

UNIT 505 ELECTION 2011 - 2012

BOARD of DIRECTORS
ELECTION

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CANDIDATE STATEMENTS



Dan Fong Greetings. I'm a relatively new face when it comes to duplicate bridge. When I retired in 2006 from a long career at the California Energy Commission, I started to play duplicate after many years of party bridge. I'm sure most of you would agree that duplicate is a marvelous test of knowledge and skill, as well as a very enjoyable competitive and social activity. I still have a lot to learn about the game, both at the table and behind-the-scene where we depend on volunteers to represent our membership in many different ways. To sustain and increase participation at our local clubs and larger tournaments, a number of current board members approached me to seek my service as a new board member for 2011. While I have no silver bullets when it comes to solving problems or a magic wand to spin gold from straw, I am a good listener and can help make rational decisions required of our board. I seek your support and if elected I will endeavor to make playing duplicate bridge in Unit 505 a satisfying experience for all of our members.



Paula Hershenson (incumbent) began playing bridge in her early 20's, skipping party bridge entirely and jumping straight into duplicate. As the mother of three young children she wanted something intellectually stimulating. Bridge seemed to qualify so she signed up for lessons at the local duplicate club. Bridge later became a social outlet as well as intellectual exercise. Paula has taught beginners bridge and enjoys mentoring players who want to strengthen their game. She is a resident of Sun City Lincoln Hills and a member of their duplicate bridge club.



Monrad Monsen (incumbent) The purpose of my life's activities has been service to my community. This has resulted in 60 years of Boy Scouting, 30 years of Masonry, 20 years of Lions Club, 45 years of teaching secondary school, and 31 years in the Army Reserve. I started beginning tournament bridge only 8 years ago and am now in the 270 master point range—a long ways from a fast starter in collecting ACBL points. I enjoy the game, the people I meet, and the opportunity to serve the bridge community as Unit 505 Treasurer. The Unit is successful and growing membership. Please vote for me to serve as a Unit Board Member. Thank you.



Elizabeth Sachs I am a retired clinical social worker living in East Sac with my two cats. When I am not at the bridge table I am planning my next trip. Morocco is on the calendar for March – it will be my 36th country. I also a volunteer for Society for the Blind and dabble around with pottery. I would like to serve on the board of Unit 505 with the goal of reducing the emphasis on food and increasing participation of the general membership in hosting events such as the Sectionals.



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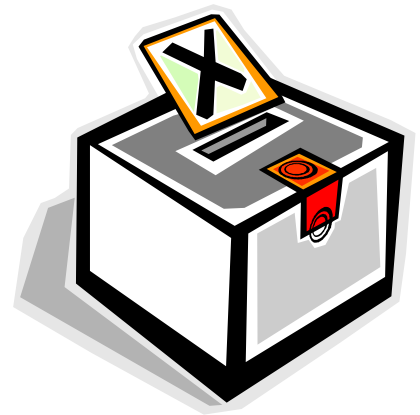
Piper Smith-Fein (incumbent) I was a Court Reporter for 33 years and had my own deposition business for 11 years in San Jose. I was an avid snow skier, water skier, and golfer until I had my second hip replacement. Being the parent of a mentally challenged daughter, I am involved in several Mental Health Associations. I took up bridge on a fluke and got "trapped". I wish I had learned this game years ago. I also am a newlywed, having met Sheldon Fein 5 years ago, when as a rookie bridge player, I sat at his table and I doubled my own partner. He rapidly called The Director. We were married in September. Best "bid" I ever made.



Sue Tuana Sue is on vacation and was unavailable to write a candidate's statement.



Dennis Uthe I have been playing duplicate bridge for the last 18 months. I have been playing at the Dante Club, Folsom, and Roseville. So, perhaps you have seen me at one of these clubs. (I was the one in the corner crying after most games). I have been asked to run as a member of the Unit Board and am glad to be able to do so. (I'm able since my wife said I could). I was a career officer in the Air Force and well as an Optometrist for Kaiser for 19 years. In the past I have been an officer or president of various organizations. I have recently retired and have the time to be on the board. When I am not at the bridge table I am on the golf course, managing my wife's office remotely, or trying to learn Spanish (the later being harder for me to learn than bridge). It will be my pleasure to represent you on the board if you so choose me to do so.



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BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS**

You must follow these instructions to ensure your ballot will be received and counted:

- A. Vote for six (6) candidates on the ballot below.
- B. Fill in your ACBL number, print and sign your name on the return address section.
- C. Return your ballot. You have three options for returning your ballot:
 - 1. Deposit at any of the Unit's Bridge clubs prior to December 5, 2010.
 - 2. US Mail—Fold the ballot on the dotted lines with the candidate's names to the inside and the Unit's address on the outside. Staple or tape the ballot at the top so it will not open in the Post Office's automated equipment. Affix a stamp and mail by December 5, 2010.
 - 3. Bring to the Sacramento Sectional to be held December 3, 4 & 5, 2010.

D. ALL BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 5, 2010.

The ballot is designed so that all identifying information (your name and ACBL #) will be torn off before your ballot is tabulated.

The ballots will be opened and counted on Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at 10:30 A.M. at the Folsom Bridge Center. You are invited to witness the tabulation of the ballots.

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VOTE FOR SIX (6)

If more than six (6) boxes are checked, none of the checks will be tabulated.

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| <i>Paula Hershenson</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Monrad Monsen</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Elizabeth Sachs</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Piper Smith-Fein</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Sue Tuana</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Dennis Utthe</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Step 2: FOLD HERE & TAPE or STAPLE CLOSED

ACBL # _____

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Address _____

Joan Bailey
3119 Turner Street
Placerville, CA 95667

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Step 1: FOLD HERE FIRST & TAPE or STAPLE CLOSED