



THE FRIENDLIEST BRIDGE CLUB

TABLE TALK

MEET THE MASTERS



**Rich Wasser
Gold Life Master**

Rich Wasser is a Renaissance man—in his job history, in his hobbies, and in his fitness. With 3,227.4 masterpoints to date, 14th highest in our unit, Rich is a Gold Life Master. He enjoys the challenges of duplicate bridge but stopped playing in tournaments about 15 years

ago.

Terry Tweedt, a college classmate, introduced Rich to bridge at Cal Western University in Point Loma. An all-CIF basketball guard for two years and a League MVP in high school, Rich was offered over 50 scholarships to colleges including UCLA and USC but fell in love with Point Loma when he visited its campus located on a hill overlooking the ocean. He accepted their full-ride scholarship and graduated with a BA in history followed by a masters in Physical Education from LA State University.

Rich's Renaissance of work started with teaching elementary school for four years and then teaching PE for 15 years at Long Beach City College. After that, he opened and operated moped stores in Lakewood and South Bay for four years. For 50 years, he also worked as a licensed real estate broker

and a professional auctioneer for factories, retail, and real estate. Rich was introduced to auctioneering while helping his auctioneer dad since junior high. Although he "retired" in 2014, he still dabbles in both, "I'll be doing a small auction this coming weekend."



Rich was introduced to duplicate early in his bridge career when he and Terry played in a game at the Hotel Del Coronado in 1966. Through the years he played social bridge as well as duplicate at Long Beach Bridge. Rich recalled, "The director didn't play bridge so, after the game

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Status Changes

NABC Master

Paul Chen

Gold Life Master

Judy Jones

Diamond Life Master

Bill McClean



Judy Jones
Gold Life Master

70's Club Big Games



On July 12 Kim Wang and Louis Shen won in a field of nine table, scoring 70.24%



Alan Olschwang and Ken Miller, his brother-in-law from Australia, scored 70.54% in the STaC game on July 23rd in a field of 8 tables.



Jackie Hess and Cory Hand did it again! They had a 72.62% game in a field of 10 tables at the Unit game.



At the Leisure World Bridge Club on July 23rd, Larry Slutsky and Russell Gray had a 70.54% game in a field of 6 tables.



"Wild" Bill McClean
Diamond Life Master



John Gallagher
Life Master*

John celebrates his new Life Master status with partners Fern Dunbar, Paul Pettler, Lillian Slater, and Ardie

*Editor's Note: John's status will be officially reported by ACBL in September.

Los Angeles Regional Recap

Face-to-face regional bridge returned to Los Angeles county on July 4, 2022. It was exciting to test your skills in a tournament setting. Long Beach Bridge Center boasted many wins - red and gold points flowed to several members. Of note was John Galligher's change to Life Master status after a win in Tuesday-Wednesday Knock-out competition. Also we are proud to announce the top two winners of the Pro-Am were also Long Beach Bridge members. Congratulations to Marcia Lane, playing with Pro, Weishu Wu, and Melinda Wilson, playing with Pro Ellis Feigenbaum.



Marcia Lane and Weishu Wu



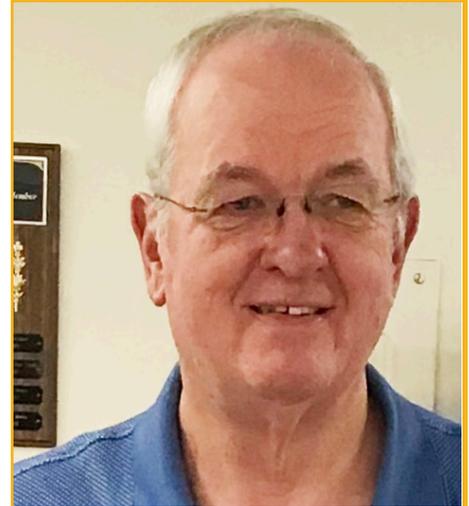
E. Feigenbaum & Melinda Wilson

Our Sympathies to the Friends and Family of



Bill Wilson
1924-2022

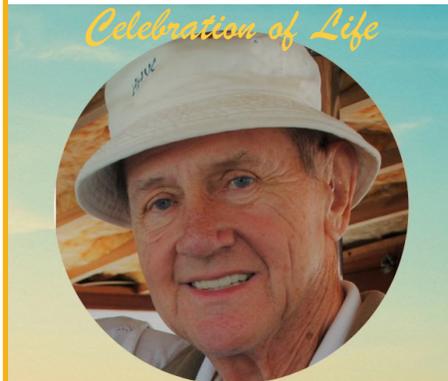
Bill Wilson passed peacefully in his home. Bill was a Gold Life Master.



