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BEER DUDE

By the time you reach the bottom, you'll know if the W's are in the finals (I finished this & sent to Editor Rich right after the game). Meanwhile (to steal Stephen Colbert's tag) ...

May 3 Unit game drew 5.5 for a 24-board Howell w/sitouts for most pairs. Dick-Lamar topped it; Dexter-Gordon 2A/1B; E-me 3/4A; John Love-Bob Post 3/4A-2B. May 18 BBQ Swiss drew 8 teams, which Vicki Chang's crew (Don Steedman-Lewis & Nancy Voils) topped it, w/E's crew (me-Dick-Lamar) 2nd, & Ed Seputis' U502 crew (Glenn Boyce-Cathleen Otvos-Joye Sidoti) 3rd. Top B team was Marcia Mattoon's crew (U502-ers Sarla Purohit-Lois Flock-Stuart Schneck). Only 1 tie; no more than 3 blitzes, 2 of which came in the last round. Thanx to all who showed up, to our Unit Board members who helped out, and especially to "Master Chef" Eric, who did all the meat on Fri, as we knew the pending rain would make it impossible to grill outside day of. Only Jun Unit Game is Fri 7th.

One transfer out (Helen Burke to U502); 2 rank advancers: Rony Tal to Sectional Master (50+), & Dan Kroll to Sapphire LM (3.5K+).

At da club, Carol Scott was April LM champ; Barbara Lanier the top NLM. Longest Day Wed Jun 19 (all the "gate" goes to ALZ charity; table fees \$7; I take no director fee – contribute extra if you so desire). Club Champ game is Wed 14th; 1st of 2 NAP Qualifiers (table fees \$7) is Wed 26th – "Last Chance" is Fri 8/30.

Some sad news: Long-time Board member & relief director Larry Zeni passed away May 5 from complications from a 2nd stroke he incurred in April. Per his request, there were no services, so hoist a good beer/glass of wine to him – he was an avid golfer, skier, traveler, & gourmet cook. Our condolences to Sue, his wife of 40 years, and their 2 daughters (the younger of whom looks spot-on like Sue). We'll miss him a lot – too good a guy to go so young (2 mos short of 67). Further condolences to regular (& D21 Secretary) Sandi Davis, who lost an older sister a few days after Larry passed.

May the Sharks have survived games 6 & 7 –they'll need to healthy before facing the well-rested Bruins. Warriors won't play again until 5/30, so they'll have a chance to get the injured guys back – time for a 3-peat.

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