

Hello! It's I, Mich Ravera, Unit 507 President, again.

Our regular monthly Unit Board meeting is held every month on the second Tuesday at 5:30 PM. If you want to attend, almost all of the meetings are open to all Unit 507 members. So, contact me at michravera@yahoo.com in time to matter and I will send you the invitation, usually on the weekend before the meeting. We have a couple of vacant spots on the Board.

The Unit Board has approved a live face-to-face Unit Championship which will likely have to wait a few weeks for people to regain their courage to play in person. However, this week's on-line game on Tuesday Night, January 18, is **DOUBLE SILVER POINTS**.

Those who want live face-to-face Bridge to resume on a regular basis in the Silicon Valley are still working toward how we might do that. A framework and preconditions have been agreed. Now, we just need for the world and local events to fulfill those conditions.

While everyone else was settled down for a long winter's nap, Pangjie Xu was promoted to Bronze Life Master. Congratulations!

It is with great sadness that I note that Grand Life Master Fran Dickman died this past week. Fran was everything that a Bridge Player, and for that matter, a human being, should be. I am honored to have played in the club where she played, but barely feel competent to have done so.

At the moment, the Reno North American Bridge Championships are all set to go. Several events have been or will be named for, or in memory of, Silicon Valley players whom we have recently lost. My understanding is that there will be no Championship Events in the evening, but there will be some evening games. You can see the flyer at <https://d21acbl.org/event/2203001/>. The ACBL makes decisions on the 15th of each month for tournaments to be held the next month, so watch your e-mail for announcements.

If you are having a dry January, I offer this sobering thought: You are halfway through. We've already burned though 4% of 2022. See you at the tables-- either online or face-to-face.