

North County Inland, Unit 549

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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ACBL UNIT 549

A LETTER OF THANKS

NOTES: *Table Talk* wants to share this letter from Interfaith Community Services to Unit President Sheila Latus in appreciation for the fundraiser held during the November Unit Game. Sheila has a special message for all of you on page 3.

Dear Sheila,

We appreciate your charitable gift of \$600 received by Interfaith on 11/28/2016. In addition to your donation check for \$600, Interfaith received a variety of toys for children during the holidays! You are helping families in great need through Interfaith's 2016 Holiday Adopt-A-Family program!

As colder weather and year-end holidays approach, Interfaith serves more and more people every day. If you have visited Interfaith early in the morning, you have already seen us open our doors seven days a week to people — usually several hundred — who are in need of a nutritious meal. As they leave, each person also receives a nutritious sack lunch.

With your help, Interfaith has been able to lend a hand-up to individuals and families in crisis — providing food, shelter, employment guidance, transportation, a place to clean up and shower, sobering services, minor home repairs for seniors, mental health services, and many other services.

Interfaith's help does not come in the form of hand-outs — our intake volunteers and social workers carefully tailor all assistance so people are placed on the road to self-sufficiency and independence. Thank you for making this possible, along with the thousands of Interfaith volunteers in North San Diego County who donate their time and talents to the herculean effort. During fiscal year 2016, a total of 1,804 individuals and groups volunteered 40,600 hours. The cost savings to Interfaith for volunteer hours served was \$1,120,560!

Interfaith currently has about 130 full time equivalent staff members. We have seventeen locations and many of our facilities are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Direct client care accounts for 85% of our personnel costs. Support services, including administration, finance, development, faith services and volunteer services, make up the additional 15% of personnel costs. This is a remarkable record of efficiency when compared with other charitable organizations locally and nationwide.

You are making a vital improvement in the lives of thousands of people you may never meet. On their behalf, we offer you a heartfelt *Thank You!*

Sincerely, Robert A. Adams, Chief Development Officer

NOTE: Mr. Adams adds, "Thank you all so much!"

Upcoming Unit 549 Events - Mark the Date

Special Games with Extra Points

BCNC - Club Championships January 2 (also Holiday Party) and 12. All other dates are Junior Fund except January 21 (Membership Game - Also Club's 2nd Anniversary Party)

LSMDBC - LSMDBC will host Junior Fund charity games with lots of mega points!

Friday/Saturday, January 13-14: Winter Sectional at Lake San Marcos Conference Center.

Winter Sectional is coming!

Mark the Date! Friday, January 13th and Saturday, January 14th at the Lake San Marcos Conference Center. Address is 1105 La Bonita Dr. 92078. Jill Roberts is Tournament Manager, 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. **Partnerships:** Go to acblunit549.org/partnerships.

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

Welcome New and Returning Members to Unit 549

Welcome to our Unit: Nisha Goyal, Nina Hess, William Hess, Margery Swanson, David Greene, Lydia Kimbrough and Maggie Yeh.

Upcoming Unit Games

Our next Unit games will be February 18th and March 25th. Overall winners in each section receive a **free play** at any Unit game. Unit Games are held on the 4th Saturday of most months (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.

With Sadness

We regret to inform our members that a former board member, Nancy Scott has passed away. Nancy was a very loyal member of the Lake San Marcos Bridge Club. If you want to send a card her family is picking up her mail at her address: 1673 La Verde, Lake San Marcos, CA 92078. If you have any questions about Nancy's passing you can call Jean Holt or Nina Laughbaum.

November Unit game winners

Open were: Richard Stryker & Gene Katz followed by Jill Roberts & Art Foeste, Doris Nizzi & Jean Jantz, Chuck and Madonna Donaldson, Hazel Turner and Carol Cicotte and Rex & Sheila Latus.

Unit game Non-Life Master winners for November were: John Columbe & Dorothea Williams, Erica Federman & Trish Frinell, Julie Watkins & Angela Tilaro and Sandy Hrstich & Lynn Jaseph. Congratulations to all winners.

November 70% Games

Congratulations to the following: John and Rima Sharron - 70.27% on 11/23/16 - Lake San Marcos Bridge Club; Dan and Bejai Higgins - 72.22% on 11/1/16 - Bridge Club of North County; Dan and Bejai Higgins (again!) - 72.22% on 11/8/16 - Bridge Club of North County; and Nancy Shirley and Dorothea Williams - 71.88% on 11/21/16 - Bridge Club of North County

Members achieving new levels of achievement

New Junior Master – Audrey Clarke and Pat Lenowsky

New Club Masters – Brad and Yvonne Hall

New Sectional Masters – Susan Davis and Kennett

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - HEARTFELT THANX

Heartfelt thanx from me and the board of Unit 549 to all who participated in the Unit's November Toy Drive. There was a multitude of toys (see aclblunit549.org for pix) donated by the bridge players and the director. We donated all the entry fees to Interfaith Community Services. The fees plus other monetary donations added up to almost \$900.

Thanx also to members of the board who helped set up the room. Thanx to Nancy Shirley and her Bells for bringing us the joys of the season with their lovely voices.

Remember to make plans to play in the Sectional January 13 & 14 at the Convention Center at Lake San Marcos Resort.

Best wishes for a sweet and joyous New Year.

Sheila

Unit 549 Club News

Bridge Club of North County

January is another month full of Special events and Megapoint games! January 2nd is the annual Holiday Party for both games and a Club Championship game. January 21st is our 2nd Anniversary game and a Membership game. All remaining games will be Junior Fund Charity games.

Top Five Open Players for November: Tim Flaherty, Al Nadel, Joe Houde, Tom Nolan and Sue Compton.

Top Five 0-499 players: Dan Higgins, Ken Patrick, Alberdina Bahmanian, Bejai Higgins, and Dorothea Williams. 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

LSMDBC will host Junior Fund charity games with lots of mega points! The Charity for December was the Lake San Marcos Kiwanis Toy Drive.

Top Five Open Players for September were Tim Flaherty, Wayne Holm, Janice Joerger, Lane Campbell, Rima & John Sharron.

Top five 0 – 499: Valerie Gwin, Ron Anson, Ross Penne, Ed Zevely, Jamie Detweiler and Sharon Singleton. 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: 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!!!

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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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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BOLD games denote Mega-Masterpoint Games.

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