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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF ACBL UNIT 549

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is that time of the year again when we need to remind you that our annual members meeting will be held at our Unit Game on November 18th at the Pavilion. There will be an election to fill the board seats that become open on a 3 year rotating basis. I will have more specifics in next month's President's message.

Speaking of the Board, so just what have they been doing lately? We have been working with Unit 531 to make more sectional tournament options available to our Non Life Masters. Our second sectional for this year was held on August 12th. Thanks to all the board members and volunteers who helped make this happen. The Board is always looking for ways to help and promote the clubs within our unit. This year we provided a \$500 grant to each club for equipment and supplies. We heard from many of you that it would be nice to have side tables at the unit game so we just completed the purchase of 39 new side tables.

We have a few things coming up that you will want to remember so mark your calendar. The September unit game will be held on September 17th at the Pavilion. This is a Sunday so you will need to record that football game so you can play bridge that day. The Lungevity Charity game will be held again this year on October 8th at the BCNC.. Unit members have been great supporters of this event so make sure you sign up early to get your spot. And lastly, we are about to have a centenarian amongst us. Al Nadel will have his 100th birthday on October 8th and we will be celebrating this milestone at the regularly scheduled game at the BCNC on Monday, October 9th. Make your plans to be there.

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Upcoming Unit 549 Events - Mark the Date

Special Games with Extra Points

BCNC - Club Championship Games September 13 and 22; Membership Games September 4 (also Labor Day Party) and 21; Grass Roots Fund Game September 12. All other games are International Fund Games.

LSMDBC - All September Games are International Fund Games

Sunday, September 17 - Unit Championship Game, Lake San Marcos Pavilion, 12:30 pm

IN APPRECIATION

By Dorothea Williams

After sixteen years of service as Secretary of Unit 549 and contributing author of Table Talk, Liz Nixon is scheduled to retire at the end of 2017. Liz became Secretary of Unit 549 under President Matt Belau (3 years), she then continued under Bill Sperry (6 years), and when Bill turned the gavel over to Sheila Latus, Liz stayed on for Sheila's two terms (6 years). She is now serving under Art Foeste, our current President. As her retirement approaches, Liz has graciously agreed to mentor yours truly, Dorothea Williams, for a few months as I step into her role as Secretary and Table Talk Contributor.

We all want to thank Liz for her years of service and contribution to the success of our Unit. She has truly been a remarkable resource, and her shoes will be hard to fill! Although she is retiring from some jobs, she will continue to be responsible for securing the Lake San Marcos locations for the Unit games and annual Winter Sectional.

Alert! Save the Date!

Sunday, Oct. 8th! The Fourth Annual Lungevity Charity Game (providing funds for research for early detection and cures). Get your partner and contact Jean Holt to reserve your spot. Location is Bridge Club of North County. A VERY nice lunch will be included. All it takes is a \$25 charitable donation (fully tax deductible) made out to Lungevity Foundation. Lunch will be served at 11:30am (sponsored by Liz Nixon's World of Travel and Dot Swanger) and game will start at 12:30pm. Game fees and beverages provided by BCNC. To sign up or get further info contact Jean Holt at jnnhlt582@gmail.com or 760-458-4550.

Upcoming Unit Games

Our next Unit games will be **Sunday, September 17th, Saturday, Oct. 28th and Saturday, November 18th at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion**. Winners in each section receive a **free play** at the next Unit game. Unit Games are normally held on the 4th Saturday of each month at the Lake San Marcos Pavilion or Conference Center, 1105 La Bonita Dr, Lake San Marcos, CA 92078. Please note the September change to Sunday, the 17th. Call Liz Nixon for directions – 760-214-8999. The games are \$9.00 including lunch and begin at 12:30pm. Doors open at 11:30am. Go to Unit 549's web-site www.acblunit549.org for partnerships, to sign-up for the Unit games and to see results.

Unit Game Winners

Overall winners in the Unit 549 Open game July 22nd were: Hazel Turner & Ken Matson, followed by Bunny Schmidt & Penny Berman, Janis & Lynn Wells, Ronald Kay & Joe Houde, Rex & Sheila Latus, and Gary Beed & Ethel Warner.

Overall winners in the Non-Life Masters Section were: Lynne Jaseph & Mary Loucks, Lynne Litwiller & Katrina Zynda, Dean & Joanne Cunningham, Joann Dilling & Nancy Underdahl, and Fred Kaufman & Trish Frinell. Congratulations to all!

70% Game

Fran White and Dorn Bishop played a 72.69 game on July 26th at BCNC - Congratulations!

Welcome New and Returning Members to Unit 549

Welcome New Members: Sharon Feingold and Skip Mueller.

