lindy Patrick

New Sectional Master – Sandy Hrstich and Leo Muller

New Gold Life Master – Tom Nolan

Congratulations to all of the above achieving new levels of excellence!

Unit 549 Club News

Bridge Club of North County

November is a busy month! Every game is a Charity game supporting ACBL fund, Junior fund and Grass Roots Fund games. In addition there are several Club Championship games. Barometer Games will have Pizza Day on Nov. 5th and Nov. 26th. On Nov. 12th the game will be a Charity Pot Luck Game.

Top Five Open Players for September: Marilyn Florin, Al Nadel, Tom Nolan, Bunny Schmidt and Manoochehr Bahmanian

Top Five 0-499 players: Dan Higgins, Ayoub Jaraicie, Henrik Lund, Margie Berend and Alberdina Bahmanian. Congrats to all!

Check the Calendar for exact dates of the Charity games, Club Championships, and Mega Point games. Go to www.bridgeclubofnorthcounty.org to find everything you need to know about bridge at the club. **The address is 2320 S. Escondido Blvd, Escondido, 92025. Phone # is 760-807-9396.** Feel free to contact the Club regarding Club programs and special games. New email: bridgeclubofNC@gmail.com

Lake San Marcos Duplicate Bridge Club

Alert! Lake San Marcos Duplicate Bridge Club is back to its roots at Lake San Marcos Pavilion, 1105 La Bonita Dr. New card fees will be \$7.00. Same location as the Unit games. Much better Parking!!! More Space!!! Nice kitchen!!!

November games will all be megapoint games.

Top Five Open Players for September were Tim Flaherty, Gail Pirodsky, Diana Fritz-Maes, Gary Beed, Wayne Holm and Janice Joerger.

Top five 0 – 499: Greg Smith, Wallace McCoy, Ken Gilbert, Paul Vaidya, Jay Patel and Tanaaz Timblo tied for 5th. Way to go top five!

Go to www.lakesanmarcosduplicatebridgeclub.com. You can see the results but also get a complete hand analysis and suggestion how each hand should have been played or defended. Contact Jean Holt for more information at 760-734-4518

Reminder: The Wednesday game starts at 10:30am and includes a **Free Chalk Talk starting at 9:30am by Jean Holt**, snacks and coffee. Players are asked to bring a bag lunch if they desire. The cost is \$7.00 for chalk talk and game. For Information call Jean at [760.734.4518](tel:760.734.4518) or Nina at [760.736.9386](tel:760.736.9386) for further information. **Address** is 1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, 92078

ACBL Ramona Duplicate Bridge

1721 Main St. Ramona, CA 92065 #101
Club Manager: Mary Ann Houston [760-789-1132](tel:760-789-1132)
houston6805@sbcglobal.net

Game times are: Tuesday at 3:00PM, Wednesday at 9:30 AM; Thursday at 6:00PM and Friday at 9:30AM. Call for classes and additional bridge activities.

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BOLD games denote Mega-Masterpoint Games.

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