# The Back Page March, 2016

#### LABC Winter Sectional Tournament

Thank you to all who attended our Sectional tournament, making the event a great success.

## New Bridge Club Location

We are close.....stay tuned for final details regarding the move-in date to our new club.

## Mentor/Mentee Program – 2016

We will once again sponsor a Mentor/Mentee program this spring. Mentor/Mentee teams will play at least six times between March and May, with a celebration game to be held in June. There is still time to sign up. Please contact Candi Conway at 502/592-0111 or cconway54@gmail.com.

If you are an experienced player willing to help a less experienced player to improve their game, please sign up as a mentor. If you are a less experienced player who wants to improve your game and play with a mentor in the open game, please sign up as a mentee.

#### Milestones

**Club Masters:** Daniel McCollough, Deborah Miller **Regional Masters**: Hilda Grider, Martha Sutt

**Life Master:** William La Rue

Bronze Life Masters: Bob Lehmann

#### **Bridge Teaser**

**Here is the teaser from February (reference acbl.org)**: According to the ACBL, there are only15 words that can be used in an auction (at our club we usually have bidding boxes for auction bidding). What are those 15 words? ANSWER:

Spades, Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs, NoTrump, One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, Pass, Double, Redouble.

In addition, there are several words that are used to signal to opponents unusual bidding: "Stop", "Alert" and Announcements. What are the 3 primary Announcements? <u>ANSWER: 1) To describe a partner's range when there is an opening NT bid 2) To indicate a Jacoby Transfer bid after a 1NT opening 3) when partnership uses a forcing 1NT response</u>

**Here is the teaser for March:** What country and card game are often cited as the oldest known precursor to the game of bridge? (Check this out for a possible answer)

The answers will be provided in next month's The Back Page.