David Hoyt
1947-2022

David Hoyt passed away on July 17 after an extended stay in the hospital.

David was a friend and bridge partner of Renee Hoffman. Renee shared a story of seeing a cat, much like the mechanical cat David had at the hospital, the night David died. To her, it was a message that David was all right.



William Howard Wilson
12/21/24-7/6/22

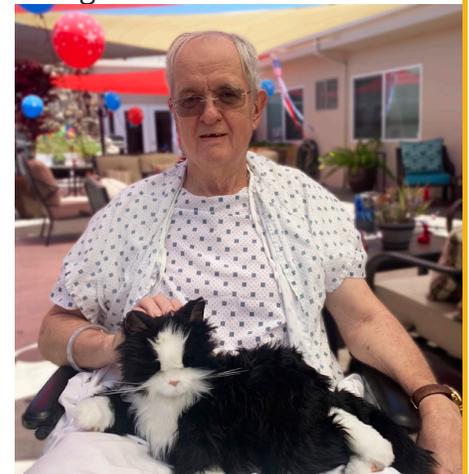
Sunday, August 7 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM PT

Bill Wilson's daughters: Janet Wilson, Karen Branoff, Carole Stinson

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Huntington Beach, CA 92649

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started, he would go through a connecting door to the bar next door. If you had a director's call, you would have to go into the bar and get John." Rich even reconnected with Terry at the club about ten years ago when they both happened to play there at the same time, "It was special to see him after all these years. He was a good friend as well as my first bridge partner."

Rich's long-term partners are Jon Yinger, Earl Van Der Vord, and Mike Welsh. Rich still plays twice a week at the club. His advice to newer players is "Don't worry about having enough time to play. Play when it fits in your schedule. Enjoy the game and you'll continue to play."

As much as Rich enjoys bridge, it is his second favorite hobby with beach volleyball eclipsing it. Introduced to this sport by the man who recruited him to Cal Western, Rich has been playing ever since. Today he plays three times a week at the Belmont Shore volleyball courts. Just last weekend, he and his teammates won the handicapped Dinosaur tournament for the third year in a row. "I'm older than the other players so we get extra points but have always won without them." With his fair complexion, Rich laughingly explained, "I cover up everything when I play but



still end up with a sunburned face." Rounding out his Renaissance of fitness, Rich runs three times a week.

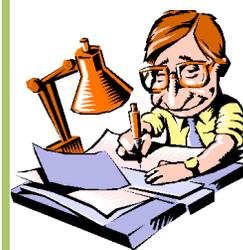
Having lived in Long Beach most of his life, Rich bought a house in Rolling Hills twenty years ago. He added, "I found myself driving back and forth to Long Beach four times a week for bridge and volleyball, so we moved back." When he returned 10 years ago, he bought his electric bike to ride to his hobbies from the Peninsula. He said, "I don't pedal since I get my exercise with beach volleyball and running. The bike is just my transportation."

Rich added, "I am happily married to Debbie and have two sons and a new three-month-old granddaughter Amelie. We are blessed that they all live locally." Another thing people don't know about Rich is that he was inducted into the Montebello High School Hall of Fame in 2014.

When Rich comes to your table, get ready to "dig and block" his bridge game before he is "going, going, gone" to the next table!

by Lillian Slater

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Tell us the tale of your path to Life Master. Are you celebrating

a milestone?

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2022 年第五屆橋牌論對邀請賽
2022 CKUAASC 5th Bridge Open Pairs Tournament

@ Long Beach Bridge Center: 4782 Pacific Coast Hwy, Long Beach, CA 90804



比賽日期：August 13, 2022 (Saturday)

比賽時間：12:30 pm - 4:00 pm (Check-in: 12:00 pm noon)

Follows with Awards Presentation Ceremony

比賽項目：橋牌論對賽 (Open Pairs – Match Points scoring)

報名費用：每人 10 元 (Entry Fee: \$10/person)

獎勵辦法：Winners will receive ACBL Master Points and
CKUAASC Special Appreciation Awards.

Special Note: All participants are required to comply with Long
Beach Bridge Center's COVID-19 Policy



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