

As you read the following, you will note the changes that happened during our Unit 174 Board meeting.

Betty Starzec thanked the members whose term on the board expired, namely Karen Nussbaum and Hallie "Peaches" Eads. We welcomed the newly elected members, Carol Jewett, Wolf Schroeter and the re-elected Lesley Kellet. Since Betty's term as president ended, it was time to elect another president. Guess who? By the picture above you see it is Brigitte Sandifer. I will try to uphold the standards that Betty set, but those are awfully big shoes to fill, but again, I will try.

Steve Vaughn Election Sectional

We had a very successful tournament with 259.5 tables and were especially happy to have 28.5 tables of 299's in that total. Four pairs of 299's were added on Sunday afternoon to the open game. There was a small problem on Saturday, as we temporarily ran out of bottled water, but Door Dash helped us out till we were able to go and purchase more for the Sunday games. And yes, we made a nice profit, even though the finals are not in as I write this note.

Nearly Summer Sectional

The tournament will be held at Shriner's once again. The Daughters of the Nile (Shriner Lady's) will again prepare Box Lunch Sandwiches with cookies and chips, but they reduced the price back to \$10 to ease the accounting. The profit they make from those box lunches goes to the Shriner's Hospital for Children. Our flyers were already printed with a cost of \$11, so we all can have a \$1 discount on lunch.

August Sectional Tournament

Kas Rangan, President of Bridge Club of Houston aka BCoH attended our meeting and a contract was signed to hold the August tournament at their club on Louetta Road. Details have not been finalized, but will be published once a committee has been established.

Now I need to tell you the sad news. Betty's term on the board was not over, but she decided to resign as a board member. To fill the now vacant position, the board decided to appoint Lauri Laufman to complete Betty's term that ends April 2027. Lauri's expertise and background from her prior Unit 174 and D16 positions will help us to continue our voyage.

Please make your plans to attend our tournaments, and I thank you for doing so.

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