Welcome Returning member: Fran Subar.

Members Achieving New Levels of Achievement

New Sectional Master - Sharon Greene

New Advanced NABC Master - Carey Simkin

New Silver Life Master – Cheryl Fosdick

New Gold Life Master – Penny Berman

Unit 549 congratulates all of the above for achieving these new levels of excellence and awards them a free play at the next Unit game.

Unit 549 Club News

Bridge Club of North County

Alert! September games at BCNC are Megapoint and Charity games supporting the International Fund, Membership Fund and a Club Championship game on Wednesday, Sept. 13th. First, second and fourth Saturdays are Pizza Day Barometer Games, the third Saturday is a Pot Luck and Barometer Game, and the fifth Saturday is Swiss Teams (this month it's on the 30th).

There will be a special Labor Day Party on Monday, Sept. 4th. The food will be catered by the club and everyone playing that day is invited to lunch. The 499er group playing in the morning is welcome to stay and the afternoon game crowd should come early enough to allow time for everyone to eat before we start the game at 12:30.

Check the Calendar for exact dates of the Charity games, Club Championships, etc. 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

Our new Weekly 0-99 game every Wednesday at 9:00am is off to a good start with three or four tables every week. We'd like to grow this game, so all of you newbies who are a bit shy of playing in the open games would find this friendly game a very attractive alternative. Cost is \$8.00 and includes coffee, tea, and snacks. Contact Sue Compton if you need a partner. comptons@cox.net

Additionally, BCNC is sponsoring an EasyBridge 3 class, which begins Monday afternoon, October 2, at 4:15PM and Saturday morning at 9:00AM. Each lesson will be presented twice; first on Monday and repeated on Saturday – so you can attend either or both classes each week. Cost is \$119, which includes the book (a \$12 value). For more information or to sign up for the class, contact Bill Butler at billbutlerbridge@gmail.com or visit the BCNC website at www.bridgeclubofnorthcounty.org

Top Five Open Players for July: Bunny Schmidt, Holly Aufman, Tom Nolan, Marilyn Florin, and Sheila Latus.

Top Five 0-499 players for July: Ken Patrick, Lindy Patrick, Ayoub Jaraicie, Alberdina Bahmanian and Angela Jaraicie. Congratulations to all of these fine players.

Lake San Marcos Duplicate Bridge Club

The Club charity supported in July was Esperanca. All September games will be International Fund games.

Top 5 Open Players for July: Tim Flaherty, tied for second: Rima Sharron and John Sharron Jr, followed by Lane Campbell, Steve Reid, and Maria Marshall.

Top 5 Non-life Master players for July 0-499: Ron Anson, Valerie Gwin, Jon Lelevier, John Coulombe, and Patricia Reid. Congrats to all.

To see results and get a complete hand analysis and suggestion how each hand should have been played or defended, go to www.lakesanmarcosduplicatebridgeclub.com. Contact Jean Holt for more information at 760-734-4518

Reminder: Lake San Marcos Duplicate Bridge Club games are at Lake San Marcos Pavilion, 1105 La Bonita Dr. This is the same location as the Unit games. The Wednesday game starts at 10:30am and includes a **Free Chalk Talk starting at 9:30am by Jean Holt**, snacks and coffee are provided. Players are asked to bring a bag lunch if they desire. The cost is \$7.00 for chalk talk and game. For further information call Jean at [760.734.4518](tel:760.734.4518) or Nina at [760.736.9386](tel:760.736.9386).

ACBL Ramona Duplicate Bridge

For friendly, casual bridge in a charming club setting, you are invited to take a drive to this club where hospitality rules! You will be welcomed when you come and enchanted when you leave.

Located at 1721 Main St. Ramona, CA 92065 #101. The Club Manager is Mary Ann Houston.

Game times are: Monday 6:00pm – 9:30pm, Thursday Night 6:00pm – 9:30pm, Friday mornings: Open 9:30am – 1:30pm; 0-499 NLM 9:30am – 12:30pm. Tuesday Lessons: Call [760-789-1132](tel:760-789-1132), or email Mary Ann at houston6805@sbcglobal.net for further information about classes and additional bridge activities.

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SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

Unit 549 Board Members:

President - Art Foester; **Vice-President** - Jill Roberts; **Secretary** - Liz Nixon; **Treasurer** - Ken Matson;
Membership Chair - Sheila Latus; **Electronic Contact** - Sheila Latus; **Disciplinary Chair** - Sheila Latus;
Recorder - Liz Nixon; **Tournament Chair** - Trish Frinelli; **Hospitality** - Hazel Turner & John Coulombe;
Secretary Back-up - Dorothea Williams

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