## Hi Duplicate Lite enthusiasts

Bridge is such a wonderful game! For those of us who are at home during the early winter, it has provided us with a delightful escape from the constant rains and inclement weather of October and early November. And for those members who have headed south as "rain/snow birds" at this time of the year, they can experience Bridge with air conditioning and summer wear. But regardless as to where we are, we can have a great time at Bridge enjoying positive competition and playing with old and new friends.

We love to see you out for our weekly game sessions – and we encourage you to invite your Bridge playing friends who have not yet experienced the challenge and fun of Duplicate Bridge.



## Thursday, December 8 - Christmas Food Bank Club Championship Game

**Game Fee**: \$10.00

On Thursday, December 8, Duplicate Lite will be scheduling a *special Christmas Club*Championship Game with a focus on raising funds and collecting canned items for the Surrey Food Bank. Extra ACBL points will be awarded. And players are encouraged to get into the Christmas spirit by wearing a favourite Christmas Hat, Christmas Sweater and/or Christmas Socks on December 8<sup>th</sup>!

Our goal is to raise approximately \$500.00 dollars cash which will be donated to the Surrey Food Bank. Further, we are hoping that our players will also bring along some canned

goods and other needed items to Elgin Hall on December 8 which will go to the Food Bank.

For this game, the fee will be \$10.00 per player and all net proceeds beyond the usual expenses of organizing a weekly game, will be contributed to the Food Bank. <u>As well, our Game Directors will be donating half of their regular fees for two sessions during December.</u>
Furthermore, the Surrey Wednesday Bridge Club will also be making a contribution to our \$ drive.

In addition to the increased Game Fee, players are encouraged to bring along canned and needed items which will go to the Food Bank. Cash donations are also welcome. Donated items urgently needed by the Food Bank are listed further below in this newsletter.

It is recognized that there are many worthwhile causes which can be supported at Christmas time. However, it was felt that for this year, we would throw our support behind the Surrey



Canned Protein (Fish & Meat)
Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables
Meal in a Tin
Whole Grain Rice
Pasta & Sauce
Healthy Canned Soup
Baby Formula (Large Cans)

Food Bank which does so much for needy families in our community.

The understanding and kind involvement by our Duplicate Lite and Surrey Bridge Club players in supporting our drive for the Surrey Food Bank is much appreciated. Your contribution (s) will go a long way to helping make this Christmas brighter and merrier for needy families and children in Surrey. Thanks in advance for your support.

Items Needed by the Surrey Food Bank

## Terrific fun at the October Harrison Retreat with Barb Seagram -Belated Thanks!!

The Harrison Retreat in October featuring Barb Seagram was a big success with approximately 110+ participants in attendance. From all reports, everyone had a fun time and enjoyed a positive learning experience.

Sincere thanks go out to our Harrison Retreat team who once again devoted countless hours to make this event happen. Much appreciation to Caroll Guichon, Diana Juliusson, Lynda Bowie and Angela Lay.

## **Summary**

December and Christmas is fast approaching. We look forward to seeing you out for our Wednesday and Thursday sessions. Please mark Thursday, December 8, 2016 on your calendar for the special **Christmas Food Bank Club Championship Game.** Thanks again for your support.